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Noggin News

September 13th – Mid-week social run and visit to trout farm – [Details](#)

September 27th – *Invitation from DevaMog* – Visit to Claymills Pumping Station [Details](#)

October – Mid-week visit to Abbeywood Estate & Gardens (CW8 2HS). Details being finalised.

November – Currently available, ideas / offers to host welcome

December 14th – Christmas lunch and annual awards presentation – Cost and menu choices still to be confirmed - [Details](#)

Thank you to those members who have already organised or are currently exploring venues for a Noggin. Your endeavour is greatly appreciated.

New Members

We welcome **David Burns** from Knutsford. David was our excellent guide at the recent visit to Peover Hall (report on page 9) and arrived in his Morgan. We must have made a good impression as he joined NorceMog a week after our visit and has already booked to attend the Classic Car Show at Arley Hall on 31st August.

Please also Welcome **Ian Atherton & Gill Farrimond** from Oldham. New to the Morgan community we look forward to meeting them at a NorceMog event soon.

Upcoming Events

[MORGAN AND MG SOCIAL RUN FROM 'CHATBURN' TO 'KILNSEY PARK'](#)

18 September 2025. MEET AT 9.45. organised by Robin and Ann

Our meeting starts at 'Shackletons Home and Garden' in Chatburn and ending, after 30 miles of specular scenery at Kilnsey Park.

Soon after leaving Chatburn we follow the River Ribble to Settle.

Leaving Langcliffe we face our first short 'Hillclimb'. It's steep and has some great 'clear view' corners.

Langcliffe is known for its rich archaeological site at [Victoria Cave](#), where remains from various periods have been discovered, including those of prehistoric animals like hippos, elephants, and hyenas, as well as evidence of human occupation from the [Mesolithic](#) and [Roman periods](#).

We are now heading to pass North of Malham Tarn.

Described as; In leaky limestone country, surface water usually eventually finds its way underground. Malham Tarn is unusual because here the water doesn't sink into the ground. During the Ice Age a glacier scraped away the rock right down to the ancient slate layer underneath the limestone. This slate is impermeable and so won't let water through. The mouth of the Tarn was then sealed when the glacier melted and dropped banks of clay and gravel across it.

After a few miles we drop into Darnbrook, I traded here for many years when Darnbrook Farm was owned by the Moores (Littlewoods Pools) Family. They were producing the finest Aberdeen Angus Cattle.

Our second, short Hillclimb starts after leaving Darnbrook. We now have a spectacular view of the **River Skirfare** that started above Darnbrook and ends when it joins the larger River Wharfe. We have crossed the watershed from West to East.

The valley on the right is so severe, if there has been any rain, waterfalls can be seen on the valley faces.

As we drop into more intensively Farmed Land around the Valley. Dry Stone Walls become more intense as boundaries were established.

A few miles through Arncliffe and Hawswick, and we arrive at KILNSEY PARK.

Our 'Trout Farm Tour' is arranged for 12.00. There is a Café and Shop.

MSCC75 – Register Now!

The Morgan Sports Car Club celebrates its 75th Anniversary next year.
Extract from Morganeer.

Be first to receive full details and booking info for the very special anniversary celebration being planned for 3 – 5 July 2026.

Based in and around the Malvern area, the weekend event will include a curated day/evening programme hosted by Morgan Motor Company at Pickersleigh Road on Friday. Our Saturday schedule will include the birthday party in the afternoon, with a range of activities plus entertainment, against the stunning backdrop of the Malverns, and in the evening the anniversary Gala Dinner with entertainment and dancing will complete the day.

On Sunday morning following a church service at Stoke Lacey, where HFS Morgan grew up and his father George was the vicar; a choice of scenic drives will lead to the Classic Motor Hub at Bibury where the weekend programme will conclude prior to the General Meeting taking place at the venue in the afternoon.

The all-inclusive packages offering accommodation in a selected range of hotels and all the event activities will be available soon. Please note that we are unable to offer entry only to the main venues for this event. Early booking is advised to help secure

your choice of accommodation. Register Now by clicking on the link below to receive information as soon as it becomes available.

[Click here to register](#)

'Lakes and Dales Tour' Fat Lamb Inn Cumbria;

July 22nd – 25th 2025

By Adrian Long



NORCEMOG
'Lakes and Dales Tour'
Fat Lamb Inn Cumbria
July 22nd - 25th 2025

Once again Norcemog gathered at the Fat Lamb for their third mini break in Cumbria and the Yorkshire Dales. Twelve Morgans congregated on Tuesday 22nd July afternoon, arriving with hoods down on a beautiful July day using various routes to avoid the M6. With rally plates handed out and the route for Wednesday's drive, it was not long before everyone convened in the bar for drinks with old friends and an excellent dinner with a briefing from Paul Bonsall our host and Adrian the organiser.

Wednesday dawned bright and sunny, so after breakfast (you can't beat a full English before a day out!) we departed at 9:15 sharp on a scenic drive through the back roads and villages up the Lythe Valley, over Cartmel to the Lakes Motor Museum at Backbarrow.



Paul had arranged priority parking making the Morgans quite an attraction. Inside are some 30,000 exhibits covering cars, motorcycles, bicycles, scooters plus a large Sir Malcolm and Donald Campbell display showing full sized replicas of the 1935 Bluebird Car and 1939 Bluebird Powerboat K4 in addition to Donald Campbell's 1967 Jet Hydroplane Bluebird K7 bringing back memories of when we were teenagers!



Following a welcome coffee, we walked to the station at Haverthwaite to catch a steam train to Lakeside and then boarded our boat 'The Tern' lake steamer to Bowness. The Tern is one of the oldest boats on Windermere being launched in the



1890's and originally powered by steam. There was just time for an Ice Cream in Bowness and short break before returning to the steamer taking the same transport / walk to our cars and a drive back to The Fat Lamb for a convivial evening over dinner and drinks.

After the driving, trains and boats of Wednesday plus a very tight timetable and quite a long day, the scenic tour of the Dales planned of Thursday felt positively relaxing! We enjoyed another sumptuous breakfast and started at 09:30 following one of Paul's magical routes through the Dales.

In fact, the objective was to drive to the well known 'Forbidden Corner' taking in no less than eight Dales, namely - Garsdale, Wensleydale, Coverdale, Wharfedale, Arkengarthdale, Stonesdale, Swaledale, and finally Ravenstonedale. (bet you don't know half of them!). The drive was simply super through 'Gods own country' and we arrived at "Forbidden Corner", where reserved parking made for an easy arrival, and headed off for coffee and pre-ordered lunch.



The Forbidden Corner is a very unusual destination, combining a labyrinth of trails through gardens, ancient ruins, underground passages and motion operated water jets to catch out the unwary. Originally made for the landowner's children, it is full of surprises and kept our Morgan owners fascinated for hours.

<https://www.theforbiddencorner.co.uk/whats-at-the-forbidden-corner/>



The return journey brought one or two of us through the famous ford used in the original series of *'All Creatures Great and Small'* near Reeth.



It was a glorious drive also taking us past the Tan Hill pub where some stopped for Cream Teas in the lovely July sunshine. Most drove the Dales on return by their own route simply enjoying the beautiful countryside and taking in the farm at Ravenseat where "the Yorkshire Shepherdess" Amanda Owen and her family live.

On return to the Fat Lamb after a freshen up we were entertained by our favorite jazz trio led by Bob Pickersgill, he surpassed himself with some great music to relax by before dinner and it was even warm enough to sit outside!



Red, White and Blue Peter, Neil and Roger show off their cars!

We had planned a final day to visit Morecambe with walk along the prom and view the site of the new Eden Project. However, most were ready to head home, so Dot and I visited on our own (mainly because I was born and raised in a small hotel there, so it was a trip down memory lane!)

Sadly, despite planning permission for the project being granted in January 2023 and the Government stumping up a huge sum in support there is no sign of progress and Morecambe seems rather down beat; Fingers crossed it will happen and help to lift Morecambe out of the doldrums!!

Our thanks go to the staff of the Fat Lamb who looked after us so well, we all found the roads a challenge in the Morgans but great fun. A fantastic time was had by all.

Ed: and a big thank you to Adrian and Dot for organising such a fantastic event.

Centre Secretary goes hunting Red Arrows

By Andrew Threlkeld

Many NorceMog members are also members of other MSCC Centres and as we further our relationship(s) with our neighbouring Centres I have joined DevaMog. You may remember from last month's Newsletter that Mike & Isobel Skelhorn joined NorceMog – Mike is the DevaMog Centre Secretary.

The attraction of multi centre membership is to have access to some of their privileged events. E.g. We are currently the preferred centre to display our cars at The Arley Hall Garden Festival and DevaMog receive an annual invitation to display their cars at RAF Valley family day. With an avid aviation enthusiast friend this seemed too good an opportunity to miss hence I was fortunate enough to grab one of the available places.



To aid the RAF organisation many Morgans assembled at Llanfair Pwllgwyngyll, (easy for you to say!) and travelled, in convoy, along the A55 expressway through the centre of Anglesey.



The vision of 25+ Morgans on the inside lane being overtaken by the 'Supercars' (also invited to the family day) was a terrific sight for the other, perhaps unfortunate, motorists trying to use the dual carriageway.

There were 32 Morgans in total including a flat rad, a 3-wheeler and an Aeromax all parked together on a runway apron.

My friend quickly identified 2 parked Belgium fighter jets which he thought were F15's. A quick Google of their ID numbers revealed they were actually F16's. We decided it was probably the F15 with heated seats and parking sensors! His flight radar phone app enhanced our enjoyment. "A Spitfire has just taken off from Caernarfon" and sure enough it was on its way to RAF Valley. It was just one of many aircraft / acrobatics that entertained us through the afternoon.

No airshow is complete however without a performance of The Red Arrows who arrived and landed about 1pm prior to their display at 3. 30pm.



No sooner had the Red Arrows finished, a Typhoon fighter, after-burners glowing, roared, quite noisily, overhead. The stunts and acrobatics this pilot performed were truly bonkers! How the aircraft stayed in the sky as it rolled, looped, twisted, climbed and dived was mind boggling.

A terrific day out in glorious Morgan weather.

A YouTube video prepared by a DevaMog member is available at this link.

[Morgans Meet the Red Arrows! RAF Valley Family Day Highlights 2025](#)

Peover Hall 13th August

By Roger Benton

On a very sunny Wednesday 15 Morgans were made very welcome at Peover Hall on an event wonderfully organised by John Unterhalter. A special thanks go to our tour guide, David Burns, also a Morgan owner, for an excellent and informative tour of Peover Hall.



The day started at about 10:30 with tea/coffee and biscuits taken on a lawn under the welcome shade of a large tree.

The tour started at about 11:30, while Peover Hall is a historically significant building we were reminded that the Hall is still a home to the current owner, the Brooks family.

To quote from the web site "Peover Hall is an Elizabethan house and a rare gem that boasts a fascinating history. The hall's rich history stems back to 1585 when it was built by Sir Randle Mainwaring. A new wing was added by the fourth baronet Sir Henry in the 1760s before the Peels bought the hall and estate in 1919, which was then acquired by the Brooks family some 20 years later.

During World War II the house was requisitioned as the HQ for General George Patton of the United States 3rd Army to train for the D-Day landings in 1944. It also housed a POW camp. The condition of the house had deteriorated badly - partly as a result of a fire started by a US soldier – the Brooks family undertook a major programme of restoration and have lived at the hall ever since."



NorceMog's new Feather

After the war General Patton presented an American Flag to Peover Hall, a significant honour, in recognition of his time spent there. The flag can be seen hanging in the nearby St Lawrence Church, in the grounds there is the final resting place of Sir Bobby Charlton.

Lunch was a finger buffet and cakes with tea/coffee and copious jugs of iced water – very welcome on such a hot sunny day.

After lunch we could wander around the gardens, the church and the stables. It was a wonderful day with perfect Morgan weather so thanks to John for organising such a great event.



The robotic lawn mower seemed obsessed with some of the Morgans. It soon became bored when the car did not respond to its advances and trundled off.



NorceMog Events Calendar 2025



Diary of NorceMog Events

Enjoy meeting up with your fellow members

Keep a check on this Website for any Event Updates

2025

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

Aug 31 Cheshire Classic & Performance Car Show

Venue - Arley Hall, Northwich, CW9 6NA

Organised by Great British Motor Shows

[More Details & Tickets](#)



Sep 5-7 Morgans at Windermere. A FellMog Event

Contact Les Ellis Tel 07900 962348

Email: les2mog@gmail.com[More Details](#)**Sep 14 Southport Classic & Performance Car Show**

Victoria Park Rotten Row, Southport PR8 2BZ

Organised by Great British Motor Shows

[More Details & Tickets](#)**Sep 18 Visit to Kilnsey Park Trout Farm & Social Run**

Thursday

Contact - Robin Askew

In association with MG Owners Club

Email = robinaskew@yahoo.co.uk[More Details](#)**Oct 12** TBD**Nov 2** TBD**Dec 14 Christmas Lunch & Annual Awards Presentation**

Barton Manor Hotel, Barton, Preston, PR3 5AA

Contact Linda Fearn at

[Full Details](#)**If you have an idea for hosting one of our monthly events, we welcome proposals.**Contact Andrew Threlkeld, Centre Secretary Tel: 07912 494 768 Email: norcemog@gmail.com

And Finally

Thanks to all the contributors this month, hope you enjoyed the articles.

At the end of August, I'll be going to the Classic car show at Arley then I'm away in Spain for all of September so production of next month's newsletter will be in the capable hands of Andrew.

Best wishes
Roger.

So, to half fill this page here is a picture of my car taken the other day driving over Glencoe.

