

The Morgazette

The Newsletter of the Morgan Sports Car Club of Northern California



*Oyster Run
Chinese New Year*

January-February 2026



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The Newsletter of the Morgan Sports Car Club of Northern California. The Morgan Sports Car Club of Northern California (MSCCNC) exists to support and further the appreciation of Morgan Motoring and the related activities of supporting our club and driving our Morgans. Our common interest extends to the friendships and camaraderie gained through participation in club events.

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<https://www.NorCalMog.com>.

We welcome original and reprinted articles and photos. Articles must be labeled with the following: 1.) Name and date of event, 2.) Names of all persons appearing in photos, 3.) Names of authors and photographers responsible for new articles. 4.) In the case of a reprint, include the names of the publication and permission of the author and/or photographer.

Cover Story

The cover photo was taken by Ann Thompson. The cover displays the lone Morgan at the Chinese New Year Event. Also pictured are some of the members who enjoyed a enjoyable Chinese New Year lunch. The pictured Morgan was owned and driven by Lynn Powell, but it remains in the family and enjoys the expert driving skills of Greg Powell.

Deadline for the next Morgazette

Notice of the deadline to submit articles & photos for the next issue is **April 22, 2026**.

New Members – Welcome!

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Morgan Club Events Calendar

(*) Club-sponsored event

MARCH

*March 15 – [St. Patrick's Day Feast](#)

APRIL

April 26 – [Dream Machines](#) - Half Moon Bay Airport

MAY

*May 12-15 – [Spring Mog](#) - Murphys

May 16th – [Friendship Day](#)

May 17th – [Dixon All British Vehicle Show & Swap](#)

JUNE

*June 13 - [Carmel Wildflower Run & Roy's Sausage Factory BBQ](#)

*June 26, 27, 28 - [MogWest](#)

AUGUST

Historics Week

SEPTEMBER

*September 5-6 – Labor Day Weekend – [Scottish Games](#) Alameda Fairgrounds

September 25-26 - [Ironstone Concours](#) - Murphys

OCTOBER

*October 3 - Memorial Run/Nominations Lunch

*October 4-7 - Fall Mog

NOVEMBER

*TBD – Turkey Trot

DECEMBER

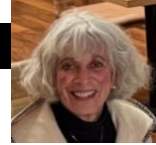
*December 13 - Morgan Club Annual Holiday Party - Basque Cultural Center

*DEC 26 - BOXING DAY (Weather permitting)



Activities Report

Article by: Angie Larson



Dear Members,

We need you... Read on...

We have had two activities so far this year, planned by two of our outstanding members who each year contribute to the club's calendar.

This year we have several months with no activity, for example, July and August, and even April can be open. Really, any month you want, we will fit in.

Will you be a good club member and offer to host a drive or an activity?

Here are a few things to consider when you plan and event:

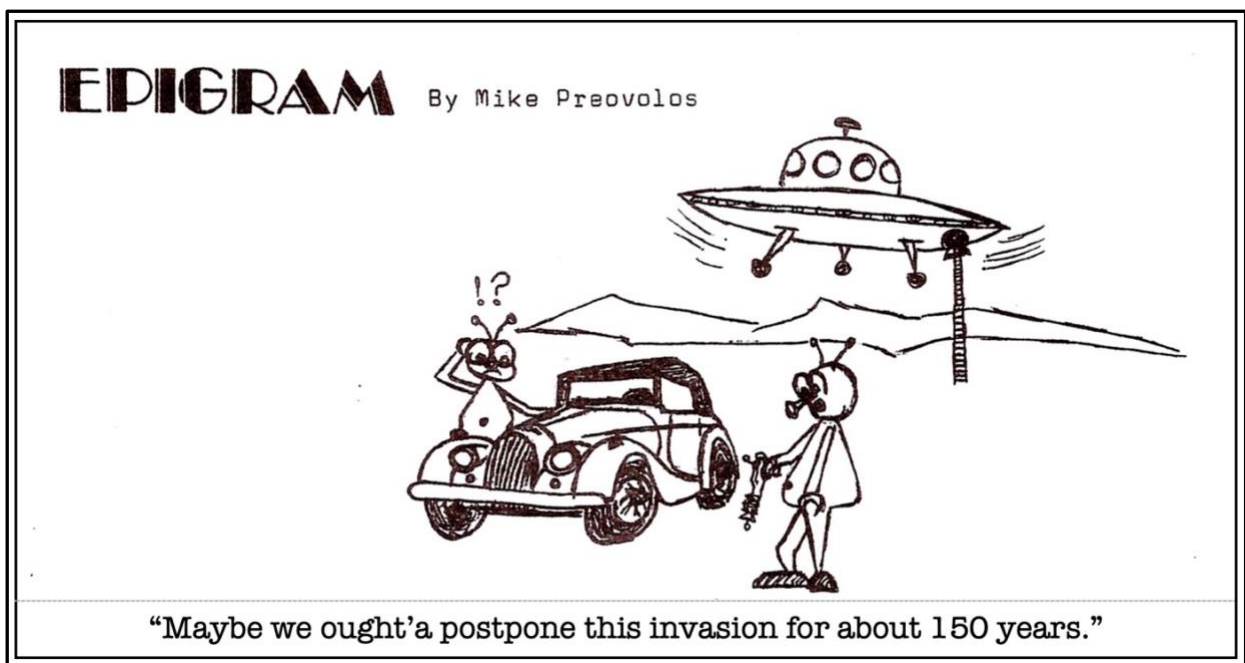
1. First, check with me for an available date,
2. Contact authorities at the location to confirm they can accommodate 10-15 Morgans (cars),
3. Work with me (Angie) to determine the event details,
4. Create a flyer to be emailed to the entire membership and posted on our website.

Finally, an activity can be simple:

- Maybe you can plan a meet-up for coffee and "car" talk,
- Organize a scenic drive,
- Plan a picnic with a nice run to get to a park,
- Visit Vehicle related museum or whatever you have in mind.

Make this a year to be remembered. Give me a call!

Epigram created by our VP, Mike Preovolos.



President's Message

Article by: Fred Thompson



February has brought some significant rain to Northern California, although there were several days, although a bit cold, when Morgans could venture out on the road.

This winter, our Northern California Club Morgans have been out and about. The weather on Boxing Day was more English than our traditional California climate. It was a day for mostly tin tops. The brave souls who participated included two club members, with only one Morgan, a Plus 8, braving the rain. Other participants drove a Deux Chevaux, a Morris Minor Traveler, and a Lotus Elan.

The number of Morgans attending the next event multiplied 10-fold. Larry Ayers organized a very fine and well-attended Oyster run. The weather cooperated, although a bit chilly. Luckily, the restaurant accommodated all of us inside – we were warm and cozy.

The Chinese New Year event took place on another rainy day, bringing out one lone Morgan. Despite this, 20 people attended the lunch.

Many more events are planned for the remainder of the year, so be sure to **check out our calendar either in this issue or on our [website](#)**. Our Activities Director has also emailed members several event flyers.

I personally want to give a big thank you to those who have taken the time to organize and lead the next set of very fun 2026 adventures. I hope as many of you as possible can attend. We also have several new members who I hope will attend upcoming events. This is a good chance for all to make new friends and share “Morgan” stories.

The Board this year is moving forward with several new agenda items. Michele Pollock, Grant Larson, and Mike Preovolos are knee deep in Club By Law revisions and simplifications, followed by the development of a Club Policy System. We hope to bring the club into the 21st century with electronic membership, payments, and voting. Ann Thompson and Steve Wix have joined talents and are working toward an updated and user-friendly website. I surely appreciate all the time and effort these members have already provided.

Finally, our efforts to attract more members are also progressing. Dennis Glavis has reported that five new Morgans have been sold to folks living in Northern California. Three have already joined our club, and as of the last count, we now have 109 active members.

I believe we are off to a very wonderful year with adventures and activities for all.



Board Meeting Minutes of the MSCCNC

Minutes submitted by Michele Pollock, MSCCNC Secretary

January 27, 2026, Board and General Membership board meeting, held via Zoom, virtually

1. Call to Order: Fred Thompson at 7:05 p.m. (19:05)
2. Roll Call: Fred Thompson, President; Michele Pollock, Secretary; Grant Larson, Board member

Also in attendance: Angie Larson, Activities Chair; Ann Thompson, Co-editor of the Morgazette and Website; and members John Grosseto, Loren and Annette Yee Steck, Elaine and Phil Fisher, David White, Lexa Most and John and Nancy Tennyson.

3. Approval of Previous Meeting: Fred Thompson brought forth approval of the minutes from the January 8, 2026 Board Meeting and reported they would appear in the next issue of the Morgazette.
4. Fred Thompson continued his president's report:
 - a. The club has just over \$23,000 as a bank balance.
 - b. A By-Law committee is working on making suggestion for updates.
 - c. Ann and Fred Thompson along with Steve Wax are in discussion to work out the best way forward regarding creation of a new multi-dimensional functioning website.
 - d. The 4th Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. the board will meet in 2026 via Zoom.
5. Angie Larson took over the meeting and spent the remainder of the meeting in discussion about the activity calendar for 2026, seeking suggestions and informing of activities to date.
6. The up-to-date activity calendar will be published in the January-February Morgazette with the understanding continued changes may occur(not included in these minutes as the calendar is yet unfinished as of this meeting).
7. Motion for adjournment at 8:07 p.m. (20:07) was made by Grant Larson, and seconded by Michele Pollock.
9. Next Meeting set for Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

XXVIX Oyster Run

Article by Larry Ayers – Photos by: Brian Lewis & Fred Thompson
25 January 2026



Climate Change didn't cancel our plans for the Twenty-Ninth Oyster Run event sponsored by the Morgan Sports Car Club of N. CA. and hosted by yours truly. Under cool, non-threatening skies, 10 Morgans ranging from a 1952 Flat Rad to a 2025 Plus 4 met at Starbucks in Novato for a tour of Marin County. We were off on this annual event, traversing over hill and dale, passing through the small burgs of Forest Knolls, Lagunitas, and Jewell, then onward past Olema, and through Pt. Reyes Station. We continued on scenic Highway One to lunch at Tony's Seafood Restaurant in Marshall, a tradition that has been ongoing for over 25 years.

The theme this year was fancy or outrageous headgear, with prizes for the most outlandish. Due to the cold, we found dining inside more comfortable, and after satisfying our appetites, judging for the headwear commenced outside. First place went to Beverley Sweesy, second place went to Fred Thompson (our newly elected Club President), and third place was awarded to Garrett Clifford.



Following those delicious oysters, several of us motored back to Pt. Reyes Station entertaining plans to enjoy a parting toast at the local landmark, Western Bar. Boo Hoo! The Western Bar was locked up tight for some council adjustments. Some we journeyed down the street and patronized a restaurant with a bar and enjoyed visiting and toasting with a parting beverage. The Oyster Run XXVIX was a fun event, and usually the first one of the New Year for our MSCCNC. We missed those regulars who usually attend this event, but congratulate those who braved the weather and made the effort. Hope to see you again soon, driving your Morgans.



Cheers! Larry



XXVIX Oyster Run, continued



Chinese New Years Lunch

Article by Ann Thompson – Photos by Fred Thompson



The Chinese New Year lunch was expertly organized by Elaine Fisher. Participants gathered at the Great Wall Chinese Cuisine restaurant in Lafayette and enjoyed a delicious Chinese meal. Because it was a rainy day, the planned run to Mt. Diablo was canceled, but that did not dampen the group's spirits.

Elaine also had a surprise, giving each of us a red envelope with a “Year of the Horse” scratcher. All enjoyed this nice gesture.



A Blast from the Past!

Cartoon created by John Hardgrove

Courtesy of Mike Prevolos



My Morgan 3-Wheeler

Article and photos by: Francine Marquis

The 1935 British Racing Green Matchless, water-cooled Super Sport, arrived in Chico, California in February 1989. There was a list of Morgan 3-Wheelers we thought about taking a look at, but the particular gem was in Terra Haute, Indiana, in a Maritime museum where it was sitting for 10 years. Prior to that, the 3-wheeler was at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Terra Haute for 25 to 30 years. Per the Internet, the gentleman we purchased the car from is now 91 years old, living at the same address that is on the bill of sale.

An interesting note is that the 3-wheeler was a package deal. The owner wanted to sell the vehicle with a 1948 original, flat rad that needed no work, and ran perfectly. A deal was made, and both cars were transported from Indiana to Chico, California. Waiting for the 1948 Morgan was Al Moss of Moss Motors.



Marquis' 1935 Morgan 3-wheeler



Francine and Gary in their 3-wheeler

After that came the fun of restoration. Northern California Morgan Car Club members, Ray Olsen of Eureka, freshened the engine, and Bob Schmidt in the Bay Area did all the woodwork. Pictures and documentation show their skill.

After all these years, the car has sat in my/our shop and has never been outside in the elements.

Needless to say, it is just waiting for more tinkering! But there were always more and more beautiful cars that made their way in and out of the Fat Basset Garage, where both rock and classical music played on the radio, beer on tap for the end of the day, and always a couple of fat basset hounds sleeping under the lift.

Now it is time for the 3-wheeler to have a new home. The mechanic has passed away, and fortunately, a fine young mechanic has put all the pieces and parts back on, making it a very presentable car. Of course, there is a list to help new enthusiasts finish it and make it even more beautiful!



Documentation is included from the Morgan Car Factory in Malvern Link, England, showing the three wheelers' birth. All the numbers match, and there are even more photos of it on an airfield in England, along with several other three-wheelers.

I just got the car registered here in California. Formerly, it was registered as a motorcycle. This great vehicle is waiting for a new home and some motoring fun.

Repair of 1935 3-Wheeler





MORGAN SPORTS CAR CLUB PRESENTS

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Celebration

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026

**Corned Beef Brunch
at 10:45 am**

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Harry's does not take reservations,
so we need to be there when
it opens... It's that good!



Planning Team

John Grosseto, John Burks, Paul Tullius, Dave White, & Karl Krause

Itinerary

- Mon, May 11 Arrive at Oakhurst for an overnight stay at the Best Western Yosemite Gateway Hotel
- Dinner at the Oakhurst Grill or Whisky 412 Lounge
- Tues, May 12 Leave Oakhurst on a trip through the Gold Country, with two optional routes:
- Option 1: Hwy 41 to Yosemite, exit park on Hwy 120 to Hwy 49 to Hwy 4 to Murphys
- Option 2: Hwy 49 to roads west of the lakes with return via Hwy 49 to Hwy 4 to Murphys
- Murphys Hotel for two nights (see details below)
 Book early! 20 rooms are available (none booked as of 2/4) Wed, May
- Wed, May 13 Breakfast in Murphys
- Two optional day trips are offered:
- Option 1: Sierra Summits - Hwy 4 then back on Hwy 88 depending on road closures.
- Option 2: A day trip through the Heart of the Mother Lode (route, sites, and things to do TBA)
 We will have a group dinner in Murphys on either Tuesday or Wednesday evening
- Thurs, May 14 Drive home or extend your trip. There are so many things to do in the Wine Country!

Hotel Details

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Contact: Conetha, Telephone (209) 728-3444 Website:
<https://murphyshotel.com/>

Room options:

8 Deluxe Queens \$145 + tax - located on ground floor in the single-story building w/ one queen

4 Deluxe Dual Doubles \$145 + tax - 1 upstairs, 3 downstairs, 2 full beds 6

Deluxe Kings \$154 + tax - 4 upstairs, 2 downstairs, one king bed

1 Hatcher Suite \$215 + tax - one king bed on ground floor, ADA accessible

1 Balcony Suite \$215 + tax - two queen beds, upstairs, private balcony 10%

Discount for AARP Members (they will ask for member number)

Cancellation policy is 48 hours. There is no charge if guests cancel within 48 hours prior to check-in. For cancellations made after 48 hours, the hotel will charge for a one-night stay or \$50 if they are able to re-book the room.



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Website:
<https://www.yosemitgatewayinn.com/en/>

Cancellation:

Check your reservation. It should show: **Full Refund**, if you cancel before 4 p.m. on May 10th.





Greetings Everyone

**Registration for the 2026
All British Motoring Show & Swap Meet is NOW open!**

**This is one of the largest all-British vehicle shows and swap meets
in Northern California!**

Place: Dixon Fairgrounds – The show is set on the grassy fields of the fairgrounds.

Date: Sunday, May 17th

Time: Gates open at 7:00 a.m. for registered vehicles

Registration: [Click here to register for the All British Vehicle Show](#) (Be one of the first to enter your car!)



Note: To show your vehicle on the field, you **must** register in advance. The registration deadline is April 27th - the fee is \$37. To set a class, we are required to have at least three cars of the same make or model. Therefore, please let other owners, friends, and car club members know about the show and registration requirements.

**The gates for registered vehicles open at 7:00 a.m.
All vehicles must be parked on the show fields by 10:00 a.m.**

More Information: <http://www.ubsc.org>)

**The viewing audience is welcome to enter through the front gates
as early as 8:00 a.m. to see the show.**



More Information: <http://www.ubsc.org>)



Meet:

At Starbucks at the corner of Rio Road and Highway 1 in Carmel, CA at 11:00 a.m. We will depart at 11:30 a.m. There are also 3 gas stations at this spot!

Rally:

We will drive all the way out Carmel Valley Road (G-16) through sweet Carmel Valley Village, along the Santa Lucia mountains, past ranches and open lands to enjoy the wild spring wildflowers. Then onto Arroyo Seco bridge, then a short drive to Greenfield via the backroads. **The drive will take about 1 to 1.5 hours with a few notable stops along the way. Prizes and certificates will once again be awarded by the owners of Roy's to 5 Morgans.**



Destination:

Roy's Swiss Sausage Factory, 40821 Cherry Avenue, Greenfield, CA 93927 for a **FREE** prepared lunch of the best grilled natural, organic homemade sausage west of the Rockies (including chicken)! He has added two more varieties to try. This is a no-cost lunch to you, unless you just have to purchase some of his amazing sausage (so bring a small insulated cold bag) to cook at home. *Please bring your own drinks.*



RSVP – Michele Pollock (831)521-8525 text or call
Or email: michele.pollock@mac.com



Save the Dates!

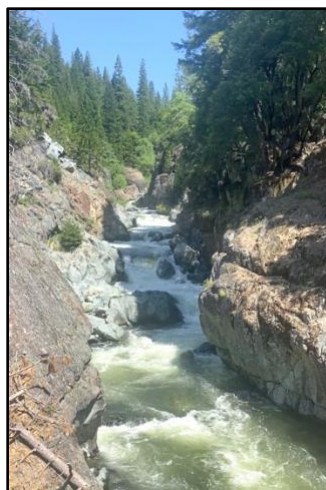
Dates: **October 4, 5, 6, & 7**

Where: **Lake Basin in Plumas County
Sierra Nevada Buttes**

Event Organizers: **Michele & Ambrose Pollock**

More details to follow.

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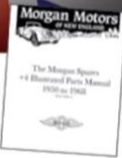
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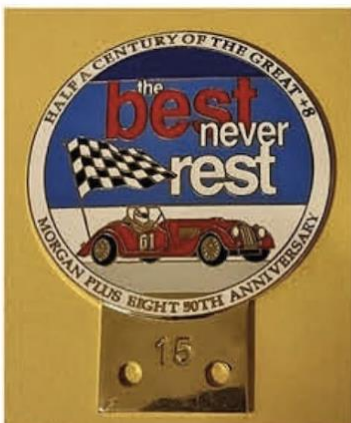


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MORGAN THREE WHEELERS

2023 SUPER3 THREE WHEELER – Heron Grey Malvern Flyer colors are very, very pale Grey, White, Red, and Yellow exterior, Technical Coal Black // 1 of 1

2023 SUPER3 THREE WHEELER – Malle Rally Special. Yellow exterior, Black Moto Vinyl, heated seats // Limited edition special equipment

2023 SUPER3 THREE WHEELER – Matt Black, Black leather // DeHavilland vampire commemorative edition! 1 of 2

2016 THREE WHEELER – Polished Alloy, Blue Leather // 4014 miles

2014 THREE WHEELER – Grabber Blue, Red quilted leather, red wire wheels, 4,000 miles // The Blue Meanie

2014 THREE WHEELER – Navy Blue, Tan Leather // 1660 miles

2013 THREE WHEELER – Battleship Grey, Black Leather // 4400 miles

1930 AERO VAN – MX4 Vee twin engine, Pozzi Blue, Scarlet red leather // Fully restored

MORGAN ROADSTERS

NEW CX CHASSIS

2025 CX PLUS FOUR – White Gold Metallic, Chocolate leather

2025 CX PLUS FOUR – Maserati Bordeaux Pontevocchio Metallico Pearl, Blue leather, black wire wheels

2025 CX PLUS FOUR – Belfast Blue, Ivory leather // Immediately available

2025 CX PLUS FOUR – Lamborghini Vioa Parsifae Pearl, Morgan light gray leather, black alloy wheels // Late December build

NEW 2025 PLUS FOUR – Sport Ivory, British Blue leather, 5 polished wire wheels

2020 PLUS FOUR – Corsa Red, Black Leather, stainless steel wire wheels // 1100 original miles!

2019 V6 3.7 ROADSTER – Dark BRG, Biscuit Leather, polished stainless steel wire wheels // 2147 Original miles!

2018 PLUS FOUR – Ivory, Tan Leather, Black Rexine top // 13,000 miles

2005 3.0 V6 ROADSTER – Royalty Purple Metallic, Grey Leather // Perfect condition!

1963 PLUS 4 ROADSTER – BRG, Black leather, 2-seater, well maintained // Ground up restoration!

1962 PLUS 4 SUPERSPORT – BRG, Black leather, one owner from new just out of complete restoration // Right-hand drive

1961 PLUS 4 ROADSTER – White, Green leather // Great driving car!

1954 PLUS 4 FOUR PASSENGER ROADSTER – Yellow, Black interior, interim-cowl example // Right-hand drive

1953 PLUS 4 – Ivory, Tobacco leather // Flat Rad Model

1953 PLUS 4 – BRG, Tan leather // Flat Rad Model

1952 PLUS 4 DROPHEAD COUPE – Red, Black interior // Flat rad

1952 PLUS 4 DROPHEAD COUPE – Factory experimental four seater, Green, Grey Green interior // Pebble Beach concourse winner

1952 PLUS FOUR DROPHEAD COUPE – Blue, Red interior // RAC rally entrant

1939 4-4 DROPHEAD COUPE – Bordeaux // George Goodall factory development car

1937 4-4 – Ivory, new Red interior, cycle fenders // Historic factory team car

1936 4-4 – Green, Black interior, Car #28 // George Proudfoot restoration

1930 ANZANI-POWERED 2 SPEEDER SUPER SPORT – Green, Black Leather // Anzani ccw 740

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