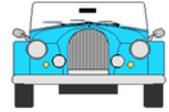




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Recent Events



Lunch at the Black Swan, Homersfield saw 12 cars and more people than Maurice had expected. Fortunately the landlord managed to fit us all in. Particularly welcome were Lee & Andrea Pulham and Steve & Wendy Hyatt attending their first FolkMog event. Thank you Kelly Hunt for organising the meeting for us – her reward was to drive Dad's 4/4 to the event having recently passed her driving test. Congratulations Kelly!

An enjoyable lunch meeting was held at the Buckinghamshire Arms, Blickling. 10 Morgans turned up despite the weather looking somewhat iffy, most of us with the roof on. Maurice & Eileen didn't have that option as they arrived in their beautiful restored F-type 3-wheeler. Fortunately the weather cleared up nicely after lunch and many of us enjoyed a walk round the park or gardens before driving home in the sunshine in more usual alfresco Morgan style.



I can't report personally on the first evening noggin of the season as some miserable so-and-so decided I had to get up at 4.30 am the following morning to go to work – no substitute for Moggging. However I understand 22 people with 11 Morgans had a good evening without getting soaked, as we did last year.

FolkMog Gymkhana

The FolkMog Gymkhana will take place on Sunday 16th June 2002, on the hard standing at the old Flixton Airfield again this year, thanks to Mark & Doreen Hadingham, the owners of Retreat Farm which embraces the airfield site. We will meet up at Flixton Village Hall, which has been hired for the day to provide a base, from 11.30 a.m. and you should arrive by midday so that we can all move off together to drive the mile or so to the airfield site to prepare for the tests and enjoy a picnic lunch. So, bring a picnic!

As in previous years we are hoping that the event will appeal to all Members and provide a fun day out, with the driving tests enjoyable for all and not taken too seriously. Gymkhana entrants must be MSCC members and drive Morgan cars, for insurance purposes. To cover the cost of equipment etc. there will be a nominal charge of £5 per driver. Having devised the past 3 years' events Maurice is running out of new ideas for driving tests to be incorporated in the event and would very much like some suggestions from Folkmog members!

Forthcoming Events

Thur. 18th April. FolkMog trip to the West Country

Sun. 12th May. Scenic Run and visit to IWM Duxford. Meet at Scole at 10.00 am for 10.30 am departure OS sheet 144 ref. 150789 or Lavenham at 11.00 am for 11.30 am departure OS sheet 155 ref. 914489 For full details see article.

Tue. 11th June. Bell Inn, Wiveton, near Blakeney. from 7.30 pm OS sheet 133 ref. 042428

Sun. 16th June. FolkMog Gymkhana at Flixton airfield. Meet at Flixton Village Hall from 11.30 am. OS sheet 156 ref. 312867 For full details see article.

Tue. 2nd July. Association of Norfolk Car Clubs meeting at Dunstan Hall, just south of Norwich on the A140 from 7.00 pm. OS sheet 134 ref. 223026 Usually a good Mog turnout and lots of beautiful cars to look at.

Sun. 14th July. Mallory Park race day. See Miscellany.

Directions to Flixton Village Hall

At Flixton, which is 2 miles SW of Bungay, turn South off the B1062 into Church Road. The Village Hall is on the right hand side approximately 300 metres up the road, opposite the church.

Scenic Run and Visit to Imperial War Museum, Duxford

A visit to the Imperial War Museum (IWM) at Duxford is planned for Sunday 12th May 2002, incorporating a scenic run of 82 miles. Of course no-one has to drive in convoy (a copy of the route is attached to this newsletter) so how you get to Duxford is up to you – some of you may not even want to go all the way to Duxford, preferring to stop at such attractions en-route as Melford Hall (NT) or Audley End House, or even to go direct to Duxford skipping the scenic run altogether.

The run takes in a number of the pretty villages in Suffolk and Essex and takes about 2½ hours, not including stops. First start point is at Scole - arrive in time to depart at 10.30 am. We shall meet up at the junction of the old Norwich road and Bungay Road, almost opposite the Scole Inn. The run should take about 1 hour to the second start point at Lavenham where there is a convenient comfort stop. Those wishing to join up with the Scole group should meet her and be ready to move off at 11.30 am from the car park adjacent to the Cock Public House, almost opposite the church.

We should arrive at Duxford at about 1.30 pm. Maurice has arranged with the management of the IWM for a Morgans Only car park inside the airfield, access to which is through the Staff Entrance. There should be signs to the car park which is on the grass triangle south of Hangar 1, close to the coffee shop. A special entry price of £6.25 per head has been negotiated and as Maurice will be invoiced for the total amount after the event please ensure you pay him on the day, cheques payable to FolkMog please, or cash. We suggest you take a picnic lunch, though there are food facilities at the museum.

Morgan Motor Company Challenge

The Snetterton round of the MMC Challenge race series took place on Sunday 14th April. The overall race and class A winner was Keith Ahlers from Peter Garland and Ricky Lloyd (who slipped down into 3rd place on the last lap when his clutch gave out and he was stuck in 4th gear). FolkMog member Chris Dady, in the ex-James Paterson group C unmodified +8, was unfortunately involved in a skirmish on the first lap and had to retire 2 laps later with his front bumper dragging on the ground, whilst James himself finished a very impressive 2nd in class B just 4 seconds behind Peter Horsman. Leigh Sebba came 4th in group C in his +8.

Apparently this is only the second time that Chris Dady has not finished in 16 years of racing. The car is not badly damaged, but Chris is – he will have his arm in plaster for some weeks with a broken bone. He should be back in action for the next Snetterton race in August though.

MSCC Race Meeting, Mallory Park

Don't forget the MSCC race meeting at Mallory Park on 14th July. This is a day event similar to that organised by HopMog at Lydden Hill for Mog 2000. In addition to Morgan races there will be TRs, MGs, minis etc. Watch Miscellany for details. Several FolkMog members intend to go and I am hoping to get the day off. Roll on retirement when I don't have to work at weekends/nights/early mornings etc. (other than for Chrissie, of course)

Roger