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1998 MOGNW CALENDAR

Apr 16	Thur	MOGNW Midlands Centre monthly social meeting 7:00PM at the Bright Street Pub, 4332 Leary Way NW between Fremont and Ballard	Terry Campbell	(206)284-6097
Apr 18	Sat	Skagit Valley Tour with MG Car Club's 17th Tulip Rallye 9:30AM at the Skagit Valley Mall, I-5 exit #230. \$10.00	Ken Bottini	(425)883-9615
Apr 21	Tues	MOGNW Southern Centre monthly social meeting 7:00PM at the Portland Brewing Pub 2730 NW 31st Avenue	Heinz Stromquist	(360)573-6582
Apr 26	Sun	All-British Swap Meet, Montgomery Park, Portland, OR	Tim Foren	(503)287-2024
Apr 30	Thur	Deadline for May Mogazine	Craig Runions	(206)542-7137
May 1-3	Fri-Sun	Camp Caboose Weekend Tourally, Colville, WA	Kay Jones	(206)329-2885
May 16	Sat	VanDusen All-British Field Meet, Vancouver, BC	Ron Theroux	(604)576-2957
Jun 13-14	Sat-Sun	Rose Cup Vintage Races, PIR Portland, OR		
Jun 14	Sun	Father's Day Picnic and British Car Show, Victoria, BC		
Jun 18-21	Thur-Sun	Classic Vintage Rally, Seattle to Port Townsend, WA		(206)323-0624
Jun 26-28	Fri-Sun	3rd Annual Devil's Punchbowl Weekend, Newport, OR	Heinz Stromquist	(360)573-6582
July 1-4	Wed-Sat	Arlington Antique Aircraft Fly-In, Arlington, WA		
July 3-5	Fri-Sun	SOVERN Historic Races, SIR Kent, WA		
July 3-5	Fri-Sun	Rally in the Valley, Okanagan Valley, BC		
July 11-12	Sat-Sun	Portland Historic Races, PIR Portland, OR		
July 18	Sat	All-British Field Meet, Redmond (Marymoor Park), WA		
Aug 6-9	Thur-Sun	Monte Shelton Vintage Rally, Portland to Port Ludlow, WA		
Sept 5	Sat	Portland All-British Field Meet, Portland, OR		
Sept 19	Sat	Vancouver to Whistler British Car Run, BC		
Dec 5	Sat	Annual Holiday Banquet, Schmidt Mansion, Olympia, WA		

TREASURER'S REPORT from Bob Hauge.....	
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Historian Wanted: After untold years of outstanding service, Bob Nelson has asked if someone would take on the job of Club Historian. MOGNW has a large collection of photographs, videos, Mogazines and other memorabilia which Bob has maintained for everyone's pleasure. What is needed now is for someone to create a electronic catalogue, so that we know what we have, and can share it with all of the club members. Please contact me or Bob if you would be willing to take on this labor of love.

Gil

North of the 49th, from Ron Theroux.....

THE VANCOUVER CLASSIC MOTORING SHOW B.C. PLACE April 4th., WE DID.. WE DID.. we really, really did!!!!!!!!!!!!!! What comes before 13 Ferrari, Triumph, Porsche, Pantera, Maserati, Lotus, Jensen, Sunbeam, Porsche, Healey?.....We did, placing second in club displays.....in the Import sports car club class..... Jaguar/M.G. Club were first. When did Jaguar become a sports car? Your members did a great job with the set up, and a very long day.....many thanks to all. Woody Thomson came over from the island with his pickup loaded with a 1966 chassis and ash frame, Carmel made up labels listing parts.....and the Island Cell Logo was well displayed. Jim Walters of Bristol Motors was kind enough to lend us the use of the car. Al Allinson was there with his Plus 8 glistening.....we were all pleased to see Al did, after much persuading, bring some of the many race trophies he has won over the years. Later he told me these were just some of the Conference Championship Trophies..... still had several hundred more small ones at home. Others that set off our display were Ken Miles' Plus 8, and Larry Sharp's 4/4 in its first public showing and our Plus 4 filling in the other corner. You should all receive your next run info as an attached e.mail

Sunshine Coast Mog Tour. Saturday April 18 / 98. Take the ferry from Horseshoe Bay to Langdale. Be at the ferry by 8:50 to 9:00 AM to catch the 9:20. If you miss the ferry the next one is at 11.20. Toooooooooooooo LATE. While on the ferry do a head count. Don't forget to take a potty break on the ferry. As you come off the ferry, just follow the traffic straight up the hill. You will do a left, and then a right at the top of the hill (still following traffic). The road makes a long sweeping bend and you are heading into Gibsons on North Road. Just after you pass Reed Road you will see our Yellow Morgan (with or without black fenders, that is the question) on your right. If you get lost ask directions to the intersection of North Road and Reed Road. My cell No. is 250-0105. The run will be up the coast to Irvings Landing. It will take around 1 1/2 hrs of some interesting roads to get there. The route back to the ferry will be direct and you should make the 4:30. Please confirm if you are coming. From the Lower Mainland if you phone us on the cell (in the evening) you do not have to go on long distance calling as the cell No. is a Vancouver No.

Les / June

Midlands Matters, from Bob Nelson.....

Thursday it was a beautiful day. Loretta & I arrived at Bright St. in our tin-top to see two 4 place Morgans in the parking lot (Dietz and Button). Inside were 6 members already enjoying the drink & food & conversation. I lost track of my head count between 22 & 24 members (Editor counted 25), including Dave Cammarano from Olympia. Others were the Campbells, Greenos, Buchans, Brafords, Joe Ray, Stegen, VanHook, Jewett and Beavers. Rumors were the Idaho Bakers were in town, but we didn't see them.

Several photo albums were floating around. A couple more Morgans showed up - the Martens & Craig. I took a ride in Marten's +4. Sure sounded and felt strong. The new geared starter really snapped over the engine and I think the new headers gave a strong exhaust note. Joane arrived with a cane (and Hal) as she is recovering from her surgery.

Our Morgan is on blocks as I delivered the brake shoes to Seattle Brake & Clutch for new linings on our way to the meeting. I have 2 Datsun Z aluminum drums machined for the front wheels, and 2 more in progress for the rear, if anyone is interested --- I can be of help in regards to what needs to be done. My next step is to install a dual master cylinder. I am considering the geared starter, so I can easily get headers on.

Kay Jones' tour to Colville coming up. Call Kay or myself for back road routes to get there. It's a good day's run or you could run to Grand Coulee on Friday and onto Kay's with the group from there on Saturday at 11:00 A.M. Give us a call, and we'll see you in April at the Bright St. Cafe!

Bob & Loretta



Southern Chatter, from Heinz Stromquist.....

The southern pod's March social was again held at the Portland Brewery. Based on popular demand and good attendance (17 in March), this centralized location is quickly becoming our permanent monthly meeting site....and no one seems to mind wrestling with tables and chairs when the turn-out exceeds the reservation number.

Wayne and Linda Harris were back from a month-long vacation in Malvern and Africa and entertained us with their recollections of the Works and a photo safari in Kenya. Both places appear to be wild in their own way. There were new brochures for the asking which by their sophistication signal some major changes under way in Malvern Link: Increased

production targets, new technology for molding wings, drastically reduced build times etc.

Spring is here and a young man's (and hopefully a young woman's) fancy turns to what? Morgans of course. Did the spring dust-off last week and am now ready to pursue the annual quest for a cabin fever cure. There was plenty of discussion at our meeting about the

upcoming field meet in Vancouver which for all you southies who've never attended, is one of the best events on the club calendar. A small group of us will do the annual trek leaving Portland on Thursday afternoon May 14 with an overnight stop in Mount Vernon. Anyone interested in joining us, please contact me for details.

In our ongoing effort to keep you informed on Dwight's F-Type project, and to add to his incentive to finish it, I can happily report two very positive developments. First, Dwight has secured the last available new pair of anatomically correct alloy wings and second, that cute little flat head sitting in the garage, hums like a sewing machine. A less kind person who witnessed this event with me was heard to

say "more like a Briggs and Stratton." Now that the brain and heart are operational, the legs can't be far behind.

I am not scheduling a social meeting for May because most of the regular attendees will be at the Vancouver Field Meet just two days before. See you at the brewery on April 21.

1998 VANCOUVER ALL BRITISH FIELD MEET

ACCOMMODATIONS: With the suggestion of members traveling from out of town, we have been able to secure a new Morgan Hotel for the meet weekend. MAY 15th and/or 16th at the RAMADA HOTELS, 1-(800) 272-6232, QUOTE # 1626 (MORGAN OWNERS). Rates: Single @ \$80.00. Such a deal in CDN \$\$\$\$\$\$. Double.....? Triple.....? Quad.....? This is a new Motel, with indoor pool and spa and an ABC Restaurant at same. Location - 19225 Hwy 10, Surrey, B.C. (604) 576-8388. This Inn/Motel is a 40 min. drive to the A.B.F.M. but only 8-10 minutes to and from the Theroux after party. Good local shopping, look to Cloverdale and Fort Langley for antique collectors heaven. Any questions give us a call (604) 576-2957 It would be of help planning the after dinner if we had a head count, in advance. That way we are not eating left overs for the next month. Thanks.



Camp Caboose Weekend Tourally

MOGNW Midlands is sponsoring a 3 day run on May 1,2 and 3 down the tracks to Kay Jones' farm and restored 1909 Northern Pacific caboose #1610 near Colville in NE Washington (about 350 miles from Seattle). This will be a true tailgate party. Kay and Bob Nelson are planning on starting the fun rally stuff (no time and distance) at Grand Coulee Dam, so rendezvous there at 11:00AM on Saturday, May 2 for the trip through the Okanagan country and the Colville Indian Reservation on scenic paved back roads. Camping out at the farm is encouraged. One amenity is a restored antique outhouse. Motels are also available in Colville, approximately 13 minutes away. Benny's Lodge Motel is recommended for the non-campers at \$50-70 per night (1-800-680-2517). A catered on-site chicken and rib barbecue along with beer and wine is planned at \$10 per person for Saturday evening. A continental breakfast will be served Sunday morning. We need a rough head count so please RSVP Kay Jones (206-329-2885) or Bob Nelson (360-387-324) and the rally instructions will be mailed.

COVER STORY

SO CUTHBERT J. TWILLIE THINKS HE IS SO SMART!

The POT returns (with pictures by McCabe)

Alright, CUTHBERT, as a Canadian I feel we must respond to your vast cornucopia of Morgan knowledge; kind of the MARTHA STEWART of MORGAN-DOM in the Pacific North West you think you are???? (and by the way we in Canada do know who you are!). Well the POT must come out of retirement just to demonstrate a couple of high level "technical tips" that will not only boggle your ever creative mind (i.e. yours on Ron Theroux's adaptation of the air cleaner "thingy")

We here in Canada have been at it again and what follows is the essence of our display and demonstration at PAUL DEREUME's refinish shop BETTERBODZ located deep in the swamplands of south Burnaby, where the POT's Morgan is undergoing a complete transformation that hopefully all MOG-NW members will, if all is completed in time, be able to see (and taste) the results of this ingenious and expensive installation at the 1998 All Brits event at VanDusen Gardens - look for the results in the best Debuting Restoration Class of course.

What follows is the paragon of simple technical talk that even our beloved by all President GIL should be able to fathom....

PROBLEM: A Morgan with no draft beer immediately available for those long runs.

SOLUTION: see cover picture

EXPLANATION: This application to the left side of the vehicle (North American steering side) closest to the driver means a continuous source of the amber liquid for the canny owner and his friends. It should be noted that when completed it will have a safety device so that absolutely NO DRINKING can take place when the automobile is in motion. The brand of beer is optional but expert installer BETTERBODZ Proprietor does recommend and will stand behind the worth of the STORM BEER application.

COST: It should be noted that the cost is often beyond the reach of most in the various car clubs in that the installation requires a complete removal of all the fenders (wings is the correct "technical" term) and a complete check for rust and a complete redo of all four "wings".

QUESTIONS? None? Good!

ANOTHER EVENT, also at the BETTERBODZ EMPORIUM...LES BURKHOLDER, so impressed was he with BERT McCABE's rendering of a shocking and rather messy event at last springs "No Brainer" run in LaConner, that Les spent all of this winter slaving over the potter's wheel and board at the Senior's Centre on the Sunshine Coast creating a complementary likeness of the great one himself-same, and a MORGAN logo in the same medium (cover photo) - all of which wowed the crowd.



from the Morgan Oasis Garage

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Friends,

This month's project takes only a couple of hours to complete-drawing the plan has taken perhaps three times that, yet I enjoyed both making and drawing it for my loyal followers.

These spare spark plug carriers are seen in engine rooms of some rather interesting automobiles. They imply a "ready for anything" demeanor, providing a set of new, gapped spark plugs with anti-seize on the threads, ready to bring you home "sans shame". Think of it, running on three, ala D.K.W.

I believe the metric 14 X 1.25 tap is good for all British cars- BUT Cuthbert isn't right every time, so check your plugs for the correct size before springing for the tap. The 14 X 1.25 tap I bought (for a Plus 4) was \$6.70, not too spendy when you consider it can also be used to clean up the threads in your engine, should the need of that arise.

The correct drill bit for this tap is 33\64 ths. The hardware store had the tap but not the bit. The price of the bit was \$21.95! An half inch bit, being 1\64 th smaller works just dandy.

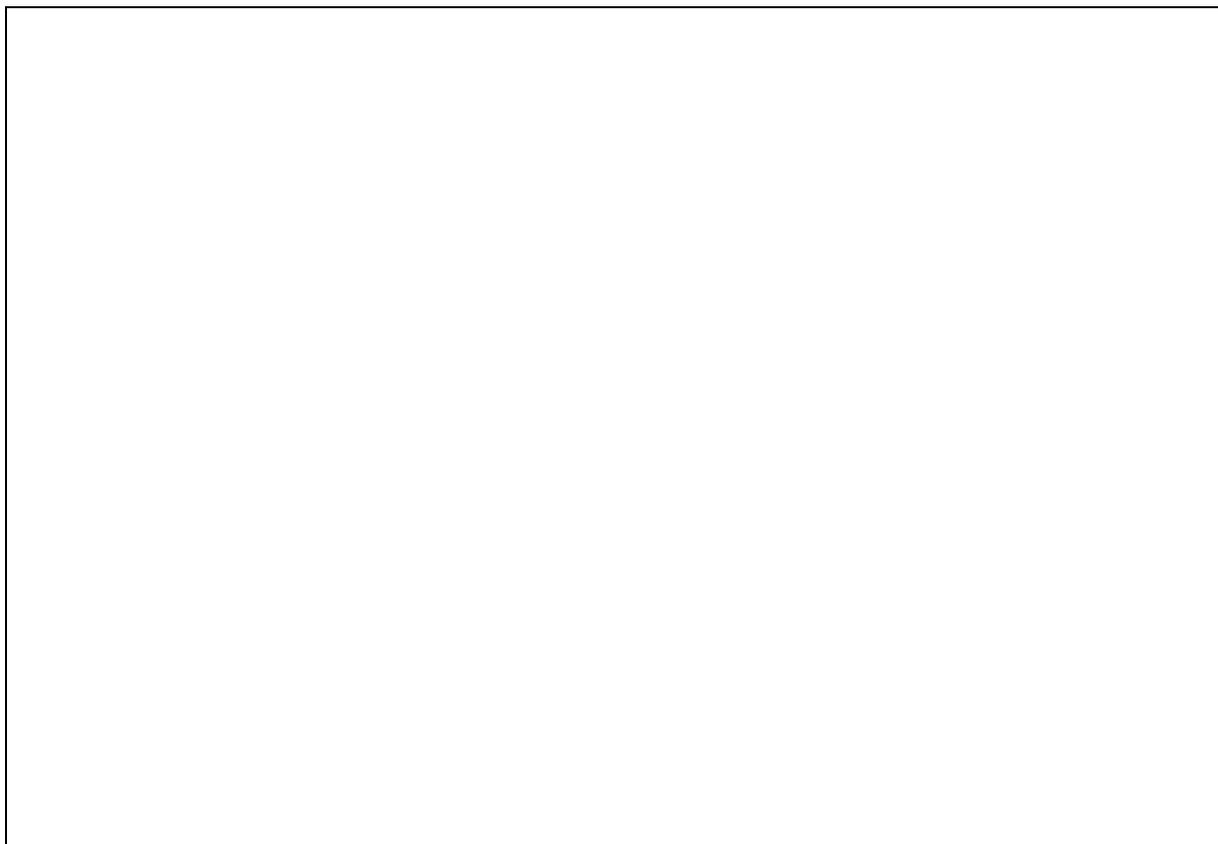
The 1\4" X 1" X 6" aluminum flat bar was \$1.40 a foot, and this will make two of these little darlings. Those of you who couldn't find a Plus Four and had to settle for a Plus Eight will need two anyhow, as these have eight plugs.

I needn't caution you to not polish the aluminum do I? Cuthbert has polished all the aluminum he can find trying to catch the likes of Theroux, Hauge, Huntley and the rest of that lot. So polish something else.

Now to the last piece "B". Merely a block of wood, though it could all be made of aluminum, A and B. Trying to handsaw inch square metal soon gets tiresome-ergo the wood. Then not merely wood but checkerboard? Dark and light woods laminated-anybody got Terry Campbell's number?

Since I have the tap and mucho aluminum I'll give anyone the "special" rate on the metal part and perhaps you can talk Terry into the checkerboard.

One last word here; you may notice on the drawing the spark plug is labeled K.L.G., a very small prize to the first one who can tell me what K.L.G. means.





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