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Hi and hello to all Morganeers from Nancy Dice (1995)  
and Goodbye to our Nancy from all of MOGNW (1999)

# 1999 MOGNW CALENDAR

June 15	Tues	MOGNW Southerne Centre monthly social meeting 7:00PM at <b>Portland Brewing Pub</b> , 2730 NW 31st Ave	Heinz Stromquist	(503) 224-9576
June 17	Thur	MOGNW Midlands Centre monthly meeting 7:00PM at <b>Roanoke Inn</b> , 1825 – 72 <sup>nd</sup> SE, Mercer Island	Bill Button	(206) 935-3616
June 18-20	Fri-Sun	<b>Father's Day</b> Run, Picnic and Car Show, Victoria, BC	Roland Gilbert	(604) 652-2159
June 25-27	Fri-Sun	<b>Devil's Punch Bowl</b> weekend tour, Newport, OR	Heinz Stromquist	(503) 224-9576
July 1	Thur	<b>Deadline</b> for July Mogazine	Craig Runions	(206) 542-7137
July 1-4	Thur-Sun	Ralley in the Valley, Vernon, BC	Peter Moore	(250) 545-2432
July 3-4	Sat-Sun	11th NW <b>Historic Races</b> , SIR, \$18/day, \$25/2 days	SOVERN	(425) 823-6081
July 17	Sat	Western Washington All British Field Meet, Clise Mansion, <b>Marymoor Park</b> , Redmond, WA and annual MOGNW regional picnic/dinner post function, et al	?	
July 30-31	Fri-Sat	MOGWest, <b>Cambria</b> , CA (central coast)	Bill Button	(206) 935-3616
Aug 14	Sat	Day tour to <b>Morgan Spares</b> (Bob Couch), Sequim, WA	Dick Dice	(206) 855-9628
Sept 4	Sat	<b>Portland All British</b> Field Meet at PIR and annual MOGNW regional picnic/dinner post function	?	
Sept 18	Sat	Vancouver to <b>Whistler</b> British Car Run		
Dec 11	Sat	MOGNW <b>Holiday Banquet</b> , LaConner, WA	Bert McCabe	(360) 466-3284

## TREASURER'S REPORT from Bob Hauge...

beginning balance, 5/1/99	\$4,555
plus dues	144
less Mogazine	- 180
less VanDusen All Brit	- 300
less Vancouver Island event	- 100
less postage	- 110
ending balance, 5/31/99	\$4,009

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**COVER PHOTO IN MEMORIUM, NANCY DICE, 1935–1999,  
taken by Gary Van Hook on Mt. Rainier during the  
'Morgans over America' tour in August 1995.**

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## THE FLAT LINE

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The entire Morgan family is deeply saddened by the death of our Nancy Dice on May 16th. Nancy was truly the consummate contributor to MOG NW in terms of her friendly, enthusiastic, and untiring dedication to the club's welfare. Her contributions were made at both the local and national levels, and included the hosting of the Morgans Over America event in 1995. The most recent contribution of labor and love was Nancy's (along with Dick's) efforts regarding the production of the Northwest's 25th anniversary badge. How appropo, in that the Raven, according to Native American legend, symbolizes intelligence, cleverness, and a free spirit, not unlike our Nancy. The Board, in recognition of Nancy's Morgan spirit and friendship, will be dedicating Badge #1 in her memory to her Morgan co-driver Dick at the gathering in her honor on June 6th.

For those of you who had the good fortune to have known Nancy and wish to make a monetary contribution in her memory, Dick has requested that such contributions be made to the American Cancer Society. Please call 1-800-227-2345 and make reference to the Nancy Dice Memorial Fund. Mention that you are contributing on behalf of the Morgan Owners' Group NW. They will send a note to Dick along with your name as a contributor on behalf of the Club. Those of you in Canada wishing to contribute can use the same number or contact the Canadian Cancer Society.

Though we were still coping with the loss of Nancy, Van Dusen was a great success. Regalia sales went on as Nancy would have wanted under the fine substitute efforts of Pam Bell and Dale Russell. There were also some lump-in-the-throat toasts at the evening's social gatherings.

Some more news on the badges: They are due to be shipped any day now. Sales have exceeded 70 badges so far. The drawing for the low numbered badges will be held at the Bellevue All Brits party and the badges will be handed out at that time. A list of new badge owners and their respective numbers will be published in the August *NWMogazine* for those of you who may wish to swap badges for personal reasons. If you requested a badge number between the highest number ordered and 100, (e.g. "99"), the request will be honored. For those of you who have yet to order a badge, please contact me in lieu of Dick Dice.

I hope the upcoming summer activities gain widespread attendance. So far we have been moving along with great momentum this year due to adding some new members and some revitalized old members, together with increased event attendance.

Kay Jones

## *North of the 49th, from Les Burkholder.....*

Up at 5 AM to get the 4/4 and Three Wheeler ready to catch the ferry from Gibsons to Horseshoe Bay and on to Mission Speedway. High overcast day was breaking over the mountains as the two cars resonated a beautiful sound (after we were out of the residential area) as they wind their way to the ferry. Arriving in Horseshoe Bay and on to the Allinsons where Al and Helen had the coffee on for Larry Sharp and ourselves. After the eye opener we were on our way again to pick up Leo Lee, and Hugh Dickson on the way to the major meeting place in Pitt Meadows where we joined up with the Russells in their shiny new paint job, Theroux, John Rennie, who was recording the event on film, Ken with his +8 and Pat Miles in her very new self-restored 4/4, Ted, Judy and Evan Carew-Gibson. It was nice to see Judy out to the event and hope to see more of her in the future. The one that lives the closest, Dave Collis and friend Ruth, comes in his Blue and and Black winged 4/4. Must get this fellow a can of Blue paint to do his fenders. Paul McCrossan joined June, David McCrossan joined Leo and we were off to Mission Speedway. On the way we came across Larry Emrick, who joined the cavalcade.

Arriving at the Raceway we were later joined by Ann and Rod Lafond in their +4 4-place. It seems that they had some fuel pump problems. It reminds me of traveling with Theroux and their fuel pump problems. What was it, every five miles the pump quit?? What is it with the +4 4-place vehicles?? Mike and Rosemarie Powley showed up followed by Stu Rulka and his daughter Kirstie in Stu's two cars, a 4/4 and +8. It was Kirstie's first day of driving a standard shift. By the sounds of it, Kirstie really enjoyed the experience. Ric MacDonald was along for the day but not in the Moggie. .

It was good to see all the old machinery on the track again. There was some exciting driving between a Jag 140 and a Corvette. In one race there was a non-member in a Morgan that was not performing to his satisfaction. At lunch time we all got to lap the track a few times. A bit too exciting for some of the women. I understand 'Sandal - to - the -Floor' Powley was thoroughly enjoying himself at the expense of Rosemarie. June was no better off when she parked the 4/4 and came with me. We were last in the line up of Morgans, and I now have great respect for those that race Three Wheelers.

In all we had a great showing of 18 Morgans and a well planned event by Al Allinson.

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## *Southern Chatter, from Heinz Stromquist.....*

Although the mix of attendees changes from month to month, thirteen appears to be the most common turnout number at our southern socials. May was no exception but it did take Roger and Linda Huntley, whom we hadn't seen for a few months, to achieve that lucky quorum. We really enjoyed the opportunity to get an update on their busy lives filled with travel, family and health issues - variations on a theme that all of us in the same age group can readily understand and at times, commiserate with.

The Hauges, HARRISES and Stromquists finalized their plans for the Vancouver field meet thinking that the miserable weather of the past few months couldn't possibly vanish in the two remaining days before departure. Wrong! We ended up with six glorious days of top-down driving which began on Thursday with a dash to Mt. Vernon, two days in Vancouver (Ron and Yvonne: Your party was great.), a drive to Port Townsend via Whidbey Island and ferry, a day's drive around the Olympic Peninsula to Lake Quinault and ended with a great drive home on Tuesday. All in all, the very best in Morgan motoring.

Much of our evening was spent in conversation about the loss of Nancy Dice whose friendship, club participation and enthusiasm for things Morgan will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and sincere condolences go out to Dick and his family at this very difficult time.

On a personal note, I reported that the green machine is back on the road again, looking as innocent as ever but with a total change in personality. Seldom does one embark upon a project with expectations that are totally exceeded by the results. Suffice it to say, I'm extremely pleased to be able to satisfy my sports car and muscle car urges with the same vehicle. All this fun would not have been possible without some very special help. So a big thanks goes out to Bob Hauge whose willingness and skills are becoming the stuff of legend and to the enthusiastic guys at the local Rover dealer who provided mountains of advice and technical literature. The assistance of Dave Wilcox reduced the time needed to sort out the wiring and computer problems by about a hundred years.

## *Midlands Matters, from .....?*

TO: MOGNW  
 FROM: MogHog  
 SUBJECT: May Midlands Monthly Meeting

Our Midlands monthly meeting took place at the popular Café Velocé at Totem Lake. Attendees included Hal Meden & Joan\*, Glen & Louise Jewett, Kay & Theresa Jones\*, Judd & Marishka Marten\*, Gary & Susan Van Hook, Mike Amos\*, Craig Runions\* and Ron Weiskind. Five Morgans(\*) were on the scene.

With only two days before the All British Field Meet, those members attending the VanDusen event made plans on where and when to rendezvous along the route north to Vancouver, B.C. Anyone who missed the tip to take the truck crossing across the border will know better next time.

The Marten's have some exciting news about upcoming automotive acquisitions. Be sure and ask them for the details. From Tacoma, Roger Braford arrived midway through the meeting in his Sunbeam Alpine, clutching several bits and pieces of his '57 +4 under his arm. Roger is actively seeking suggestions on how best to get his Mog back on the road. Do not be surprised if Roger should ask you some tough questions about some obscure Morgan part on late 50's +4's.

Do not forget that the June 17th Noggin will be held at the Roanoke Inn, 1825 - 72nd SE, Mercer Island. Don't miss it! Be certain to check out the June issues of both *Road and Track*, and *Car and Driver* magazines. You will find interesting reading on both present and future Morgans. The club is still looking for a likely venue to hold the after-Bellevue All Brit Party. Any suggestions or volunteers out there?

Minor delays with the manufacture and delivery of the 25th anniversary badge were discussed. A number of suggestions were made as to when and where the allocation of badges and badge numbers should take place. The only thing decided for certain was that badge #1 should be presented to Dick Dice as a small token of the club's appreciation for the many contributions that Nancy and Dick have made to MogNW. The overall atmosphere of the May meeting was subdued, as of each of us comes to grip of the realization of Nancy Dice's passing. MogNW and our little group will be greatly diminished by her loss. GOD SPEED Nancy!

## **VanDusen All Brit** from 5 perspectives

### **THE PLUS 4s.....from Gil Stegen.....**

Saturday was a grand day for the classic Morgans, the Plus 4's. The day started at 8:30 AM with a small contingent of +4's lead by Hal Meden and of course the Jewett Peerless. The rest of the pack arrived at a more dignified hour of 9:30 AM, resulting in 10 +4's (2.2% of all show cars present) and of course the Peerless. The cars were all bright and shining, at least until the tree sap settled upon us (it seems that VanDusen is destined to become a Botanical Park, decidedly paint unfriendly). From the top of the ridge we had the Theroux '59 4-place, Stegen's '67 DHC, Hal Meden's '62 DHC with 62k original chassis miles, the Coulthard '60 roadster with ONLY 34,000 miles, and Wayne Harris brought his cute red '58 roadster all the way up from McMinnville, OR. Proceeding down the line we found the unrestored '64 4-place of Larry Emrick, and then the famous Runions three wheeler (those rose bushes are tough on tires) '62 roadster, El Presidente showed his '53 flat line 4-place (always a crowd pleaser). The field was completed by Steve Hutchins' '63 cream/BRG 4-place (first time shown, all the way from Nebraska) , Button's '64 4-place, and of course the Peerless somewhere in the flowers. The award winners were in order, the Theroux burgundy 4-place, Emrick's unrestored 4-place, and Meden's Drop Head Coupe, but alas, no Peerless.

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## more VanDusen perspectives.....

### THE THREE WHEELERS.....from Les Burkholder.....

Saturday May 22 was a beautiful sunny day and all the Morgans were at their best, glistening in the sun. In Class 35, Pre War Sports which includes Morgan Three Wheelers, there was a great showing of three, where we normally have none or maybe one. Rather than being stuck over with all the other strange breeds, we parked the Three Wheelers with the Morgans, where they should be. After all, they are the Grandfathers of all the other Morgans, and you wouldn't ostracize your Grandfather would you?

There was Brian Pollock of Mercer Island Wa. in his 1934 Super Sport, JAP Engine, Beetle Back body Cream with Burgundy coloured fenders. Brian has had two previous Three Wheelers, and this present one is a beauty. He has owned this one for three to four years. I don't know if you noticed on his steering wheel controls, he had a rubber band for tension. Interesting accessory. He says that he plans to replace it with a spring washer.

Pete Gagan and wife Mary Jane of White Rock B.C. arrived in their 1933 Super Sport, JAP Engine, Beetle Back body coloured red. Like Brians, Pete's car was beautifully restored. In 1992 Pete bought this car in Royal Tunbridge Wells, England. It was a little scruffy, says Mary Jane. The car was restored and they toured England for the next five years. Pete entered three Irish Rallies, that Pete says "A real peel your tire off, and great fun". Another outstanding tour was the Tour of Brittany, off the coast of France. It is nice to see these cars are being used and enjoyed as they should. If you noticed on Pete's steering wheel, he has an extra lever. This is for decompressing the cylinders when starting. You open the valve, get the engine turning freely, close the valve and the engine starts with the traditional beautiful sound Put, Put, Put. I liked Pete's very British tweed cap. Hope to have Pete and Mary Jane out on many of our runs.

Then there was Burkholder that was bursting to tell every one prior to VanDusen that he had purchased a Three Wheeler the first of March and took delivery in Gibsons on the first of May of this year. Normally Burkholder cannot keep a secret, so this was really something. The car was purchased from an old friend, Dave Elcomb of Kingsville, Ont.. Back in the early 50ys Dave was my navigator as we rallied and toured Southern Ontario in the Windsor area, and in much of Michigan . We were at that time members of the Essex County Sports Car Club.

The car is a 1932 Super Sport, Beetle Back, colour red, with a JAP 1100cc competition engine. The Three Wheeler was raced in England, and Dave raced it the for last 23 years with VARAC in Canada, and also down the east coast of the US as far as Pittsburgh. Dave enjoyed his racing. In 1989 racing at Shannonville, Ont. he was successfully passing a twin cam MGA , when he lost the left cylinder, bits and oil were flying everywhere. Dave is an excellent machinist and had the car ready for racing again the following year. He says that when you get up to 80 to 90 MPH it tends to float. Hold your arms out and you would take off.

Dave found the Three Wheeler in Devon England IN 1967. The car was in a barn, suspended from the rafters, over two Rolls Royce's. They lowered it down, installed a new battery, filled it with gas, oil, water, and drove it away. He has enjoyed the car for the last 32 years, and he now finds it difficult to get in and out of. He wanted a good home for it to go to, as it is like family. They still will have visiting rights. Did you know that JAP stands for Jams A. Prestwick, the designer of the Engine?

### THE PLUS 8s.....from Ken Miles.....

May 22nd arrived and Van Dusen was upon us with sunny skies and higher temperatures than we had of late. The Plus 8's of Stu Rocca, Heinz Stromquist, Ted Carew-Gibson, Al Alinson, Ken Miles, Ron Weiskind, and Brooke Barnes for a total of seven had arrived to show their muscles to all and sundry. Ron's new car, a nice shade of blue did draw some interest, especially when it was learned he might be prepared to sell his other latest acquisition. After many hours of fierce and at times verbal competition, the following three cars were victorious in descending order: Miles, Alinson, and Weiskind.

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## still more VanDusen.....

**THE 4/4s.....**from Jonathan Russell.....

Was it an indication that the monsoon season was over? Fourteen Morgan 4/4s adorning the lawns of Van Dusen. From 1962 to 1992, 4 place, 2 place, wide body, narrow body with colours to compliment the floral backdrop. In no particular order, there was John Rennie (1969), Dave Collis (1963), Ted Laternus (1970), Claire and Bob Hauge (1962), Carmel and Woody Thomson (1968), Pat Miles (1968), Larry Sharpe (1970), June and Les "the King" Burkholder (1968), Ric MacDonald (1965), Michael "the badge" Powley (1972), Dale and Jonathan Russell (1992), Marilyn Rulka (1968), Marianne and Michael Povey (1970), Trisha and Leo Lee (1971).

The sun also brought out Malcolm Buffum, Jean and Jack Tinnea, Pam and Gary Bell and Mark Reutlinger. Special mention should be made of Val and Graham Bailey and their grill, the balance of the car being elsewhere! The People's Choice awards went to Pat Miles, Larry Sharpe and Leo Lee. The big question of the day was how Les and June Burkholder could (a) keep a secret so long and (b) contain their smiles when driving the 1932 J.A.P. Super Sport Trike, aka Red Ducky, into the gardens at Van Dusen. Impressive! After an enjoyable day in the gardens, back to the Theroux's for a very enjoyable evening with friends, some there and some not.

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**THE POST FUNCTION DINNER PARTY.....**from Ron Theroux.....

VanDusen after party....or "Sure, you can park on my grass"....We are sure all the drivers who attended the Vancouver ABFM have been acknowledged in other articles. How about the members that did make it to the Meet, but getting there without their trusty steeds. Bob and Judy McDiarmid, Gary Van Hook, Jack and Jean Tinnea, Graham and Val Bailey with a tale of woe to tell of their great DHC and pot holes. And yes, there again was Harry Miltner, seen hanging out with the MG gang, keeping company with Malcolm Buffum. Off on his own part of the field was Glenn Jewett trying to explain what a Peerless was and "No, I did not build it myself". New member Michael Geluch was there, still looking for a car.

Steve and Liz Blake were also present with their new MGTC. I am told they have sold the thirties Plymouth pickup, and are now in hot pursuit of a Morgan. Our faithful Gary and Pam Bell with Dale Russell were working the regalia tent, just as Nancy would have wanted it. Robert and Sidney Couch were here for their first visit to Vancouver. One of our younger members, David McCrossan was seen checking out the cars with Evan Carew-Gibson. Also met soon-to-be new members Win and Christine Muehling; they pick up a Plus 8 from Calgary in mid June.

Oh yes, dinner, with all of the members with and without cars, it is difficult to plan how many are coming for dinner. We do work with a budget from the club that has this year been raised to \$300US plus the funds from the Tiger Club at \$5 per person (plus showing up with the chicken wings, rice salads and other appetizers). For the past four years we have had to play a guessing game as to how many will attend. We have always ordered more steaks, deducting leftovers from the final bill. With eighty plus attending it would appear we underestimated some of the side dishes and salads, but with the help of many, we made it up at the dessert table. The galley staff busted their buns (pun intended) for 3 days and were the last to chow down.

We can't forget our super grill masters Big Al Allinson and his side kick Graham Bailey, they just keep getting better each year. How many of us can say we can still cook with charcoal? Each year is a learning experience....and can someone tell us why for two of the past three years we have had the potatoes turn black in the center? Bob Adair, where were you? There was a rumor you might be heading up here and for your special diet we had OREO cookies! The one thing we have missed with hosting these dinners for the past four years, is not having the time to visit with so many of the members that we see but once a year. Hi guys, sorry for not chatting. And finally, special thanks also to our co-hosts Les and June Burkholder and the non listed hosts Gil and Barb Stegen.

Subj: Perhaps a future Morgan Owner  
 Date: 6/5/99 10:11:11 PM Pacific Daylight Time  
 From: baina.m@pacific.net.sg (Avril & Malcolm)  
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Hi Craig,

McKenna and Huntley Bain would like to announce to the "MEMBERS" the arrival of their "BABY BROTHER" born Sunday 6th June 1999 (6/6/99.....good choice of a birth date) at 12:55 in the morning at Mount Elizabeth Hospital, Singapore. Weight: 4.3kg or 9lbs.7oz. Length: 53cm. Name: Bracken James Ernest Bain. Mummy and Baby are fine and well.

Cheers, Malcolm

**[Editor's note: Notice the birth date (Sunday, the 6th) and the date I received the e-mail (Saturday, the 5th). I guess we knew it about 2 hours and 45 minutes before Avril and Malcolm! Right? Sure!]**

## New MOGNW Car Badge

The 25th anniversary of our club, year 2000, is being commemorated by a new car badge professionally designed by Carmel Thomson, MOGNW member in Victoria, B.C. Each badge is numbered and carries the stamped date 1999 on the back. The raven image represents our unique international membership here in the Pacific Northwest and surrounds a 4-spoke Brooklands steering wheel. Between the spokes are a Morgan radiator, a U.S. flag, a Canadian flag and a mountain road.

Badge #1 of 100 has been dedicated to Dick Dice in memory of his wife Nancy and is not for sale. Requests for other low numbered badges will be satisfied by a drawing at the Marymoor Park July All Brit. Your order should indicate if you would like to be a part of that drawing. You need not be present to 'win'. Numbers can be traded with others, of course. Requests after the July All Brit will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

You may order your badge one of four ways:

1. call Kay Jones in Seattle at (206) 329-2885, and tell him the check is in the mail, or
2. e-mail Kay at zephyrinc@aol.com and tell him the check is in the mail, or
3. give Kay your order and cash or check at the Marymoor All Brit, or
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Kay Jones  
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The cost is \$35.00 US (\$50.00 Cdn) for club members and \$60.00 US (\$90.00 Cdn) for non-members. Price includes surface postage. Checks or money orders are payable in US funds to MOGNW.

Please (send me) (reserve for me) \_\_\_\_ badge(s). I would (would not) like to take part in the pool for low number(s). My requested number(s) is(are) \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_. My check or money order payable to MOGNW in US funds is enclosed in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_.

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## from the Morgan Oasis Garage

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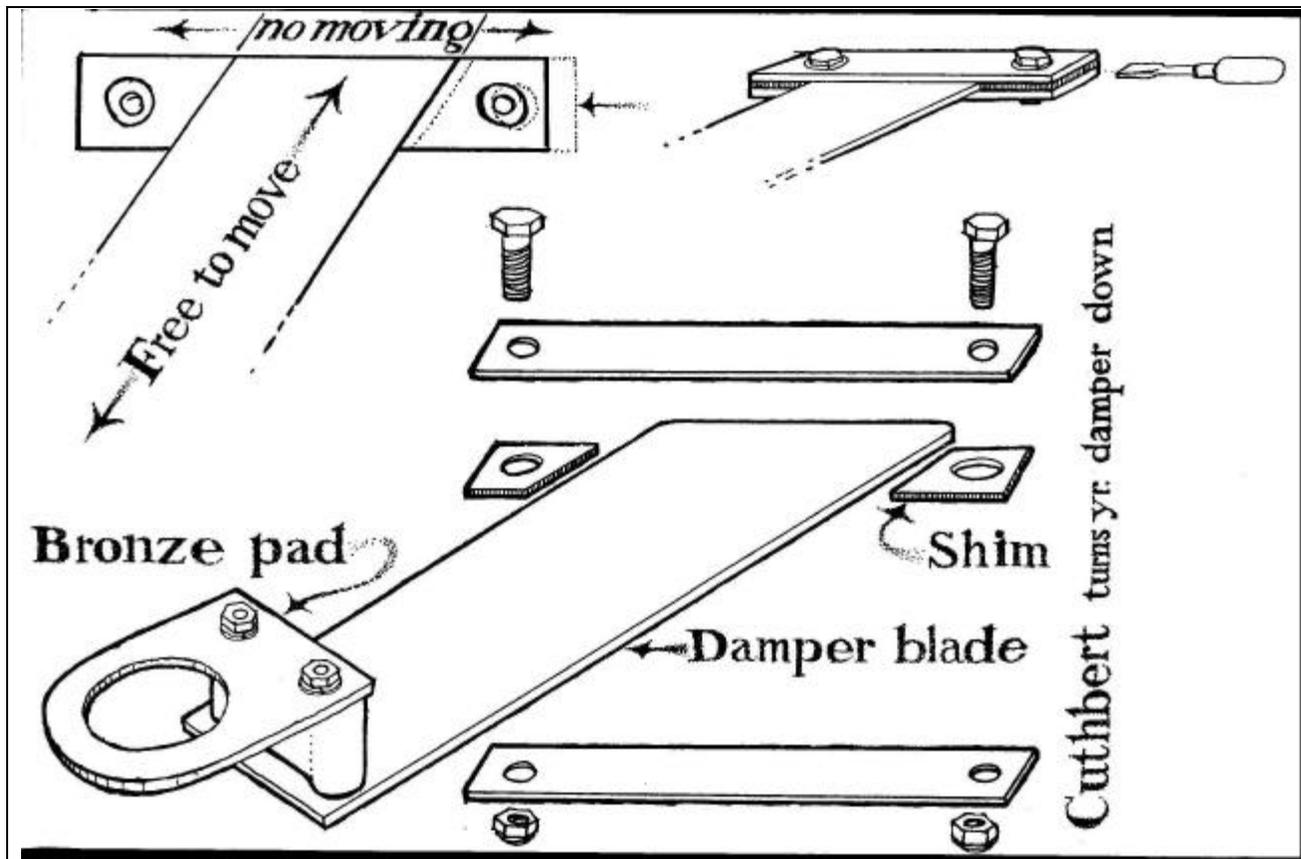
Friends:

Recently while putting the front end together on Terry's car, I went into a rant, as Clink and Clunk are wont to say. The reason for the rant was I had all new pieces for the steering damper assembly and after carefully getting it all together there was still a tiny bit of fore and aft play at the blade. Here was every piece, brand new, assembled with love and devotion, and the gotterdammerung whole rig wasn't correct.

It couldn't be adjusted up to where there was no fore and aft play cuz the holes in the shims were stopping the shims before they were snugeling up eversotight to the blade. I loosened one end, then pulled one shim out and made another shim with enough play to assemble it properly. Now this isn't brain surgery. It's as simple as engineering can get, even English engineering. So why do brand new pieces require modification? Not that it's that difficult to do, but when you buy new stuff there's a suitability implied.

All this, at least, gives Cuthbert the opportunity for more epistles to the Mognoscenti. The way the steering damper works on Morgan cars and no other is one of the engineering simplicities I love. The steering damper isolates the suspension main spring's tendency to steer the wheels as it winds and unwinds while the car goes over the road. The damper blade must be able to move athwartship, but not fore and aft. The shims are adjusted so the blade has NO movement fore and aft, but is able to move across the car as the suspension goes up and down. I adjust the shims so they are just snug, then with a tiny screwdriver the shims can be moved up to the damper blade so there is no movement. That's all ffffolks.

P.S. No mention has been made about lubrication. A good grease should be applied to both sides of the bronze pad and the inboard end of the damper blade.



## My Friend Nancy Dice

It was five years ago on one of Bert McCabe's spring runs that we stopped for lunch at Captain Whidbey's Inn, when Jonathan pointed to Big Red and squealed with delight that I was about to meet Dick and Nancy Dice. You have to realize that at that point I didn't know a Morgan from an MG, everything was a new experience for me - hell, even Jonathan was. From that day on, a friendship developed between us - us being the Dices, Russells and the cars - that was totally unconditional. Okay, maybe I'm telling a small lie here, for me there were a couple of conditions. One, I had better hurry up and know the difference between a Morgan and those other things with four wheels, and two, I had to pass the taco test - but that's another story. And if I was being totally honest with you, then you would know that the Dice/Russell relationship was already there, it's just that I wasn't yet a Russell and as Jonathan says "there was no life before you."

During these five short years there were many things that I learned from Nancy: she taught me not only how to play Dominoes but the need to always win and if you couldn't win then choose to be the scorekeeper and make yourself win; she introduced me to jazz like I never knew existed but quickly learned to love and appreciate; Dice Family terms such as "Thank Gods" and "FHB" which soon became common in the Russell household; how to rate a person's face into categories such as horse, bird or pudding; cookie recipes that never tasted as good as when she baked them; exposed me to Edward Hopper and the love she had for his paintings; but most of all she taught me the true meaning of friendship - honesty.

Nancy was one of the most giving people I have known. She gave of herself in so many ways none of which were selfish. Her friendship was sincere, her gifts were unique, her thoughts and advice were always direct. What more could one ask from an individual - she was always the cake not the icing, she told it like it was, there was never any phoniness about her and that is what I loved about her.

It was an honour to have known her and to have been welcomed into her family as we have been. I will miss her more than you will ever know but at least I was blessed to have had her as a friend and that was the biggest gift she gave to me.

Dale Russell

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Don't forget the June 17th Midlanders Meeting at the Roanoke Inn on the north end of Mercer Island. It's easy to get to from the West or East (disregarding the commuter traffic). My cell phone is (206) 963-7429 in case you get lost.

On I-90 from the West:

Use exit #6 (first exit off the floating bridge)  
Turn left onto West Mercer Way  
Follow to 72nd SE  
You're there, on the corner, old House with nice gardens

On I-90 from the East:

Use exit #7  
Go thru 2 stop lights  
Right lane turns right at Stop Sign  
You're on N. Mercer Way (not signed)  
Follow to 72nd SE  
You're there, on the corner, old House with nice gardens



## **Jones' Caboose Run with Real Sports Cars driven by Real Tough People!**

by Bob Nelson

Thursday, May 6th before the Caboose Run, the weather forecast was for snow in the passes. We almost ran the Morgan over that night to beat the snow. Friday AM the passes were bare and wet, so it's a GO! 8:30 AM Loretta and I left, top on, side curtains off. We had a cool and wet drive on Hwy 2 over Stevens Pass. The sun came out as we entered Eastern WA, but temps were cool. We pulled into Wenatchee and for the first time I made the correct turn and made it across the Columbia instead of into Wenatchee.

Across the Columbia we turned south for Quincy where we were to possibly meet the Buttons. But right now, as we haven't had anything to eat we were looking for a bagel and latte stand. We found one as I got into the wrong lane and ended up where? Back across the Columbia into downtown Wenatchee! All well though because we found a bagel and latte stand and an easy on-ramp back across the Columbia with our goodies and headed for Quincy.

Just then my cell phone rings, it's Button, they are just east of Ellensburg on I-90 heading for Quincy. We meet for a Mexican lunch and headed out on Hwy 28 for Grand Coulee where Geri found a B&B to stay at. It was a building used for the workers back when they were building the dam. They have 11 rooms, all decorated different, and all beds had quilts on them, very nice. And they went all out with a wonderful breakfast.

Sunday, right on time in cool and sunny weather, Craig in his green roadster and Glenn and son Mark in the 4-place call us from the other side of town on the cell phone, the main road is blocked off for a parade! Our host at the B&B gave Craig directions to get around it and we meet them at the visitors center. We all left together following Kay's directions which took us over a considerably gravelly road. Jewett was leading, Craig following, Loretta and I, then Bill and Geri behind us. Glenn and Craig soon disappeared and I settled down to a modest 35 mph. We stopped at a view area (well, a big wide spot) where we could look down on the Columbia and indulged in a beer and chips. It was cold up there as we headed out with Bill leading, as he was claiming I wasn't driving fast enough. We made it to the Inchelium Ferry and waiting on the other side were Craig, Glenn and Mark.

As we got close to Jones' place it was snowing, it's not too warm out. We wandered down Kay and Theresa's paved (NOT!) driveway (HA HA). Kay was setting up a covered area for our barbeque, but just as it was done, out came the sun. The food and drinks were great. Kay and Teresa did a great job for us as usual, (some day though, we are going to get some real miles on Jones' Flat Rad). Craig, Glenn and Mark stayed in the Jewett hotel (tent). Glenn had brought the wrong tent poles, so Mark cut and peeled poles and, presto, the tent was up. But get this, they blew up their air mattress with the exhaust from the Morgan, quite inventive. Fortunately, no leaks. Buttons and Nelsons checked into the motel in Colville with intentions of going back out to the Caboose the next morning for breakfast.

Sunday AM the weather forecast was still for snow in the mountains, so Bill and I elected to forego going back to Jones' and instead headed out toward home. Bill and Geri headed south to Hwy 90 and Loretta and I west to Sherman Pass and Republic. 40 miles up the mountain from Kettle Falls, it was snowing real good and we are the first car on the road. The 3rd time the Morgan slid sideways we turned around and inched our way out of the snow back to Kettle Falls, then south down the west side of the Columbia to Inchelium and west on a gray road and across a much lower pass. We still got into soft snow, but did well and made that crossing, then south again on Hwy 21 to another gray road to the west. We again ran into snow, but only for a short distance. As we entered Grand Coulee it was sunny and cool. That pretty well was the story across Stevens Pass and home.

This was a run for real Morgan car drivers and passengers; we all did it and we will go again (hey Jones, next time in June, OK?). P.S. Last year we did this run one week later and it was in the high 80's.

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Some more thoughts on the Caboose Run from your Editor, Craig.....Kay, Theresa and the Caboose are truly great hosts and northeastern Washington state really is beautiful. Yes, Glenn and I did run into snow on the way home. In the wheat fields in eastern Washington no less! First time for me. Not fun. Fortunately, not too much. Incredible number of campers, trailers, motorhomes and RVs on the roads. The season is just beginning. An otherwise uneventful trip except for a broken speedo cable. 650 miles by my best guess. Great fuel mileage. Only 2 stops for gas. Almost 25 mpg at 75 mph on regular gas. Can't ask for much more than that from my well used warrior. Except to get to VanDusen (done), Devil's Punchbowl and Cambria and Sequim and and and.....

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## Celebration Gathering at Dick's

By Craig Runions

Sunday, June 6th was a day to remember and to celebrate the life of Nancy Dice. Hosted at the Dice home on Bainbridge Island by many family members, we had a chance to gather together, laugh and tell stories, eat and drink, and see many good friends. Badge #1 was dedicated and a plaque was presented to Dick. Morgan Owners Group Northwest was well represented with, I believe, 28 members and their spouses, significant others, etc. There were, of course, a few Morgans too. From all parts of the northwest we came: the Southern group had Glover, Hauge, Smith and Stromquist; the Midlands group was Amos, Bell, Button, Dietz, Jewett, Jones, Marten, McCabe, Meden, Runions, Stegen, Tinnea, Van Hook and Wellington; and from North of the border came Allinson, Bailey, Burkholder, Carew-Gibson, Gilbert, Lee, Miles, Powley, Russell and Theroux.

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July 17, 1999

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From *The Whistler Question*, Monday, September 21, 1998  
(courtesy of I forgot who gave it to me at VanDusen!!)



Les Burkholder and his 'new' 3-wheeler, a 1932 Super Sport with a J.A.P. Competition engine  
Photo courtesy of Dale Russell

# MOG WEST '99 July 30-August 1, 1999

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