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Contributions to NorceMog News always appreciated.
Please send your articles to norcemog.sec@morgansportscarclub.com

Noggin News

By Andrew Threlkeld

PLEASE book ASAP if you intend to partake in any of the following

November - We still have a vacancy for the November Noggin if you have an idea. Please contact norcemog.sec@morgansportscarclub.com to discuss.

December 8th – **CHRISTMAS MEAL & AWARDS** – Please note details have been updated on the web site. Please choose your meal from the menu and forward payment to the NorceMog account.

Click here for [Full Details](#)

Booking & payment required by 12th November

Event Calendar 2025

By Andrew Threlkeld



As 2024 rapidly draws to a close it is time to look at our events for 2025. January (Inn at Whitewell) and April (AGM) are taken however all other months are available.

Would you like to volunteer to organise an event? There is a list below with some ideas or if you know of another venue / event that would be suitable please let us know.

- Lancaster Canal cruise from Barton Grange
 - [Barton Grange Afternoon, Cream Teas, Lunch and Dinner Cruises \(kingfishercruise.co.uk\)](#)
- Steam Museum, Poynton
 - <http://www.enginemuseum.org/index.html>
- Bowland Brewery at Clitheroe
 - [Bowland Brewery | Clitheroe, Lancashire](#)
- James' Places – Different venues
- The Carding Shed –
 - <http://thecardingshed.co.uk/>
- JCB tour – mid week includes lunch.
 - [Factory Tour | JCB.com](#)

- RHS Bridgewater in Spring or Autumn
 - [RHS Garden Bridgewater / RHS Gardening](#)
- WWT Martin Mere
 - [Martin Mere Wetland Centre | WWT](#)
- The Mill at Condor Green – Meal or midweek break
 - [Mill At Conder Green –](#)
- Skipton Castle
 - [Skipton Castle, Superbly Preserved Medieval Castle, Yorkshire](#)
- Lancaster Castle
 - [Home | Lancaster Castle : Lancaster Castle](#)
- St Catherines Hospice – organise a car meet on some Sundays.
 - [St Catherine's Hospice | Quality of life to the end of life \(stcatherines.co.uk\)](#)
- Bancroft Mill Engine Trust & Museum
 - [Bancroft Mill Engine Museum | Bancroft Mill Engine Museum, Barnoldswick](#)
- Anderton Boat Lift
 - [Anderton Boat Lift & Visitor Centre, Cheshire | Canal & River Trust \(canalrivertrust.org.uk\)](#)
- Keighly & Worth Valley Railway
 - [Keighley & Worth Valley Railway - Keighley & Worth Valley Railway \(kwvr.co.uk\)](#)
- Bury Transport Museum
 - [Bury Transport Museum - The East Lancashire Railway \(eastlancsrailway.org.uk\)](#)
- National Trust property visit
 - Various locations [Home | National Trust](#)

Please contact Andrew at norcemog@gmail.com if you are available to volunteer.

NorceMog Christmas Lunch and Presentations

Sunday 8th December 2024

Norcemog Christmas Lunch & Presentation

Barton Manor Hotel, Barton, Preston PR3 5AA

Cost £35.00 per person inc gratuity

Full Payment & Menu choice is required by 12th November

Returning to the same venue we have used since 2017 we invite all members to The Barton Grange Manor Hotel for our 2024 Christmas lunch celebration. **Dinner has been booked for 1.00pm and we will meet from midday for a natter and catch-up.**

The cost includes a 3 course Christmas Lunch followed by Tea / Coffee. [Click HERE for MENU](#)

Menu Choice to Linda - lindafearn737@icloud.com

Bank Transfer

Account Name MSCC Northern Centre (Norcemog)

Sort Code 40-43-56

Account No. 01160427

Cheques - Payable to MSCC Northern Centre (Norcemog) and sent to **Linda Fearn, Treasurer, Little Poulton Hall, 32 Little Poulton Lane, Poulton -le-Fylde, FY6 7ET**

NB Closing date 12th November 2023

The Hotels foundation comes from the Lancastrian Topping and Mellors families and started as a manor house built in 1900 near Preston. Barton Manor is a gorgeous four star hotel, 5 minutes from J32 of the M6, nestled in between Blackpool, Trough of Bowland & Lake District. Fifty-one bedrooms, a lovely pool, gym and spa, fantastic function rooms and award-winning restaurant run by head chef Daniel Francis.

<https://www.bartonmanorhotel.co.uk/>



We include our annual Awards Presentation after lunch. Details of the awards can be found here - <http://www.norcemog.com/Awards/Awards.htm>

Full Payment & Menu choice is required by 12th November

NorceMog at Haighton Manor – 13th October 2024

By Andrew Threlkeld



Organised by David Sims and Heather Holden, 30 members arrived to enjoy Sunday lunch at this Brunner and Price establishment on a dry October Sunday.

David had thought he could arrive first to ensure everything, including reserved parking, was ready for our arrival only to discover that there will always be somebody who gets there before you! In this case 5 Morgans and 2 members in ‘ordinary’ cars had already arrived before David and Heather. It was not a

problem as the Manor had everything covered.

The building has been lovingly transformed as a country pub bursting with character and original features and we were able to enjoy our own ‘private’ reserved area, The Garden Room, to relish our pre-ordered meals served efficiently by the pleasant staff.



We welcomed Bill Bowley (Bruce’s dad) to his first NorceMog event and he was very proud to tell us that it was his name on the invoice for Bruce’s new Plus Six! He also freely distributed golf ball markers with the inscription “Aren’t We Lucky” stamped on them. Very appropriate for us Morgan owners.

As usual, the row of Morgans in the car park attracted much attention and photographic opportunities and we thank David and Heather for arranging such a successful day. They are already talking of returning next summer when the gardens can also be enjoyed!

The relaxing atmosphere provided by Haighton Manor complimented the many convivial conversations of the NorceMoggers which extended well into the afternoon before returning home – with hoods down of course!



Thanks again to David and Heather and we look forward to next year's event!



Editor: Andrew found this interesting and sent this photo claiming it is the name at the top that he was interested in!

Our Journey to a New Plus Four; Part 2

By Simon Drew

On Friday (13th) Heather and I were invited down to the Morgan Factory courtesy of Oakmere Morgan. They had been informed that the car had passed the chassis assembly and the body was being formed ahead of painting.

We drove down and arrived for the 11:20am factory tour. We were pleasantly surprised when we checked in at reception that they knew that we had a car in build and that the factory tour host and guide would point out our car as we went through the factory.



Pic 1: Plus four chassis

As we walked up the hill of the factory internal road the tour host pointed out our car sitting outside (see pic 1) ready to receive the body (see pic 2). Where else in the world car you go to a car production line and be shown your car ?



Pic 2: Plus Four Body.

At the end of the tour, we were invited back to the chassis shop to meet the chap who had spent 2 days assembling the chassis, and he kindly added his signature and date in the engine bay - apparently it was his birthday too. Fabulous !! (see pic 3)



Pic 3: Signing of the Chassis.

Next week is the paint week and then the chassis and the body are joined together for the first time, with the following week for all the upholstery and hood fitment.


Planned completion date is the 24th September ! Though it will need to be test driven and have a full pdi before it leaves the factory destined for Oakmere where I am having a ceramic coating applied.

I will hopefully be in a position to share the finished Plus Four mid October..... how exciting !

If you haven't done the factory tour, it's well worth a visit - a fascinating insight to the manufacture of a hand made British sports car.

PS some of you will spot the different wheel nuts (brass and stainless steel) don't worry these are just put on as the car goes through the factory - we will have brand new s/s ones upon completion.

NorceMog Events 2024



Diary of NorceMog Events

Enjoy meeting up with your fellow members

Keep a check on this Website for any Event Updates

2024

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

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](#)



And Finally

Thanks for all the contributions. As always, I would encourage members to submit articles and/or photos.

Some might know that I have a share in a project with David Roberts to build a Morgan Drop Head Coupé. We reached a bit of a milestone this month, the chassis with a new ash frame and bulkhead are now back home. Here is what she looks like now:



All the best: Roger
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