



# ESSEX THAMESIDE REGION

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## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



Hi All,

Thank you to all members who attended the Hamstreet Country Fayre, especially owing to the early start. By 9am we had all arrived at Tesco's car park and waited for a few late arrivals from Kent-South. We travelled a few miles and arrived before 10am. The scout party had just finished setting up and the preparations underway for the all important bacon rolls. Everyone was made to feel welcome and supplied with complimentary tea and cake.

From feedback received, everyone had a great time and enjoyed the day. Even the weather was good. We look forward to returning the compliment at our show.

Talking of our Jaguar Day, it is getting very close to the date. A booking form is attached in this issue. For those wishing to attend and display their car, please complete and return to me. It would be great to see you. Likewise, those who can spare some time helping set up on Saturday or give a hand Sunday, please let me know.

We have a Brass Band attending this year, which will be performing twice. They have a varied programme from West End show tunes to current day music.

I think most things are arranged. However, still awaiting responses from other clubs and as usual, awaiting any responses from traders. Flyers were sent and should be in your July copy of the national magazine. A week later is Southern Day at Cowdray Park, near Midhurst in Sussex. We are not putting on a Regional display this year, so if anyone wants to attend, please make your own arrangements.

Hope to see you at our Regional Day on Sunday, August 3rd

Regards

Colin

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**JUL 2008**

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**SUNDAY 1ST JUNE 2008**

The event was well attended and nine Jaguar's from the club turned up. Although it was touch and go whether it would rain or not, it ended up dry but was overcast and cold. There were a variety of clubs that attended, inc., MG's, TVR's, Smart's, Triumph's, as well as individuals with classic cars. Not as big as the Battlesbridge show, but still good in comparison to the size of field available to hold all the cars. Some had to park outside the main field! The organisers were pleased with our turn out and a number of interested parties quizzed our members about their cars and the club. We may have new members yet!



## TRANSPORT FESTIVAL - HAMSTREET, KENT. SUNDAY 8th JUNE 2008

What a day! Having watched the forecast each day for a week, the indication at the beginning of the week was that it was more than likely to be a wet day. How wrong they were. It started at 13 degrees with a chilling wind. However, by mid-afternoon it was up in the mid twenties with very little wind. The whole day was an experience. We had fly pasts of an American fighter from World War 2, followed by bi-planes, gliders and micro-lights. On the ground we had falconry displays, dog displays, 1940's dance teams, majorettes, as well as various other displays. There were various car displays around the ground

including, veteran war vehicles, Triumphs, Kit Cars, Honda Goldwing motorcycles, vintage motorcycles, e.g. Matchless, Royal Enfields, BSA Bantams to name just a few, American classics, including two well spec'd police cars, putting the 'real' police cars (Skoda Fabia estates) at the entrance to shame! There were miniature steam engines, agricultural tractors of various ages, to name just a few. The Kent South Jaguar Enthusiasts' Club had the biggest display at the event and won best club stand!! Essex Thameside joined our colleagues from Kent South by adding a further 10 Jaguars to their display. An excellent effort by all. Well done to those that made the trip!! I am sure, all that attended, enjoyed the event.

*Editor*







## REGIONAL EVENTS / OTHER EVENTS

MONTH	DAY	DATE	LOCATION
JUL	TUES	1st	CLUB NIGHT - Lee Gibson from Autoglym visiting with products at TRADE PRICES!!!!!! See the new Autoglym High Definition wax in use! RRP £39.99 Trade, a lot less believe me!!!!!!
JUL	SUN	6th	QUEEN VIC CAR SHOW BILLERICAY. Billericay Common MGOC & Rotary Club Contact Colin on 01708 476126
JUL	TUES	8th	PORSCHE BAR-B-QUE, The Golf Centre, Essex Regiment Way, Chelmsford Turn up between 7pm - 7:30pm for a bar-b-que feast and look over the exotica parked in the car park!
AUG	SUN	3rd	ESSEX THAMESIDE JAGUAR DAY AND CLASSIC CAR SHOW The Maltings, Battlesbridge Antique Centre, Battlesbridge. £5 entry. Gates open 10am.
AUG	TUES	5th	CLUB NIGHT
AUG	SUN	24th	JDC Area 33 OPEN DAY: Duxford Air Museum. Entrance charge £9:00. Just turn up!!!!
SEPT	TUES	2nd	CLUB NIGHT
SEPT	FRI-SUN	12-14th	I.O.W. CLASSIC CAR SHOW WEEKEND: Pre: 1985 Vehicles only. Free ferry crossing. Contact Alan Larcombe on 07939 072120
SEPT	SUN	28th	BATTLESBIDGE CLASSIC CAR SHOW - More details to follow.
NOV	FRI/MON	14th - 17th	National Classic Car Show - NEC. Long weekend trip being planned. Stay in Birmingham and see the sites! Visit the NEC on Saturday with a visit to Jaguar factory at Castle Bromwich on Monday. Contact Doug Warren on 01245 261810.

## NATIONAL EVENTS

JUN	SUN	29th	JEC NORTHERN DAY - Newby Hall, Ripon, North Yorkshire, HG4 5AE.
AUG	SUN	10th	JEC SOUTHERN DAY - Cowdray Park, Midhurst, Sussex. GU29 9AL

*IN AN EFFORT TO SAVE COSTS FOR THE CLUB, IF YOU HAVE AN E-MAIL ADDRESS, PLEASE SEND IT TO THE EDITOR AT [doug@warren5385.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:doug@warren5385.fsnet.co.uk) AND ALL FUTURE NEWSLETTERS WILL BE SENT VIA E-MAIL. THANK YOU*



# MEMBER PROFILE

JEC Essex Thameside Region Member: **Peter Davey.**

*Peter lives in Ingatestone, Nr Chelmsford, Essex and has always been a Jaguar fan but wasn't able to become an owner until he became appointed as Chief Executive of a retail chain in 1991. He was able to choose a Jaguar as his company car - a red XJ6 Sovereign. Since then, Peter has owned 2 x XJ6's, 1 x XJ8, 6 x Jaguar Sovereigns, 3 x Daimler Super V8's and most of them from new. Peter married his wife Tina in 1993. Bet you can't guess what the wedding car was!*



*I asked Peter the following questions:*

**WHEN DID YOU LEARN TO DRIVE?**

*"I passed my test when I was 17 after just six lessons."*

**WHAT VEHICLE DID YOU LEARN TO DRIVE IN?**

*"I remember it well, it was an Austin A40"*

**WHAT WAS YOUR FIRST CAR?**

*"That was a Morris Minor Convertible which I purchased for £25."*

**WHEN DID YOU GET YOUR FIRST JAGUAR AND WHAT WAS IT?**



*"That was my red XJ6 (XJ40) Sovereign. (H933 ELK). Although my first two Jaguars were full of problems, as Jaguar at the time were desperately looking for a buyer, (British Leyland days) I persevered with the brand which was more rewarding when Ford took them over and quality improved."*

**WHAT OTHER JAGUARS DO YOU OWN?**

*Apart from my 'daily drive', a 2007 4.2L Jaguar XJ Sovereign, I have a 1962 3.8L Jaguar Mark 2 in red with red leather interior. My wife, Tina, has a 4.2L 'S', one of the last XK8's before the new model and comes fully loaded with 20" Sepang alloy wheels and Bluetooth technology.*

**WHICH IS YOUR FAVOURITE?**

*"I have to say the classic, it's my childhood dream machine: The Jaguar Mark 2 in red with red leather interior, which I now own and am very proud of. Although not 'concourse', it is just 'off concourse' which means that I am able to enjoy the driving experience far more - provided there is no threat of rain!!! I was pleased to give it a run to Battlesbridge this year in May and was over the moon when asked to display it in the arena and even more so when I received a 'Highly Commended' trophy. For daily transport and comfort, it has to be the XJ Sovereign, which I also own!!"*



**DO YOU UNDERTAKE YOUR OWN MAINTENANCE?**

*"No, I have a business head rather than mechanical one, so I leave it to the experts that know what they are doing. I have a local Jaguar mechanic who did his training on the Mark 2's so he's good at his job. I also have local bodyworks that maintain the car and tackle any 'blemishes or signs of rust' as soon as they are found."*

**IF YOU HAD ALL THE MONEY YOU WANTED, WHAT CAR WOULD YOU BUY?**

*"I'm afraid that even if money was no object, I have what I always wanted. The Mark 2."*

**My thanks to Peter & Tina for allowing me to visit them.**

*Editor*





## HAVE YOU THE 'J' TYRE FITTED?

At a recent X-Type seminar the issue relating to tyres was discussed in regards to 16" Pirelli P6000's. There are two types of P6000 tyres, one particularly for the X-Type. This has a 'J' Type approval after the size embossed into the tyre wall after the tyre size. I believe that there may be other sizes available with the same 'J' suffix, but for this article we will just concentrate on the X-Type. I would suggest the findings in relation to this tyre/vehicle will be applicable to other models within the Jaguar range.

I have been in touch with John Spillar (X-Type Forum Editor of the national magazine) who, in turn has been in contact with David Marks – of David Marks Garages, (Independent Jaguar specialist) Nottingham. He wrote to John over this subject; "When Jaguar made the X-Type, they went to Pirelli and asked them to make a tyre for this car that would make the car handle well, be quiet, give outstanding grip and give a level of less rolling resistance which would improve mpg. So Pirelli developed a tyre which on the 205/55 VR 16 P6000 PGY (J) has more sipes (which are very small grooves in the tread area) which improve the level of noise, reduces rolling resistance and gives a higher level of grip. I think it also has a slight difference in the rubber compound to the standard P6000. Pirelli technical said the normal P6000 was not tested on the X-Type and would only recommend P6000 PGY (J). Although the normal P6000 is a very good tyre, it is not best suited for the X-Type.



From experience, a standard Pirelli tyre does not have huge adverse effect on the handling of the vehicle – however Pirelli would still recommend that you fit the specific Jaguar fitment.

On the higher performance spec X-Type with the bigger size wheels the 225/45 ZR 17 91Y P Zero, Pirelli did not have to make a special Tyre because this tyre is best suited for this car as it is."

I also contacted Simon Beament of Dovercourt, who in turn made contact with Malcolm Russell (UK Field Sales Manager, Pirelli Tyres). He wrote, "The Pirelli tyres fitted to Jaguar vehicles are specifically developed to suit Jaguar's exacting requirements in terms of handling and ride..... It is Pirelli's recommendation that **ONLY** the homologated Jaguar tyres should be fitted to Jaguar vehicles as we would not consider any other fitment, the suitability or not, of other tyres, in the same size is unproven."

It would seem that tyres from Pirelli that have the 'J' suffix, were developed specifically for the car, to assist with road noise and handling. My inquiries have shown that the cost of these tyres are around £10 dearer than the standard tyre. From other discussions with X-Type owners, it would appear that standard tyres manufactured in size 17", 18" and 19" are suitable for the car and therefore perform within the parameters of Jaguar's requirements. *Editor*

## AUTOGLYM visiting Club Night, Tuesday 1st July

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1991 Jaguar XJS Auto 3.6L Coupe. Red. Service  
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seats, etc.

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## Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Queen Vic Car Show.-

Once again we have been invited to this show in Billericay, which is held in the fields by Sun Corner. Anyone who wants to go, just call Colin on 01708 476126.

## Porsche Club Barbeque- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

Regiment Way Golf Centre, Back Lane, Little Waltham, Chelmsford CM3 4PR

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**CONTACT DOUG WARREN**

## JDC AREA 33 DAY

Duxford, 24th August - Bank Holiday Sunday. This is the replacement for Audley End Show. Entry is £9 per adult, which accesses all areas. Times to be confirmed. Just turn up and park. More details to follow nearer the time.

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