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Front page pictures courtesy of Philip Shuttleworth.

Contributions to NorceMog News always appreciated.

Please send your articles to norcemog.sec@morgansportscarclub.com

Noggin News

As requested at the AGM please help the organisers by **BOOKING EARLY** for events you wish to attend. Pre-payment and menu choices required for some events.

June 6th – A mid-week get together at a private American war vehicle museum followed by lunch at The Cross Keys, Whitechapel, near Preston. [Details](#)

CLOSING DATE has passed – please contact Robin Askew for availability.

June 30th – Arley Hall Garden Festival – Free entry for display cars. **We have 1 space remaining if you're quick!** Contact [Centre Secretary](#) to grab the last place.

July 14th – Hoghton Tower, PR5 0SH – Privilege parking, Guided tour and lunch in private dining room. £32 per person – Contact Geoff Mizon to reserve a place [Details](#)

CLOSING DATE – FRIDAY 14TH JUNE

July 26th – 28th – Oulton Park Gold Cup – If you intend to take advantage of the 50% discount on tickets, please note the **applications will close early in July.** [Details](#)

August 11th – Lunch at The Buck Country Inn at afternoon tea / cakes at Lodge Murphy! - [Details](#) **Closing Date 3rd August**

Your new NorceMog newsletter editor.

I'm Roger Benton, retired, and the proud owner of a blue Morgan Plus Four (CX) purchased in June 2021. This is my very first Morgan so these past few years has been quite a learning curve on all things Morgan and one that was accelerated upwards when I recently went into partnership with David Roberts to restore a Drop Head Coupé +8. A restoration that I intend to be the subject of a series of articles in the NorceMog newsletter charting the progress.

So, a little about my back ground. I've always been keen on cars owning a Lotus Elan +2S 130/5 for about 28 years but I always hankered after a soft top with wire wheels so in 2021, having semi-retired 8 years earlier (I was working from home just in the winter and going sailing in the summer) I started looking at buying a sports car and top of that list was a Morgan. A trip to Oakmere to 'just have a look' resulted in the purchase of the rather lovely car you see in the picture below. Little did I know how much this car was going to change my life.

I am now fully retired, as off a couple years ago now, from a 45+ year career in Engineering and Underwater Acoustics, and I now look back at the time when I was working full time and wonder how I managed to be at my desk working by 7am.



My Morgan is an absolute delight to drive, for me it is the near perfect (second) car to own and it brings with it the added benefit of being a member of NorceMog.

I'm looking forward to editing the NorceMog newsletter. I need to acknowledge and thank the contributions of previous editors, Andrew who's contribution to NorceMog cannot be overstated and to Les who took the NorceMog newsletter to new heights. Difficult shoes to fill but I'll give it my best.

The newsletter is dependent on contributions from the membership so if you have an article, however long or short, that you are considering then please drop an email to me or to the club or grab me at one of the meetings.

Best wishes to all. Roger
roger.benton@icloud.com

Gymkhana

Following report has been provided by Andy Bleasdale.

A wonderful day on Sunday saw 8 cars enjoy a morning of sport culminating in the following

Glendower Paul Johnson

1st gent Paul Johnson

2nd gent Martin Cocks

1st lady Kate Robins

Concours Simon (Ed: sorry don't know Simon's surname)

End of report!

Thank you to Philip Shuttleworth for the excellent photos.



Having a Ball



At the Bar



Spot on?



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The awards.



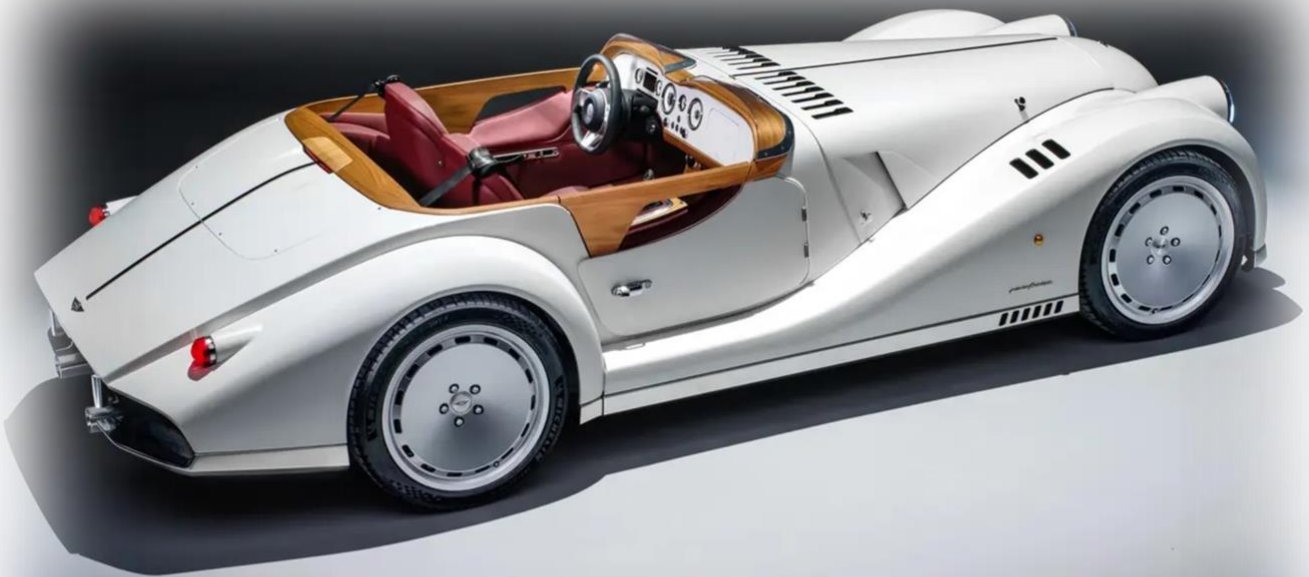
Midsummer

I'm sure most readers will have seen the adverts for the new Morgan, [Midsummer](#), though advert is probably not the right description as all 50 of the limited edition have been sold at, so I believe, a price tag of £200k.

The car does look rather lovely and, here I quote from the Morgan web site:

'Midsummer is a celebration of coachbuilding by two of the longest-established coachbuilders in the world.'

So here are a few nice pictures of Midsummer and a link here to the MMC [Video](#)





Something Nice

Sadly, I missed the AGM but I heard one of the highlights was Sue's Rhubarb cake so courtesy of Sue here is the recipe.

Simple Rhubarb Sponge

(recipe based on 500g of prepared rhubarb pieces - this makes a big cake and a small loaf tin cake. I would probably only do half or two thirds next time)

440g self-raising flour
440g caster sugar
440g soft butter
8 eggs
2 tbsp vanilla essence
4 tbsp milk

Mix all the above together and whisk

Add

500g rhubarb pieces and stir through

Into cake tins of choice

Bake @180°C, for 30 mins but can depend on size of cake tin

Allow to cool

400g of cream (whipped)

250g carton of custard

Stir some of the custard through the cream to taste preference, use to top or sandwich cakes together.

..... now you know the secret and how easy it is!!

NorceMog Events 2024



Highlighted - Events organised by NorceMog. **Dates/Events listed in Red** - to be confirmed/finalised

Jun 6 American War Vehicle Museum & Lunch PR3 Area

Thurs- Contact – Robin Askew
day Email = robinaskew@yahoo.co.uk

Pre Order
& Pre-pay

[Full Details inc Lunch at Cross Keys](#)



Jun 28 Interclub International Weekend Malvern

-30 3 Counties Showground, WR13 6NW

50%
Discount
Ends 29
Feb

Discount code = MOGIC24

[Full Details](#)

Web Site - <https://www.interclubweekend.com/>



Jun 30 Arley Hall Garden Festival, Arley, Cheshire

Free Contact Andrew Threlkeld Tel **07912 494768**
Admission Email = norcemog.sec@morgansportscarclub.com
Maximum
10 cars

[Full Details](#)



Jun 30 Lancashire Classic & Performance Car Show

At Hoghton Tower Nr Preston, PR5 0SH
Organised by Great British Motor Shows

[More Details & Tickets](#)



Jul 14 Hoghton Tower - Guided Tour & Private Dining

40 Contact Geoff & Gill Mizon
Members Email = geoff.mizon@btopenworld.com
Maximum
[Full Details](#) Closing Date = 14th June 2024



Jul 26 Oulton Park Gold Cup-3-day race weekend

-28 Contact Andrew Threlkeld Tel 07912 494768

50%
Discount

Email = norcemog.sec@morgansportscarclub.com

[Full Details](#)



Aug 11 The Buck Country Pub, Near Clitheroe

32 Followed by Tea & Cakes at Lodge Murphy
Members Contact Rosemary & Peter Murphy
Maximum Email - petermurphy@live.com

[Full Details](#)



Sep 1 Cheshire Classic & Performance Car Show**At Arley Hall, Northwich, CW9 6NA**

Organised by Great British Motor Shows

[Full Details](#)**Sep 12 Hangar 42 Spitfire Visitor Centre followed by lunch**

Thursday

Contacts - Jay Hale and Peter & Isobel Moore

Please see FULL DETAILS for contact information and trip content

[Full Details](#)**Sep 17 Best of British Festival of Motoring, Isle of Man**

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Organised by Scenic & Continental Car Tours

NorceMog members have booked this trip and contact SCCT for availability

[More Details](#)**Oct 13 Haighton Manor, Haighton Green Lane, PR2 5SQ**Pre order
Meals

Lunch & dedicated parking area at this Brunner & Price establishment

Contact David Sims

[Full Details](#)

Nov 3 TBD

Dec 8 Christmas Lunch & Annual Awards Presentation

Barton Manor Hotel, Barton, Preston, PR3 5AA

Contact Linda Fearn at lindafearn737@icloud.com[Full Detail](#)

Caption

As a bit of fun if I see a suitable picture, by that I mean funny, awkward, different, whatever; I will, if permitted, include it in the newsletter and invite captions to be written. So, to start, here is one of 6'2" me trying to either get in or out of one of the loveliest +8's I have ever seen owned by Fredy and Anna from Switzerland.

Anna is second from the left, Fredy, I think, is taking the picture. Also in the picture are John and Amanda Doyle and David Roberts on the right.

Email [me](#) with your caption suggestions and I will publish them next month. Anything and everything are considered acceptable!



I also invite members to submit any suitable pictures for the caption section. I don't promise to do this every month but as and when.

And Finally

That's the end of this months newsletter, hope you enjoyed reading it. I will be going to the American War Vehicle Museum meeting on the 6th June and Robin and Ann have planned a social run beforehand which Robin has described at 20 miles with stunning views so I certainly plan on joining Robin and Ann for the social run.

I am also planning on attending the Gawsworth Hall [Youngtimer Car Show](#) on bank holiday Monday (27th May). David Roberts in his +8 and myself in my +4 will be exhibiting. I should emphasis 'Youngtimer' refers to the car and not the driver being aimed at post 70's cars (otherwise neither David or myself would be eligible).

I would welcome feedback on the newsletter so please come and have a chat if you see me.

Finally, I was very much in debt to Philip Shuttleworth for the pictures of the Gymkhana so I would encourage members to send me pictures they are happy to be published. I would especially welcome pictures taken at meetings but anything Morgan related would be most welcome, if it is just a nice picture that is fine or a picture with a bit of story behind it.

All the best

Roger