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Sunday 28th August – Leyburn Sprints

Sunday 23rd October – MOQ Presidents Run, Meeting & AGM

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To make this club as accessible as possible to all people with an interest in Morgan motor vehicles whether they be owners, drivers or enthusiasts;

To promote fellowship among members through rallies, outings, meetings and the like;

To promote Morgan Owners Queensland Inc to the public through displays, rallies etc and endeavour to further interest in Morgan motor vehicles.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Christine Stevens



The year started slowly for the Morgans with the summer heat and the dreadful floods. The future is looking up for most and over the past few months we have had some very good Morgan drives. I have been fortunate enough to borrow Tom's yellow 4/4 and Steve Bass-Rees has been driving ours.

We had an interesting weekend in Wee Waa in the Morgans mid-May. The numbers were down due to the distance to Wee Waa on a 2 day weekend but a few of us extended it to a 3 day weekend with the Friday off work and we ended up with 4 Morgans and a Porsche. There is a report further on in SunMog.

On the same weekend we were in Wee Waa, other members were at Macleans Bridge at Lakeside. Stefan and Clive attended "Macleans Bridge at Lakeside". Clive reported that Martyn Tonks was also there in his Morgan along with Martyn's neighbour – also in his Morgan. I have not heard reports of others Morgans attending. Unfortunately we don't have a report – maybe next SunMog!

Sunday 15th May is also National Motoring Heritage Day which is always held on the 3rd Sunday of May. National Motoring Heritage Day is a day where members of all clubs demonstrate the strength of the Australian historic motoring enthusiast movement. The Australian Historic Motoring Federation (AHMF) hoped to have up to 200,000 vehicles from the 900 plus AHMF affiliated vehicle clubs on the road on the same day around Australia. From all reports, there were many events on this day so this number may have been easily exceeded.

Greg organised a great drive on 5th June celebrating Queensland Day and the strength of the areas that were affected by the January floods. We will have a report on that in our next SunMog.

Martina has been to the UK and back since our last report. She arrived safely but not her luggage. After 3 days of waiting she had all her luggage – chargers, camera and UK phone. Stefan, Martina and Monty are off to Europe again in a few weeks (and are possibly there now). Monty will be spending time learning German, Stefan and Martina will be enjoying time in Paris and they will then spend time with Martina's mother for her 75th birthday.



Club membership fees of \$50 per member are due for payment 30th June so please forward your payment to Lee or, better still, make internet transfer to the club bank account. Lee will provide you with the account details.

The AGM is coming up in a few months and we need some new people to step up and take over the running of the club. Last year Lynn Fairhall indicated that she was willing to take on the Secretaries role for one more year only. I have been President, Editor and the web page. It is time for me to step back and other members to step up. If we want Morgan Owners Queensland to continue to develop and for the additional runs to continue you need consider putting in your contribution. When every committee members does their little part it all runs easily and smoothly.

MORGAN COUNTRY RUN TO BOONAH

Sunday 17th April 2011

Stefan Wolf

What a great idea of Greg and Christine to organise a Run to Boonah and Mt French on the Sunday just before Easter. Bad weather looming, made our run a bit of a gamble right up to our meeting time at around 09:00hours at Maclean's Bridge in South Maclean. The small group that met didn't get deterred however and all arrived with the hood down.



The +8 boys (Stefan and Clive) protecting their cars

Martina and I, we have to confess, were a bit squeamish and drove off with the hood up. To our excuse it was raining when we left Cleveland and

it wasn't looking very promising but we at least wanted to show our faces. As we gained distance to the Coast the sky lit up a bit and the hood went down and, puuuhh, it went – a bit too hot cooped up inside anyway. We all started off from Maclean's Bridge pretty much on time at about 09:40h waiting for maybe a few more Morganeers to brave the elements and to show up last minute.

But no such luck and there we were, Chris and Greg in Tom's 4/4, Lee and Clive in their magnificent 2002 Plus 8, Steve, Sally and little Bill split up into Greg's and Christine's 4/4 four seater and into a modern tin top, as little Bill is not allowed to travel in a Morgan due to clever state regulations.

Our small group had a clear run to Beaudesert where we found a nice café' for the breakfast stop. Roads and town were pretty deserted on this rather dull looking morning. Apart from a few drizzle sprays, traveling was however very enjoyable. On deserted roads we proceeded on to Boonah and the scenic route up to Mt French. What a *phantastic* road through beautiful wooded scenery and then in an open Morgan – is there anything better?!

It was a short stroll from the parking area to the lookout with breathtaking views across to the McPherson and Main Ranges and the Fassifern Valley, best known for its carrot plantations. Back down the narrow mountain road again and this time a bit slower through the various ditches avoiding the road caressing the exhaust more than necessary.



DAY RUN TO LEYBURN SPRINTS

Sunday 28th August 2011

PLEASE – Mark this in your diary

Morgan Owners Queensland are running a day trip to the Leyburn Sprints. We are very fortunate to have Christine's brother, Bill Elliott now living in Leyburn. His home is in Peter Street which is part of the back straight of the track and at a corner. The plan is to drive our Morgans into Bill's yard in Peter Street and set up under the large trees out the front. We will have a BBQ and the use of the facilities in the house

We can enter Bill's yard without going on or near the track as he owns the land needed to allow this access.

If we stay in Bill's yard we will not be asked to pay the entry fee which is \$15 per day (or \$25 for a weekend pass. That will be an option to those of us wishing to walk through the pits etc.

There are security guards outside Bill's fence to stop locals straying onto the track. They also act as safety officers when locals wish to cross the track from their homes. This is how we shall gain access to the pits and inside the track areas should be wish to enter.

7:30am approx	Depart Brisbane at about 7:30am
10:00am approx	Arrive Peter Street, Leyburn.
Lunch	BYO drinks, meat and a salad plate to share. If you can fit chairs into your Morgan please do so.
3:00pm approx	Racing finishes
Returning home	Before dark

You will find the small town of Leyburn completely taken over by racing drivers, their friends and family and spectators. The tiny town explodes from only 150 people to thousands every August, for two days of motor racing. The Historic Leyburn Sprints is an annual two-day motor racing event where the streets of the town are closed off to the public and historic racing cars take over. The race weekend event commemorates the running of the first Grand Prix in Queensland at Leyburn in 1949.

Spectators and competitors are treated to an array of exciting sprint racing classes including open wheelers and sports cars of various engine capacities and ages, as they hum around the timed one kilometre circuit, leisurely winding their way around the houses and through the heart of Leyburn, is an accurate description of Leyburn's biggest annual event.

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MORGANS AT MONTLHERY

7th & 8th May 2011

Jims Christophe (France)

Earlier in May, Roselyne and myself were lucky enough to attend a 'Vintage Revival' weekend at the historic Montlhéry–Linus racetrack, described by “Octane” magazine (March 2011) as 'one of Europe's most fearsome circuits', situated just south of Paris.



Jims & Roselynn in their MOQ club shirts

The track was built in 1924 by a leading industrialist and car enthusiast Alexandre Lamblin, who dreamed of creating France's first purpose-built racetrack – notable for its 51 degrees (yes, *Fifty One Degrees*) banked 1.58 mile oval, which was designed to break and set speed and endurance records. Vehicles have to travel at least 200kmh to stay at the top! Indeed, the circuit set 1,000s of records and became the fastest circuit in Europe in its day. The circuit also incorporates a 9 km road section, making the total track length 11 km.

The track was almost lost forever when it was sold to the French Government in 1939 and placed at the disposal of the War Ministry but, after WW2, the track was bought and taken over by UTAC – the French testing and development organisation, as the tight banking proved to be a great testing and development centre for car manufacturers. We were amused to walk along the cobbled and ridged sections outside of the track designed to test suspension and handling as it reminded us of “Top Gear” and the basket of eggs test! UTAC subsequently renovated the entire place and still own it to this day.

Our party of 9 Morgans covered the Morgan range pretty comprehensively as our group included Plus 8s, Plus 4s, 4/4s, a Roadster and a 4-seater too. Plus, we covered the decades from the 70's to the present day! We organised accommodation for the weekend at a mobile home site just 20 minutes from the circuit. Although it doesn't sound very glamorous the site was, in fact, in a lovely woodland setting and the mobile homes were very new and modern – the only problem we encountered was that it was easy to get lost in the fifty eight acres of paths and culs de sac



We had a very convivial 'pot luck' supper for 16 Morganeers on the Friday night and it was a good opportunity to get to know everybody a bit better. The highlight of the repast was a delicious selection of cheese provided by Philippe, 'the cheese-man' – well known to attendees of the Le Mans Classic (where he brings 200 camembert's for the Sunday party) and a Plus 8 man – Camembert to die for mmmm!

We set off for the track early on Saturday morning and all the Morgans were given a prime spot for parking by the organisers because we were 'so pretty!' Our numbers were swelled by the arrival of a Dutch contingent and some more French Morgans. The first sight of the banked oval was amazing – it's hard to imagine that anything could possibly stay on the track, but sure enough, as we watched, a white Clio Sport with all its lights flashing (the course car) came hurtling round the top of the banking! One can only imagine the sensations as, according to "Octane" – "If a car that nestles near the top of 2010's supercar tree can scare you here (Octane's Mercedes Benz SLS AMG used on their test) imagine how it must have been for the brave souls who raced wheel to wheel on the banking in the 1920's and 30's" – makes you think doesn't it?



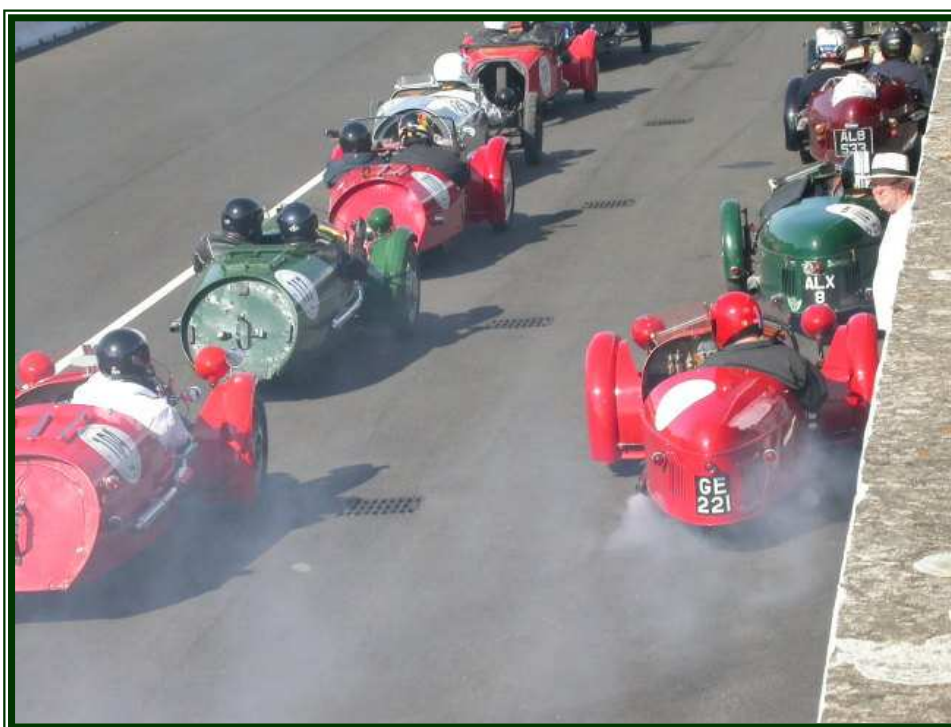
There was an amazing variety of vehicles in the paddock – it's hard to know where to start – we counted at least 40 Morgan 3-wheelers plus their French equivalents of Darmont & Sandford. We also saw a number of Bugattis, Bentleys, Alfas, Amilcars, MG, Delahayes, Talbots, Salmson plus many others including some very rare vehicles.

There were also a large number of vintage motor bikes, also some quite rare ones too, and they made such a lovely, rorty noise as they set off for the track.

We wandered around the circuit finding different vantage points to watch the racing – although there wasn't supposed to be any racing, it was supposed to be just a parade – only no-one had told some of the drivers! There was definitely racing going on but in short sleeves? No fireproof clothing, No roll bars?... The only safety requirement was a crash helmet!! Surprising really as, in the past, the track has claimed the lives of a number of drivers. Fortunately, there were no serious incidents – just the usual breakdowns & spin-offs. It was certainly very exciting to watch all the different vehicles doing their stuff – the noise of the engines (particularly the 24 litre Napier Railton!) and the smell of the Castrol R evoking an atmosphere of days gone by.



24 litre Napier Railton



**Morgan 3-wheelers take to the track....
"Smoke, what smoke?"**

Not many cars competing at the event had the ability to get to the top of the banking – the odd Morgan 3-wheeler being the exception – and none, other than the Clio course car & a modern Citroen DS (how dare they call another car a DS!) managed to stay up there, but there was a lot of 'argy bargying'

and vying for position on the track – highly entertaining – and the weather was perfect too, sunny and dry, for the whole weekend.

We returned to our camp to get ready for our evening meal at the site restaurant. Luckily I had reserved a table and, even more luckily, we arrived there early as the restaurant started to fill up very quickly, mainly with event participants. The restaurant was tiny and most of the seating was outside. We watched in amazement as more and more people kept arriving and, instead of turning people away, the staff just kept creating more seating, even bringing in the tables and chairs from the ice cream parlour next door. Apparently, a number of people had booked in advance but the staff had not put 'reserved' on any of the tables except ours, so people who hadn't booked just sat where they liked – talk about confusion!

As you can imagine, the service was very slow and Philippe and I ended up 'mucking in' and doing a bit of waiting on – surprisingly enough, considering the confusion, the food was rather good even if it was 11 pm before we had finished our meal, after making an arrangement for ices instead of tarts which would have meant an extra hours waiting

On the next table sat a group of 3-wheeler owners who were looking very hungrily at our dinners. Alistair took pity on them & took a large bag of salted nuts over to them to help stave off the hunger. At first, one of the chaps more or less told him to bugger off, thinking that he was taking the Michael, but the rest of the group begged him to come back – I think they might have lynched the first chap if Alistair had hung onto his nuts!

Sunday was basically a repetition of Saturday and so it was an opportunity to see things that we might have missed the previous day. We were particularly taken with a French motor cyclist who just seemed to 'be at one' with his machine – very fast and a joy to watch as he overtook everything else on the track. We called our friends over so that they could watch him too but he had disappeared off the track – oh no, what could have happened? On walking back to the paddock we saw him sadly pushing his machine – it turned out that his chain had snapped – such bad luck. 'Le prochaine fois...' he said to us as we commiserated – 'next time...'



We had our chance to have a taste of the track as the Morgans had been invited to join in the parade laps to mark the end of the event. You can imagine how excited we all were, lined up on the grid, engines revving, complete with luggage on the back, but who cared?



It was such fun and once we hit the banking it really did feel like we were going to fall out of the car – an indescribable experience creating an even bigger 'grin factor' than normal and a fitting finale to a fantastic weekend.

Next "Vintage Revival Montlhery" is scheduled 11/12 May 2013.

À bientôt,

JMS

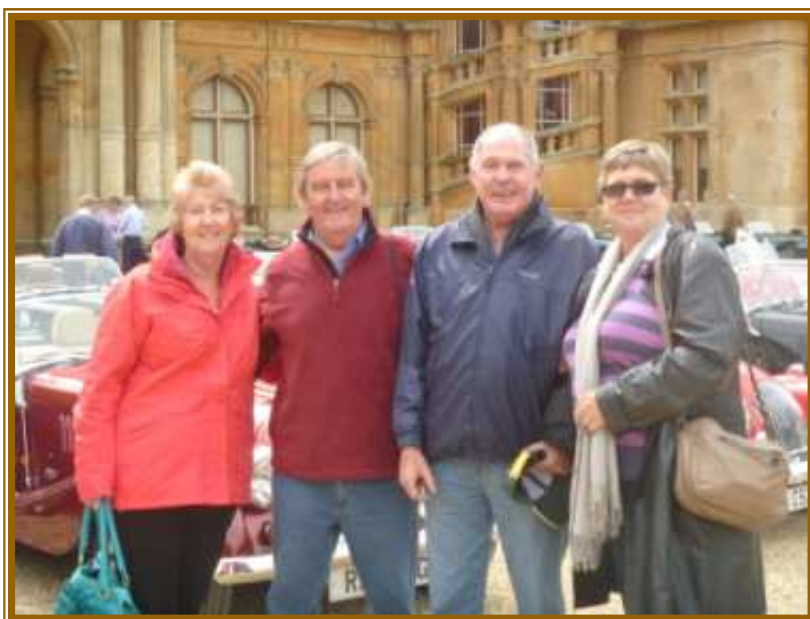
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"ALL MORGAN DAY" at WADDESDON MANOR

In conjunction with "Help The Heroes" Fund-raising

Sunday 15th May 2011

David & Val Taylor (UK)



On Sunday 15th May 2011, Ledgerwood Morgan had organised the above event and as Tom and Lynn Fairhall were in the UK on holiday, we decided it would be a good idea to join in. Tom and Lynne arrived at our house in Ashby de la Zouch, Leicestershire at around 8.30 am in their red Morgan V8 – we had a quick coffee and left at around 9am. The weather was quite windy and cold, so a joint decision to have the 'tops up' was made.

Val & David Taylor, Tom & Lynn Fairhall

The trip was around 90 miles and took us just over an hour and a half – the last part of the journey was through some quaint Buckinghamshire villages – partly due to a closure of part of the Motorway!

Waddesdon Manor was built (1874-89) by Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild to display his outstanding collection of art treasures and to entertain the fashionable world. It was bequeathed to the National Trust in 1957. There are 45 rooms to view which combine the highest quality French furniture, decorative arts and paintings to be found anywhere in the world. Ferdinand's legacy was the foundation on which subsequent generations of the family could build. His sister, Miss Alice, then James and Dorothy de Rothschild and now the present Lord Rothschild have all set their stamp on Waddesdon, whether through developing the Garden or adding to the Collection.



The house itself made a wonderfully appropriate backdrop for the muster of Morgans which turned out – in total just over 200. There was a rich mixture of old and new – and the new Morgan 3-wheeler was on display.

David and Tom went to collect their 'Goody Bags' and Lynn and Val both had a small win each on the raffle!

Tom and Lynn treated themselves to a warm 'Morgan' coat which was a wise move, as the next part of their holiday would be to the Isle of Skye – and the weather in Scotland can be notoriously wet and cold! David bought a Morgan top, but as there was nothing in pink, unfortunately Val was left out on this shopping trip!



We had a wander around the assembled Morgans, as one does at these events, never failing to discover something interesting on one or another of the cars. As always chatting to both Morgan owners, and people who would aspire to be!



Later on, after coffee, Tom and Lynn set off on their return journey. It was Tom's birthday and his friends at Ripley in Derbyshire were organising a 'bit of a do' for them later in the afternoon. David and Val stayed behind for a while and had a picnic – despite the rain (under the umbrella).

Tom's UK +8

We reminisced about how many times we had done this before – Morgan outing = picnic = rain!! Still we are made of stern stuff.

David and Val set off a little later but not before we had both been on our hands and knees – bums in the air – looking for the fuse which had 'fallen out' of the SatNav! Several people asked if we were ok – and of course we

muttered – “Yes, we are fine, thank you”. Incidents like this are 'par for the course' when you have a Morgan. Anyway, we located it on the carpet, remedied the situation and started off home.

We drove the scenic route home via Buckingham, a historic town, which neither of us could remember having been to before. The rain stayed off – but it was still very windy so the top stayed UP – we are sad to say :(

We have posted some pictures which we thought might be of interest. We hope you enjoy looking at them. We certainly enjoyed our day out and look forward to some more 'Morganising' with Tom and Lynne when they are over in the UK next.

We also look forward to coming to Brisbane later in the year, and hopefully, we will be able to join in with one of your Morgan events.

David and Val Taylor, Ashby de la Zouch, England

- 1994 4/4 Royal Ivory
- 1985 4/4/4 Yellow

MORGANS IN WEE WAA

Friday 13th to Sunday 15th May 2011

Christine Stevens

We have just returned from a great weekend in Wee Waa in the Morgans. The numbers were down due to the distance to Wee Waa on a 2 day weekend but we extended it to a 3 day weekend with the Friday off work and we ended up with 4 Morgans and a Porsche.

Roger Shawyer was to come but, unfortunately, had to cancel as it was his twin daughter's birthday and they were visiting for the weekend. The attendees ended up being as follows:

Greg Stevens – 3-wheeler

Kerry & Merre Watts – 4/4 4-seater

Christine Stevens – 4/4 4-seater

Geoff & Janet Brown – Porsche

Richard Rogers – 4/4 4-seater

Greg and I arrived in Wee Waa at around 3:45 pm Friday – several hours earlier than we had previously indicated. Kerry had just finished cleaning and polishing his Morgan. We unloaded our Morgans, and then spent the next hour cleaning and polishing the 3-wheeler. The 4/4 had to wait until the next morning as the polished aluminium on the 3-wheeler is enough for one day.

At was about 5:20pm and Richard was due to arrive at around 7:00pm. Greg thought, as Richard has never been to Wee Waa, we should drive into Narrabri (about a ½ hour drive), await Richards's arrival and escort him into Wee Waa. Kerry and I agreed with the suggestion and the 3 of us headed off in the 4/4's. Merre had dinner prepared ahead of time as they were unsure of the times that we were all to arrive. She was about to have her only relaxation time of the weekend.

Greg left a phone message for Richard and we were parked and standing at the side of the road at the southern approach to Narrabri, awaiting his arrival. It was eventually decided that we should set a time limit as to how long we would wait. 7:30pm was the time agreed upon. Kerry had reported that his skin was cracking – it was drying from the inside. It was 7:30 Friday night and he still had not had a drink! I must admit, I would have enjoyed a wine also by that stage.

Richard drove north from Windsor – via Uralla and Inverell. Uumm!! He should have turned towards Gunnedah at Willow Tree but continued on through Tamworth and north along the New England. He was listening to a recorded book and was enjoying his drive – until he saw the Inverell sign. It was pointing west and should have been east. Oops – wrong road!!

It was decided it was too far from there to continue on to Wee that night due to the time and also the amount of wild-life on the road at the moment so Kerry recommended that Richard stay at Inverell the night. He would phone us in the morning when he was having breakfast.

We returned to Wee Waa and enjoyed the dinner Merre had prepared for us. Greg loves Lamb Shanks and, as Richard was not there, enjoyed a second serving – couldn't have it go to waste, could he?

Kerry Greg and I were heading out next morning to have a look around the area, awaiting Richards call. We were in our Morgans, still in the drive-way when Greg receive the call from Richard; he was about to have breakfast in Wee Waa. He had had a 6:00am departure from Inverell. Left out the driveway and off to Narrabri – again! Surely we would find him this time!! Richard’s welcome from Kerry was naming him “Wong Way Wichard”.

The 4 of us in the 3 Morgans drove out of Narrabri (a different road this time) to the Radio Telescope about 20 km south-east of Wee Waa. It was build in the 1980’s. Linked to the telescopes at Coonabarabran, Parkes and Tidbinbilla, it is the most powerful in the Southern Hemisphere, receiving radio waves from deep space by means of six gigantic dishes placed upon a rail track to allow for spatial readjustment.



The Australia Telescope Compact Array (ATCA) is an array of six 22-m antennas used for radio astronomy. It is located about 25 km west of the town of Narrabri in rural NSW (about 500 km north-west of Sydney). It is operated by CSIRO’s Astronomy and Space Science division and is a part of the Australia Telescope National Facility.

Out next point of call was the Wee Waa Show. This time there was Kerry in his 4/4, Richard in his 4/4 and I also in ours. Greg was in the 3-wheeler and Geoff Brown was in the Porsche with grand-daughter Lucy. Janet and Merre were both in moderns. The Show Queen and Princesses loaded into the Morgans and were driven around the show ring several times.

Richard Rogers, Greg Stevens & Kerry Watts at the Cotton Farm. Did we tell you it was cold at Wee Waa?



We were about to drive 30kms away from Wee Waa to visit a working cotton farm and with the cotton being picked. It was windy, dusty and cold so the 3-wheeler was returned to Kerry and Merre’s home and we headed off into the head-wind. You will get an idea of the vastness of the property from the photo on the next page. It was a great and informative tour. Did you know that most fish and chip shops cook their food in cotton seed oil? I didn’t!

From there we visited the owner's home and viewed one of the largest single cylinder engines ever built. This Ruston and Hornsby Diesel engine generates 78hp at 280 RPM. It has a 13.5 Inch bore and a 26 inch stroke with a Flywheel that weighs 1.6 tonne with a 90 inch diameter.

Kerry and Richard stayed on for a warming scotch but Greg and I decided we it was time to get out of the wind and return to Kerry and Merre's home. The wind and Greg's eyes just do not work well together. Hopefully this will be much better after the first of his Pterygium operations early July this year.



***3 x 4/4 4-seaters in the cotton farm outside Wee Waa
Greg & Christine Stevens, Richard Rogers and Kerry Watts***

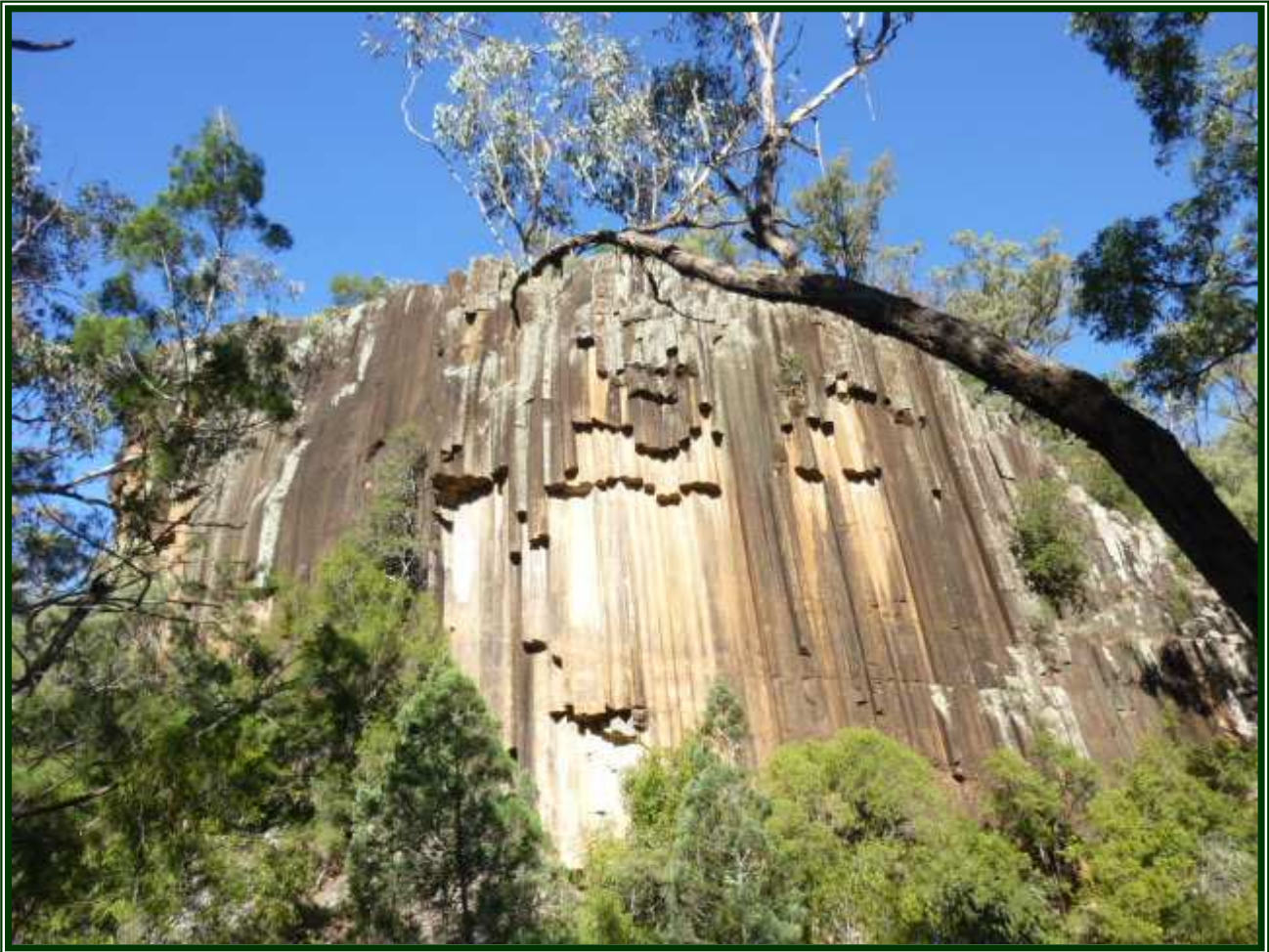
Saturday night we were again treated to Merre's cooking and Geoff and Janet Brown joined us for an enjoyable night.

We spent about an hour on Sunday morning washing the Morgans and removing some of the dust out of them. We had told Kerry we didn't mind taking the Morgans on a dirt drive way but, in his defence, none of us asked how many miles long the driveway actually was!

Greg and I wanted to visit a Cotton Gin so through the contacts of Geoff and Kerry, a personal tour was organised my Kerry Sunday morning. Sad (his proper name is Steve) showed us around and explained the workings of the Gin. The statistics were very interesting.

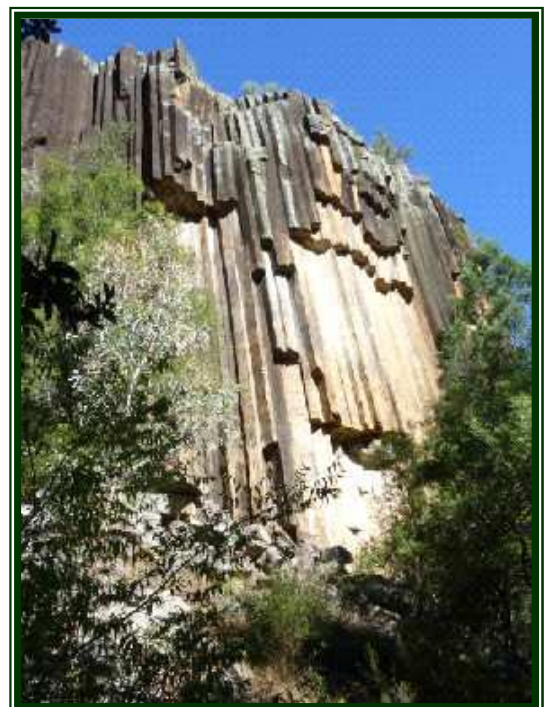
Merre packed us a lunch, the 3-wheeler was loaded and we headed off to – Greg and Merre in the Falcon with 3-wheeler on trailer and Kerry, Richard and I in 4/4's. The lunch

destination was Sawn Rocks, in Mt Kaputar National Park, 36km North East of Narrabri. We enjoyed out lunch, then saw Richard off on his drive south.



Greg, Kerry and I took the walk to view the “Sawn Rocks” and it was well worth the walk. Sawn Rocks is a truly remarkable geological formation. This 40 metre high basalt rock formation formed some 21 million years ago and is significant not only from a geological angle, but also for the vegetation found in the area. Remnants of ancient rainforest and other interesting flora can be found in the area.

Greg and I decided not to return home via the Newell Highway, Instead, we continued on over the mountain from Swan Rocks to Bingara, then along Fossickers Way to Warialda, Yetman, Texas, towards Inverell, then on to Warwick and home.



It is such a pleasant drive through there that Greg suggested that I might like to drive the Morgan so I headed off and he followed with the Ute, 3-wheeler aboard and the empty trailer. I continued on with a wild-life launching itself at me (missed luckily) and into the fading sun. When we stopped to load the 4/4 onto the trailer for the balance of the trip home we were around 70 kms from Warwick, I had used up all of my petrol and it was dark. What a great drive!

Thanks Kerry and Merre for your hospitality and welcoming Greg, Richard and I into your home.

MORGAN RUN TO MALENY KING LUDWIGS RESTAURANT 17th July 2011

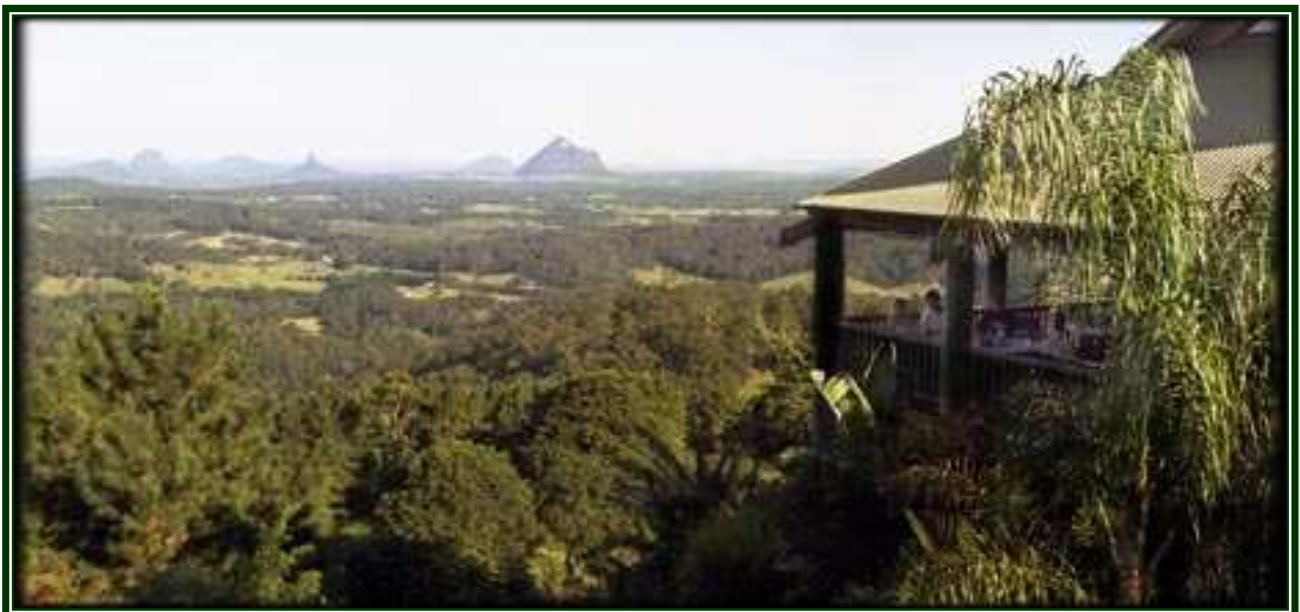
NOTE – Date has returned to 17th July

Superbly positioned to take in the natural beauty of the Sunshine Coast, King Ludwig's Restaurant offers one of the finest views of the Glasshouse Mountains. King Ludwig's will cater to your desires with warm, friendly service and authentic German cuisine.

Klaus and Barbara are Bavarians with a passion for food and drink, and creating the right atmosphere for the marriage of both so we are sure you will enjoy your lunch.

Stefan and Martina are organising the day, I am sure with the back-up of Chris and Patty who recommend this restaurant.

Departure time and details will be supplied closer to the date but please mark this in your diary as a great day is assured.



MINUTES – 12th Meeting

MORGAN OWNERS QUEENSLAND (INC)

Wee Waa – Saturday 14th May 2011

President, Christine Stevens opened the meeting at 9:30pm , thanked all for attending and thanked Kerry Watts for organising the weekend in Wee Waa

1. PRESENT: Greg & Christine Stevens, Kerry & Merry Watts, Richard Rogers, Roger Shawyer, Geoff & Janet Brown

2. APOLOGIES: Tom & Lynn Fairhall

3. VISITORS: nil

4. PRESIDENTS REPORT

Many of our club members are currently or soon in the UK.

Tom and Lynn Fairhall have been holidaying in Europe and are currently in the UK. Tom has attended the Morgan event at Waddeston Manor in the UK with Dave Taylor.

Dave and Val Taylor are back in the UK and he has his Australian Morgan (named "SunMog") completed and ready to ship to Australia

Lyle Honnes is also soon travelling the UK, will be fitting his MOQ badge to his +8 he has over there and will be meeting up with Dave and Val Taylor.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING – nil

6. SECRETARIES REPORT

Correspondence Inward – emails regarding Macleans Bridge at Lakeside & an email from Brian Hollins re MOQ Polo shirts and membership

Correspondence Outward – emails to members regarding Macleans Bridge at Lakeside & emails to Brian Hollins re MOQ Polo shirts and membership

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE CORRESPONDENCE – nil

8. TREASURERS REPORT – Updated report not supplied for the meeting

The balance as at 9/1/2011 was \$1,671.85. A bank statement was printed 13/4/11 with balance \$1,672.06 – the difference being 21 cents interest received

Membership of \$50 per member is due 30th June.

8. MEMBERSHIP

Treasurer, Lee Boyle has advised that payment was received from Kerry and Merre Watts for membership for the 1/7/10 to 30/6/11 financial year. Lee sent them an invoice but, at the time they were not club members.

Motion: It is moved that Kerry and Merre Watts are accepted as members of Morgan Owners Queensland Inc.

Moved: Richard Rogers Seconded: Greg Stevens All in favour

Helen Stehbens resigned single membership as at 30/6/2010 and has combined on the family membership with Brian – Membership is now Brian Hollins, Helen Stehbens and Megan Hollins

Elaine Stehbens resigned single membership as at 30/6/2010 and has combined on the family membership with Geoff – Membership is now Geoff & Elaine Stehbens

9. REGALIA & REGALIA OFFICER – No Report

MOQ Polo Shirts

Brian Hollins paid for the MOQ polo shirts at a cost of \$50 each. Approximately 12 months ago Brian offered the shirts to the club in lieu of paying membership. This is to cover the membership of Brian Hollins, Helen Stehbens and Megan Hollins and also for Geoff & Elaine Stehbens.

The following motion is to tidy up and formalise this arrangement. We then don't need to send a receipt every time the club sells a shirt. This means that the club has completely taken over Brian's monetary involvement with the shirts.

Motion: That Morgan Owners Queensland Inc accept Brian Hollins offer regarding the MOQ polo shirts. MOQ accept the MOQ polo shirts with no payment being made to Brian Hollins. In lieu of payment, the membership for Brian Hollins, Helen Stehbens and Megan Hollins and also for Geoff & Elaine Stehbens is covered and they are financial up to 30/6/2020.

Moved: Lynn Fairhall (via email) Seconded: Christine Stevens All in favour

Other regalia (MOQ car badge, Centenary car badge, MOQ Stickers)

Greg Stevens has paid for all MOQ regalia, apart from the MOQ polo shirts. MOQ was, then, to pay Greg for merchandise sold. I recommend that MOQ pay for merchandise sold as well as merchandise held by the Regalia officer.

Greg is still willing to hold club merchandise that he has paid for, remaining as his property. MOQ can pay for additional stock items as required.

Motion: That Morgan Owners Queensland Inc makes payment to Greg Stevens for MOQ car badges, Centenary car badges, MOQ Stickers sold and also for MOQ car badges, Centenary car badges, MOQ Stickers held by Regalia Officer, as per invoice tabled.

It was decided that this motion be deferred until the next meeting.

MOQ Banners

Tom Fairhall paid for the 2 MOQ banners and it was agreed that Tom be repaid for these once the club is financial.

Motion: It is moved that, after the AGM in October, the Treasurer reviews the bank balance and amount owing for the Banners and to report at the first meeting in 2012 with payment, or part-payment, recommendation.

It was decided that this motion be deferred until the next meeting.

MOQ Website

Greg Stevens paid for the establishment of the MOQ Website and Graphic Designer for club logo and website front page. It was agreed that Greg be repaid for these once the club is financial.

Motion: It is moved that, after the AGM in October, the Treasurer reviews the bank balance and amount owing for the Website and to report at the first meeting in 2012 with payment, or part-payment, recommendation.

It was decided that this motion be deferred until the next meeting.

10. MOQ EVENTS

MOQ Run – Sunday 5th June (Greg)

BP Blacksoil, Esk, Ravensborne National Park, Salt Antiques & Old Wares in Crows Nest, Blue Mountain Hotel for lunch, Murphy's Creek, Postmans Ridge and Grantham and back to Brisbane.

MOQ Run & Meeting – Sunday 31st July

This run is on the back roads to King Ludwig's Restaurant, 401 Mountain View Road, Maleny. Start time and location to be advised by Stefan

Leyburn Sprints – Sunday 28th August (Greg)

Christine's brother, Bill Elliott lives in Leyburn, on part of the back straight of the track and at a corner. The Morgan's will park on his land and set up on the lawn, in the shade of the trees for the day. We can enter Bill's yard without going on or near the track as he owns the land needed to allow this access. If we stay in Bill's yard we will not be asked to pay the entry fee of about \$25.00 each; that will be an option to those of us wishing to walk through the pits etc.

MOQ Run & Meeting – Sunday 23rd October (Note date change from 16th October)
– Christine to organise and advise

Do we want this to be a one day run or a weekend? We could possibly have a Presidents weekend annually in October to incorporate the AGM.

MOQ Christmas Lunch – Sunday 20th November – Details to be advised

2012 Nullarbor Morgan drive

It was agreed that this event would be organised by Richard Rogers under the name of Morgan Owners Queensland, confirming that this event is covered under our club public insurance policy. Richard will provide more information once it is organised. Those interested please contact Richard Rogers.

Other Morgan club runs – Are there any other events anyone would like to include in the MOQ calendar or would like to organise? If so, please liaise with Stefan. Any extra events are welcomed.

11. OTHER EVENTS

RACQ Motorfest – Sunday 17th July

Tenterfield Rally (Hosted by local club) – Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th October

Gold Coast Rally – Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th November

12. SUNMOG NEWSLETTER – Closing date for the next issue is tomorrow on 15th May 2011 and the following closing date is 15th July 2011

Please email articles, for sales, etc to editor@morganownersqueensland.org.au

13. FOR SALE

Clive Boyle's 1969 4/4 2 seater for \$55,000 and Greg Lee's 1973 +8 for \$66,000. Details of both are in SunMog. Stefan has Morgan's for sale but we do not have the details

14. GENERAL BUSINESS – nil

15. THE NEXT MEETING – Sunday 17th August 2011

16. THE MEETING CLOSED at 10:30pm.



COUNCIL NEWS – 26th May 2011

2012 RACQ HMC Rally: Maryborough District Antique Motor Club will conduct this annual rally on the Queen's Birthday long weekend in 2012. Major sponsor, RACQ, has once again been granted rally naming rights. Book your accommodation for next year's 2012 RACQ HMC Rally in Maryborough as there are other unrelated events on that weekend.

2013 QHMC Rally: Sunshine Coast Antique Car Club will hold its 50th anniversary week-long celebration in conjunction with the 2013 QHMC Rally in June 2013. Please lodge your expression of interest to attend with name, number attending, phone, address and email address to SCACC PO Box 363 Nambour 4562. Naming rights sponsor yet to be determined.

SIV Concessional Registration: QHMC has appointed a sub-committee to research the historic registration schemes around Australia and to prepare a properly informed discussion paper to enable full and detailed consideration to be given to the matter of whether Queensland should advocate for change to its existing SIV scheme. Have your say by writing to secretary@qhmc.org.au .

Seat Belts and Child Restraints It is now well known that Queensland refused to follow the lead set by the National Transport Commission and the Australian Transport Council by not adopting the model Australian Road Rules in full <http://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/LEGISLTN/CURRENT/T/TrantOpRURR09.pdf> . The exemption provided in Australian Road Rules allowing the carriage of 7 to under 16 year olds in pre-seat belt era vehicles not already retrofitted is not available for any vehicle travelling in Queensland. Club consultation has resulted in overwhelming opinion that a reasonable point in time for an exemption to the 7 to under 16 age group would be for all pre-1960 vehicles. QHMC will advocate accordingly.

No-cost registration for Veterans: QHMC is preparing a case for no-cost registration for Veteran vehicles, perhaps even a 100 year rolling date from a determined point in time. Interested clubs and their members should send their views and submissions to secretary@qhmc.org.au or by writing to QHMC at 1376 Old Cleveland Rd Carindale 4152.

Web Links: In order to get clubs working (playing) more closely together, clubs have been asked to provide two or three open (invitational) events over a six month period for inclusion on the QHMC Events Calendar. Clubs should notify QHMC via the link on its website www.qhmc.org.au

QHMC AGM 28th July 2011: Members from QHMC affiliated clubs need to take on the management of the council. All club presidents are requested to ask their members to consider taking on a role. Expressions of interest should be sent to secretary@qhmc.org.au

Invitational Rallies this Year: The cooler months are with us and it is perfect rallying weather. Here's a selection: RACQ MotorFest Brisbane (17th July); Jimboomba Auto Extravaganza (28th Aug); Annual Invitational LAMA Rally Gatton (1st-2nd Oct); Tenterfield Spring Rally (14th-16th Oct); Military Jeep Field Days at Canungra (14th-16th Oct); Brisbane SS Morris Minor display at Ormiston (16th Oct); Autorama Rally Gold Coast (5th-6th Nov). Details and links to entry forms appear on QHMC website www.qhmc.org.au on the 'calendar' page. Everyone welcome at these events.

FOR SALE

1969 4/4 2-seater

1600 Ford Kent motor – Qld registration MOG 69

Silver / red leather; ground-up restoration 2002; Full wet-weather gear plus sun-top, very reliable, in excellent condition.



Features:

- Power booster brakes
- Electronic ignition
- Hydraulic shocks
- Electric fan
- Stainless exhaust
- 60 spoke chrome wires
- Moto lita steering wheel
- Built in toolbox (as seen in Morgan Ear Feb 2009)

Price: \$55,000.00 ono

Contact: Clive Boyle

Phone: 0421 348 569

1973 PLUS 8

The first owner was Dr.P.Henrich from General Hospital in Nottingham 11th July 1973. The original colour was dark blue. Current owner purchased the car from Japan in February 2010. He is selling the car as his skin cannot take the sun.



Price: \$66,000.00 ono

Contact: Greg Lee

Phone: 07 3286 7626 (home) or 0407 570 943 (mobile)

CLASSIFIEDS / FOR SALE

King Pins & Bushes

Tom has the second batch of locally manufactured King Pins and bushes available and ready for sale.

Specification: Manufactured from 4140 grade ground steel bar. (4140 is high-tensile chromium-molybdenum steel characterised by high strength and good impact properties)



Supplied with: New nyloc, ½ inch BSF nuts and phosphor bronze bushes

Price: \$250 per kit – less 10% club discount for members = \$225 per kit

REGALIA

MOQ "My other car is a Morgan" Stickers

This is a sticker that has been produced for your "other car". These stickers are on cars all over the world. Also, they are often used to put onto rental cars with Morgan owners are attending Morgan events away from home and don't have their Morgan with them.

Stickers are a high gloss, quality vinyl stickers.



Contact: Lee Boyle 0424 007884

Price \$5.00 each

Postage WITHIN AUSTRALIA: \$3.00 (for up to 5 stickers)

Postage ALL OTHER COUNTRIES: \$5.00 (for up to 5 stickers)

REGALIA

MOQ Club Polo Shirts

High quality polo shirts – Navy, blue sleeves, maroon inserts with silver trim and “Morgan” on the collar. These shirts are great when traveling as ironing is not required.

Contact: Lee Boyle 0424 007884

Price: \$50 each



MOQ Car Badges

MOQ Car Badges are available

Price: \$42 per badge
Add \$7.50 for postage

Contact: Lee Boyle
Phone: 0424 007884

Australian Morgan Centenary Car Badge

Only 100 badges were struck to celebrate the centenary – numbered 1 to 100. Limited stocks are available so don't miss out.

Measurements: approx 79mm diameter
96mm wingtip to wingtip

Price: \$45 per badge
Add \$7.50 for postage

Contact: Lee Boyle
Phone: 0424 007884



MORGAN OWNERS QUEENSLAND Inc EVENTS 2011

JULY 2011

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Sunday 17th	MOQ MEETING & RUN (NOTE – change of date)	<i>A run on the back roads to Maleny where we will have lunch at King Ludwig's Restaurant. All details are to follow at a later date. Enquiries Stefan Wolf</i>
Sunday 17 th	RACQ Motorfest	<i>Eagle Farm Racecourse 10am – 3pm. Early Bird Registration \$15 (1st March – 8th May). Full Registration \$25 (10th May – 17th June). Fees include vehicle entry & commemorative car badge. Pay on the day registrations not available. Entry forms available from Stefan Wolf or Christine Stevens</i>

AUGUST 2011

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Sunday 21st	LEYBURN SPRINTS	<i>7:30am Departure, arriving in Peter Street, Leyburn around 10:00am. Christine's brother Bill Elliott lives in Leyburn and has offered his home as our base for the day. Set up under the trees, display Morgans & BBQ. Bring drinks, meat and a salad plate to share. Enquiries Greg Stevens</i>

OCTOBER 2011

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Sunday 23rd	MOQ PRESIDENTS RUN, MEETING & AGM (NOTE – change of date)	<i>Details to be advised – Enquiries Christine Stevens</i>

NOVEMBER 2011

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Sunday 20th	MOQ CHRISTMAS LUNCH	<i>Details to be advised – Enquiries Stefan Wolf</i>

NOTE – All Morgan owners and enthusiasts are welcome and encouraged to join in on all events.

