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ESSEX THAMESIDE REGION



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



Hi All

July must have been one of the wettest months so far. However that did not stop us enjoying ourselves. We took part in the Triumph TR day and although the venue was like a ploughed field, we came away with best club stand. The boat trip run by Geoff and Mary was a great success and I must say the fish and chips were superb. Finally, some of us attended the MG show at Billericay as part of the Rotary club day. This was a good show, were Andy Munden got to display his SS100 replica in the arena.

Our Jaguar day is finally upon us and I think I have remembered everything. If not it is a bit late now. I would like to thank all those people who have offered help in setting up on the Saturday. The date as I am sure you know is 5th August and if anyone can turn up and support, it will be nice to see you.

I have been contacted by Terry Dye and Ray Ingram regarding a presentation on Jaguar Racing. They will be attending our October club meeting. So make a note in your diaries, as this will be an interesting evening.

I look forward to catching up with you, either at the next meeting or at one of our events.

Regards

Colin.

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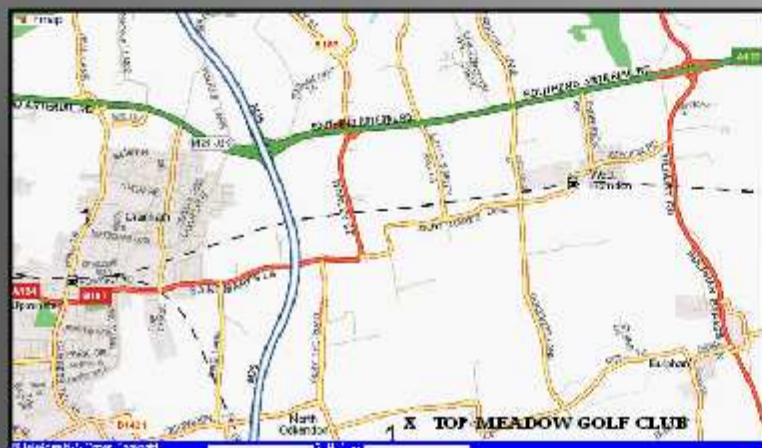
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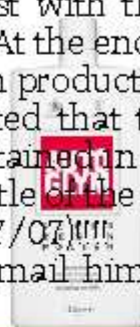
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JULY MEETING NIGHT AT TOP MEADOW GOLF CLUB

The meeting was attended by Lee Gibson of Autoglym. He gave us a brief history of the company and then went on to indicate the type of products that were available on the market. Various members asked questions relating to



particular problems they had experienced and Lee was able to assist with the appropriate products that would assist. At the end of his talk he was able to provide Autoglym products at virtually trade prices!! It was also noted that the 'normal' Super Resin Polish could be obtained in 5 litre packs for just **£21:50!!!** In Halfords, a bottle of the same product (325ml) costs **£9:99** (as at 14/7/07). To contact Lee for future orders, please e-mail him at leegibo@aol.com.



JEC NORTHERN DAY - HAREWOOD HOUSE JULY 8TH

The forecast for the day was changed daily all week long. One minute it was to be sunny, the next it was going to pee it down. As it happened, it was a fine day with a 20 minute exception of rain and hail stones!!! Once that was over it was business as usual. There were something like 2,000 cars attending from XK120 to the new XK's. A few members of our club attended and enjoyed the day. Nigel Thorley presented a excellent history of the XJ, with members' examples from the Series 1 through to the current XJ available today with the added bonus of examples from the JHT including the only XJ Estate, the last XJ built at Browns Lane and the very special Jaguar XJ Corsica as shown on the front of this newsletter. I was also pleased to see that the 'Car of the Show' was won by Mike Attard a member from down South - Surrey!!! I had the pleasure of meeting Mike and his fantastic XJ12 Sovereign at the London to Brighton run in 2006. The car looks great when the sun comes out as it is specially painted in a combination of Radium Silver and Silver Birch. Look out for it a Southern Day, I'm sure he will be there!



Editor



UP THE CHELMER

This year was another great success with the Chelmer river cruise. The boat owners were informed that much merriment was to be had on board and as such plenty of drinks were stored below decks. The cruise proceeded as planned with drinks and nibbles. Once at the other end, some of the best fish and chips that I have had for a while were waiting for us. After a brief stroll and fully seated, we boarded again for the trip back. The scenery was great and once again, this trip was a huge success and a great day out.



BILLERICAY CLASSIC CAR SHOW

The *free* show was held on Sunday 15th July at Billericay Common. Sponsored by the local Rotary Club and Essex MG Club, it was a good turn out from the public. A few of our members attended with their 'classics' and put on a fine show. Well done to all who attended. *Editor*





JAGUAR ENTHUSIASTS' CLUB FUTURE EVENTS :

REGIONAL EVENTS /OTHER EVENTS:

AUG '07

Sun 5th **ESSEX THAMESIDE
JAGUAR DAY SHOW**
Battlesbridge Antique Centre
Contact Colin 01708 476126
*See web site for **advance booking form***
www.je.ssexthameside.co.uk/

Tues 7th Club Night - Location: Top
Meadow Golf Club - Nth Ockendon
8pm

Sun 26th JDC Area 33
Audley End Picnic
Saffron Walden, Essex
Contact Colin 01708 476126

SEPT '07

Tues 4th Club Night - Location: Top
Meadow Golf Club - Nth Ockendon
8pm

T.B.C. JDC Classics
Factory Visit - Limited numbers
Contact Colin 01708 476126

OCT '07

Tues 2nd Club Night - Location: Top
Meadow Golf Club - Nth Ockendon
Terry Dye and Ray Ingram
Presentation 8pm

NATIONAL:

AUG '07

Sun 19th **Essex Thameside Region at JEC SOUTHERN DAY**
Littlecote House, Hungerford
Contact Colin for details on 01708,476126

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PLEASE SEND IT TO THE EDITOR AT doug@warren5385.fsnet.co.uk AND ALL FUTURE
NEWSLETTERS WILL BE SENT VIA E-MAIL. THANK YOU**

JAGUAR XK8 1996 - 2006

The creation of a successor to the 'E-Type' exercised minds at Jaguar for the best part of 30 years before the XK8 was finally given the go-ahead in 1992. There was a Pininfarina XJS in the 1970's and the 'F' Type (code named Project 41) prototypes running when Ford brought Jaguar, but they were overweight and inappropriate for the 1990's. Studies were carried out at Ghia in Turin and Ford's own design office in Dearborn, USA, but the one to succeed was a Jaguar design from Coventry (project X100), the work of a team lead by Geoff Lawson and Keith Helfet. It was based around the Jaguar designed 4-cam 32 valve 4.0-litre V8 AJ-V8 engine built at a new Ford plant in Bridgend in South Wales, with an XJS platform, albeit modified, itself a descendent of the key car in Jaguar's history, the XJ6 of 1968.



By the time the XK8 appeared in October 1996, under the direction of Styling Manager Fergus Pollock, Project Director Bob Dover and 250 Jaguar engineers, it was already assured of a classic status. The XK8 had a design brief without parallel in the history of the motor industry. The market expected something conservative; not too trendy. It anticipated a car that would pay homage to the 'C-Type', 'D-Type' and 'E-Type' without appearing too retrospective or obsequious, a car that would embody the essence of a Le Mans winner with the spirit of a grand tourer. The XK8 was preceded by the Aston Martin DB7 with a supercharged 6 cylinder AJ16-derived engine and it had to appear longer yet distinctive. There was



little cross-referencing or confusion. Above all the XK8 reflected traditional Jaguar values and had to reach the top end of the JD Power owner satisfaction surveys in the United States.

Changed days! Where once the chief requirement of a Jaguar engine had merely been to satisfy the customer on speed, power, appearance, economy, efficiency and making the right noises, now it had to meet a whole raft of world-wide regulations on emission strictures. Yet it still had to satisfy the customers.

Jaguar's engineering director, Clive Ennos, convinced Ford that Jaguar had to have its own engine. A modular derivative from one of Ford's own perfectly good engines would not do. Ford agreed. The Jaguar XJ-V8 with variable inlet cam timing, cylinder heads cast by Cosworth's unique process, Nickasil-coated aluminium bores, sump with built-in oil filter and scarcely any conventional gaskets was the answer. The cooling system was arranged to keep the cylinder bores hot to reduce emissions and the heads cool to prevent distortion. Project Engineer, Martin Joyce, related to a long list of class-leading achievements: best power per kg of engine weight, best power per unit volume of space occupied, lightest weight, lightest valve gear, stiffest structure and fastest warm-up.

When it set sales records to become the fastest selling sports car in Jaguar's history, Nick Scheele, Chairman and Chief Executive, a veteran who ran Ford in Mexico before taking charge at Jaguar in 1992 could reflect, "XK8 captured the attention of luxury sports car buyers around the world."

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS 4.0- LITRE

cc	3,996	Bore & Stroke mm	86 x 86
Compression ratio	10.75:1	bhp	290
@ rpm	6,100	torque (lb/ft)	290
@ rpm	4,250	Fuelling	Fuel inj.
Transmission	5-speed (auto)	Wheel size	17" or 18"
Suspension front	Ind unequal length wishbone, Anti-drive, coil spring	Suspension rear	Ind double wishbone.
Brakes	4 wheel disc, all vented		
Performance:-			
0 - 60 mph (sec)	6.5	Top Speed	155
Average mpg	23		
Dimensions:-			
Length (inches)	187	Width (inches)	72
Height (inches)	51	Wheelbase (inches)	102
Front track (inches)	57	Rear track (inches)	57
Weight (lb)	3,560 (3,759 conv.)		



The Car

Originally owned by Jaguar Cars, this low mileage 2004, immaculate 4.2 litre XK8, could be yours for £1.

It is finished in Ultraviolet, with black interior & is fully equipped with 19" alloys, Sat Nav and adaptive cruise control.

The Charity

Each year, the Club's Prize Draw supports a different charity, nominated by the Chairman. This year our Chairman is Mike Young and he has chosen to support the N.S.P.C.C.

The NSPCC is a charity supported by Jaguar Cars, and this year, so too, the JEC.

All profits from the Prize Draw will be donated to:
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*The Draw will be held at the NEC on
11th November 2007.*



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FORTHCOMING EVENTS:-

Essex Thameside Regional Day – Sunday August 5th.

This is our Region's show. As in past years it will be held at the Battlesbridge Antiques showground, with the same format as previous years. Once again we are looking for members to spare a little time to help set up and help with the show on Sunday, as we all muck in. It will be nice to see you there.

Tickets can be applied for through me on 01708 476126 or an application can be downloaded via our website:

www.jecessexthameside.co.uk. Ticket prices are a mere £2 per car pre-booked, or £5 on the gate.

August 19th - National Southern Day: Littlecote House, Hungerford, Berkshire.

There has been significant interest in this event. As a club, I am looking to put on a regional display at this event, which celebrates the "Glorious 50's" and three models in particular - The MK 1 3.4, MKV111 and XK150, all 50 years young. It is intended that there be a similar theme to the Goodwood Revival atmosphere. We will be putting on a display and John Euseden's XK150 will be the centre piece. Some of us will be travelling down on the day and others will be staying nearby. If you are interested, I need to know ASAP. Contact Colin on 01708 476126

**Audley End – Bank Holiday Weekend -
Sunday August 26th**

This event is run by Jaguar Drivers Club - Area 33. It will have the same format as previous years and there will be some form of event running alongside. Just turn up on the day and don't forget the picnic.

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