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## MOGNW 2002 CALENDAR

Aug 10	Sat	Midlands (and Northern Pod) Tour and Picnic on Hood Canal at the Seligman's	Dave Wellington	(360) 387-8770
Aug 10	Sat	Southern Center Oregon Wine Country Tour	Wayne Harris	(503) 472-1911
Aug 20	Tues	Southern Center monthly social meeting at Portland Brewing Pub, 2730 NW 31st Ave	Heinz Stromquist	(503) 224-9576
Aug 31	Sat	26th Portland ABFM and MOGNW post function	Heinz Stromquist	(503) 224-9576
Sept 8	Sun	Hougen Park All-British Car Picnic, Vancouver, BC	Rod Lafond	(604) 850-7725
Sept 21	Sat	Vancouver to Whistler All-British Car Tour	Ken Miles	(604) 576-8036
Sept 28	Sat	MOGNW Quarterly Board meeting at 10:00AM at Bill Button's, 9839 - 51st Ave SW, Seattle	Ron Theroux	(604) 590-1770
Sept 28	Sat	Deadline for the October <i>Mogazine</i>	Craig Runions	(206) 542-7137
Oct 27	Sun	Northern Pod Halloween Run	Win Muehling	(604) 299-2425
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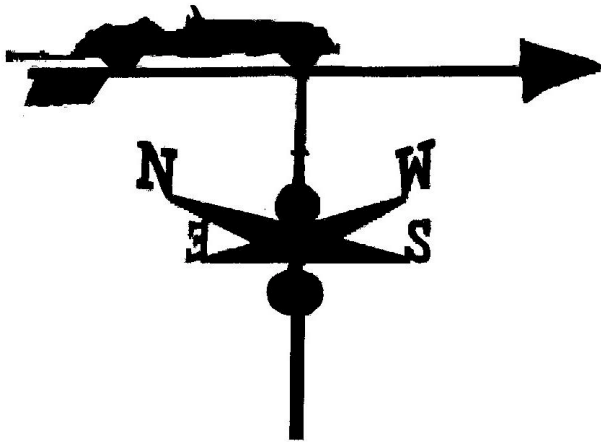
**Cover and page 9: Bellevue All Brit party at Dick and Kathy Dow's home. Button photos.**

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**MOGNW****The Nor-Wester**by Ron Theroux, President, [ronsmog@shaw.ca](mailto:ronsmog@shaw.ca)

MOG NW has a number of awards that are presented at our Annual Banquet; all are meant to be in good fun. It seems this year the Barkerville or Bust Run has generated the most nominations to date. We will not attach names as yet; we still have five months of happy Morganing to go. I'm sure other candidates will be put forward as well for our coveted/prestigious trophies. The Eternal Turn Signal Award given for lapses in memory? (Yes, I've won it twice, but I'm in distinguished company!) Also the Rough Rider Award, it's always a challenge for every event

planner. Sure it's the greatest looking trophy, but it's so dammed hard to estimate just how much gravel road it will take to win it? (Smile) The one none of us plan for, but all could have a shot at someday is the Press on Regardless Award. Last years winner Bert McCabe set a high standard for us to follow. Bert demonstrated similar fortitude, stamina and perseverance on the B or B Run as did Ric MacDonald, both having to endure the torment of soft springs, air conditioning, roll up windows, radios, tin tops and windscreen wipers that worked. Congratulations to both, for doing the run in spite of the last minute breakdown of their Morgan's.

We are well into our "High Season (Mike Powley)" and judging from our calendar of events there is still a full list of activities into the fall for all regions. Hope we have something planned that will get you and your Morgan on the road.

Our special thanks to Dick and Kathy Dow for hosting the dinner after the Bellevue ABFM. This is the third time they have come forward and with the help of family and friends treated us to another great evening. It seems they were better connected with the weatherman this year, not having to cope with rain showers as in past years. The parking lot (aka front lawn), we hope, did not suffer any lasting effects? Thanks again, from MOG NW!

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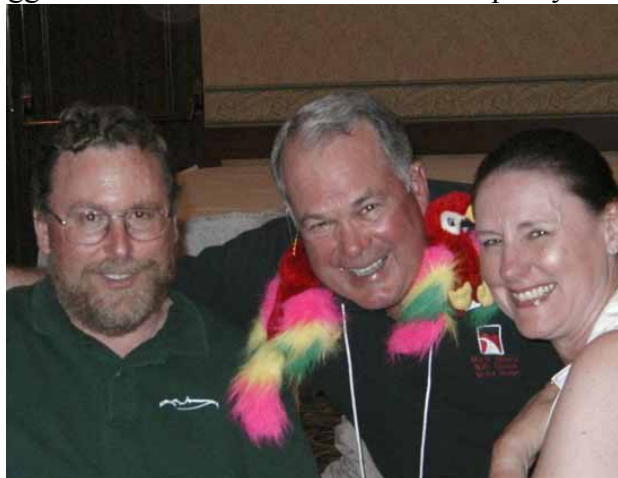
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## Midlanders Report #1

from Dave Wellington

The Ralleye In The Valley on July 5-7 once again lived up to its excellent reputation. This was the largest show yet with 270 entrants. The car display was held on the sunny shores of Lake Okanagan in Penticton, BC. Only 3 Midlander couples attended: Bill & Cassie Ward, Lee & Judy Harman, and Dave & Thea Wellington. Per usual, Pat Miles' 4/4 nabbed 1<sup>st</sup> place, second went to Bob McDiarmid's +4 and Lee Harman's +4 with the Harley "eyelids" took third place honors. The awards banquet served a tasty buffet to over 500 hungry mouths -----an amazing feat! A Hawaiian Beach Party theme complete with live reggae music and a visit from Her Royal Highness, The Queen, added to the ambiance and revelry. Speaking of revelry and raucous behavior, Lee Harman got a bit carried away with the stuffed parrots in the table centerpieces! (check out the attached photos.) Next year RITV will be celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary and I hope more Midlanders will plan to attend. It's always great fun, the drive to the Okanagan from here is spectacular, and the lakeshore car display is an awesome venue. The function is always scheduled on the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend so mark your 2003 calendars now.

We had delightful weather for the Bellevue ABFM on July 27-----not too hot, no rain. Dick Dice sold lots of regalia under our new Midlanders tent -----very spiffy. With 611 entrants this was the largest Bellevue show yet. The Moggie count of 18 cars was down from past years. Mike Amos won the 4/4 class. In the +4 class Bob Marten got 2<sup>nd</sup>. Mark and Mark Reutlinger were place respectively in the and Hal Meden took 1<sup>st</sup> gorgeous drop heads. In category added last year) first place trophy, with 2<sup>nd</sup> going to Bob McDiarmid Special and Modified racy '34 SuperSport Trike MacDonald's modified should be noted that out winners there was only one Canadian! However, before the Midlanders start gloating, they should know that "Display Only" cards were posted on Theroux's and Miles' mogs-----just to give the Yanks a sportin' chance! Our gratitude and many thanks are extended to Dick and Kathy Dow for sharing their lovely home with MOG NW for the post-meet party. Their spacious lawn provided a perfect setting for our mogs and the festive canopy (left over from a wedding celebration last summer and now a 'semi-permanent' fixture) offered shade and a cozy atmosphere. We all had a truly enjoyable evening and the food was delicious. Thank you, Kathy and Dick, for being such great hosts. (Sorry, Dick, that you had to grill all the burgers yourself! That chore usually falls to Craig R. and Dave W. but Craig was off sailing and Yours Truly arrived late since I had to attend a 'T-bag' party with my MGTC first. Oh well, what can I say?)



Mike Amos won the 4/4 class. Judd Stinson took 1<sup>st</sup> and Judd Hagestad, Ron Weiskind, awarded 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> +8 class. Daryl Ozuna and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize with their the 4-seater class (a new Steve Hutchens won the and 3<sup>rd</sup> place awards and Bill Button. In the category Brian Pollock's got 1<sup>st</sup> and Kirby '63 +4 won a 2<sup>nd</sup>. It of the entire list of award

## Midlanders Report #2

from Dave Wellington

Our Hood Canal Run was a great success this year. A dozen Moggies showed up in the parking lot of the Naval Undersea Museum in Kitsap County on Sat. Aug. 10th. Participants included the Martens with Judd driving his +4 and Marishka piloting the +8, Bill and Geri Button, Art and Geri Colby, Bob and Barb Stinson, Dick Dice with Terry Campbell riding 'shotgun', Craig Runions, Bill and Cassandra Ward, Dave and Thea Wellington, and our hosts- Gerry and Tanya Seligman. We were also graced with the presence of 2 couples from the Northern Pod- Ken and Pat Miles and Mike and Marianne Povey. We toured the museum for about an hour and learned all about torpedoes, submarines, diving bells and such. It was a fascinating facility----uncrowded, free, clean restrooms and even a gift shop!

Promptly at 11:00am we all mounted our steeds and, armed with Tootsie Pops, embarked on a delightful 90 min. run to Port Townsend. It was a perfect day as Geri and Tanya introduced us to some of the best backroads I've been on in a long while. The Moggies were happy, the drivers were happy, and our fearless leaders managed to keep our merry caravan together with no one getting lost or making a wrong turn (right, Mo?). Tanya said she felt like a mother hen trying to keep her brood all together and out of harm's way!

We arrived at Fort Worden from the backside (NW entrance) at 12:30 and were pleased to see Hal Meden and Joan Royal waiting for us at the parade grounds. Our group of Morgans had now expanded to a "baker's dozen". Everyone voted to squeeze in a quick shopping tour in Port Townsend. Bill, Ken and I checked out the Antique Autos and Accessories Junk Shop and were delighted to find an "open" sign in the window for the first time ever! But, alas, upon entering the owner informed us that he was going to lunch and we would have to come back later. We explained that we were leaving town in less than an hour, to which he responded, "Too bad, but you don't expect me to delay my lunch, do you?" Such is life among proprietors in laid back Port Townsend!

By now everyone was getting hungry and thirsty so we took the 'fast lane' back to Seligman's cottage where all 13 moggies lined up on the lawn with the Hood Canal as our scenic backdrop. Gerry grilled bangers and salmon to accompany the delicious salads and desserts and we all agreed that 'life is good' as we enjoyed the idyllic setting. Seligman's neighbor, Francis Bacon, treated us to tours of his flower garden and provided a gorgeous table centerpiece of dahlias for the party. In addition to being a 'gardener extraordinaire', he's on the board of trustees at the Naval Undersea Museum and a retired submarine vice-admiral. Bob and Sidney Couch arrived just in time to get the last of the salmon and to inform us that they're going into the lavender farming business.

Many thanks to Gerry and Tanya for hosting the Midlanders Hood Canal Run again this year. A grand time was had by all. Midlander functions for Sept. and Oct. will be organized by Bill Button and Kay Jones. I understand that Kay wants to put together a run in the Richmond Beach area sometime this fall and will email the Midlander membership regarding the details. Yours truly will be in Italy in Sept. with some other MogNW members, including Editor Runions. We will be doing our utmost best to enjoy the fruits of the Tuscany vine while the rest of you are back here enjoying morganeeing! Ciao.



Naval Undersea Museum parking lot 8/10

Wellington photo



Light house Pt. at Fort Worden 8/10

Wellington photo



MogWest photo by Miles



Aero 8 photo by Miles

## MOGWEST 2002

from Ken Miles

Monday July 15<sup>th</sup> dawned bright and sunny. Pat and I had the car packed and were looking forward to our drive to Cambria, California where we would meet old friends and make new ones. It did not dawn on us that it would be a Cambria to remember.

On Wednesday July 17<sup>th</sup> we arrived at George and Kathy Tollworthy's where we would spend the next two nights before departing for Cambria on Friday. The only misfortune in the 920 miles that we had driven was a badly split windscreen due to a stone chip from a truck on the I-5. The next two days were spent cleaning the car and getting it ready for the show. Thursday night we were invited to Phil and Elaine Fisher's house along with the Tollworthy's for a barbeque. Also in attendance were Keith and Sue Ahlers with their Aero 8. It gave us the rare opportunity with few people in attendance to inspect the car and discuss its handling with Keith. The pictures that we have seen do not present a true picture of its design. The car is fantastic and every thought has gone into its design. For example there are no defrosters but each glass surface is individually heated by invisible traces of electric wires. The only changes we could think of was that the Morgan script for the cowl should be mounted on the cowl not on the vertical surface of the boot lid and that the cockpit could have been made wider for more comfort.

## MOGWEST continued

Friday arrived and we drove to Carmel where we met up with the rest of the Northern California club and headed to Cambria. Friday night was the usual registration, reception and dart contest with the additional pleasure of meeting old friends.

The concourse show was held Saturday morning. I had been asked to help judge the Plus 8 and DHC classes and was able to get my first true insight into judging. It is not as easy as one thinks and it is a tough decision when viewing cars of the calibre presented. All the classes were finished except for the four-seater class, which seemed to go on forever. Finally it was finished and the rally commenced which provided for a pleasant 3-hour drive through the countryside. Saturday night a barbeque was held at John Willburn's house, which was a 15 mile drive from Cambria. It was a pleasant change from the old beach barbeques held in the past.

Sunday morning was free from scheduled events but for some of us it was the highlight of the weekend. Pat and I along with others were able to drive the Aero 8. Of course Keith was in attendance. I cannot describe the feeling one gets when driving this car. It handles better than any Morgan I have driven and of course the power is fantastic. It is truly an exhilarating experience!

Sunday afternoon the Gymkhana was held and was not as difficult as last year in that boxing gloves were not required for drivers and we did not have to back up the whole course.

Sunday evening was the usual awards banquet with Keith and Sue Ahlers winning Best in Show for their Aero 8. Pat won First Place in the 4-seater Roadster class and also placed first in the 4/4 Gymkhana class.

We left Cambria Monday morning with many happy memories and experiences to meet one more misfortune on the way home which was another bad stone chip which left us with two parallel vertical cracks in the windscreen.

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From: Heinz  
To: Craig  
Subj: **PORTLAND ALL BRIT**

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Morning of the meet, all MOGNW members gather at Elmer's Hayden Meadows (next to the hotel) for breakfast at 8:00.

The after the meet party will be at Dick and Ann Tilden's house: 6865 SW Canyon Drive, Portland, OR 97225, 503-292-6037. Details and maps will be available at the meet.

Hi, Craig

I am in the process of collecting as many stories of G.B. Sterne as possible. I would like to build a biography on him and his love for Morgans and Morgan racing. Please put a note in the next newsletter that I am collecting and would like anyone who knows of or can tell any good stories about him to please send them to me. Either email <coulthard@saltspring.com> or snailmail to 160 Douglas Road, Saltspring Island, BC, Canada V8K 2T1

Cheers, Marv

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## Hood River Run

from Bill Button

Last year Craig Runions, Gil Stegen & I drove to Hood River, Oregon. We met in Enumclaw then over Chinook Pass to Randle then south on Forest Service roads to Hood River. This was to be the first leg of our 2001 Crater Lake Run. In Hood River we met up with Doug & Leslie Davee. Doug is a MOGNW member and owns a 1965 Plus Four. The Morgan is in pieces and Doug is putting them back together. The Davee's live on top of a mountain with fantastic views of Mt. Hood and Mt Adams as well as the orchards in the Hood River Valley below them.



On July 15<sup>th</sup>, Craig and I decided to visit Doug & Leslie again. One more time driving down the back roads to Hood River. Craig with his brother Mark and Button with his son-in-law Joe met at 9:00AM at Charlie's in Enumclaw for breakfast. By 10:00 AM we were on our way. Beautiful day with a bit of haze in the morning. The Morgans were running great and I am sure we were quite a sight speeding thru Cayuse Pass at speed. (45MPH?) Passing the pickup campers and RV's and wishing we had a V8. We stopped in Packwood at the Forest Ranger's Office. There is another road that goes just west of Mt Adams that I wanted to try. We had heard there was a small section of unpaved road. Not to worry says the Forest Ranger Lady. "It is only about 5 miles long and if you go slow NO PROBLEM". From Randle south is a delight. Very little traffic; wonderful weather; nice company and Morgans that were running at their best. Plus a great paved road that has 80 miles of curves. (continued on next page)



## more Hood River

250 miles later in Hood River we picked up some beer and sandwiches and headed for “Mountain Man” Doug Davee’s home. Last year Doug and Leslie were living in a trailer home. But this year they have a brand new home on their 20 acres of view property. We could not stay long as we still had the drive back. After homemade “Daveeberry Pie” ala mode we left for home.

I talked Craig into trying the other road back to Randle. The one with a 5 mile(!) gravel surface. Although not as stunning as the other route and not as curvy, it was still fun. Up SR 141 to Trout Lake then FR23 on to Randle. We ran out of good road on the west flank of Mt Adams. Wash Board – terrible. 10MPH was too fast. Reminded me of my R&D days. “Shake & Bake”. About half way in my Morgan quit. Joe (Ace Mechanic) determined that the distributor cap/rotor was fried. My new hot “MSD” ignition system was too hot. Fortunately I was carrying the old parts. About 45 minutes later we were running again. It turned out that it was not 5 miles of bad road but 10 miles of bad road. Craig had been waiting for us where the bad road ended and pavement began. When I did not show up, Craig re-traced 5 miles to find us. NOT A HAPPY CAMPER. So Craig drove this awful dusty road for 20 miles not the 5 we were promised. Now I want to point out - this was not a club event (do you hear me, Craig?). Therefore it is not eligible for the “ROUGH RIDER AWARD”. But if it were I am sure I would get it.



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