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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Hi All,

Just got back from a long weekend in Birmingham, or more precisely, Dudley. Travelled up on Friday 16 Nov and returned on Monday 19. Spent Saturday at the Classic Car Show and Merry Hill Shopping Centre on Sunday. Feet really ache! Then, in company with Mike Welsh and a friend, Chris and Marise White, we all met up at the Jaguar factory on Monday morning for a guided factory tour. See details within this newsletter.

Due to personal circumstances, our Club Treasurer - Ann Beers - has decided to resign her position. The club thanks her for keeping the books over the past year. We now need to find a replacement for Ann and we are looking for someone with basic book-keeping skills. Would any member or partner that can help us with this task, please contact any of the committee members or myself and let us know.

Moving on, I have had a tremendous response to the Belgium trip, planned for the 14 June to 17 June 2013. Deposits have been paid for 28 members and partners to enjoy this weekend break. Having talked with the organiser (Scenic Car Tours) at the NEC, there may be a few more spaces if anyone else is interested. Please complete the form near the end of this newsletter and return it with a deposit cheque of £150 to me.

Finally, can I ask that all advertising or communication amongst all members go through me first please, as concerns have been raised over the use of members' e-mail addresses.

See you all at December's Club Night!

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 26 January 2013. We invite all members and friends to this annual get together. So don't forget the date:



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
Tele: 01268 548444*

TREASURER REQUIRED

Due to personal circumstances, Ann Beers has decided to resign her position of Club Treasurer. If any members wish to help the club by becoming the Club Treasurer, please let the committee know as soon as possible. Basic book-keeping knowledge needed.

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EVENTS



SUNDAY LUNCH AT THE HARE, ROXWELL, CHELMSFORD.

On Sunday 11th November, a group of 40 members and partners went to The Hare at Roxwell for Sunday lunch. This was the first time the club has been here, although individual members have been before and remarked how good it is. The menu ranges from £7.95 to £12.50 for a main course and around £5 for a starter or sweet. The food was delivered fairly promptly and it was piping hot too! The staff were pleasant and amenable. We will certainly be returning to this pub in 2013, so if you missed out this year, make sure you get your name down next time and watch for the notification in the newsletter.



NEC CLASSIC CAR SHOW 16th to 18th NOVEMBER

Once again, a number of members ventured north to the NEC in Birmingham for the annual Classic Car Show. And what a show it was too. In previous years, the displays had been housed in halls 1 to 5, however, this year, they were in halls; 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19 & 20! It was brilliant!! So much to see. Hall 20 contained our own national club - JEC, Jaguar Heritage, Jaguar Classic Parts, Daimler & Lanchester Owners Club, Daimler SP250 Owners Club, Challenger (E-Type replica) Owners Club and, of course Jaguar Drivers Club - which was roped off so only members could get close to the cars. I don't think they did themselves any favours! The take-up of membership on our club stand was quiet brisk so I am told. Whenever I checked the stand out, there were loads buying tickets for the XK raffle car. The winning ticket was number **08383**. The winner is Nick Rutter from Bromsgrove (see picture below) who purchased his winning ticket at the March Jaguar Spare Day. I did get two calls Sunday afternoon and my heart did miss a beat but when I checked on both occasions, it was one of those pesky information texts from Vodafone. Oh



well, there is always next year! One exceptional car seen this year was this blue XJ-S. As you will see from the first picture it looks like an ordinary XJS, but in the remaining pictures you will see it is in fact a hatchback. The owner used an MGBGT glass window in the rear door. He has made a brilliant job. Why didn't Jaguar make this I wonder????? **Doug Warren**





| REGIONAL EVENTS /OTHER EVENTS | | | |
|-------------------------------|---------|--|---|
| MONTH | DAY | DATE | LOCATION |
| DEC | TUES | 4th | MINCE PIE AND XMAS CARDS Club Night at Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club @ 8pm |
| JAN 2013 | 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 per couple! Go to: http://www.golflangdon.co.uk . |
| FEB | TUES | 5th | Club Night at Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club @ 8pm |
| JUN | FRI/MON | 14 th / 17 th | The Belgium Delights. See details in newsletter and application form. Members to complete application form and return it to Doug Warren with a non-refundable deposit as soon as possible. Terms and Conditions can be obtained from Doug on request. Cheque to be made payable to "Scenic Car Tours" . |
| NATIONAL EVENTS | | | |
| FEB | SAT | 2nd | JAGUAR X-350 SEMINAR The Seminar is designed to provide information on the first all-aluminium bodied XJ and will be held at the Jaguar Cars Visitors Centre in Birmingham. With a panel of experts on hand to answer any specific questions as well as a number of presentations throughout the day. This day aims to provide you with all the information you need about your car whether you already an owner wanting more knowledge, or someone looking at purchasing one of these particular models. The day starts at 9:30am through till 5pm with lunch available. Contact Nigel Thorley at nigel.thorley@jec.org.uk . Application form on National JEC web site: www.jec.org.uk/events/6656/seminars/jaguar-x-350-saloons-seminar.html |
| MAR | SAT | 16th | JAGUAR S-TYPE SEMINAR An in depth view at the modern S-Type (1999 - 2007). XJK Garages will be on hand to provide answers to any specific questions, as well as provide presentations on the car covering a number of topics. The day starts at 9:30am through till 5pm with lunch available. Costs include handouts, morning coffee, comprehensive buffet luncheon and afternoon tea. Contact Nigel Thorley at nigel.thorley@jec.org.uk . Application form on National JEC web site: http://www.jec.org.uk/events/6658/seminars/jaguar-s-type-seminar.html |
| APR | SAT | 6th | JAGUAR XK/XKR SPORTS SEMINAR This seminar looks at the Modern XK and XKR's as they grow in popularity and affordability. The perfect seminar if you are considering buying one of these cars or wish to learn more about the car. XJK Garages will be on hand to lend their extensive knowledge to the seminar and answer any questions you may have. The day starts at 9:30am through till 5pm with lunch available. Costs includes handouts, morning coffee, comprehensive buffet luncheon and afternoon tea. Contact: Nigel Thorley at nigel.thorley@jec.org.uk . Application form on National JEC web site: http://www.jec.org.uk/events/6660/seminars/jaguar-xkxkr-sports-seminar.html |

JAGUAR FACTORY TOUR

On Monday 19 November, Chris and Marise White, Michael Welsh and friend, as well as Jackie and Doug Warren visited the Jaguar factory at Castle Bromwich. We were taken around by a guide Tony Rollason. Tony is a 79 year old ex-employee who started at the Castle Bromwich factory in the early sixties. He has seen a lot of changes over the years. He described also how when he was a child, he watched the factory build spitfires and used to see them wheel the aircraft across the road (Chester Road) from Gate 1 and onto the airfield opposite. There is now a housing estate opposite. It felt odd to think that opposite the factory was an airfield when you see houses opposite. We toured the factory and saw various XJ being made, as well as the XF. Quite a few XF Sportbrakes were rolling along the production line destined for all over the world. The pinnacle of the day was two fold. The guide indicated that we would end up at the F-Type production line and that a actor was due in the factory today - Damien Lewis of the Channel 4 program, "Homeland". We did see him being entertained by some Jaguar big wigs in the final factory. He was being introduced to a brand new black XJ. We on the other hand had more important things to look at, *such as the F-Type of which there were at least six models to view!* These were all pre-production models that were destined for assessment. Tony indicated that these would undergo various tests then be scrapped. What a shame that this has to happen. The car is better looking in the metal than the picture, I can assure you all. We ended the tour by returning to the visitor centre by Gate 1

Damien Lewis



Jaguar F Type



and had the opportunity to look at an XF, XK and XJ. The XJ was a **LHD XJ Ultimate** which retails at £121,020. What a machine this is, 5.0L Supercharged, LWB, with fridge, TV headrests, USB & Ipod docking. The list goes on! Still after today, I still think I would have two F Types rather than one XJ. I can't decide on the colours!!!!



Chris & Marise leaving the Jaguar factory

CLUB NIGHT - TUESDAY 4th DEC.

Our annual get together before Christmas will be a time to exchange Christmas Cards and enjoy mince pies and sausage rolls supplied to all who attend. What better time to meet new and old friends. Our monthly raffle will be held with extra prizes. So try and find the time to visit us on this last meeting of the year.

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

I do hope you have all made a note of the dinner dance date this year, which is Saturday 26 January 2013. We now need to get confirmed numbers so your tickets need to be purchased as soon as possible. If you can make the club night in December, please bring along a cheque or cash for £30:00 per head. Alternatively, contact Mary or Geoff Monk at bmcycles@hotmail.co.uk The club's charity of the year will again be the **McMillan Cancer Support**. A worthy charity. Please donate any items to help boost the raffle prizes. You can bring them to the December or January club nights or even on the evening.

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SUNDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2012, WHAT DOES THIS DATE MEAN?

Are you aware that on this date the regulations changed relating to MoT's and pre 1960 cars? First off, it is stressed that while pre-1960 vehicles will no longer require a compulsory MoT, there has been no legal roadworthiness requirement applicable to these vehicles, or to the obligation on owners to ensure their cars are maintained in a roadworthy condition. In other words, it still has to be capable of passing an MoT, even though it doesn't need to, and you won't be able to get away with an ineffective handbrake, non-working wipers, and the like, on the basis that the car is MoT exempt. The qualification date, where no date of manufacture is stated on the V5 will be January 7 1960. This date has been chosen as any car registered in the first week of 1960 must have been manufactured in 1959. The majority of



V5Cs record just the date of registration, though in some cases - mainly vehicles first used overseas or which were off the road between 1978 and 1984 (and thus missed going onto the DVLA database first time around) - the V5 will include a statement that the vehicle was previously registered and/or used prior to date of registration: declared manufactured 19XX. This will be accepted as evidence of the vehicles age. The procedure for taxing a pre-1960 vehicle will be broadly as now, and on-line applications will simply not include an MoT test check. Applications to retax at a post office or, while they remain open, LVLO will need to be accompanied by a completed V112 "Declaration of Exemption" from MoT Testing form, declaring the vehicle to be exempt from the Mot.

CONTINENTAL TRIP -14 -17 JUNE 2013

I have had a tremendous response and have 28 members and partners wishing to attend this continental trip to Leuven in Belgium which is around 145 miles from Calais. The town houses the Stella Artois Brewery as well as Domus Brewery, which comes highly recommended. Just a stone's throw from Brussels it has so much to offer, from its amazing gastronomy to its spectacular Gothic Town Hall, from a delicious Leuven pint and the atmosphere of the Old Market Square to the demure magnificence of the Saint-Peter's church, Leuven is truly one of Belgium's hidden treasures. I have a few places left if any other members wish to join us. All participants have decided to travelling now through the Eurotunnel which is an additional £40.

Price includes;

- 3 Nights Accommodation at the Excellent Mercure Hotel, Leuven Centrum
- Champagne Buffet Breakfast each Morning
- Secure underground parking is available at the hotel (payable locally).
- The price for the weekend trip is £159 pp + £40 per car for Eurotunnel.

See application at the rear of this newsletter.

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TOUR TITLE: **BELGIAN DELIGHTS**

DEPARTURE DATE: **14th June 2013**

No. NIGHTS: **3**

LEAD NAME OF PERSON TO WHOM ALL CORRESPONDENCE IS TO BE SENT

MR/MRS/MS _____ FIRST NAME _____ SURNAME _____

FULL ADDRESS _____

COUNTY _____ POSTCODE _____

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(Please note: All documentation will be sent electronically unless otherwise requested) Telephone (Evening) _____

HOTEL / ROOM DETAILS: (Please note: ALL passengers names must be shown as per their passport)

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Essex Thameside Region

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