



FolkMog News

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An excellent turnout at 'Not The Christmas Lunch' in January; we have never seen so many attendees, 57 with 17 Morgans in the car park despite the weather being decidedly chilly. I'm sure a good time was had by all, the meal was excellent as usual, but we had been a bit worried about being seated in the marquee. This turned out to be unfounded as it was lovely and warm, though we had to turn the warm air blowers off to hear the brief speeches which are a feature of the event.



FolkMoggers enjoying their lunch in the surprisingly warm marquee at Gissing Hall

David Kennett was awarded the Supporter of the Year award and I was delighted to receive the Centre Secretary's award for achievement, so thank you Maurice. Chrissie and I also won the quiz again, so I am going to give up entering next year - it's getting embarrassing, and when the

quiz is all about Morgans, as it was this year, I feel as Archivist I have a definite unfair advantage!

The raffle raised a good amount for FolkMog funds and was run this year by Roger Coverley, in his new capacity as Treasurer, and his wife Linda.



The sun shone some of the time at 'Not The Christmas Lunch' at Gissing Hall

Future events

On 15th February we have a lunchtime meeting in Suffolk at the Golden Key at Snape, near Saxmundham. No advance booking for this event so please feel free to come along and join us.

In March we meet on Sunday 15th for lunch at the Crown Inn, East Rudham, just east of

Fakenham. The menu for this event appears on page 5 and on the FolkMog web site; Please let either Maurice or Diana (Diana@biddlecombe.org.uk or 01728 453302) have your choices as soon as possible.

The next major FolkMog event takes place on Sunday 5th April. Elizabeth and Ian Young are organizing this year's Treasure Hunt in the picturesque area of the famous artist John Constable. Those of you who came to last year's event at Lavenham, so well planned by Alan & Pat, might remember John Constable's name was one of the answers. The village of Dedham, where this year's walking clues need to be found, is in some ways similar to Lavenham. Just in case the weather is chilly they have planned to welcome us at the Sun Inn with a log fire and hot coffee. Later we will regroup for an excellent value lunch and photo shoot at the Garden Café, Ardleigh. The restaurant is part of a family-run 8-acre nursery where there will be a chance to stock up on those spring plants and award the many prizes.



Dedham High Street. The Sun Inn is the yellow building on the left.

And so to the arrangements, full details of which will appear on the FolkMog web site very soon, if they are not there already. Arrive at Dedham at 10:30 am and park in the car park between the river and the town, then walk the 200yds to the Sun Inn for free coffee and to collect your clues. The Treasure Hunt itself will,

as usual, be on foot, walking around Dedham between 10:45 am and 12:45 pm.

At 1:00 pm arrive at the Garden Café and park in the reserved places for a photo shoot followed by a three course lunch. The cost of lunch is £15 per head and Elizabeth and Ian require your menu choices and a cheque for your meals by 20th March at the latest. The menu appears on page 6, and will also be on the FolkMog web site.

The MSCC Track Day takes place at Mallory Park on Saturday 18th April. I don't know if there are still places available, contact Tony Oliver, MSCC Competition Secretary for details. The following day is the MMC Centenary run from Repton School to Malvern College. Details can be found in Miscellany or on the Centenary web site.

On Thursday 23rd April Stratton Motor Company are holding an open evening for Morgan owners at their dealership in Long Stratton, where you can not only see the latest Morgans they have in stock but also the centenary 4/4 Sport in metallic white and registered Y100 MMC which is being raffled in aid of 'Children in Need'. There may be other Morgans from the factory and you will have the opportunity to chat about Morgans to the Stratton M C staff and to Matthew Parkin, Sales Manager at the Morgan Motor company, and also the MMC Centenary Director, so you may get the latest hot news on that subject too. Other MMC people may also be there. On top of all that you also get the chance to drool over the Aston Martins and Lotuses for which they are also agents. Light refreshments will be provided.

On Wednesday 6th May we will hold our first evening noggin of the summer at the Swan Inn, Hoxne. Further details will follow.

Then on Sunday 17th May we have a new event. Chris Dady and Alan Biddlecombe have arranged a navigation test, which is also a lunch quest, as the venue for lunch is the finish point of the navigation test! Meet at The Angel Inn at

Larling from 10 am for coffee and to collect your instructions for a 35 mile navigational test driving around the lanes of Norfolk, leading you to lunch at a secret location. The test will be in 3 parts – each with a different style of instructions. (a sealed envelope will save you if you really get lost.) Ring Chris Dady on 01603 720772 to book your place and confirm your start time. Maps and pencils will be provided, but you might find it useful to bring a clip board.

There are still a few places available for the weekend away to East Sussex in September, see FolkMog News 38 for full

details. If you are interested contact either me at roger.tatton@btopenworld.com or 01603 260191, or Caroline Page at page.caroline@virgin.net or 01508 492369. We have 10 cars going at the latest count.

That's it for now. Hopefully we have come up with another varied and interesting programme of events with something to appeal to everyone. The seasons for really enjoying Morgans are fast approaching so hope to see you soon

Roger

Dates for your diary

- February** Sunday 15th February - from 12:00 noon. Lunch meeting at the Golden Key, at Snape, 3 miles south of Saxmundham
OS sheet 156, ref. 395581. Post Code IP17 1SG
- March** Sunday 15th March. From 12:00 noon at the Crown Inn, East Rudham, about 5 miles west of Fakenham on the A148. Menu choices (Page 5) To Maurice or Diana ASAP.
OS sheet 132, ref. 827282. Post Code PE31 8RD
- April** Sunday 5th April. FolkMog Treasure Hunt. Dedham, Suffolk. See text for details.
OS sheet 168, ref. 058334 (car park)
- Saturday 18th April. MSCC Track Day, Mallory Park*
- Sunday 19th April. MMC Centenary run, Repton School to Malvern College. See Miscellany.*
- Thursday 23rd April. From 7:00 pm. Open evening at Stratton Motor Company, Long Stratton. On the A140 about 7 miles south of Norwich.
OS sheet 134, ref. 197924. Post Code NR15 2XJ
- May** Wednesday 6th May. From 7:00 pm. The Swan Inn, Hoxne.
OS sheet 156 ref. 180773 Post Code IP21 5AS
- Sunday 17th May. From 10:00 am. Navigation Test. Starting at The Angel, Larling. Just off the A11 between Thetford and Attleborough. Followed by lunch at an un-disclosed location.
OS sheet 144, ref. 982890. Post Code NR16 2QU
- June** Tuesday 9th June. From 7:00 pm. The Bell Inn, Brisley. On the B1145 2 miles west of North Elmham.
OS sheet 132, ref. 668686. Post Code NR20 5DW
- Sunday 28th June. Meet at 10:30 am. FolkMog Gymkhana. Combs, Stowmarket.. 3/4 mile South of Stowmarket.
OS sheet 155, ref 050567. Post Code IP14 2EH

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Dates for your diary - continued

- July** *Sunday 5th July. Peter Morgan Memorial race meeting, Mallory Park*
- Sunday July 12th. Lunchtime picnic at Holkham Hall..
- Friday 24th July - Sunday 2nd August. Morgan Centenary events at Prescott & Cheltenham.*
- August** *Saturday 8th August. Bentley Drivers Club race meeting at Silverstone*
- Sunday 23rd August. Picnic and barbeque (bring and cook your own food). Kindly hosted by Pat and Alan Braithwaite at their home.
- September** *Saturday 5th September. Powertorque Morgan Motor Company Challenge race at Cadwell Park .*
- Friday 11th - Monday 14th. FolkMog weekend at Brickwall Hotel, Sedlescombe, East Sussex.
- Thursday 24th September. Evening Noggin. **Organizer needed please**
- October** *Saturday 3rd October. Powertorque Morgan Motor Company Challenge race at Snetterton*
- Sunday 11th October. Visit to Old Cannon Brewery, Bury St. Edmunds.
- November** Sunday 15th November. Lunch and 2010 Planning Meeting. The Duke's Head, Somerleyton.
- December** Sunday 6th December. Lunchtime meeting.

Non-FolkMog events in italics

If you know of a good pub where we could hold a lunchtime or evening meeting, and are prepared to make the arrangements please contact Diana at diana@biddlecombe.org.uk or 'phone on 01728 453302. The dates with no meeting organized can be found above.

FolkMog Lunch - Crown Inn, East Rudham
Sunday 15th March 2009

Menu Choices

£20 Menu

Starter (£5)

- 1A Prawn Cocktail with Marie Rose sauce & green salad
- 1B Soup of the day served with bread
- 1C Brie Fritters with plum chutney & mixed leaf salad

Main Course (£10) *served with vegetable bowls on the table*

- 1P Fish Pie with green salad
- 1Q Lamb Shank with whole grain mustard mash & mint jus
- 1R Roasted vegetable moussaka, new potatoes & leaf salad

Dessert (£5)

- 1X Vanilla Creme Brulee
- 1Y Warm chocolate Brownie with vanilla ice cream
- 1Z Pecan Pie with coltted cream

Coffee included

£25 Menu

Starter (£6.25)

- 2A Chicken Liver Parfait with olive bread & green salad
- 2B Caramelised Red Onion Tart with mixed leaf salad
- 2C Sausage, sage, apple & bacon Terrine with piccalilli

Main Course (£12.50) *served with vegetable bowls on the table*

- 2P Herb crusted Salmon on balsamic glazed potatoes
- 2Q Roast Sirloin of Beef, roast potatoes & yorkshire pudding
- 2R Wild mushroom & Parmisan Fettuccine

Dessert (£6.25)

- 2X Warm spiced Apple Cake with vanilla ice cream
- 2Y Raspberry & white chocolate Cheesecake
- 2Z Chocolate Mousse

Coffee included

NOTE *If you want 2 courses they must be from the same menu.*

Folkmog Treasure Hunt Menu at The Garden Café, Lawford, Manningtree CO11 2LS

Sunday 5th. April 2009

MENU

SOUP.....*Celery, Apple & Stilton Soup*
PATE.....*Chicken Liver Pate & Melba Toast*
COCKTAIL.... *Melon & Grape Cocktail*
TERRINE*Avocado, Goats Cheese & Smoked Salmon Terrine*

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BEEF.....*Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding*
CHICKEN.....*Chicken Breast with Homemade Sage & Onion stuffing*
SALMON*Baked Salmon with Herb Crust & Lemon Dressing*
LOAF.....*Cashew Nut Loaf*

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PAVLOVA*Fresh Fruit Pavlova*
TORTE*Chocolate Torte*
PUDDING*Sticky Toffee Pudding*
PIE*Dutch Apple Pie*

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Tea or Coffee & Mints

Cost £15.00 per person

Note – Please advise of any special dietary requests.

Please send your cheque for £15 per person, payable to 'The Garden Café', to:

Mr & Mrs I Young
The Valley House
Lower Street
Stratford St. Mary
Colchester
Essex
CO7 6JR

To reach them by 20th March at the latest