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## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Hi All,,

Well, what a month this has been. If we take into account the last weekend of July with the Silverstone Classic, we have had a busy month with the London to Brighton JEC/Jaguar World Run, Helmingham, Saffron Walden & Hyde Hall. These have all been great days out for all members that attended. The weather has been kind too. Read the reports inside this months newsletter.

Our last show of the season will be Battlesbridge at the end of September, which is now fully booked. It was a shame that there has been little support for the Capel Manor event which is being held at the beginning of September, which would have been a new event for us all. However, Richard Gibby has indicated his attendance and will check it out, reporting back if it is a consideration for next year.

The dinner dance in November with the Essex Suffolk Boarders at Marks Tye, is now fully booked. Please ensure deposits are paid by our September club night. Any quires, please speak with Neil Shanley.

Coming up in November is the Lancaster Classic Car Show at the NEC. Don't forget to book tickets and use the code CSCMS16 for a reduction of the price of the show tickets.

Finally, two suggested 'European Tours' have been put forward, one in April the other in June next year. Unfortunately, the details of the April trip which is a trip to Keukenhof in Holland where they have a flower festival is not yet available. There are more than 7 million bulbs in bloom in the spring, with a total of 800 varieties of tulips. An unique and unforgettable experience! The alternative is the Circuit Historique de Laon from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017. More details on page 9 of the newsletter. Whether you wish to do both or just one of these events, please let me know a.s.a.p. Deposits for the French trip is not required until October, but will need to be booked **DIRECTLY** with Scenic Car Tours, not this club. Also remember, that other car clubs throughout the UK will be signing up for this trip, so it will be on a first come, first serve basis.

Finally, I would encourage all members to join in our get together at the next club meet at Langdon Hills Golf Club on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm if you are able. Unfortunately, Jackie and myself will not be there as we will be cruising the Med but will be thinking of you all.....sipping our cocktails. (lol.) Hope to see some new members then.

*Doug Warren, Chairman & Editor*

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## SAFFRON WALDEN CAR SHOW

On Sunday 14 August 20+ members attended the Saffron Walden Car Show and put on an excellent display of Jaguars from every era. Having first met up at Tesco's car park early Sunday morning, Bob & Gill Cain had organised our participation in this show and made the arrangements. Our thanks go to them both for their efforts which one must say was well rewarded. The day was dry and bright which always helps make the event all worth while.

A number of other clubs put on displays as well as individuals with their own cars. The event was in aid of the Arthur Rank Hospice, which is situated near Addenbrooks Hospital, in Cambridge. This event has now been running for 9 years, when just 17 cars displayed. On the day, a few hundred cars turned up. "It is growing every year," according to the organiser, Roger Abbott.



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# LONDON TO BRIGHTON RUN 2016



We got to Greenwich by 8.45am on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July and the gates were closed till 9.00am!!! The Jaguars were all parked up OK and we got our bacon rolls, coffee and free brolly. The weather was reasonable with a very short and light shower in the afternoon. There was a diversion on route which caused many cars to go the wrong way. Although we are sure many cars were going their own way anyway.

The mid-way stop for lunch only allowed 30 mins free parking which was not enough !! Therefore a parking fee of £2 was needed to get out of the car park.

Brighton race course was the destination as Madera Drive was having a re-furburbishment. The car park was not as good Madera Drive, as the cars were not in a line.

Cars started to depart at about 4pm for the drive back home. We stayed overnight in a Premier Inn as our friends who accompanied us, had travelled down from Stafford.

I would probably give the event 7 out of 10.

*Terry Perkins*

There was a nice £375,000 E-Type which is in the photo above!!!



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## HELMINGHAM CLASSIC & SPORTS CAR SHOW

A number of members attended this years Helmingham show on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August. Meeting up at the Tesco's car park on the Copdock interchange, we travelled in convoy to the show, through Ipswich and out towards Helmingham. On the route, a regular occurrence we have all witnessed, was residence where out in their deckchairs etc., waving to the classic cars heading to the show. I don't think I have ever seen this before on route to a show and it was quite refreshing to see young and old taking in the sights of the classic and sports cars. The day turned out to be dry and bright, but later in the day a wind blew up and we had to take the sides off the Event Shelter to prevent damaging it. Opposite us were the XKOC whose tent was almost blown away and they took steps to reduce the damage by reducing the height. Only midget could enter and there were very few of them on the day!!!!



### HISTORY OF THE HALL

When John Tollemache first started work on Helmingham in 1480, it was built in traditional half-timbered style with an overhang to the upper floor both out and inside the courtyard. Since then there have been a number of changes in external appearance, but the basic form of a courtyard manor house still remains, as do many of the original brick chimneys (although all have had to be repaired over the last two centuries!). In about 1760 a number of exterior changes to Helmingham Hall were made. The Tudor gables, with the exception of those at the corners, were all removed, and the existing half-timbered walls were concealed with the lower walls being covered in brick and the upper ones with tiles. To the casual observer these tiles may appear to be bricks, but they are in fact only about a quarter of an inch thick and are held in place by wooden pegs. The well-known Regency architect John Nash covered the whole exterior of the house with a coating of cement in about 1800, following the instructions of Wilbraham Tollemache, 6th Earl of Dysart, who thought that grey stucco and battlements would make Helmingham look more like a castle – fortunately this stucco was removed in 1821. The two drawbridges have been pulled up every night since 1510, making Helmingham Hall an island by night, protected by a wide moat that is home to many kinds of fish, including pike – the heaviest of which weighing just over 25 lbs! We like to think that the previous eighteen generations of the family would be pleased to see that their home, built so long ago and protected by its sixty-foot-wide moat, still has its two drawbridges pulled up every night and lowered each morning.



# HELMINGHAM CLASSIC & SPORTS CAR SHOW





**JULY 29<sup>th</sup> TO 31<sup>st</sup> 2016**



Despite the sheer number of attractions at the Silverstone Classic at the end of July, it was the hotly contested action on the track that transfixed visitors to the world's largest historic motorsport celebration. There really is something for everyone racing at the Silverstone Classic, from pre-1956 sports cars and historic Formula 1 machines, to Group C prototypes and hilariously over-developed Super Touring cars of the 1990s. This year also saw the addition of a Can-Am/Interserie race, to celebrate 50 years since the birth of the loosely regulated formula. To witness Rob Hall skilfully fending off Andrew Newall's monstrous McLaren M8F in his comparatively agile Matra MS670B/C was a real thrill, and definitely one of the



**Matra MS670B/C**

most memorable sights (and sounds) of the weekend.

Parades were held to celebrate 50 years of the

Lamborghini Miura, 80 years of the Morgan 4/4 and 40 years since the first transaxle Porsches, the latter of which comprised a delectable spread of freshly restored 924s, 944s and 968s. Visitors were also treated to a high-speed



**McLaren M8F**

demonstration of Mika Häkkinen's 2001 British Grand Prix-winning McLaren MP4/16A – a stirring reminder of how glorious Formula 1 cars used to sound.

Various club stands were all around the circuit. Jaguar clubs were predominately on Copse Corner. There were the XK/R & F Type Owners Club, Jaguar Enthusiasts Club, Jaguar Drivers Club, and E-Type Owners Club. Saturday saw the biggest turn out of Jaguar owners on the site. Porsche Club of GB had the biggest contingent at the show. No matter where you looked there were local and regional Porsche clubs everywhere.

This year Silverstone launched the 'Silverstone Classic Concours d'Elegance', supported by Classic & Sports Car magazine. Cars entered were shortlisted by a leading panel of judges which included F1 car designer Tony Southgate, TV Personality and Wheeler Dealer, Mike Brewer, 'For the Love of Cars' presenter, Ant Anstead, as well as representatives of Classic & Sports Car magazine. Our own Neil Wylie was put forward by club Chairman, Doug Warren for Neil's lovely 1990 XJ40. With only 4,000 miles on the clock, it had to be considered and was. I am pleased to say that Neil run away with the **Original and/or Unrestored Classic Car award**. Well done to Neil and Elaine - who actually owns the car - and were presented with the prizes by none other than Mike Brewer of "Wheeler Dealers" fame.





# Circuit Historique de Laon 2017



## **Laon Historique 2017 Tour - 2 to 5 June - 4 Days, 3 Nights**

Join Scenic Car Tours on their Annual tour to the Circuit Historique de Laon, a non competitive event dedicated to any type of vintage, classic, sports and kit car. The city of Laon will hosts this classic car parade of classic and vintage cars from all over Europe. On Saturday the fun begins as all of the participants make their way to the registration point to sign on for the weekends events. Here you'll collect your rally plate and joining instructions for Saturday's organised run. Then on Sunday morning, all of the participating cars assemble in the old town ready for the highlight of the weekend, the 'closed street run'. As the name suggests all of the streets are closed to traffic. The route extends over 6kms and includes a hill climb with hairpin bends as you make your way to the old town centre. Spectators line the streets to watch the biggest cavalcade of classic cars and sports cars in Europe

- Return P&O Ferry Crossing (up to 5 Days) from Dover/Calais (see other options below)
- 3 Nights Hotel Accommodation in Laon & Surrounding Area
- Buffet Breakfast each Morning
- Entry Fee to the 2017 Laon Historique
- Participation in Saturday Rally
- Participation in Sunday 'Closed Street Parade'
- Optional Participation in Monday Morning Run
- Commemorative Rally Plate

All Prices per person and based on 2 persons in a car/sharing a twin/double room and include; \*Return Ferry Crossing from Dover to Calais (Eurotunnel available at extra cost), 3 Nights Hotel Accommodation Breakfast each morning, Entry Package to the 2017 Laon Historique and Rally Plate

**Prices range from £179 - £349 depending on hotel.**

**TO BOOK WITHOUT DEPOSIT UNTIL OCTOBER CALL 01732 879153 OR GO ONLINE AT <http://www.sceniccartours.com/laon-hotels-prices-2017/4592223078>**

**Anyone from the club interested should in the first instance, let Doug Warren know, then book directly with Scenic Car Tours. Please mention when booking that you are from the JEC Essex Thameside Region**





## HYDE HALL - JDC AREA 33 JAGUAR DAY

What a day! After worrying about whether the weather would be fine for Sunday, as throughout the week the forecast looked grim, I now know why the BBC are ditching the Met Office forecasts!! They never get it right!!! The day was lovely, which I am sure assisted with the 34 JEC Essex Thameside Region members who had indicated their intention to bring their prized Jaguars to the event at Hyde Hall on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August.

My thanks goes to all members that tried to put the stand together on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> but were prevented to because of the wind and rain that day. I know some members got really soaked or bruised hitting their head on the gazebo roof, due to it being reduce in size to prevent it blowing away!!

Anyway, the day was organised by Eric Hoile from Jaguar Drivers Club and our thanks goes to him for the effort in putting the show together with the help of the regional Porsche Club, that's P O R S C H E Eric (he'll will know what I mean!) as well as the Austin 7 Club, Morgan Club, Area 29 and of course ourselves, JEC Essex Thameside. To finish the day, our own Neil Wylie took away an award for his SS 1.5 for being "The car, members of the public, would love to take home after the show" Sorry, Neil will be doing this. The picture on the right below shows Neil getting the award from the Chairman of the JDC Area 33 Tony Agombar.



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SEPT	SUN	25 <sup>th</sup>	8am	<b>30<sup>th</sup> Grand Motorbilia Day -</b> Please book a space with Doug Warren at <a href="mailto:dwarren169@btinternet.com">dwarren169@btinternet.com</a> . Entry is £10.
OCT	TUES	4 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	<b>Club Night</b> Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
NOV	TUES	1 <sup>st</sup>	8pm	<b>Club Night</b> Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
DEC	TUES	6 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	<b>Christmas Club Night</b> Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
NATIONAL EVENTS				
				2016
SEPT	SAT	10 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am	<b>New XK Sportscar Seminar</b> The cost is just £60 for the whole day for members of the National Club (non-members £80, with £20 refundable if they join the Club on the day and £20 for those not attending the seminar but coming along as a guest, covering food only). For this you are there for a whole day, get handouts and CDs on various matters relating to that seminar, morning coffee, a full luncheon and even an afternoon tea before you leave. The venue is now:- The North Staffordshire Medical Institute, Hartshill Road, Hartshill, Stoke on Trent, Staffordshire. ST4 7NY. Go to: <a href="http://www.jec.org.uk/events/62023/seminars/new-xk-sportscar-seminar.html">http://www.jec.org.uk/events/62023/seminars/new-xk-sportscar-seminar.html</a> for booking form
NOV	SAT/ SUN	11 <sup>th</sup> - 13 <sup>th</sup>	09:00am	<b>Lancaster Insurance Classic Motor Show at the NEC 2016</b> Join us for the largest classic motor show in the UK this November and enjoy all the sights our motoring history has to offer. The National Club will have their stand displaying Jaguars covering major model anniversaries and spectacular examples of Jaguars. For you the member you can take advantage of discounted tickets for entry to the show, one of the many benefits of being a Jaguar Enthusiasts' Club. If you are a member and would like to book tickets then use the discounted code <b>CSCMS16</b> . Link: <a href="http://classicmotorshow.seetickets.com/event/the-lancaster-insurance-classic-motor-show/nec/978241">http://classicmotorshow.seetickets.com/event/the-lancaster-insurance-classic-motor-show/nec/978241</a>
MAY 2017	SAT/ SUN	5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup>	TBA	<b>Royal Windsor Jaguar Festival</b> In 2017, the National JEC is putting on our biggest-ever event - the Royal Windsor Jaguar Festival. They are not quite ready to unveil all the details, but we are thrilled to now be able to announce that the dates have been confirmed. More details to follow throughout the year. It is recommended that bookings for a hotel in the area be considered now as they are getting booked up quickly. Doug & Jackie Warren have booked the Holiday Inn in Slough for the Friday and Saturday night. Link: <a href="http://www.holidayinn.com/hotels/gb/en/slough">http://www.holidayinn.com/hotels/gb/en/slough</a>



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