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Recent Events

The main event of recent weeks was the annual Planning Meeting held at the Duke's Head, Somerleyton. A good turn-out of 35 members discussed plans and options for next year's programme of events and, as usual at this time of year, most of FolkMog News is devoted to the outcome. **Please see the item on pages 2 & 3 about the trip to France next September. Only a few places left and action is required immediately if you wish to go!**

As you probably know Martin Page has retired as MSCC Treasurer, a post which he has filled superbly for many years. He was recently presented with an engraved silver salver by a deputation representing the Club and consisting of the Chairman, the previous two Chairmen, the Chairman designate and the Membership Secretary.

Planning Meeting

Register of FolkMog members

It was agreed that a register of FolkMog members' details would be kept by Maurice and, subject to individuals' agreement, distributed to other FolkMog members. A form devised by Maurice for the purpose, was distributed for completion by those at the meeting.

Centre Officials

There being no volunteers to assume any of the Centre Officers' roles all current Officers agreed to continue for a further year. Chairman, Chris Dady, said a few words of thanks to the officials and commented on last year's successful programme.

Maurice, as Centre Treasurer, reported a satisfactory balance very close to last year's.

Sandra Hunt, Regalia Officer, has a wide range of regalia clothing available and will take any orders from her catalogue. Contact her at mediquip@lineone.net or 01986 892177

Roger Tatton said FolkMog News would continue to concentrate on forthcoming events, leaving reports to Miscellany and the web site.

Alan Biddlecombe explained developments of the web site and agreed to set up a FolkMog Centre Forum for a three-month trial period. Lunch menus for forthcoming events could also be included on the web site.

Review of 2007 Events:

Thanks were given to all organisers of the 15 successful events held over the previous twelve months.

2008 Programme - arranged events

Several events have already been arranged for next year. 'Not The Christmas Lunch' will be held on Sunday 13th January at Gissing Hall. As usual in addition to enjoying the lunch, we shall have a raffle (it would be much appreciated if you could bring along a raffle prize on the day), attempt Chris Dady's quiz and present the past year's trophies. The menu will shortly be placed on the web site, so please inform Maurice that you are coming and choose your dishes.

An East Anglian Inter-Club Motoring Quiz takes place on the evening of Friday 29th February at the William Burt Centre, West Winch. Although not a FolkMog event we have entered teams in the past and Roger Tatton and Ian Charity are each organising a team for this event. If any other members wish to enter a team (4 per team) contact Roger.

The FolkMog Treasure Hunt will take place on Sunday 6th April at Lavenham. Detailed arrangements were outlined by the organisers, Alan & Pat Braithwaite. It will be centred on parking outside the Guildhall (National Trust) followed by clue solving on foot around the town, concluding with lunch at The Swan Hotel.

The MSCC AGM Dinner/Dance weekend is at Malvern on 1-3 Feb.

A good number of FolkMog members have already booked for MOG 2008 at Newquay on 13-16 June.

2008 Programme - proposed events

It was agreed to continue with Sunday lunch meetings in the winter and Tuesday summer evening noggins.

Supporting other car club events was agreed and Roger Tatton will co-ordinate the Classic Car Event at Felbrigg Hall. Details of this and other such events (e.g. the MG Owners Club Memorial Run) would be posted on the web site for members' benefit.

Simon Rayfield agreed to investigate the possibility of a visit to the Lotus Factory at Hethel.

A combined meeting with the Morgan Three-Wheeler Club East Anglian group was also agreed and this too would be arranged by Simon Rayfield, who has recently become its new Secretary.

Ian Charity's kind offer to use his premises once again for the Gymkhana was gratefully accepted as was his willingness to organise this event with the help of Alan Biddlecombe.

Although not present, a suggestion from Graham Murrell for a guided visit to Orford Ness was discussed, and Alan Braithwaite and Alan Biddlecombe agreed to coordinate with him on viability.

Alan Biddlecombe suggested the Bell, Middleton (nr Yoxford) was suitable for a noggin. Likewise Ruth Brown proposed a lunch meeting at the Horseshoe, Alby followed by a visit to Alby Crafts, which is next door to the pub (now arranged for Sunday 10th Feb).

Proposed UK &/or Foreign Trips

11 couples indicated their support for a suggested visit next year to the Charente region of France to take up one of the tours organised by Lyn Peek (past Centre Secretary of Anglemog) and centred at Lyn and Graham's home, near Cognac. With so much support Maurice agreed to proceed with arranging this trip for 6-13 September 2008.

The price of £350 per person includes:

- 7 nights accommodation in double/twin room with ensuite/private facilities and Continental breakfast.
- Welcome tea/coffee and cakes on arrival.
- Road book with detailed itinerary.
- Saturday evening 4 course dinner with aperitifs and wine.
- Sunday evening 3 course dinner with wine at a riverside restaurant in Cognac
- Wednesday evening BBQ.

- Friday evening Farewell 4 course dinner with aperitifs, wine and cognac at Chateau Mesnac.
- Entrance fees for tour of Hennessy Cognac, guided tour and tasting at Chateau Chesnel and tour of L'Hermione at Rochefort.

STOP PRESS! There are places for just three more couples left and rooms can only be held for three more days, as Maurice has to forward deposits to Lyn Peek on Wednesday 21st November. Speak to Maurice today if you want to grab one of those places!

Ian Charity expressed a hope that another FolkMog weekend visit to Yorkshire Moors

could be arranged, but because we already have a pretty full programme this will have to be deferred until 2009.

Peter Robins asked whether it would be possible to establish a link with Morgan owners abroad. It was explained that formal affiliation had to be via our parent club (the MSCC), but that did not rule out unofficial visits to countries such as Luxembourg (where the 'Morgan Club Letzebuerg' is already affiliated) as he proposed. A successful visit to the Netherlands, meeting up with members of the 'Morgan Sports Car Club Holland', had been held in 2005. A trip to Luxembourg sounds like an attractive proposition for the future.

Forthcoming Events

- December** Sunday 2nd . From 12.00 noon. Lunchtime meeting at The Crown, Great Ellingham. 2 miles West of Attleborough, just off the A11 by-pass on the B1077. OS sheet 144, ref. 020971. Post Code NR17 1LE
- January** Sunday 13th. 'Not The Christmas Lunch' at Gissing Hall., 5 miles north of Diss. OS sheet 144, ref. 143856. Post Code IP22 5UN
- February** Sunday 10th. From 12.00 Noon. Lunchtime meeting at Alby Horseshoes Inn, Erpingham. On the A140 about half-way between Aylsham and Cromer. OS sheet 133, ref. 208324. Post Code NR11 7QE
- Friday 29th. Starting at 7.00 pm. East Anglian inter-Club quiz at the William Burt Centre, Watering Lane, West Winch. OS sheet 132 , ref. 630157. Post Code PE33 0JY

I'm sure everyone can find something here to interest them—there is plenty to choose from. Remember to keep an eye on the FolkMog website for updated information and a jolly good read about what you may have missed! I hope to see you all at 'Not the Christmas Lunch', if not at some of the other great events we have planned.

In the meantime, as we won't be at the lunch on 2nd December, Chrissie and I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Roger