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## LOOKING FORWARD TO 2025

Sarah reports...



After several difficult years (Covid, wars, rising prices, the aftermath of Brexit and so on) we very much hope that we will experience a more joyful time in 2025 when we start to put some fun back into our lives. We are trying to put together a programme for the year which offers a variety of activities – some of these are already detailed in the events page of this newsletter and some will be advertised during the year. To ensure you are kept up to date with news and events, please contact [jessica@morgan-kent.com](mailto:jessica@morgan-kent.com). Jess will add you to our mailing list.

We have all our regular breakfast clubs planned for next year. The eagerly anticipated BHM hosted Track Day at Goodwood circuit is confirmed for 22nd May and we are embarking on an exciting new partnership with Chilton Park Hotel to offer our owners some great offers and events (look out for more details).

There have been some changes at the factory both in the management team and in the model range. Early in the new year we continue to focus on the latest Plus Four and Super 3 but 2025 will witness the end of the large engine classic style Morgan. The last of the Plus Six 'Pinnacle' will have been completed by February 2025 and the unveiling of Morgan's exciting new flagship model will follow. To arrange a test drive or factory visit do contact [sarah@morgan-kent.com](mailto:sarah@morgan-kent.com) or call us on 01732 882017.

We look forward to welcoming you as you join us throughout the year ahead!



## MEET THE TEAM FOR 2025!



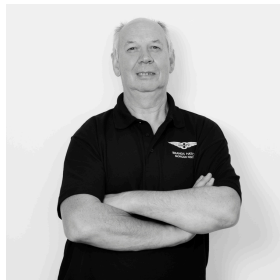
SARAH

Whether you want to talk about buying or selling a car, booking a service or any general advice, Sarah is a good starting point. With a great team behind her, she can always point you in the right direction.



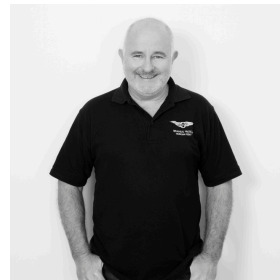
BRETT

Brett is an experienced racing driver and well known in the Morgan Challenge series. He applies his racing knowledge in the workshop and can offer your car performance improvements, advise on and undertake restoration projects and any aspect of routine maintenance.



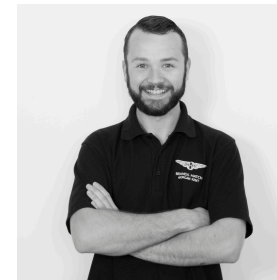
LEN

Len is our seasoned mechanic and resident 3-wheel expert! With decades of Morgan experience under his belt, he can tackle the most complex repairs. Speak to Len for any technical enquiries and to book routine service work as well as any speciality job.



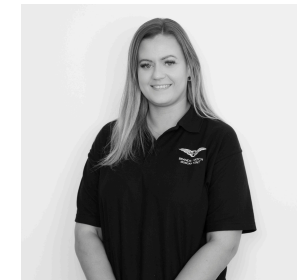
ANDY

Andy is now well established in the parts department and is known to many. With an encyclopedic knowledge of cars, he's always ready to help with any automotive needs. Whether it's a rare part or a simple question, Andy's the one to ask!



ANTHONY

Anthony joined us at the start of 2024 and has applied to great effect his previous main dealer knowledge to working on Morgans and other classics. Contact Anthony for all MOTs and non-Morgan work.



JESS

Jess is our go-to expert for marketing, website management, and accounts with a sharp eye for detail and a talent for creativity. We're delighted to welcome her to the team.



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While we do not have a picture of our fabulous and invaluable volunteers, we would like to mention that it is thanks to them that we can provide all our services and events throughout the year! We are also delighted to welcome Paul Sands back to the team working part time in a variety of roles.

## RACING RECAP

with Brett...

Congratulations to Simon Orebi Gann and co-driver Calum Lockie who claimed first prize overall for the index of performance in the Peter Auto Race Series. A coefficient is applied to all cars to equalise performance and Simon & Calum came out top. They also achieved 2nd prize in the under 2.5 litre class in the '60's endurance series driving Simon's BHM prepared Morgan SLR.



Brett decided that he needed a new challenge for 2024 so embarked on buying and converting an Alfetta GTV for racing. It runs in the HRDC Alfa Challenge. A successful first season has resulted in a couple of class wins already. The car seems to like a wet race! We very much hope that he will return to the Morgan Challenge in 2025 but he will definitely be back at Goodwood next May driving hot laps at our track day.

## GIFT A MORGAN HIRE

Our car hire periods range from one day and upwards with weekend and full week hire options a popular choice. Ideal as a gift for a loved one, a romantic weekend away or special occasions. Choose from the brand new Plus Four, a 4/4 or a Super 3 (subject to availability)

Prices start from £295 per day and includes insurance and unlimited UK mileage. You must be between 25-75 years old and hold a valid licence with no serious motoring convictions. We require a DVLA licence check code to be supplied on the day of hire. A deposit of £1000 is required for hire which will be refunded upon safe return of the car. If you hire and purchase any new Morgan from us here at Brands Hatch within 1 month of your rental, we'll refund the full cost of the hire.



## CHILSTON PARK HOTEL

When the first Morgan cars were driving around Malvern Link, Chilston Park was the family home and estate of Viscount Chilston (although its origins go back much earlier and can be traced to 1100). It remained in the family until 1982 and is now under the ownership of Hand Picked Hotels.



Chilston Park is located a short distance from the M20 close to Lenham and in a great location for anyone wanting to explore the Kent coast and countryside. It is close to Leeds Castle, the historic city of Canterbury, and Chapel Down vineyard. Its Culpeper's Restaurant has earned 2 AA Rosettes with the option of dining alfresco on the terrace overlooking the lake and gardens, making it a delightfully tranquil haven in which to relax and The Marble Lounge is a popular hub for afternoon tea.

We have been working with this award winning, classic British country house hotel to bring some great and exclusive offers to our Morgan owners:

Enjoy dinner, overnight accommodation & breakfast at the preferred rate of £215.00 (an additional £60.00 for double occupancy)\*. Alternatively, savour an afternoon tea with complimentary glass of champagne for £35.00 per person.\*\* To book, visit their website and use the code PBHM24 upon booking or quote the same code for bookings made over the phone.

Make your stay even more special by hiring the very latest Plus Four for the special rate of just £250 for an overnight hire.

\*based on Manor House Executive Room. Valid Sun-Thurs. Dinner from the A La Carte menu, Beef Wellington and sides are additional. Free cancellation until 12.00pm the day prior to arrival.

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## COURTESY CAR

Regrettably, due to increased costs of maintenance, insurance & administration, we are introducing a fee of £10 per day for use of our courtesy car during 2025.

# WRAPPING UP FOR WINTER

with Andy...

Driving a Morgan on a cold, clear, dry, sunny day during the winter months is undoubtedly good for car and soul. However, once Autumn colours fade, some Morgans get put away from winter salt and remain dormant for weeks or even months.



Unless precautions are taken, damage can result from this period of inactivity. We have seen this happen over the last year with cars being towed into the workshop so we wanted to take this opportunity to share a few tips about wrapping up for the winter.

We'll focus mainly on fluids, in particular petrol, and what needs to be done to preserve the fuel system to help ensure smooth running come springtime.

Firstly, if your Morgan is of the "traditional" variety (before about 2020) it ideally needs to be running on E5 fuel rather than E10. All modern fuels have a short shelf life – a matter of months in fact – before it starts to degrade and lose its potency, but that's only part of the problem when it comes to laying up your car. The Ethanol content in the fuel attracts moisture – made worse when the tank is left close to empty, therefore allowing condensation to build up. This condensation then ends up in the petrol, contaminating it and leading to corrosion problems which can include failed fuel pumps and blocked components.



The procedure we follow is to add a fuel stabiliser, top up the tank and then run the engine (at least 5 minutes) to make sure the stabiliser reaches all parts of the fuel system. This way condensation is minimised as there is little air in the tank, and also the fuel will stay in good condition until the car is brought out again.

A few more tips if you intend to not use your car over the winter months:

- Increase tyre pressures to help avoid flat spots during storage – you could go to 40psi BUT make sure you put a note on the steering wheel to re-adjust before the car is driven again
- Leave the handbrake off (if safe to do so) to stop the shoes sticking to the drums
- The battery will appreciate (and last longer) if connected to a battery conditioner
- If the coolant/anti-freeze is more than 5 years old, it needs changing to avoid freezing but also to inhibit corrosion
- Engine oil needs to be clean - get it changed if its due
- Little furry creatures – mice and the like find Morgan interiors a very comfortable place to set up home. They also like eating leather trim and wiring - these pests are therefore best deterred.



If you'd like more details on keeping your Morgan fit and healthy throughout the winter, please do contact us here at Brands Hatch Morgan.

## PARTS FOCUS

Upstairs, above the workshop at Borough Green, is our well stocked and resourced parts department. We help support Morgan workshops both nationally and internationally, in addition to hundreds of private customers around the country and further afield. Some of our fast moving lines are featured in our web-shop at [morgan-kent.com/shop](http://morgan-kent.com/shop) along with downloadable Morgan factory parts books.

As a long established dealer, we have a wealth of parts and knowledge available – contact [andy@morgan-kent.com](mailto:andy@morgan-kent.com) for any part or general Morgan related enquiry.



# 2025 EVENTS

**JANUARY**



**FEBRUARY**



**MARCH**



**APRIL**

**5TH - BREAKFAST CLUB**



**MAY**

**3RD - BREAKFAST CLUB**  
**22ND - GOODWOOD TRACK DAY**



**JUNE**

**7TH - BREAKFAST CLUB**  
**28TH/29TH - MOGFEST**



**JULY**

**5TH - BREAKFAST CLUB**



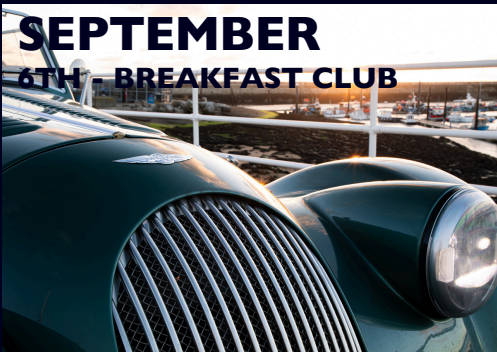
**AUGUST**

**9TH - BREAKFAST CLUB**



**SEPTEMBER**

**6TH - BREAKFAST CLUB**



**OCTOBER**



**NOVEMBER**

**15TH - CHRISTMAS MARKET**



**DECEMBER**

**6TH - CHRISTMAS PARTY**

