

SOUTHERN FOURS AND EIGHTS

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"Go Dave!" by Austin Roof is a copy of Austin's daily journal entry for the day his Papa, Lance Lipscomb took him to the vintage races at Road Atlanta in September

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Déjà vu all over again...

by SuperDave Bondon Te pulled over to the "scenic outlook" and it suddenly struck me. Thirty seven years ago we were here, at the same place. Newly weds SuperDave and Marilyn in their new Morgan (with Snorkel the basset hound) driving along the Blue Ridge Parkway. We didn't have the top with us

then and we didn't have it now. The

weather gods were smiling upon us and the road ahead was perfect.

Randy had done it again. We rocked (old people in chairs not young people with music) on the porch of the Balsam Mountain Inn and someone said, "Hey this is just like the Luray Inn a hundred years ago at the national meet". Only thing missing was John Erickson and his beautiful legs contest. Someone else observed that we would all be sound asleep long before that kind of foolishness could ever recur. Oh well, we can dream can't we?

"Songwriters Night" was a huge success. Even those of us that can't play the radio were caught up in a wonderful evening of creative country music. I don't think anyone has a CD player in their Morgan but a lot of us took memories home with us to play on the

way to work Monday morning.

A who's who of the East Coast Morgan world showed up for the weekend of touring, enting, music, eating, shopping, eating, and did I mention cating? Scott Cumming thoughtfully brought his mom and dad so he could choose between the Morgan and the family car depending on the weather. Dave and Sarah Chiles, Matt and Martha McClellan, John and May Councill, Gene and Betsy McOmber, the entire Addie clan, Charlie and Caroline King, Brenda and Michel Hewitt, Lance and Connie Lipscomb, Mark and Scarlett Campbell, could all be classed as "regulars" at our weekend events,

Carlton and Beverly Shriver and Ed Geiger escaped the hurricane after the cows were fed and came all the way down from D.C. Carlton and Beverly

had just driven down here the week before to deliver a carnival horse that Connie had bought and couldn't figure out how to ship! Now that's what true Morgan friends do for each other.

As for the cars, we had a wonderful variety. My new favorite color scheme was Hewitt's cream and blue Plus 8, Sarah Chiles burgundy 4/4 complete with hard top is spectacular. I think she should direct her restoration. shop (husband Dave's garage) to add air conditioning for the complete luxury package. Randy's new '76 aluminum bodied Plus 8 is one of the all time "barn finds". I had the privilege of driving it down from Connecticut. It never missed a beat and didn't beat me up! Now I know why you guys like your Plus Eights. It is a real pleasure to have Graeme Addie and his early cars to balance out the field. He even got Marilyn to ride in the Trike along the parkway. That was the first time she had even sat in a three wheeler since we hit a horse with ours twenty years ago. But that's another story.

Autumn in the Mountains British Car Gathering Sept. 27

by Gene and Betsy McOmber OGSouth was represented at this meet by David and Sarah A Chiles, Norris and Susan Havnes and Gene and Betsy McOmber. The meet was held at the Woodfield Inn in Flat Rock, NC in beautiful weather and had approximately, 180 entries, The Morgan class had 4 cars including

the very nice +4 drop-head coupe of Phillip Preston .

The best Morgan award went to the Chile's beautiful 4/4. Norris and Susan had their nice display of car prints and posters for sale and were very busy photographing some neat ears.

Next event: Euro 2003 at the BMW plant in Spartanburg, SC on October, 18. Looking forward to seeing many of you at the Christmas party!





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Christmas Party 2003

(new deadline information)

The MOGSouth Christmas party will be held Saturday, December 6 at the Nu Wray Inn in Burnsville, NC.

The Inn is holding rooms for us for that Saturday night (until November 6). Rates are \$65, \$75, or \$85 per night and include a full country breakfast on Sunday morning.

We will have our pre-dinner noggin at 6:30 and dinner will be served at 8:00 PM. The Club will provide wine and cheese along with beer and soft drinks for the noggin. If you prefer anything stronger, BYOB.

Dinner will cost \$18.50 per person Dinner includes soup, salad, roast beef, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, dessert and coffee or tea. Room reservations must be made no later than **November 6**. Please call 800 368-9729 to make your reservation.



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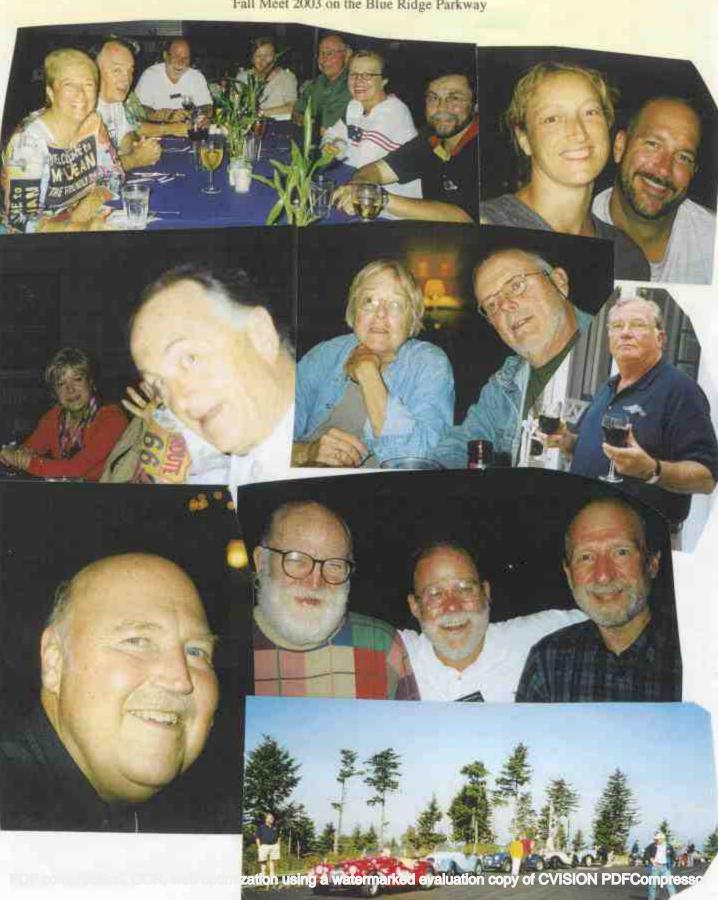
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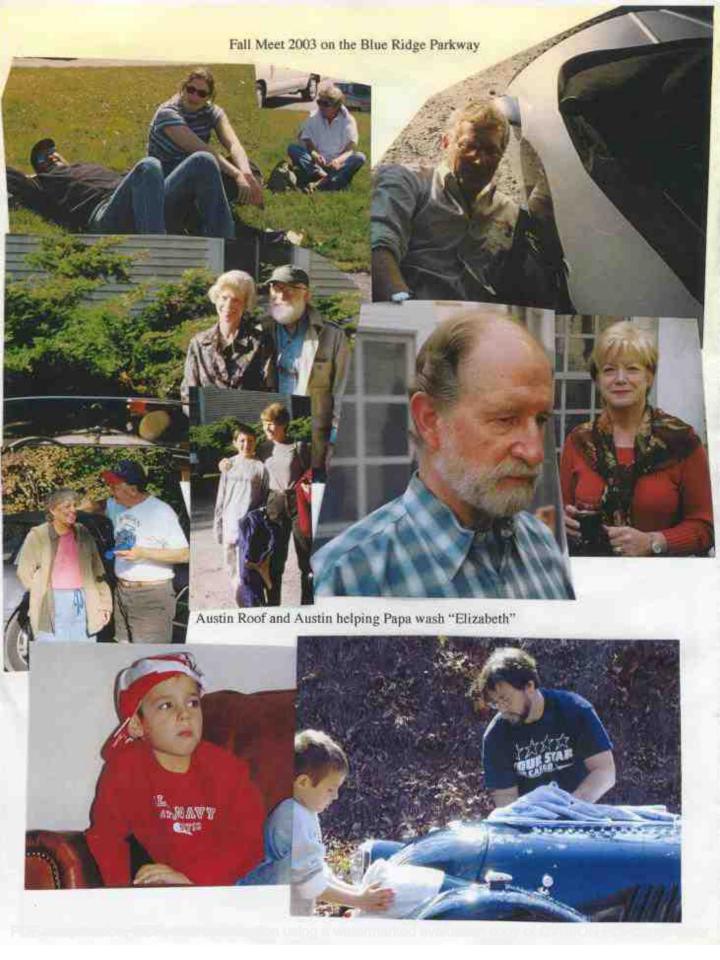




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