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# **Jec ET News**



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# Chairman's Comments.

Hi All

As you probably all know, Helen and I are standing down from the Committee (officially) at the AGM in November. In this newsletter, there are voting forms for each member to cast their vote. I urge everyone to vote, in order to keep the club alive. The club AGM takes place at the November meeting.

This month sees the region attend two events. On September 5<sup>th</sup> is Jaguar Drive it day, to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Jaguar marque. Doug has arranged a meet at the police air support unit at Boreham, then a drive to a vineyard in Purleigh, near Maldon.

Also so on 26<sup>th</sup> September; we see the club's final show at Battlesbridge, always popular and well attended. If you have not already got your name down, then contact Doug on dwarren169@btinternet.com or call him on 01245261810.

If any of you have any interesting articles for either the newsletter of website, please contact lan at web@jecessexthameside.co.uk or Dave Bridge on db@b5sfx.com Please note: if there are no articles submitted, then there will only be a couple of pages, if that produced.

We will see you in October

Regards

Colin

### Editor's View.

I would like to express my thanks to members of JEC Kent South for making me feel so welcome at the Bodiam Castle Picnic in the Park event on 8<sup>th</sup> Aug they were very friendly and made me feel involved, I told them that Essex Thameside were not having a stand at the Southern Day and that I would like to go and they offered two of their allocated spaces for me and a friend. We took my JaguarSport XJR and his XJR 100 and were warmly welcomed. It just goes to show how different people can be when you cross a county border or two.

Inside, you will find nomination forms for a new committee please fill these in and send them to me by 20<sup>th</sup> October, it is very important that the membership form a new committee as the club can not continue without one. Colin, Helen and myself are not available for nomination and I will be abstaining from nominating others.

Important dates, 05/09/10 JEC Drive it Day, 26/09/10 for Battlesbridge and 02/11/10 for the AGM.

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#### "PICNIC IN THE PARK" AT BODIAM CASTLE - 8 AUG 2010





On Sunday 8th August members of the Essex Thameside met up with Kent South region and visited Bodiam Castle, Nr. Robertsbridge in East Sussex. Over 20 Jaguars turned up. The weather was a bit overcast to start, but soon became brighter and hotter later in the day. The idea was that we bring some food for everyone to share. There was masses!!! Some of us love the curried pasties and had more than one!!! Then the small chocolate eclairs came out and went very quickly too. The castle was quiet amazing. The moat around the castle was full of coy carp. Some were massive which although the picture on the right shows one of them, you cannot really image how big they were.

Over the back field was a steam train that went up and down the line quite frequently, tooting it's whistle and

blowing smoke.

We had a lovely day and everyone enjoyed the company and the venue.





We look forward to the next outing which has been planned for **Sunday September 5th "Drive it Day"** at Boreham and Purliegh, Nr. Maldon. Anyone that hasn't already expressed an interest to attend can turn up at Boreham Airfield at 9am and pay on the day, which will be £5. Please advised Doug Warren on 01245 261810 as tea/coffee & "bacon butties" will be available at Boreham. 38 members and partners have already signed up to attend, over 20 cars. We do hope the weather stays fine!

Doug Warren



# JAGUAR ENTHUSIASTS' CLUB - SOUTHERN DAY, BEAULIEU

A few members from the region attended the Southern Day event. Jackie and myself went down the previous day. We left home in Chelmsford at around 11am. Six hours later we arrived!!!!. The journey was something else. We got caught on the M25 when the traffic came to a standstill, so I peeled off and went down the A1 towards West London. Mistake!! We eventually got to the M3 but witnessed three separate accidents with the inevitable results of traffic slowing to see what was going on. Then when we got to Lindhurst, Hampshire, we got caught up In yet another accident between there and Lymington where we were suppose to be staying. That was another story. I had punched in the post code of the Premier Inn that we were staying at and the Sat Nav took us to the



address. Only it turned out to be a nursing home!!! The following doubts came over me, did I press the right buttons? Had I recorded the post code correctly? I had the print out with me and when I checked, I had entered them correctly. So what was going on? As we were about to leave a cleaner came out of the nursing home. We asked him if he knew where the Premier Inn was and he replied, "No there's not one around here. I don't think I know of one in this area!!" When we showed him the print out it had Lymington (Hordle). He said that Hordle was another 3 to 4 miles further on. So we continued our journey in an effort to find someone that may know where this place was. I had only printed the postcode and not the street name or telephone number so we were unable to make contact or enter the street name into the Sat Nav. (Word to the wise - make sure you have a telephone number if you are going to a place you have never been to before!!!) We eventually found two walkers



in Hordle and asked them if they knew of the Premier Inn. Fortunately they did and we were less than half a mile away!! When we got to the hotel, the receptionist explained that they were aware of the error on the Internet, and their Head Office had been informed over a year ago!!!!!

So the next day we went to the show. This year's Southern Day was a resounding success. The venue was very apt amongst Lord Montague's fantastic collection and thousands turned out for the event.

The National Motor Museum houses one of the finest collections of vehicles and memorabilia in the world. With exhibits dating from the dawn of motoring and fascinating displays about all aspects of motoring history. The museum is forever changing it's displays.

The event had the "Pride & Joy" as well as the "Concourse" competitions. There was a sheep dog display, chasing ducks!! A 75th

Anniversary Jaguar parade was also provided and the whole day was brilliant. If you haven't been before to either the Northern Day or Southern day I can whole heartedly recommend this event.



Jaguar XJ Coupe Convertible



'E' Type with some serious modifications



XJ40 with modifications

## NOMINATION FORM FOR JECET COMMITTEE POSITION

(Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership Secretary, Editor, Internet Officer)
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOVEMBER 2nd 2010

I wish to nominate (insert name)..... For the Committee position of (insert position title).....

Your name.....

Your JEC member number.....

Nominations must be received by 20<sup>th</sup> October 2010; the person you nominate must be willing to take up the committee position and can only take on one committee position.

All nominees will be contacted and should be available to attend the AGM on November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2010, where they will be proposed, seconded and receive a show of hands. Should two or more people be nominated for the same position a show of hands will decide who is elected to the position.

For the club to continue a committee must be elected and must contain a quorum of no less than three elected members. The committee at minimum level should consist of a Chairperson, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

All nominations should be sent to the current editor who is standing down from his position on October 27th, is not standing for election to the committee and is also abstaining from making any nominations and is effectively neutral.

You can either,

Email your nominations to:

db@b5sfx.com (titled JECET nomination).

Or post to:

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The following positions are vacant and we are looking for volunteers to fill them. **Events Secretary**