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Western Washington All British Field Meet

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A reminder to all of our members that the weekend of July 18th is fast approaching. The setting for the All Brit has been changed this year and will be on grass surrounding the Clise Mansion at Marymoor Park. For those out of area members, simply get on Hwy 520 eastbound from either I-5 or I-405 and get off on the West Lake Sammamish exit and turn right at the bottom of the exit. Go one block and turn left at the light and you are at Marymoor Park.

The usual after the All Brit party will be at the wonderful home of Dave and Thea Wellington. The club appreciates their hospitality, especially as the timing was not the greatest for them. MOGNW will cover the main dish and the wonderful Midlanders are asked to kindly bring a side dish (perhaps a salad or desert or ?). There is also a Valve Cover Race on Saturday and a slalom course on Sunday for those so inclined.

Any questions please contact Michael Amos-425-881-2054. Hopefully we will see many Morgans and their proud owners on July 18th. There will be a raffle and I may have a new book available. Cheers.

1998 MOGNW CALENDAR

July 16	Thur	MOGNW Midlands Centre monthly social meeting 7:00PM at the Bright Street Pub, 4332 Leary Way NW between Fremont and Ballard	Bob Nelson	(206)284-6097
July 18	Sat	All-British Field Meet, Redmond (Marymoor Park), WA	Gil Stegen	(425)883-6722
July 21	Tues	MOGNW Southern Centre monthly social meeting 7:00PM at the Portland Brewing Pub 2730 NW 31st Avenue	Heinz Stromquist	(360)573-6582
July 31	Fri	Deadline for August Mogazine	Craig Runions	(206)542-7137
Aug 6-9	Thur-Sun	Monte Shelton Vintage Rally, Portland to Port Ludlow, WA		
Sept 5	Sat	Portland All-British Field Meet, Portland, OR	Heinz Stromquist	(360)573-6582
Sept 19	Sat	Vancouver to Whistler British Car Run, BC		
Dec 5	Sat	Annual Holiday Banquet, Schmidt Mansion, Olympia, WA	Dave Cammarano	(36)943-8645

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Vintage Races @ SIR

The crowds and cars at this years' event were the largest ever in my estimation. Saw many old timer friends there. Some MOGNWers too – Dennis Morrison and Roger and NormaJean Braford. Only one racing Morgan, a +4 from California. Three (count them, 3) Ferrari TestaRosas, Can-Ams, Trans-Ams, Lotus Formula 2, Alfa Formula 1, Porsche 906, Ford GT40, McLaren coupe, pre-war Alfa and Maserati, Lotus 7 and many other full bodied sports racers, and lots of foreign production cars from the 50's and 60's – Minis, Porsches, Jaguars, Volvos, Cortinas, Alfas, TRs, MGs, Healeys, Datsuns

Editor Craig

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Coupe Corner

Summertime is with us and the cruisin' is fine. I hope all of you are savoring the joys of Morganeering. Barbara and I just returned from Devil's Punch Bowl III. Before we begin the adventure, a big high five for Heinz and Wanda for great event with outstanding logistics.

The Northern contingent collected Thursday night at the Ferryman's Motel in Vancouver, Wa. Friday morning everyone arose early to have breakfast and be ready to join up with Heinz. Good thing we were early, as the first of the great lost items reared its ugly head. One of our members lost his car keys! No problem, the MMC advanced high-technology security system was quickly defeated and the group was on the road, and on time. (Note, a few of us were concerned about what might happen if the alligator clips were to pop off at 100Km/hr).

Friday we sought The Perfect Morgan Road, and by golly I think we found it! Heinz had prepared us all for the famous river crossing with the steep ferry ramps. Once again H.F.S.'s forward thinking design principles ensured adequate ground clearance under the harshest of conditions. Further, because of the Morgan's efficient sizing, we were able to place 12 Morgans in 6 car slots (Ed. Note – actually 11 Morgans and an MGA coupe!) Lunch was at the Airlie Winery where we made many new friends and drank a bit of wine. It is here that the elusive gremlin struck again, this time wresting a watch from the arm of the unsuspecting victim.

Pressing on, we took the scenic road to Newport. Heinz held a good pace so that everyone could taste the beauty while still being exhilarated by rush of the wind and the squeal of the tires. Friday night was dinner at Mo's. Saturday was the freeday, which began for all of us with a continental breakfast at the Stinson's. Barbara and I went touring, having not been to Newport for 10 years.

Barbara bought me a kite, one of those stealthy delta wing jobs, which became the focus of my day. I flew the kite on the beach below Chalets for an hour or so before the winds shifted and the kite suffered mechanical failure of the ash cross members. I took this opportunity to help the design a bit. I increased the dihedral of the main wing and reduced the drag of the winglets. I then optimized the tail system to minimize drag while maintaining lateral stability. Finally, I shifted the CP (center of pressure) forward 3%. These mods allowed me to fly the kite almost directly overhead. Next year I'm giving lessons, having already signed up my best pupil (yeh Sharon). Having finished my refreshments, I called it quits for the day and joined the whale watchers. (For the uninitiated, whale watching is a very dehydrating sport).

Meanwhile, KEYLESS in Newport had rewired a parallel ignition switch and was putting the tools under the seat when Voila the keys were found. A few moments later, the elusive watch was retrieved from behind yet another the seat. The broken band clearly was not Made in Malvern! The evening bash was filled with good food, good wine, and good friends.

Sunday morning as everyone prepared to depart the gremlin struck again, this time the Gucci glasses fell victim. Rushing around town to shops and restaurants yielded no joy. Upon returning to the Chalets, the owners realized that they were on the bench, the one with the best view of the kite exhibition. The day was saved for everyone.

The Northies took the coast road back. Great views and great motoring. Those new tires with the big footprint let me enjoy the fast driving on curvy roads, instead of drifting my life away. I hope you can see that we really enjoyed our first run to Devil's Punchbowl. Tomorrow I'm off to Japan and visit with some Moganeers!!!

See you at the All Brit. Remember to polish the brass plate on your radiator.

Gil Stegen, el Presidente

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

The weather for our Van Dusen A.B.F.M. was the usual west coast May, warm and clear, making a comfortable evening for the 80 plus who attended the B.B.Q. Special thanks to Graham Bailey and the Pres. Gil Stegen for manning the grill, we gave Al Allinson a rest this year, having been out on a movie shoot until 3:00 A.M. the night before.

Great to see so many new and old faces and cars. First time out for Rod and Ann Lafond, Eric and Sandy Glover, Kay Jones, Doug and Leona Robb, Dwight Smith, and spotted Hal Meden at the field meet. Can't let it pass, best quip of the night, while chatting with a southern member about the great job the POT (Mike Powley) had done as M.C. for the awards. He then asked what does POT stand for. Before I could muster a reply, a voice over my shoulder muttered, Powleys Old Thongs! We must also thank Jonathan and Dale Russell as well as Alex and Joan MacLaurin of the Tiger Club for the magnificent addition of smoked salmon to our meal

"There are all kinds of these cars over here". Words of a deckhand on the Salt Spring Island Ferry. We knew he was right! Ken and Pat Miles and Yvonne and I had set off for an extended weekend and the Victoria Fathers Day Picnic. While waiting for the ferry a chap in a van next to Ken asked if we knew a fellow from Calgary, Dave Kingsley, he has one of these cars. It was only moments later, we were to meet a Ms. Kingsley in the same lineup yes, she has a Morgan. While doing the turn-around in Victoria for Salt Spring, we discovered the silversmith vendor at the terminal has a Plus 4. What he didn't tell us was that his mother has one as well. The count is now three, and we are on the ferry to Fulford Harbour. Then we were approached by Loir Leglatin of the Burgundy region of France, and yup, he has one and also imports and sells Morgans. Our deckhand friend mentions that David Bateman, the artist, has a Morgan, and there is a black and silver one that's new to the island. That makes the count six on our two hour tour.

We were to meet the owner of the black and silver the next day, on the ferry back to the Fathers Day Picnic. Marv Coulthard had found the car of his dreams in the Portland area, this 1960 Plus 4 was from Canada originally, and has had a roll bar mounted in its past. The Victoria event continues to grow with over 200 cars out this year, and what a great location in Beacon Hill Park. This is an informal meet that gets a lot of local and tourist attendance. We had some new cars out this year with Leo and P.J. Halliday down from Ladysmith in their 1961 4/4. (Leo wants to up grade to a 1600 engine if you have any info he is in our roster) as well as Marv and Ron Atkins Plus 4 and Ron Wilson 4/4 from South Africa.

It's a small world after all. When a green Plus 4 driven by Ron Atkins, pulled in, Ken Miles had to check it out. After only a few questions, it had to be his first Morgan, sold to a draftsman and resold to Ron's father in Sudbury Ontario. The Fathers Day theme was well represented with three generations of the Irwin clan on hand, Hal and Garnet, Drew and Laurie and son Andrew. Woody Thomson was riding solo today, Carmel had stayed at home to prepare a dinner for the Morgan group at the family treasure, Maltby Lake. What a super day in the sun with good food, good drink and the best of company. Woody and Carmel were great hosts, thank you for sharing your part of paradise with us.

Midlands Matters, from Bill Button.....

Only 9 members showed for the June Noggin. They were Bill & Geri Button, Terry & Martha Campbell, Kay Jones, Craig Runions and Jack & Jean Tinnea. Bill Button told of he and Gary Bell going to Marrowstone Island to visit a interesting car collection. The host had a Type 37 Bugatti in his living room plus all sorts of interesting cars and motorcycles. Jack & Jean are just back from Europe with all sorts of stories. Gil Stegen gave the Button's some hints on St Petersburg, Russia as the Buttons are planning a trip there this fall. Runions, Stegens, Buttons, Dices are going to Devil's Punchbowl - they should have some good storys on this trip.

Southern Chatter, from Heinz Stromquist.....

Because our customary meeting day for May fell too close to the Vancouver Field Meet, the southern group opted to skip its May noggin and natter and make up for lost time in June. A surprise turnout of nineteen, including four potential members from the next generation, forced the rearranging of furniture and the general take-over of a large part of Portland Brewing's fire place room.

As always, travel was a major topic of conversation - maybe it's the love of it that brings us all to Morganeering and to the joy of the open road. Dee Buffum told of visiting the old homestead in Arkansas for a family gathering while Bitsy Miles arrived at the meeting virtually from the airport after spending a few days in the Bay area visiting relatives. Because of family obligations she unwittingly set the local record for the most circumnavigations of San Francisco Bay in an eight hour period: 21/2 times. Mike in the meantime, wondered aloud what it means exactly when told that your Plus 4 seats are almost ready a year after ordering them.

Show and tell consisted of a number of classic car magazines travelling up and down the table with articles on Chris Lawrence, a flat rad rebuild and a +4+. But what I found more interesting than the subject of the articles was that the flat rad owner lived in a remote Midlands village called Cleve Prior. Wanda and I, and Wanda's father as a young man before us, spent some memorable times here, especially enjoying the home-cooked meals in the village's charming 13th century pub. What a surprise! Another example of the world getting smaller by the day. And then there were the conversations, many feet away, at the other end of a long row of tables.....!

PORTLAND ALL BRITISH FIELD MEET

Labor Day Weekend
September 5, 1998
from Heinz Stromquist

Over the past two years, I've had numerous discussions with club members regarding their dissatisfaction with various organizational aspects of the Portland All British Field meet. This attitude was best expressed in 1997 when MOGNW put only six cars on the field but had an attendance of over forty people at the party following the meet. Clearly something was wrong. Luckily, the organizers recognized that after 20+ years, complacency had set in and that some new blood and ideas were in order. Several large clubs were recruited to form a corporation so responsibility and enthusiasm could be shared and the load lightened for the Jaguar Club. Some changes are already apparent: The quality of the regalia has been improved; The Friday evening event has been moved from an hotel to a large tent on the field allowing for easier and securer car parking as well as better food service and socializing, and best of all, they've been beating the drums and expect to have 700 cars on the field!

My purpose for this long-winded explanation is to encourage members to give the Portland Meet another try - especially people from the midland and northern pods. Remember, this is the granddaddy of them all and because of the renewed efforts, it deserves our support.

As always, our club will host an after-meet party which will differ somewhat from past events. It will be held at a new Vancouver brew pub only five minutes driving time from PIR. The owner will arrange private parking, an ivy covered courtyard for eating and socializing and in the unlikely event that it should rain, inside seating. Details are still being worked out but I anticipate that everyone will purchase their own drinks, the club allocation will pay for the bulk of the food (probably a buffet) and because this is not a potluck, there's a possibility we may each be asked to throw a couple of dollars in the pot. More on this in the next Mogazine.

From the UK via e-mail.....

Craig - Mikey reporting in on the UK Morgan scene - we had a great reception at the airport with Chris Rowe (former editor of Miscellany) and current editor Cliff Baker. Picked up with one Morgan and off to Chris Rowe's place for lunch by Corinne Rowe consisting of all things near and dear to Morganites - mushy peas, steak and kidney pie, chicken and mushroom pie, baked potatoes, carrots, topped off with fresh strawberries and cream and apple crumble - gad what a feast, huh! Great hospitality - then with Cliff Baker to the greatest little MOG 3 Wheeler Museum somewhere in the south Kent area - name not with me at the moment. Our next rendez vous with these two will be at Donington on Sunday - they will come up to see the Jaguar event with us for the day and then after we return on Thursday July 2 - David and I will have the privilege of going up to the "WORKS" (hey! how about this key - ££££ - bet you don't have that one! I digress) in Morgans for the run up to be at the "WORKS" Friday July 3rd for the visit and worship at the plant - wish you were here - ha! Cheers to you. Mike P.

Devil's Punchbowl III

Gil's column summed up much of the activity. And once again, I too must applaud Heinz and Wanda, and Bob Hauge who also helped on the coursework, for the substantial effort put forth. Excellent highlighted maps and instructions with mileages (aka 'Survival Package'). The continental breakfast/ brunch hosted by the Stinsons on Saturday morning was spectacular. Too bad the tour director had such a hard time finding the place!

The long drive home was uneventful except for one comment by my wife Judy. Here we are on I-5 between Tacoma and Seattle driving in the left lane being passed by cars in the HOV. She leans over and yells above the wind and road roar "Don't you think 90 is a little too fast?". And this is on a beautiful Sunday evening at 7:30. Incredible!

The long 3-day weekend participants were: Allinsons, Myers, R. Nelsons, M. Miles, Dices, Cammaranos, D. Smiths, Stromquists, Glovers, Stegens, Runions, Buttons, Hauges, Harris, Buffums and Stinsons. 15 Morgans and an MGA Coupe.

Editor Craig

Arlington Fly-in

The weather on July 11th was not the greatest - just ask any acrobatic pilot how much he likes a 500' ceiling! But it was warm and the skies did open up for some great stunts and fly-bys. This after a veritable feast at Ron Weiskind's home where a few of us lucky ones gathered. Thank you very much, Ron, from the Therouxes, Runions, Jones, VanHook, Harmans and others.

Editor Craig

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From: cherylb@olypen.com
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Cheryl Buckland
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