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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

A New Year and a new look. I hope you like it.

So here we are in January and we are looking forward to the Dinner Dance at the end of the month. Please ensure you have purchased your tickets by the 8 January from Geoff or Mary Monk or at the January Club Night. I hope that you all can make it as not only is it our annual get together but this day is fairly special to me as it is my 60th birthday and I would love to share it with all members. As I have stated before in the newsletter, can those attending, bring along a gift - perhaps a Christmas present that you don't really want, i.e. too many choc's or biscuits or something different for our raffle. This year again we are donating the proceeds to the MacMillan Cancer Charity as so many members over the past year have passed away because of this dreadful illness.

Looking forward to February Club Night, I have arranged for Sergeant Richard Raker from the Essex Police Forensic Collision Investigation Unit to give a 45 minute talk with slides of their work in dealing with the aftermath of some of the serious road collisions that occur in Essex. I have heard that it is a very informative evening. Please come and support this evening with your presence.

Finally, I still have a couple of spaces for the trip to Belgium in June. So far we have 14 members and their partners joining us to visit Leuven in Belgium on 14 to 17 June 2013. The cost is just £159 per person. We are staying in the centre of Leuven at the excellent Mercure Hotel. The deposit required is £75 per person and the balance due 10 weeks before departure. All members are taking the eurotunnel and therefore an additional £40 is required. We will be leaving on the train at 11:30am on Friday 14 June. If you would like to join us too, please let me know immediately.

Doug Warren - Chairman & Editor

2011/12 Committee

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

Chairman/Editor Doug Warren
01245 261810

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01277 374030

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01277 374030

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Committee Members:
John Eusden & Neil Shanley.



*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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The Pirana



In 1967 John Anstey, the then publisher of the *Daily Telegraph*, commissioned the styling house, Bertone to produce a concept car based on the E-Type of the time. The car was produced for the October Motor Show in London and only 9 months was given to produce this car. It was called the Pirana. The car was to blend the 4.2-litre E-Type Jaguar's performance with coachbuilder Bertone's sense of style. Anstey believed that the car should be an ideal means of transport for a particular type of client: moneyed, keen on a sporty kind of car but at the same time a lover of comfort. It was therefore fundamental to give the car all the necessary technical features to guarantee its passengers comfort, safety, and a relaxing, pleasurable driving experience. From this perspective the Pirana tends towards elegance and sobriety,

without pursuing shock value, and the end result is refined and harmonious balanced in every detail.



mechanical components, and in particular the height of the Jaguar 4.2 litre engine block. The interior space reflects a careful study of passenger needs, which lay behind all the technical and design

As for the general proportions, the biggest design problem was caused by the size of the



decisions. In this case there were no new technical problems, as the E-Type 2+2 chassis had been accepted as it was, which meant that the designer was free to concentrate his efforts on comfort and a rational use of space with the aim of enhancing driving pleasure. The Pirana represents a brilliant example of a car built around the needs of the commissioning client.



Anstey insisted that the car be built from production parts, eliminating the need for custom fabrication. He also insisted that the car meet all existing safety requirements, and come equipped with the same amenities buyers would find in an E-Type Jaguar. Most of the design work was handled by Nuccio Bertone and his head designer, Marcello Gandini. Shown at the 1967 Earls Court Motor Show, the fully-functional Pirana never saw production and was only exhibited to the public on rare occasions.



Lamborghini Espada

The Pirana lives on, however, in the styling of the **Lamborghini Espada**, released by Bertone and Lamborghini in 1968. See above photo.



REGIONAL EVENTS /OTHER EVENTS			
MONTH	DAY	DATE	LOCATION
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: Guest speaker, Richard Raker. Essex Police Sergeant from the Forensic Collison Investigation Unit will give a talk and slide show on the work the unit undertakes at Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club @ 8pm
JUN	FRI/MON	14 th / 17th	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 presentaions throughout the day. This day aims to provide you with all the information you need about your car whether your 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

December club night

The evening was well attended and sausage rolls and mince pies were made available. Christmas crackers too were put out and everyone was encouraged to wear their paper hats! When I pulled my cracker, my "gift" seemed pointless - a comb!!! But everyone, I think, enjoyed the evening. At the November club night a specially prepared Jaguar calendar was put up for auction and John Euesden won the bid at £22.00. A smaller calendar was again auctioned, which featured a number of members Jaguar cars. The bidding started at £5:00 and progressed steadily to £20, then two members - Charlie Catchpole and Neil Shanley - went head to head, the winning bid secured by Charlie at £40! Well done Charlie.



The funds raised for both auctions go into the club funds. As you all may be aware we no longer have our annual Jaguar show due to costs. As a consequence, our annual income has really diminished and although increases in membership help, we are not bringing in the same revenue as we once were. Our hire cost of the meeting room at Langdon Hills plus the production costs for the newsletter and website eats into our reserves. We also

purchased a new gazebo for the club last year, which cost over £500, so we need to ensure we are financially viable by raising money from other areas. The club accounts will be made available to members to peruse after the February year end.



EVENTS PLANNED FOR 2013

There are a number of events being planned for 2013. Those that attended Helmingham in Suffolk in 2012 were very impressed and the consensus was that we should return. This year's show is to be held on **Sunday 4 August**. We also have our twice yearly show at Battlesbridge on the **Sunday 12 May** and **Sunday 29 September**. Cressing Temple Car Show is another favourite, but the date has yet to be announced. One new one spotted which looks interesting is the Pure Nostalgia Classic Car Event being held on **Sunday 23 June 2013** at The Lawn Historic Country House, Rochford. Further details are being obtained. If any members have any knowledge of other shows worthy of the club attending, please let me know.



"Watch the birdie - no not that one!"

LUCKY NUMBER 12

Congratulations to Club Members Andrew and Hannah Talmage on the birth of their second child, Oliver. He arrived on 12/12/2012 at 12:12pm!

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30/09/05 Third service	28,609
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25/09/07 Fifth service	44,880
25/09/08 Sixth service	51,918
25/09/09 Seventh service	55,463
17/09/10 Eighth service	57,787
22/09/11 Ninth service	61,373
20/09/12 Tenth service	64,207



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