

JAGUAR

ESSEX THAMESIDE REGION



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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Hi All,

Unfortunately, this is a sad newsletter for the club due to the deaths of two of our members within the past month. I am sorry to report the deaths of Eddie Farmer and Andy Chapman. I have reported further on this inside.

A number of members attended New Hall Wine Festival at the

beginning of September. See report inside.

Coming up, we have the last show of the year and hope to make it the best - subject to the weather!!! After the cancellation of the May show at Battlesbridge, we had a number of members wanting to go to the second show being held on Sunday 30 September. Although I had a few members that had to drop out at the last minute, I had other new members 'champing at the bit' wanting to take their places. So, in total, I still have 31 cars due to display at Battlesbridge. This is one of the best shows for member participation and one that I congratulate those attending for supporting our local club. Several shows this year have been well attended and I would personally like to thank those members that supported the club at these events..

Finally, I will be attending the National AGM on Saturday 3rd November and if any members have issues that they wish to take up with the National Club, please let me know by e-mail and I will raise it the meeting.

Doug Warren - Chairman.

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DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The Jaguar Enthusiasts' Club - Essex Thameside Region will be holding their annual dinner dance at Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club on Saturday 26th January 2013. We invite all members and friends to this annual get together. So don't forget the date:

SATURDAY

26TH

JANUARY

2013

Booking form on the back



2011/12 Committee

The following Members have been elected/re-elected as your Committee for the forthcoming year,

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*Club meetings are the 1st Tuesday of the month at 8pm: The Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club, Lower Dunton Road, Bulphan, Essex, RM14 3TY
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OBITUARIES



SAD DEATH OF ANDY CHAPMAN AGED 48

I have to report the sad death of Andy Chapman, who passed away on Thursday 30th August. Andy was a keen member of the Jaguar Enthusiasts' Club and was considering taking up car racing again, something he had done in the past and which was one of his great passions, along with Jaguar vehicles and clay pigeon shooting. Initially, Andy, who grew up in Upminster, was told that he had an inflamed liver, but the situation took a dramatic turn for the worse when a week later he was diagnosed with bowel cancer, which had spread to his intestines, liver and the bottom of his lungs. Although medical staff thought he had a good chance of recovery, he reacted badly to the first chemotherapy session and began deteriorating quickly. Andy, who lived in West Hanningfield, was transferred from Springfield Hospital to Farleigh's Hospice, in Chelmsford and where he passed away. The club was represented by Doug Warren at his funeral, which was on Wednesday 12th September at Chelmsford Crematorium. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife Julie and his two boys, Dan and Steve.



SAD DEATH OF EDDIE FARMER AGED 72

I have to again sadly report the death of another club member, Eddie Farmer. Eddie who had been a member of Essex Thameside Region since the early 90's lived initially in the Romford area before moving to Harwich. He joined the local club there - Essex & Suffolk Borders - but continued to support Essex Thameside with his membership renewal, as well as the occasional appearance at our shows. I am glad to say that I last saw Eddie at the Helmingham Car Show in August. He was obviously a different man to when I last saw him due to his illness. He too was suffering with cancer. Eddie was a very keen Jaguar enthusiast and at the Helmingham Show brought along his wonderful Jaguar 420. He also had a E-Type Jaguar, as well as an XK8. Eddie passed away on Bank Holiday Monday 27th August. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife and family.



Eddie Farmers Jaguar 420





REGIONAL EVENTS /OTHER EVENTS			
MONTH	DAY	DATE	LOCATION
OCT	TUES	2nd	Club Night at Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club @ 8pm
OCT	SUN	28th	WALTHAM ABBEY CAR SHOW Last minute show indicated to the club organised by a Jaguar Independent Repairer. Entry £5:00 . See details on page 7 of this newsletter. If you wish to attend, please apply direct, not through the club.
NOV	TUES	6th	Club Night at Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club @ 8pm
NOV	SUN	T.B.A.	Sunday Lunch out at local pub. Details to follow.
NOV	MON	19th	JAGUAR FACTORY TOUR. Arrangements have been made for members to visit Castle Bromwich, the home of the Jaguar Cars, to witness the production of various Jaguar models in the factory. Please contact Doug Warren by e-mail or phone if you are interested. Tour starts at 10am sharp!
DEC	TUES	4th	MINCE PIE AND XMAS CARDS Club Night at Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club @ 8pm
JAN	TUES	8th	Club Night at Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club @ 8pm
JAN	SAT	26th	JEC ESSEX THAMESIDE REGION ANNUAL DINNER DANCE The date is fixed for our annual get together with food, music & dance supplied by Langdon Hills Golf Club. The DJ is the one we had on our first Dinner Dance at Langdon Hills and he was superb. Tickets will be available through Geoff and Mary Monk at a nominal fee of just £30:00 pp. Please do not leave it to the last minute to book your place and don't forget you can book a hotel room at the Golf Club from £67:00 a night! Go to: http://www.golflangdon.co.uk .
NATIONAL EVENTS			
OCT	SUN	14th	JAGUAR SPARES DAY The Venue Stoneleigh-Park Exhibition and Conference Centre, near Coventry, Warwickshire, CV8 2LZ. Open to the public from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Admission £8.00 payable at the gate - no advance booking.
NOV	FRI/SUN	16/18th	The Footman James Classic Motor Show NEC B'HAM This show is the biggest and most popular classic car exhibition in the UK. With over 1400 wonderful cars from all eras, showcasing a myriad of marques and models, this really is every motoring enthusiast's paradise! Club Single ticket price is £16:50. Quote 2012SC or Club Family £35:00 Quote 2012FC when booking through www.necclassicismotorshow.com Discount tickets only available on Saturday and Sunday. Well worth a visit!!!

EVENTS



NEW HALL WINE FESTIVAL

On Sunday 2nd September, 13 club members attended the annual wine festival at New Hall Vineyard in Purleigh, Nr Maldon. The day started at Chelmer Tavern for breakfast before heading off to the vineyard. As lead driver, it was a shame I lost all other members at the first roundabout when the following car was delayed by the traffic on the roundabout and ended going completely the wrong way!! However, we did eventually get it together again before reaching the A414!. It was again a nice sunny day which made for a pleasant day out. There were the various craft stalls, art gallery and nic nak stalls. The belly dancers came out again to wobble their bits and some had more bits than others to shake around!!!! I hope all that attended enjoyed the festivities.



THE BEST SHOW OF THE YEAR

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If you haven't been before now is the time to book. This has always been a fantastic show and worthy of a visit. Why not make a long weekend of it and stay in Birmingham. There are some good late hotel deals to be had. Check out www.bookings.com or www.latedeals.co.uk or finally www.hotels.com.

Jackie and I as well as some other members are staying at the Copthorne Hotel in Dudley, next door to the Merry Hill Shopping Centre. Saturday show, Sunday shopping. Compromise! If you wish to join us you will be very welcome. Check out their web site at: www.millenniumhotels.co.uk/cophornedudley.

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We hope you enjoy the site! Please take a few minutes to have a good look around. We will update more and more news and information as the show approaches, so we do hope you'll pop back every now and again for an update too.

Tickets are on sale now on line or by telephoning the box office on:

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Show dates/times are:

Friday November 16th - from 10am - 6.30pm

Saturday November 17th - from 9am - 6.30pm

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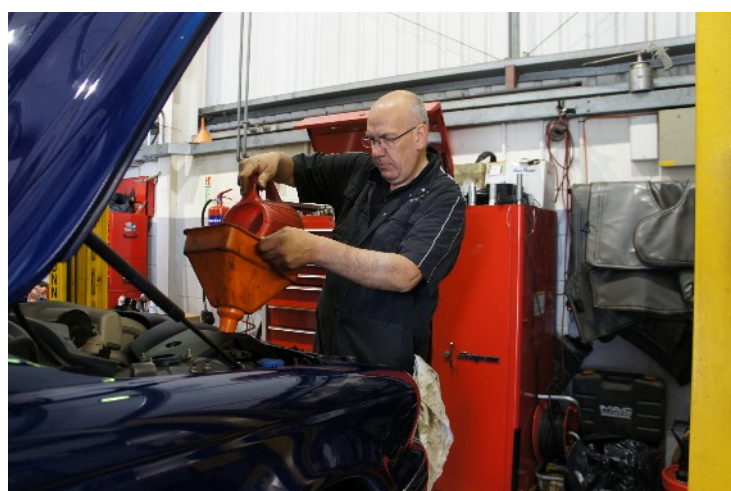
In the past seven years of ownership, I have always taken my 2002 X-Type 2.5SE AWD to Lookers (formally Dovercourts) in Chelmsford, a Ford garage that was an approved Jaguar Service Centre too. At the beginning of 2012, due to various reasons, they lost their Jaguar franchise. However, I can assure you that this was not because of their poor service on Jaguars as they always undertook an excellent job on my car. The franchise was then awarded to Lookers Land Rover in Cuton Hall Lane, Chelmsford. This year, is the tenth anniversary of my car and as such required more than just a service. Although I have only covered 63,000 miles, after 10 years Jaguar recommend the automatic gearbox oil is changed. When new, the car was sold with the indication that the 5 speed Jatco automatic gearbox was sealed for life and therefore "maintenance free". It is only when you achieve 100,000 miles or the 10 year milestone that Jaguar recommend changing the gearbox oil. The auto transmission fluid recommended is AF48 specification at £24 per litre. 8.8 litres are required but in truth, I understand when draining the gearbox, the most one can expect to refill is around 5 - 6 litres.



So, on Thursday 20th September at 8am I visited Lookers Jaguar /Land Rover. First up, the car was to have an MOT. Having covered just 2,800 miles since the last MOT, I was hopeful that it would sail through. No such luck! I had experienced problems with the bonnet release for a number of years and normally just gave it a squirt of WD40 now and again. I hadn't done it for a few months and as a consequence, when the technician went to shut the bonnet it failed to close properly. This issue was subsequently rectified during the service that took place after the MOT.

The car was returned to the service bay where I watched as technician Glynn Abbott, undertook the service of my Jaguar. Glynn has worked for the Lookers Group since 1990. He had undertaken the required level of training on Jaguars at Castle Bromwich. He indicated to me that the gearbox was similar to the one used on the Land Rover Freelander, which as it happens requires a gearbox oil change at 60,000 miles. So Glyn started the service with the lights, ensuring all were working correctly. Then the handbrake to ensure that this was OK. It was. He then checked the door hinges, boot hinges and lubricated them. He then checked the condition of the wiper blades. All OK. Tyre pressures, tyre depths and tyre conditions were all inspected, including the spare. Now, this is when he began to use a device like an iPad which has all the necessary items required relating to the service and has various drop down menus with specific details, ie. it lists all the tyre sizes and the required pressures. For whatever reason, the device only showed 16" and 17" tyres with a variety of tyre widths. The 18" which I had fitted, which were available as an optional extra, was not listed. I therefore helped Glynn with the pressure that I regularly use for these tyres; 40 psi front, 38 psi rear. Then the brake pads were inspected to ensure there was plenty of pad left. There was. Next the bodywork was checked for damage. There wasn't any! He then checked the torque of all the wheel nuts.

Glynn's next 'port of call' was the engine sump. He removed the sump bolt and drained the oil into a container. The drain plug is disposed of and a new replacement fitted. The oil filter is also removed and replaced with a new filter and then the new oil added.





Next was the various checks on windscreen washer fluid, coolant levels, power steering levels, battery electrolyte, drive belt and auto-tensioner inspection. Glynn then went onto the gearbox. I was under the impression that as the box was a “sealed for life” unit, there was no drain plug. Not so, as this photo on the right proves.



The drain plug was removed and the gearbox oil flowed out. The oil was in fact quite red after being in the gearbox for 10 years. While the oil was draining out of the gearbox, Glynn then changed the brake fluid using a pressurised system which forced the old fluid out of each bleed screw on the four brake calipers around the car. He then refilled the slave cylinder with new brake fluid. Next, it was back to the auto gearbox. The procedure was: *‘After draining out the old oil, and no more seen to drip out, a new drain plug is to be fitted, tightened to 45Nm. Lower the vehicle and remove the automatic transmission fluid charging pipe cap’*. The charging pipe cap was well down in the engine bay. Glynn had to improvise with bits of pipe and a metal pump in order to refill the gearbox as this photo shows. Once filled, he raised the vehicle again and made sure the J-Gate shift selector was in the park position. With the engine running and the foot brake applied, he moved the J-Gate shift selector through “P-R-N-4-3-2” and back to “P” position to circulate the automatic transmission fluid until the temperature reached between 30 -40 degrees as per the recommended Jaguar instructions. When the automatic transmission fluid reached 35 degrees and with the engine running, he removed the automatic transmission fluid level tube plug. Gearbox oil flowed out of the fluid level plug hole and was then discarded. He then refitted a new plug and sealing washer, which was tightened to 15Nm.



Next, various pipe joints under the car were greased. Glynn then checked the antifreeze resistance with a probe, -38 degrees - that will do nicely!! Don't think it will get that cold here in the UK. And finally, a pollen filter was fitted to the nearside unit, under the bottom windshield plastic cover. All done, now the road test and paperwork.

It was then a return to the customers' waiting area while the final paperwork was completed. Various coffees are available to customers, along with canned drinks, bottled water and the daily paper, big screen TV and sales literature. Also to note was copies of the Jaguar Enthusiasts' Magazine which I now supply to the dealership. Quite a change from my previous Ford dealership. I must say that it was a welcome change.



Lookers Land Rover have only been undertaking Jaguar servicing for a very short time and hope to build on its Range Rover reputation by providing better service to Jaguar owners. So if you have a Jaguar and live in the mid Essex area, get in touch with either Gary McKay - Senior Service Advisor, or Ben Smith - Service Advisor and arrange a service of your Jaguar.

Since the gearbox oil has been replaced, I have found the gear changes smoother than previously. I had certain reservations about having the oil changed in the gearbox as my feeling were that if its not broken, don't fix it. My concern has proved to be unfounded.



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