



# CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Hi All,

We are now into the start of our show season and hope that you all are able to participate in some of the events planned.

As mentioned before, one of the main anniversaries this year is the 20<sup>th</sup> for the XK8 (production run 1996 - 2005) which around 20 of our members own. There is no doubt in my mind that this model is certain to be a future classic. Maybe

not to the extent that the E-Type is now, but possibly in the same area as the Mark II is at this point in time. The shows that we support this year will be making a special feature of the XK8 & R with the first being at Battlesbridge later this month.

Our A.G.M. is being held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May where we would ask that as many members as possible to attend and give their support to the committee and elect/re-elect those members into the positions available. There are three posts available and we look to the members to fill these positions, as well as to re-elect current committee members, if you so wish. Also, I will be standing down as Chairman come the end of September, for someone else to take the helm and steer the club, as well as to introduce fresh ideas. If you wish to be considered for the post, please contact Mary Monk, in Vaughn High's absence, as he is on holiday.

Finally, we would like to attract other members to Silverstone at the end of July. We currently have 9 members attending. I have arranged for our own pitch and will have our event shelter at the site. I did ask the organisers for a pitch for a minimum of 10 cars, so I am one car short. This will be a fantastic weekend but if you aren't able to make both days, why not come on either Saturday or Sunday. So get out your diaries, look to see what you are doing on 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> July, and if nothing, come along to the Silverstone Classic. Don't forget when booking the tickets that you use our booking code SCC16057.

# Doug Warren, Chairman & Editor

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# **XK8/R BODY CHANGE**

As already indicated in last month's newsletter, this year is the 20th anniversary of the launch of the XK8

in 1996. After 20 years and such a iconic shape, there is no doubt this model will certainly become a classic. But can the shape be bettered? One company, Paramount, think so. They have cut away the rear light assembly and welded in the surrounding area of an XF. They also have to cut away part of

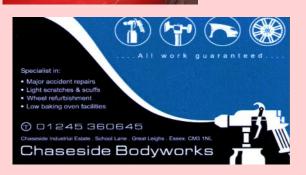




the boot. Note the shape of the boot lid in the photo on the right. In the photo, they have also changed the rear valance to incorporate the exhaust tailpipes. I personally think it is a better look, but that's just my opinion. However, the cost of this conversation is something worth noting. £2,500 plus painting!!!!

For more details go to http://www.paragondesig nuk.com/xflightconv.htm .





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Another reminder for this fantastic event on Friday Why not join the nine

WE

members already signed up for this packed weekend of the Silverstone Classic providing spectacular classic motor racing on the world famous circuit, impressive track parades, infield displays from over 100 car clubs featuring more than 10,000 classic cars, plus interactive driving activities and dynamic demonstrations.

There's plenty of entertainment to enjoy too, with live music from headline acts, aerial displays, a vintage fun fair, and a shopping village. It's an event for the whole family and provides the ultimate

annual celebration of classic cars. We have our own stand and will be taking in the displays and activities alongside the National Club and many other car clubs attending this weekend.

See list on the Silverstone website: http://www.silverstoneclassic.com/welcome





Sunday July 17 Trip to Walmer Castle and Gardens nr Deal, Kent for JEC members organised by the Porsche Club. Ferrari and Aston Martin clubs have also been invited to attend. It is suggested arriving at

Walmer at 11.00 am. The normal cost is £11 per person, but for a group of fifteen or more the cost is approximately £9.50 per person. A guided tour of the castle lasting about one hour will be about £5 per person - these costs depending upon the number taking part.

We have arranged that we will be able to group our cars together and partition them off from the public.

Please indicate your attendance by emailing Doug Warren at dwarren169@btinternet.com, no later than 15th May, 2016.

#### Also, Tuesday July 12 - Porsche Club BBQ

at Rivenhall Oaks Golf Centre, Forest Road, Witham CM8 2PS, starting at 7.30p.m. The BBQ and drinks will be on a pay-as-you-go basis and we normally have about three hundred cars from all the local car clubs, so it is an excellent car show as well as a social occasion.

To assist with allocating car parking space for JEC and for catering purposes, please indicate your numbers attending by emailing Doug Warren at dwarren169@btinternet.com as soon as possible, but no later than 25th June, 2016.



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# OPENING SEASON AT THE HARE, ROXWELL

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April saw the start of the Breakfast Meetings at The Hare, Roxwell. The sun was shining which always helps and it brought out a multitude of cars of all differing ages, makes and models. Jackie and I endeavoured to get to the pub by 8am due to previous experience trying to get to park in a way that one can leave as and when you want and not get hemmed in. When we arrived, there was already a large amount of cars already parked and taken up prime locations, so we had to settle for just inside the main entrance. From then on the cars began arriving in droves. So much so that many were turned away and had to park further up the road. As always, there were the regular crew that turn up in their Ferraris,

Aston Martins and loads of Porsches. But with all these events there are always one or two "special" cars, those that you don't see everyday on the roads. The "specials" this time were a Ford RS200. When was the last time you saw one of these? They are currently up for sale from £180,000 to £225,000!!! Another vehicle you don't see everyday but may do as time goes on, is the Range Rover Sport SVR.





What a vehicle!!! It sounds fantastic and looks cool too! The owner took off on various occasions along the Bishop's Stortford Road at Roxwell, and you thought it was a Lambo or something similar. It sounded fantastic!! Listening to this, one wonders what the F-Type SVR will sound like? Other cars on display included a Porsche 918 Spyder - Porsche only hybrid. A McLaren P1, an early Porsche 914, an early Datsun 240Z to name just a few. Next meeting Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2016.



# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 3rd MAY 2016

Next month's club meeting will include the AGM. The following positions are sought to be filled:

| POSITIONS                  | CURRENT                         | <b>RE-ELECTION/VACANT</b>          |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Club Chairman*             | Doug Warren                     | Standing down from October 2016    |
| Vice-Chairman              | Vaughn High                     | Looking for volunteer to take over |
| Newsletter Editor          | Doug Warren                     | Up for re-election                 |
| Club Secretary*            | Vaughn High                     | Up for re-election                 |
| Membership Secretary       | Ray Berris                      | Stood Down                         |
| Membership Secretary       | Gill Cain                       | Up for election                    |
| Treasurer*                 | Richard Gibby                   | Up for re-election                 |
| Show/Event Co-ordinator    | Vacant                          | New post - To be appointed         |
| Social Secretary           | Mary Monk                       | New post - Up for election         |
| Committee Members          | Neil Shanley/<br>Steve Perryman | Up for re-election                 |
| Nominated Individual Event |                                 |                                    |

Co-ordinator: Non Committee post Vacant

\* Statutory requirement under the constitution of the club.

Should any other club member wish to be considered for any of these posts, please would they let the Club Secretary know before 1<sup>st</sup> May 2015 at: Vaughn.high@sky.com

#### List of role with position description:

Chairman (Doug) (giving notice of resignation at AGM, replacement required from 1/10/2016):

- Represent the Club in an official capacity.
- Liaise with National Club and attend the National AGM.
- Obtain list of new national member's and communicate to membership secretary
- Liaising with Committee members as appropriate.
- Overseeing the running of the club.
- Chair the monthly club meetings having previously prepared a personal agenda of points to be covered. Ensure all business is discussed, everyone's views are heard and clear decisions are reached. Ensure meetings start and finish on time.
- Chair the quarterly Committee meetings having previously agreed the agenda with the Secretary.
- Chair the Annual General meeting having previously agreed the agenda with the Secretary.

#### Vice Chairman (currently Vaughn but looking for volunteer)

- Chair all meetings in absence of Chairman
- Support Chairman in official club business
- Co-ordinate speakers for meetings
- General support to other roles. Sponsor liaison obtain new sponsors (advertise in newsletter/website), encourage sponsors to continue support, encourage sponsors to participate in club activities e.g. talk at club meeting, display at local events etc.

#### Club Secretary (Vaughn)

- Preparation of agendas for quarterly club meetings and the Annual General Meeting (AGM), in conjunction with Chairman
- Circulation of agenda and papers to the Committee members
- Taking minutes at quarterly committee meetings and the AGM.
- Circulating quarterly committee minutes to committee members
- Keeping files of past minutes and reports.
- Writing and receiving letters on behalf of the club.
- Maintaining a record of key contact details e.g. Committee members and meeting venue.

#### **Treasurer (Richard)**

- Management of bank account e.g. adding and removing signatories (currently with NatWest) \*
- Managing the BACS (Direct Debit) relationship
- Collecting monies by BACS, cheque or cash for events from club members
- Invoicing and chasing sponsors for payment
- Settlement of invoices e.g. printer, website, receipted expenses of committee
- Maintaining monthly spreadsheet for Chairman.
- Report at quarterly meetings on level of funds
- Preparation of annual accounts for presentation at the AGM

#### Membership Secretary (Gill)

- Maintain spreadsheet of current and past members.
- Despatch membership pack (including membership number and card) to new members.
- Send out reminder for membership renewal and encourage use of Direct Debit.
- Banking subscriptions made by cheque or cash.
- Advise Chairman of non renewal of memberships.
- Provide Chairman with a membership list on a quarterly basis.
- Report at quarterly meetings on membership numbers and any relevant matters.
- Report at the AGM on the number of members at the previous year end and current year end.
- Follow up monthly national leads advised by Chairman.
- Sign up members at club meetings and events (other <u>club</u> and committee members to assist at events).
- Liaison with Chairman and Treasurer as appropriate.

#### **Editor (Doug)**

- Preparation, collation, printing and despatch of monthly newsletter.
- Agree advertisement content with sponsors.
- Purchase of paper, stationery, inks, stamps etc required for production
- Post / deliver newsletters.
- Upload newsletter to the website.
- Maintain hard copies and soft copies for the record.

#### Web Master (Richard)

- Liaise with website provider
- Ensure website is kept up to date

#### Show/Event co-ordinator (to be appointed)

This is a new role which has the oversight of the shows that the club has agreed to attend. This person will work closely with the nominated individual event coordinator.

- Prepare and maintain a schedule of events for the year
- The Chairman to email all club members details of forthcoming events. The message will include details of the Nominated Event Co-ordinator and the Show/Event co-ordinator.

#### Nominated Individual Event Co-ordinator: Non Committee post

- Liaise with the show organiser on permitted number, pitch etc
- Arrange purchase of tickets
- Despatch tickets to attendees once he / she has confirmed payment has been made.
- Prepare stand layout
- Arrange collection of relevant kit for show e.g. gazebo, banners, flags, literature etc
- Arrange team to set up and break down display at event site.
- Agree meeting point to travel to event together, where appropriate.

#### Social Secretary/ Coordinator (Mary)

- Arrange social events such as Sunday lunches, BarBQs or weekend functions
- Winter Dinner / Dance (or alternative)
- Arrange buffet for December club meeting
- Book the room for the monthly club meetings (yearly in advance)

Non role specific Committee members - All-rounder's willing to support the nominated posts.

# **Direct Debit**

As mentioned at our Club Night in March 2015, the committee proposed to offer the option of collecting annual membership subscriptions and event payments



by direct debit. Arrangements have been set up with GoCardless, an online direct debit agency. This has now been undertaken for a year and around 25% of members are signed up to this facility. We would encourage more members to consider this service to help both the club and the individual.

## Why direct debit?

Direct debit offers many benefits, For example:

*Automating collection saves a huge amount of work for the Membership Secretary,* who, don't forget, is undertaking this task voluntarily and who currently has to send (often several) reminders to a member, collect cash or a cheque, and then bank it or ask the Treasurer to bank it, before finally issuing a new annual membership card.

Automating collection would also be easier for members, avoiding the need to send a payment by post, or to attend the next club meeting in order to pay by cash or cheque.

The club would save costs by reducing the amount spent on postage.

Any new members applying via the website would be able to pay their annual subscription immediately, at the time of applying.

## Is Direct Debit safe?

Yes. All rules of the direct debit scheme will apply, including the Direct Debit Guarantee:

## The Direct Debit Guarantee:

The Guarantee is offered by all banks and building societies that accept instructions to pay Direct Debits

If there are any changes to the amount, date or frequency of your Direct Debit, GoCardless will notify you 3 working days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed. If you request GoCardless to collect a payment, confirmation of the amount and date will be given to you at the time of the request

If an error is made in the payment of your Direct Debit, by GoCardless or your bank or building society, you are entitled to a full and immediate refund of the amount paid from your bank or building society - if you receive a refund you are not entitled to, you must pay it back when GoCardless asks you to.

You can cancel a Direct Debit at any time by simply contacting your bank or building society. Written confirmation may be required. Please also notify GoCardless.

# Additional safeguards that the committee will apply:

Any change to the amount, date or frequency of JEC Essex Thameside's annual membership subscription will be advertised separately, normally at the time of the club's AGM in May and via the newsletter and website, in addition to the notification from GoCardless.

The GoCardless scheme will be administered by the Treasurer and Membership Secretary, subject to independent audit at any time by the Chairman or Secretary.

## How will it work?

GoCardless is a paperless system, only accessible online, and you must have an email address.

# **Signing Up**

We shall offer two options for signing up. In both cases the Membership Secretary or Treasurer will be happy to talk you through it by phone.

Option 1, for signing up at the time of membership renewal

Roughly six weeks before your current membership is due for renewal, the Membership Secretary will send you an email reminder. The email will contain a link; clicking on the link will take you to the GoCardless system for signing up. You will need to enter your first and last names, address and bank account number, then choose a password and confirm. Provided all details are correct, you should then receive a confirmation from GoCardless, and your first payment will be made automatically on or about the 10th of the next month. It can also be used to pay for events etc., with immediate effect.

Option 2, for signing up at any other time

We shall provide a button or link in the "About Us" section of the JEC Essex Thameside website. Clicking on the button or link will take you to the GoCardless system for signing up. You will need to enter your first and last names, address and bank account number, then choose a password and confirm. Provided all details are correct, you should then receive a confirmation from GoCardless. However no payment will be taken until the Membership Secretary or Treasurer have added you to the relevant payment plan for the month in which your next membership renewal is due. It can also be used to pay for events etc., with immediate effect.

# Making direct debit payments

Annual membership subscriptions will always be paid once a year, on or about the 10th of the month that your membership is due for renewal.

A notification from GoCardless will be sent to your email address three working days before every payment, just as a reminder. You do not need to do anything, and your bank will make the payment automatically on the relevant date. It will appear on your bank statement as a direct debit payment to GoCardless.com, with a reference number.

# Do I have to pay by direct debit?

No. Members are free to choose whether they prefer to pay by direct debit or by cheque/cash. However the committee would remind members of the benefits and safeguards of direct debit, and hopes that most, if not all, members will choose it.. This system will assist with keeping a cap on our membership fees, provided we have enough members willing to undertake this.



| <b>REGIONAL EVENTS /</b><br><b>OTHER EVENTS</b> |             |  | 2016   |  |  |
|---|-------------|--|--------|--|--|
| MONTH   | DAY         | DATE                                   | TIME   | LOCATION   |  |
| MAY   | TUES        | 3 <sup>rd</sup>                        | 8pm    | AGM Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club.  |  |
| MAY   | SUN         | 15 <sup>th</sup>                       | 10am   | AGM Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club.   Battlesbridge Classic Car Show FULLY BOOKED  |  |
| MAY   | SUN         | 22 <sup>nd</sup>                       | 9am    | Faversham Transport Weekend.   |  |
| JUN   | SUN         | 5 <sup>th</sup>                        | 10am   | <b>East Sussex Jaguar Day</b><br>On Sunday, 5th June, the East Sussex Jaguar Enthusiasts Club are holding their<br>Annual Jaguar Day in the grounds of The Observatory Science Centre in<br>Herstmonceux. Pay on the gate: £7.50 per adult £5 per children   |  |
| JUN   | TUES        | 7 <sup>th</sup>                        | 8pm    | Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club.  |  |
| JUN   | FRI/<br>MON | 10 <sup>th</sup> /<br>13 <sup>th</sup> |        | Long Weekend in Reims<br>Club European Tour staying at the Mercure Hotel in Reims. FULLY BOOKED<br>St. Peter's Church Car Show.  |  |
| JUN   | SAT         | 18 <sup>th</sup>                       | 10am   | <b>St. Peter's Church Car Show.</b><br>Organised by the 'petrol-heads' of St. Peter's Church, Harold Wood's local parish church. Our aims are simple, have fun, look at pretty cars, do something for the community, and raise money for London's Air Ambulance. Go to:<br>http://www.stpeterscarshow.co.uk/booking and register. Make sure you select Essex Thameside Region when using the drop down menu. |  |
| JUN   | SUN         | 26 <sup>th</sup>                       | ТВА    | Corringham Classic Car Festival<br>Book directly with member Gary Mitchell at: corringhamclassiccarshow<br>@btinternet.com Entry pass is £3:00<br>PLEASE ENSURE YOU MENTION THAT YOU ARE MEMBERS OF THE<br>JEC ESSEX THAMESIDE REGION.   |  |
| JUL   | SUN         | 3rd                                    | 8am    | Maldon Car Show. "Classics on the Promenade"<br>Entry fee £3. All display vehicles to be in place by 8am. Please contact Vaughn<br>High for passes at Vaughn.high @sky.com   |  |
| JUL   | TUES        | 5 <sup>th</sup>                        | 8pm    | Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club.  |  |
| JUL   | SUN         | 17 <sup>th</sup>                       | 8am    | Walmer Castle, Nr Deal, Kent with the Porsche Club.<br>Discount rate £9:50pp, normally £11pp. Internal castle tour with guide - one hour -<br>available for an additional £5. Separated parking area arranged. See article pg 5.   |  |
| JUL   | SUN         | 30/31 <sup>st</sup>                    | 9am    | Silverstone Classic 2016   Join fellow members at this fantastic event   Book direct at http://www.silverstoneclassic.com/ticket-info  |  |
| NATIONAL EVENTS                                 |             | NTS                                    |        |  |  |
|   |             |  |        | 2016   |  |
| JUL   | SUN         | 17 <sup>th</sup>                       | 8:30am | 18 <sup>th</sup> JAGUAR WORLD/JEC LONDON TO BRIGHTON RUN.<br>Greenwich to Brighton Race Course. Go to: http://www.jaguarrun.co.uk/About  |  |

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