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Chairman's Message

Hi All,

Having had a meeting with Richard Gibby recently, he highlighted some statistics relating to our website. One of which was the web browsers from around the world. It was interesting to see that individuals had accessed our website from places like Brazil, New Zealand and India to name but a few. We also noted that a very small percentage of Essex Thameside members have signed up to "subscribe to posts via e-mail". By doing this they receive an e-mail each time the website is updated. This is a worthy addition to the website and one that I would encourage all members to sign up to. That way, you will be kept right up to date with all the club's news. The link is on the right hand side of the main web page entitled, "Subscribe to Posts via Email" Please enter your e-mail address and subscribe.

On Sunday 7th September, there is a big gathering of Jaguars at Warwick Castle in the Midlands. This event is being sponsored by SNG Barratt, the national Jaguar Enthusiasts' Club and the XKEC. I would recommend all members participate, particularly if the forecast is for a fine day. Just turn up on the day and pay £12 for driver and all passengers to gain entry! It will be a marvellous day with like-minded Jaguar owners.

Next club night Tuesday 5th September @ 8pm- see you there.

Doug Warren Chairman

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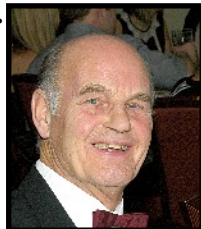
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Essex Police Music Festival

On Saturday 19th July, some members attended the Music Festival held at Essex Police HQ. The previous evening and early morning was full of lightning and rain and throughout the week the weather forecast had not looked great. At one stage it was thought it may be cancelled. However, following a meeting with the organisers the previous day, it was decided to go ahead.

Our smaller gazebo was erected for the membership to shelter under, should it be that inclement. However, on arrival on the day, the previous nights weather had completely destroyed the gazebo, even though Chris White and myself tied it down securely. We had 15 members attend and display their cars and to be honest, apart from a passing shower of not great magnitude, the rest of the day

was hot and humid. The music was superb and there were four acts that performed on a converted trailer used previously for a travelling radio road show. One of the acts was The Curves who attended our 25th Anniversary bar-b-que. More about that later on in this newsletter. The day was enjoyed by all and a lot of conversations were had with visiting police officers and staff at the event about our cars and club. We are keeping our fingers crossed that we will have new members join as a result of our attendance. We really were the only club that turned out to this event as other car clubs were invited but never showed, including the local mini club and WWII displays. During the day, both Essex Police helicopter and the Air Ambulance made an appearance.



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THE HARE MONTHLY BREAKFAST MEET - AUGUST

On Saturday 2nd August, The Hare had its monthly Breakfast Meet and again the car park was full of exotica. A number of our members attended to see the cars and talk with the owners. It was a lovely morning - dry and sunny and again this event attracted all manner of owners, far and wide. One or two hadn't been before and really enjoyed the camaraderie. **News Update:** The owner of The Hare indicated that he and his fellow investors are in the process of purchasing another pub in the area which has a much bigger car park and should it go through, he is considering moving the event to this pub as space is always a problem at The Hare. He indicated that some owners of exotica are now apprehensive in showing their cars at The Hare due to the space issue. Watch this space!!!



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KENT DAY at CHIDDINGSTONE CASTLE

12 members of Essex Thameside Region attended the Kent Regional Day at Chiddingstone Castle in the Wealds of Kent on Sunday 17th August. In the early 19th century, Henry Streatfeild (1757-1829), the son of Henry Streatfeild (1706-1762) and Lady Anne Sidney, commissioned William Atkinson to rebuild the house in the Gothic style however Atkinson's design was not completed and, in 1835, Streatfeild's son, also Henry Streatfeild (1784-1852), engaged the architect Henry Kendal to carry out further work. Although the Streatfeilds owned the house, now renamed Chiddingstone Castle, until it was sold to Lord Astor in 1938, the family did not live there after 1900. In 1955, the Castle was purchased by Denys Eyre Bower (1905-1977), a former bank clerk and antiques dealer, in order to display his various, Japanese, Jacobean, Buddhist and Egyptian antiquities collections. Bower was born in Crich, Derbyshire and started collecting at a young age. Bower initially worked as a bank clerk before taking over Cavendish Hood antiques dealers in Baker Street, London in 1943. The redevelopment of Baker Street led to Bower moving to Chiddingstone Castle where he intended to show his collections to the public. In 1957, however, Bower was convicted of attempted murder of his girlfriend and attempted suicide and sentenced to life imprisonment. Released in 1962 after successful efforts by solicitor Ruth Eldridge to prove a miscarriage of justice, Bower returned to Chiddingstone Castle which, with the help of Eldridge and her sister Mary, he continued to open to visitors until his death in 1977. Upon his death, Bower left the Castle and his collection to the nation.

The weather on the day was mixed. Rain and sun. We all met up at Thurrock Services and travelled in convoy to the Castle. On arrival, many Kent Region members were already there and parked up. Richard Gibby was given pride of place directly outside the front entrance to the Castle with another SS100 replica and two Austin Swallow's - William Lyon's and William Walmsley's first attempt of breaking into the car manufacturing market after various successful years in sidecar manufacturing. The display of all models from the Austin Swallow to the new F Type Coupe' was impressive and there were many of each model on display. It was a good day that could have been better had it not rained, but that is something we have no control over!!!



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EVENT

The 25th Anniversary event held on Sunday 3- August at the Essex Police Sports and Social Club was an out and out success. Over 90 members and partners attended and enjoyed the festivities and the glorious sunshine. The Australian Bar-B-Que Company provided the food which was well appreciated and enjoyed by all. "The Curves", a local Essex Band, provided the music and I have to say, they got a number of our members up and dancing the jive and similar dance routines from the 50's & 60's. This was the biggest event our club has hosted for its current members with such a fine array of Jaguars from each decade, back to the 60's. The club gazebo was used by the band to shield them from the sun and an assortment of E Type Jaguars stood to the left of the stand, while an assortment of Daimlers/Jaguars MkII's stood to the right. All other Jaguars were parked in the main car park adjacent to the Sports & Social Club. During the event, a special award was given to Sue Hawthorne and Roger Petheram who have been members of the club for the whole period of 25 years. A chrome coloured 1/43 scale E-Type Jaguar mounted on a wooden base with a plaque commemorating 25 years membership was presented to them both.



Roger Petheram & Sue Hawthorne receiving their awards for 25 years continuous membership



THE CURVES



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During the event, a raffle was held with the main prize being the use of a brand new Jaguar, supplied by Grange Jaguar of Brentwood. Roger & Miriam Petheram had previously won this at our dinner dance but have been unable to make use of it. They kindly donated the prize, which was won by Kelly Metochis will no doubt take advantage of this prize with her husband John in the not to distant future. We thank all who contributed to the raffle as well as Mary Monk for providing the Royal Doulton item and Sharon Ogg for providing a couple of umbrellas as prizes. There are more photos of the event and video on the club website and would recommend all members to view them at: www.jecessexthameside.co.uk



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REGIONAL EVENTS /OTHER EVENTS				
MONTH	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
				2014
SEPT	TUES	2nd	8pm	CLUB NIGHT: LANGDON HILLS GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB
SEPT	SUN	7th	10:30am	JAGUARS AT WARWICK CASTLE This popular event returns for its third year at Warwick Castle which is celebrating its 100th Birthday this year. Don't miss this chance to experience one of the UK's premier attractions and park in its fabulous grounds. All Jaguars welcome. This is a fantastic opportunity to enter the castle and its grounds as well as attractions for only £12 a car (normally £20 PP approx*) Turn up on the day and pay on the gate. £2 of the entrance fee goes towards the Air Ambulance.
SEPT	SUN	28th	09am Display	28th Grand Motorbilia Day - Battlesbridge Tickets are £5 - Please request them via Doug Warren SOLD OUT
OCT	TUES	7th	8pm	CLUB NIGHT: LANGDON HILLS GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB
OCT/ NOV	SUN	TBA		Sunday Lunch at an Essex pub.
NOV	TUES	4th	8pm	CLUB NIGHT: LANGDON HILLS GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB
DEC	TUES	2nd	8pm	CLUB NIGHT: LANGDON HILLS GOLF & COUNTRY Christmas mince pies, raffle and Quiz night. Big prizes.
DEC	SAT	13th	7pm	CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club. SOLD OUT
NATIONAL EVENTS				
				2014
T.B.A.				SEMINAR - Jaguar XK Engine- A review of the design, changes, updates, modifications and service/maintenance of Jaguar's iconic straight six engine. This will be of interest of owners of a significant number of cars from the XK120/Mk VII to the XJ Series 3.
T.B.A.				SEMINAR - Interior Trim Refurbishment. Another favourite with the members, a session with Furniture Clinic which will be of interest of all car owners.

A number of changes were made to existing Jaguars between 1963 and 1968, but 1968 saw the much heralded launch of the XJ6 Series 1



1968

Motor racing world champion Jim Clark, 32, is killed when his car leaves the track at 170 mph and smashes into a tree during a Formula 2 race at Hockenheim



Enoch Powell makes his controversial Rivers of Blood Speech on immigration



Five and ten pence coins are introduced in the run-up to Decimalisation



Police and protestors clash at an anti-Vietnam War protest outside the Embassy of the United States in London



Start of Ford sewing machinists strike at the Dagenham assembly plant for equal pay.



Martin Luther King, Jr. is shot dead at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tennessee.



Daniel Craig (the new James Bond) born on 2nd March.



Thames Television starts transmission in London.



NOT A JAGUAR ENTHUSIASTS EVENT BUT ONE THAT A MEMBER WISHES TO INVITE MEMBERS TO.

Dinner dance cabaret

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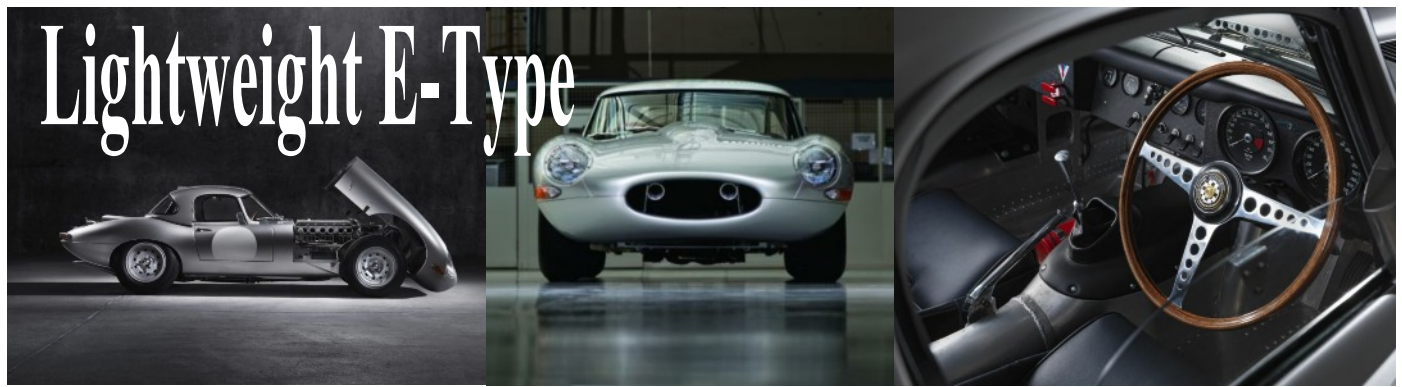
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Jaguar has revealed the prototype of its 'new' Lightweight E-type – a further six of which will be built and sold.

Jaguar announced in May 2014 that it would recreate six new Lightweights, each built by Jaguar Heritage, part of Jaguar Land Rover's new Special Operations division.

Each of the six cars will be built to a specification originating from the last Lightweight E-type produced in 1964 and will be hand-crafted at the original home of the E-type, Jaguar's Browns Lane plant in Coventry. The cars will be sold as period competition vehicles and all will be suitable for FIA homologation for historic motorsport purposes.

The new cars are the 'missing' six vehicles from the 'Special GT E-type' project, which originally started in February 1963 with the objective of building 18 cars. Only 12 of the aluminium-bodied Lightweight E-types were eventually built and the remaining six designated chassis numbers having lain dormant, until now. The six new cars will carry those original, historic Lightweight E-type chassis numbers.

A race winner in the hands of a variety of famous drivers during its short competitive career, the car has achieved worldwide fame and original examples are now valued in the many millions. In recreating the Lightweight E-type, Jaguar Heritage has been able to call on the superlative skills and experience of many talented engineers and technicians already working in a variety of departments within Jaguar.

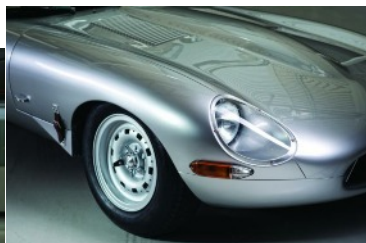
All, when offered the chance to assist with this unique project, leapt at the opportunity. Some even have an indirect link with the E-type when it was new: one master technician calculated that his family – including his grandparents, his father and his uncle – had a collective 170 years' service at Jaguar stretching back to the early 1960s.

The expertise and attention brought to bear on this recreation project is staggering, with the full resources of Jaguar being applied to ensure that the six new Lightweights will not only be authentic, but will also be built to the highest quality standards.

So the six chosen customers will each receive the rarest of things – a brand new Lightweight E-type, hand-built at Browns Lane and just as desirable as one of the originals.

“Operating from a brand new workshop at Browns Lane – now open for the restoration and servicing of customer cars – the building of six new, meticulously crafted Lightweight E-type period competition cars by Jaguar Heritage is testament to the unique skills within the team. To know those same skills can also be utilised to the benefit of existing classic Jaguar owners means this is a very exciting time for Jaguar Heritage.”

Derek Weale, Director, Jaguar Heritage Business



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