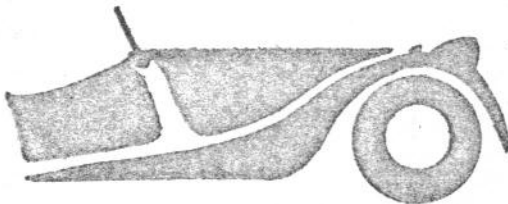


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MODEL MAYFAIR

SATURDAY MAY 6, 7:30 PM
95 WILLINGDON BLVD, ETOBICOKE

At The Winter Overhaul Steve Beer brought along some Morgan model kits which he had purchased from Mini Grid, Geo. Maxwell, prop. This is a Scarborough based mail order catalogue run out of George's basement, however such is the reknown of the MOG it was no trouble getting invited to inspect the stock. So Stu Harvey, myself, and an anonymous member spent a fascinating evening opening boxes of metal kits of obscure Allard saloons, Silverstones, Tattras, Morris Garages, and Morgans, and such like. George has a personal collection of built up models and slides of others and is a "keen type". He offered to come round to a MOG meeting with his show which gave rise to the inanelly named Model Mayfair.

Accordingly an evening has been set aside as a Social Evening to dust off winter cobwebs, compare notes re problems coaxing Morgans out of garages (have I got problems), view George's display and discuss Summer events.

A mid evening buffet will be laid on by my good wife. Mog-types are asked to bring their own liquids and to RSVP (call 233-8342 and ask for Rosie or Doug.) For directions refer to map on page 3.

If all goes well between now and then, and its fenders are on, the mysterious 4 seater drophead will make an appearance in gleaming red oxide primer.



JAGUAR CONCOURS

SUNDAY JUNE 11
PRINCE HOTEL, 900 YORK MILLS RD
TORONTO

In company with the Ferrari, Lamborgini, and Rolls Royce clubs, we have been invited to the Jaguar Owners Club's annual Concours at the Prince Hotel. The charge is five dollars per car which permits the car into the enclosed area and obtains a commemorative badge (so useful for covering the inevitable extraneous holes in the dash board). Our idea would be to consolidate the Morgans in one area, however you don't have to subject your car to judging as only Jags and Rolles will be officially judged.

In addition to MOG, the Ferrari and Lamborgini clubs will be official guests. Events begin 8-9 A.M. with guests requested to have their motors in the enclosure by 11:00. This should be an interesting event and mogmen are hopefully going to make a special effort to wash their mounts and install mufflers. No doubt a Noggin & Natter can be arranged at the bar.

1978 CABAL With amazement verging on shock we find ourselves with an organization and funds. As the executive was chosen with most wheeler-dealery, influence-peddling, and pork-barrelling carried out in full view of those assembled at the Winter Overhaul, the 1978 Cabal is hereby declared constituted and subject to change only by palace coup or volunteers. In no particular order of merit, the Cabal is comprised as follows:

GROUP ORGANIZER	Doug. Price (233-8342)	
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS	Audrey Beer	
(liaison with other	(857-3210)	TECHNICAL BOFFINS:
Morgan & various		3 wheelers Stu Harvey
clubs re events etc)		(231-8878)
BURSAR & REGISTRAR	David Ross	4 wheelers Chris. Charles
	(763-7562)	(239-4395 work)
EVENT MARSHALLS	Steve Beer (treasure hunts) and others yet to be volunteered for specific events.	
SCRIBES	Getting out the BLURB. please help.	

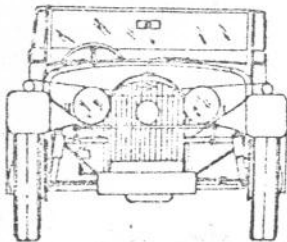
RUNNING ON.....

We see from the latest "Roughrider" (Washington MOG) that they will be publishing a great deal of technical information in the coming months.

We've had a letter from Patrick Boisvieux of France who has a 1961 drophead coupe serial # 4781. The curious thing is that this car hails from Canada and was first purchased through World Wide Imports of New York. Patrick would like to know the name of the Canadian owners. If anyone does have any information they might pass it on to Audrey or to David Ross. Meanwhile it would be interesting to learn from Patrick how he came by the car.

Gil Baker of Windsor /Leamington has just brought in 2 new Plus 8's and a 4/4 to be modified to present welfare state specifications. One +8 is for himself, th others will be available at about \$20,000 for the +8 and about \$16,000 for the 4/4.

FLOGGERY



Steve Beer's immaculate blue 1938 4/4 4 seater, the Lion of the concours circuit, having a total coachwork rebuild, and winner of the Most Popular Car and first in class at the 1977 Luray Concours, discretely offered for sale. Interested parties can reach Steve at 239-4395 (Bolton).

Urgently required- cream faced oil gauge (even the cream face alone would be nice); also a chrome ring for a speedometer. Please call Doug. Price (233-8342).

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

As noted already, Stu Harvey and Chris Charles can provide Useful Information on an ad hoc basis. We will also attempt to publish data more or less systematically on the final page of this and future Blurbs to be retained by members for future reference. How many books have been published and how many models (reduced scale) have been made? Probably more than you would think! Stu Harvey has quantified things a bit more precisely on another page.

WINTER OVERHAUL

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 4, 1978

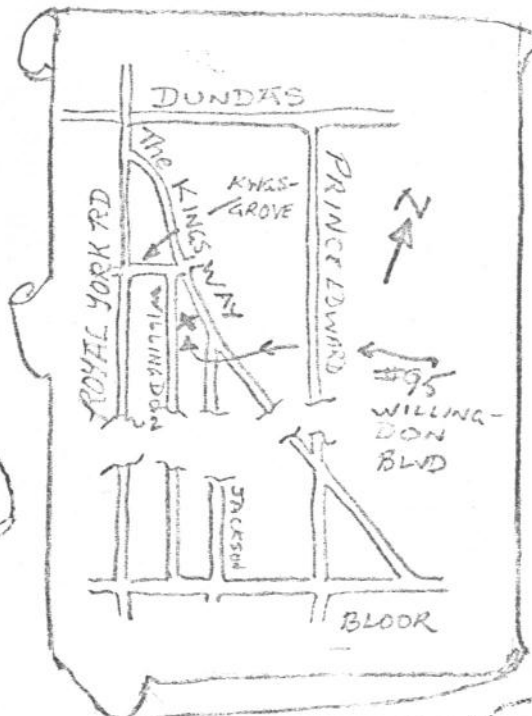
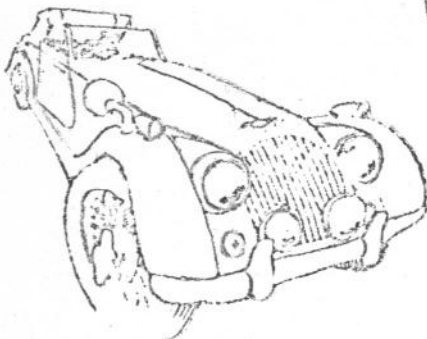
ETOBICOKE

The Harvey manse was truly bursting at the seams for the Winter Overhaul with around 3 dozen Morgan types. Perhaps fewer than usual arrived in Morgans, however. Many new faces included David and Pat Clough from Montreal who have commenced a rebuild of a Plus 4. When David came to Canada from Jamaica last year, Canadian customs persuaded him to leave his 4/4 behind. One of the more droll moments had a dozen fanatics standing in the sub-zero cold (kilometric scale) while Stu dug his way through the snow to his 3 wheeler Super Sports.

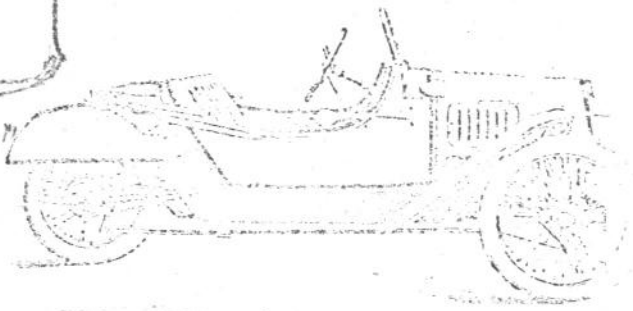
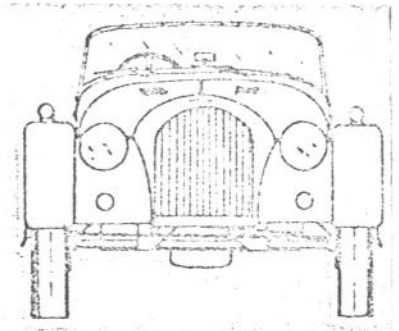
A representative selection of Morgan scale models and kits was on hand ranging from a large scale Plus 8 and Matchless Super Sports to Corgi Whiz Wheels. Discussions on insurance generated some suggestions as to good agents whose names are listed on the Technical Page.

A new badge was designed by an anonymous member, a variation on the old style, and should be ready by Summer. In a fit of fanaticism, we actually got organized, selected the 1978 Cabal, and discussed forthcoming events, agreeing tentatively on a low key treasure hunt rally to be annexed to the 3rd annual Beer's Bolton Barbeque, a revival of the Terra Cotta Trek, a Concours d'Absurde, Shannonville vintage sports car races, etc.

Many thanks to Ria Harvey for all the hospitality!



MAP TO "MODEL MINEFAIR"
95 WILLINGDON BLVD




P.S. At the Winter Overhaul a new member, probably from the Georgetown area offered his premises for a "do".

We're embarrassed to admit we forgotten who it was. could he please contact Doug Price.



1978 CALENDAR 1978

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>CLUB</u>
May 6, Sat 8:00 PM	MODEL MAYFAIR, social evening and display of Mini Grid scale model kits. 95 Willingdon Blvd, Toronto, BYOB, RSVP 233-8342	MOG
June 11, Sun by 10:30 AM	JAGUAR CONCOURS, pleasant day of Jags, Rolls, Prancing Horses, & Lambos. MOG are official guests but will not be officially judged. Informal Noggin & Natter at posh Prince Hotel, 900 York Mills Road, Toronto.	JOC
June 23-25	HARBOUR SPRINGS- 3RD ANNUAL "MOG GREAT LAKES" Details from Morgan Owners Group Inc., Webb Drive, Farmington Hills, Mich, 48018. Reservations to Birchwood Inn, Harbour Springs, Mich, no later than May 23. Peter Whitworth in Ottawa organizing a run to this event, 'phone 613-692-2270.	MOG GR LAKES
June 25, Sun early after- noon	ANNUAL SPRING TUNE-UP; 11th anniversary of MOG. Workshop facilities, barbeque, Swimming Pool. Piper's Hill Farm, Hwy 50 north of Hwy 9 (east of Orangeville), Ont.	MOG
June 30- July 2	MOG 8 - BRITISH AFFAIR, one of the premier American Morgan Events, 8th annual. Luray, Virginia, for details contact Audrey Beer 416-857-3210.	MOG WASHING- TON
June 28- July 1	RAID ON THE INN ON THE PARK ! Late Sat morning. The XXVth "Gathering of the Faithful" of the 6000 member MG-T Register will be held in Toronto. Late Saturday morning will apparently be prime viewing time followed up by informal luncheon at bar. More anon....	 "T" REGISTER
Aug 5-7	RACE AROUND THE HOUSES. Special race for 30 hand-picked vintage & early post war sportscars in the streets of downtown Hamilton.	VARAC
Aug 20, Sun	BEER'S BOLTON BARBEQUE & RALLY . 3rd Annual barbeque with the addition of an informal rally. More anon...	MOG
Sept 16, Sat	VINTAGE SPORTSCAR RACES. Shannonville, near Belleville.	VARAC
Sept 30, Sat	OKTOBERFEST Ancaster, Ontario	MOG
Oct 14, Sat	VINTAGE SPORTSCAR RACES. Shannonville	VARAC

MORGINANIA

April, 1978.

Morgan buffs who are susceptible to the collecting bug will be interested to know that the amount of morginania is growing almost hourly. We decided to compile a list before the situation gets completely out of hand. Unfortunately, we can't give all the details here but if you are interested, call Stu Harvey (231 8878) or Doug Price (233 8342).

BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS!

The Three-Wheeler, by Watts
 Book of the Morgan Three-Wheeler (shop manual)
 The Three-Wheeler Morgan (a racing history by Bodey)
 Morgan Sports, Three Wheels to Four (Autocar)
 The Four-Wheel Morgan. Vol I, The Flat Rad (by Ken Hill)
 Four-Wheeler Workshop Manual (the yellow manual)
 The +4 Profile (by Profile Publications)
 Morgan, the History of a Famous Car (by the factory)
 Fast Green Car (a story)
 Morgan-First and Last of the Real Sports Cars (by Bowden)
 More Morgan (also by Bowden)
 Morgan Cars, 1936-1960 (road tests)
 Morgan, 1936-1972 (Autobook, known as the blue manual)

AND MODEL MOGS!

1923 3W Beetleback. 1/43 scale metal finished
 available with or without top
 also- 1922 3W Sandford, 1929 3W Darmont by Brumm
 1962 Morgan +4 Le Mans. 1/43 scale metal kit by Classic
 1974 Morgan +4 4 Seater * 1/43 scale metal kit
 1968 Morgan +8 "
 - Morgan +4 Coupe "
 - F-Type " all by Auto Replicas

The above are all available from MiniGrid, Toronto.

1935 3W Barrelback. 1/16 scale plastic kit
 1976 Morgan +8. 1/24 scale plastic kit

These are available from Grand Prix Models(England)

1934 3W Beetleback. 1/24 scale metal kit
 1935(?) 3W Barrelback. 1/43 scale metal kit

These are available from Wills Finecast(England)

- Morgan +8. A Corgi whiz-wheels (ugh) matchbox type
 And just announced-
- Morgan +8. A large scale and very expensive metal
 kit available from Grand Prix Models.

* (sic); presumably the manufacturer means a 4/4 or
 has listed the wrong date.

PARTS & SERVICE
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PARTS

Toronto

Chris Charles
c/o Humberbridge Motors,
4135 Dundas West,
Toronto.
239-4395

Windsor/Leamington

Gil Baker,
PO Box 594,
Leamington, Ontario.
519-326-8552.

Electrical

Lambton Electric,
24 Earlington,
(just south of Dundas, west of Humber Bridge)
Toronto.
233-7552

Gaskets & Old British Sports Car Bits

Gord Watley,
Octagon Auto Supply,
RR#1,
Gormley, Ontario.
416-727-9112

Gord is an MG specialist but has a supply of
Morgan gaskets at reduced prices.

SU's, Gaskets, etc.

Britain West Auto Specialists Ltd,
RR#2,
Brantford, Ontario,
N3T 5Z5.

SERVICE

This list is anything but exhaustive and will be
expanded as we receive recommendations;

Chris Charles see above
Lambton Electric see above

INSURANCE

Agents recommended by MOG members:

- Norman E. Durnan Insurance, 32 Cliveden, 231-5054
(Mr Durnan is a car collector himself)
- Percy Robertson & Co Ltd, 6 Adelaide E, Toronto, 364-3192
- Mr Bruce Elliot, State Farm Insurance, 457-7778
- C.I.A.G., a Guelph based firm which apparently does appraisals for its value insurance policies.

Further Recommendations; it would be helpful if other members
would forward their experiences good or bad re insurance.
Please contact Doug. Price at 233-8342 or 95 Willingdon Blvd,
Toronto, M8X 2H8.