
NORCEMOG

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Welcome to this edition. Many thanks to Gill Mizon for stepping up at very short notice to provide the report on the Autumn Retreat.

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NORCEMOG AUTUMN RETREAT 2016

The Norcemog Autumn retreat this year was to the Mayfield Hotel, Crudwell in the South Cotswolds. On the Friday, the journey south was one of holding ones breath, and hoping to avoid the showers which were heavy at times. Geoff and I arrived without having to put the hood up, but some of the other 6 cars were not so lucky.

We were visited on Friday evening by the local MSSC Centre Secretary Brian, who passed on valuable information regarding places to visit and terrible roads to avoid, a most helpful start to our weekend.

It was a weekend of celebrations, on the Saturday it was Isobel and Peter's Golden Wedding anniversary, and they treated us to champagne and nibbles at a pre-dinner get together. Thanks to both of you. And on Sunday it was Jean and Roy's 51st Wedding Anniversary. These two impressive events made my (I'm not telling you) birthday, also on Sunday seem very mundane.

Over the weekend we were very lucky as the weather gave us good autumnal cheer. Close by is the town of Malmsbury, famous for its Abbey with a flying monk (well next time), Abbey gardens with a naked gardener (unfortunately for us it was his weekend off) and a Lady eating lion (or was it a "tiger"). There should also be the mention of the interesting shops for us ladies to peruse and cafés for us all to enjoy. Judith found a bargain pair of boots she just could not afford to ignore. On top of which Judith and Nigel had a geocache investigation to solve which was successfully resolved you will be pleased to know. We also visited Tetbury with its connections with Price Charles (Highgrove is nearby). However, we were not privy to any royal presence.

Other places visited were the National Trust Village and Abbey of Laycock and the Westanbirt Arboretum. Laycock is a pretty Cotswold Village of roses and yellow sandstone with many pubs and cafés for Morganeers to patronise. Wonderful place to visit, but it must be awful to actually live there. The Westonbirt Arboretum had not yet taken on the autumnal colours although the maples were trying very hard. To view the wonderful collection of trees there are two circuitous routes with a café in between (follow my drift?). In order to work off the calories we Morganeers managed both routes. We noted a 2000 year old holly and several largest of species (in UK).

Our new members, Adrian and Susan had opted out of the Sunday events in order to go to Sudeley Castle to meet friends and visit the Classic Car show.

Six cars stayed for Sunday night; unfortunately Neil and Francesca had to leave, as foolishly Neil had to go to work on the Monday. As far as the weather went they may have made the right decision as Monday dawned very wet and misty and it only improved slightly as we went north. Hoods up.

We all had a great weekend, enjoying the good services of the Mayfield Hotel and the beautiful Cotswolds. Where can we go next year? All ideas to the honourable secretary Andrew.

Gill Mizon

NORCEMOG DIARY OF EVENTS - 2016 and 2017 NOTE THAT THE EVENTS PROPOSED FOR 2017 ARE PROVISIONAL AT PRESENT!

Oct 9th Gymkhana - Farmer Parr's Animal World, Fleetwood FY7 8SL - Click Here for Details Contact - Bryan Fearn Tel - 01253 891539, A. Threlkeld - 01606 852395

Nov 13th Noggin Venue TBC – John & Irene Anderson – Tel 0161 973 0169

Dec 11th Christmas Party, Forest Hills Hotel, Frodsham, WA6 6HH – Click Here for <u>Details</u> Contact – Harry & Kay Walker – Tel 01606 882772 or email walkeruk@aol.com

Jan 15th The Inn at Whitewell - Andy B. Situation to be monitored

Feb 12th Behind the Scenes at The Grand - Blackpool

Contact - Adrian & Alicia Grant - Tel 01253 727336 or Adrian.grant@taspartnership.com.

Mar 8th Committee Meeting - 18.30 TAS Partnership, Preston

Mar 12th Daffodils at Lowther Castle, Cumbria

Contact - Adrian & Alicia Grant - Tel 01253 727336 or Adrian.grant@taspartnership.com.

April 9th Lunch & AGM, Vale Royal Abbey - Click Here for Details Contact - Andrew Threlkeld - 01606 852395

April MSCC AGM - MMC, Visitor Centre, Malvern

April 23rd FBHV Drive it Day – Investigate joining other car club for the day **Action** – All committee to look for ideas

May 1st Gawsworth Hall Car Show, Macclesfield, SK11 9RN - Click here for **Details** Contact - Roy Wilkinson - Tel 01772 324134 or 07754 565955

May 14th To be Announced

Contact - John Alden - Tel 01253 726314 or 07963 253154

May ?? VSCC Vintage Sports Car Festival @ Oulton Park

May ?? Chipping Steam Fair - Action- AB to advise of date for 2017

June 2nd – 5th Irish Gordon Bennett Classic Car Run – Discounts available for groups of 6 cars 4 day festival in Ireland http://www.gordonbennettclassic.ie **Action** – AT to canvas membership for possible attendees

June ?? Tatton Park Classic & Performance Car Show – Click Here for **Details Contact - Martin Cocks – Tel 07973 488504** Dis-satisfaction with no Morgan area in 2016, possibly because we only asked for passes for 1 day **Action** – MC to speak to organisers

June ?? Cholmondeley Power & Speed Event (Formerly Pageant of Power) Cholmondeley Castle, A49, SY14 8AH Contact TorMog

June 11th Autotest & Concours To be confirmed – building work planned at Museum Commercial Vehicle Museum, Leyland Contact - Bryan Rawlinson - Tel 01995 604716

June 25th Arley Hall Garden Festival - 10 Cars Max Contact - Andrew Threlkeld - Tel 01606 852395 July 9th Scenic Run – Cheshire / South of area Contact – Andrew Threlkeld – Tel 01606 852395

August 2nd Committee Meeting - 18:30 TAS Partnership, Preston

August 13th August Noggin - TBC Contact - Isobel & Peter Moore - Tel 01253 738 201

Aug 26 – 28th Oulton Park Gold Cup – 3 day race week-end Contact – Andrew Threlkeld Tel 01606 852395

Sep 3rd Gymkhana - Farmer Parr's Animal World, Fleetwood FY7 8SL **Action** – BF to contact Mr Parr re possibility

Sep ?? Morgan Challenge Race Series @ Oulton Park Sep ?? Autumn Retreat – Ideas welcome **Action –** AT to look for suitable venues and advise

Oct 8th Noggin – To be confirmed

Nov 12th Greater Manchester Transport Museum
Contact - Adrian & Alicia Grant - Tel 01253 727336

Dec 10th Dec 10th Christmas Party – **Post Meeting Note** – Isobel Moore and Linda Fearn willing to volunteer!