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Club meetings are the 1st Tuesday of the month at 8pm: The Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club,

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# ESSEX THAMESIDE REGION

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#### MEMBER, ROGER PETHERAM



## THE JAGUAR ENTHUSIASTS' CLUB

## **30 YEAR MEMBERSHIP 1987 - 2017**

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Presented to those who have been members of the Jaguar Enthusiasts' Club for the last thirty years without break

R Petheram



Back in 2014, we celebrated the 25th anniversary that Essex Thameside Region Club had been running. We also celebrated the support that Roger Petheram had given to the club for the whole period. Now, he has been rewarded by the National club for his support for the past 30 years! An achievement and dedication to the Jaguar marque. Roger currently owns a 1968 Series 2 E-Type which was first registered in Kingston, Jamaica. The car returned to the UK in crates in 1978.

Apart from the bodyshell and a respray, Roger then rebuilt the car over the next 4 years himself and in 2008 purchased another Jaguar, this time a 1966 Mk 2 3.8L. Again Roger has undertaken a number of works on this vehicle, including, at the moment, having the engine out and rebuilding it. He also has a 1938 BSA B21 250cc OHV and a 1948 BSA M33 500cc OHV with 1954 Watsonian Ascot Sidecar. He spent over a year totally rebuilding the sidecar which was featured in a 6 page article in "Classic Motor Cycle" magazine. Roger has always been into engineering & just loved the XK engine. He currently drives a 17 year old BMW because he feels that this vehicle is properly engineered. It's also why he just had to fly a Spitfire a few months ago, for his 80th birthday.

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They have an anti-skid base welded to a tough top layer with excellent print quality. Solid, dependable and desirable, these mats will last a long, long time. These are available at club nights throughout the year for just £2. Those members not able to make club nights can have them posted to them for just £2:75. Order yours now by contacting Doug Warren at: dwarren169@btinternet.com or call 07788637057.



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Join Scenic & Continental Car Tours and Eddy LePez on this popular 4 Day, 3 Night Break to Belgium for the Belgian Classic Car Rally. Belgium is without doubt one of Europe's most underrated destination. It is known for medieval towns, Renaissance architecture and as headquarters of the European Union and NATO.

During this Great 4 Day Break, hosted by our Belgian colleague, Eddy LePez, you'll enjoy a welcome group dinner on Friday night at the Velotel Hotel, an 'optional' organised tour on Saturday, then on Sunday you'll be joined by other Belgian Car enthusiasts on an organised morning rally followed by a classic car display\* near the lighthouse in Ostende harbour with free time in Ostende in the afternoon. On Monday you'll have the opportunity to visit and explore the WW1 Battlefields and the town of Ypres before returning to Calais.

#### What's Included:

- Return P&O Ferry Crossing from Dover to Calais (other crossings available on request)
- 3 Nights at the at the Velotel Hotel, Bruges Welcome Group Dinner hosted by Eddy LePez
- Buffet breakfast each morning Optional Organised Run on Saturday Rally on Sunday morning followed by an afternoon Classic Car display on Sunday afternoon Detailed Road Book featuring Maps, Great Drives & Local Attractions Commemorative Tour Rally Plate Complimentary Car Parking at all Hotels

#### PRICES From £339.00 Per Person\*

\*Prices are per person and based on 2 persons occupying a car and a twin or double room Single occupancy Supplement -£160.00

Please let Doug Warren know if you are to attend this event and then book directly with Scenic Car Tours on web page: http://www.sceniccartours.com/belgian-classic-2018-dp/4593998132 and follow instructions to book.



# WEDNESDAY 28th FEB 2018

Ever thought of trying your car on the track or just want to experience the thrill in the hands of a professional tutor?

Well now you can!

At the JEC Track Day in February at Brands Hatch, not only can you buy a whole day of track activity to unleash your inner Lewis Hamilton, but if you prefer you can purchase 15 minute "Power Lap" sessions for just £25, giving you the chance to see if you can take the pace.

You can choose to go out in your own car with one of our professional tutors, then have a go yourself. Or why not come along as a spectator – it's free. It is always fun to watch and the cafe & restaurant are open.



#### **Unleash the Power**

Most of us drive on the road in traffic so have no chance to try out our car to its full potential. Well, a track day is designed to let you do just that and have fun while you learn. Our fully qualified instructors are on hand to offer advice on how to get the most of driving around the track without ending up in the gravel.

Drivers are grouped into Novice, Intermediate or Experienced levels to ensure no one is overwhelmed by it all. You don't even have to drive a Jaguar, all marques are welcome to join us.

#### **First-Time Drivers**

Our track days are non-competitive and there is no racing involved. You are free to go at your own pace and have an instructor with you to help you get round in one piece. If you haven't been on a track before then Brands Hatch is definitely one to try.

When you arrive you will be given a briefing on what to expect and any hazards to watch out for. You can also hire a helmet (which is a must for any drivers or passengers) from the circuit on the day. If you want to bring spectators along, then feel free. There is a cafe on site for refreshments and they can watch all the action from the sidelines throughout the day.

As a first timer we recommend booking a "Power Lap" to get you started. This is a 15 minute session with an instructor by your side to show you the ropes. We bet you can't resist booking a second session on the day though!

#### **Please Note:**

One or more of the options below require that you are a member of the JEC or another Jaguar car club. In order to book these options, you will be required to enter the name of the club and your membership ID during the checkout process.

- 15 minute session for 1 car @ £25.00 per session
- 15 minute session for 1 car non member price @ £40.00 each
- \*A full day on the Track member price @ £230.00 per car
- A full day on the Track Non-Member price @ £250.00 per car
- \*A half-day on the track. Morning or afternoon. @ £110.00 each
- Half Day on the track. Morning or afternoon. Non Mem @ £130.00 each

Additional drivers can drive any car that is already booked in to the Track Day Additional Driver members @ £35.00 per person // Additional Driver Non Members @ £45.00 per person

For further details go to <a href="https://jec.org.uk/events/brands-hatch-track-day?form=true#cta">https://jec.org.uk/events/brands-hatch-track-day?form=true#cta</a> or wisit the National website and look up 'Events'.

## **CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE**

Our annual Dinner Dance at the Marks Tey Hotel was a sell out, with 120 guests enjoying a champagne reception, a good meal and 'dancing till late' with a very professional singer. Thanks to Neil Shanley for coordinating the event with Essex & Suffolk Borders Regional Club. We look forward to future liaisons with E&SB throughout 2018 and we have already signed up for a joint meeting on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018 in Clacton. We look forward to next year's Dinner Dance with our friends. I will be looking for volunteers to put on an 'act' for next year's dinner dance. Lets see if we can go one better! Any suggestions for the 'act' to me please.

### Doug Warren



Steve and Helen Clark enjoying the evening

Graham Cook and Ann Gillingwater also enjoying the evening



#### Windsor & Eton.

#### JAGUAR FESTIVAL WINDSOR 2017

Peter Purdom, our 2017 Club Chairman, was delighted to hand over a cheque for £105,000 to HRH Prince Edward in his role as Chairman of Trustees to the Prince Philip Trust Fund. Also there to accept the cheque were Andrew Panter, Trustee of the Fund and Bernard Hawkes, Chairman of the Rotary Club of

This incredible donation was only possible due to the support and generosity of all of you who supported our award winning Royal Windsor Jaguar Festival in May and bought raffle tickets for our 2017 prize draw car, the stunning Jaguar XK Convertible.

So, well done, every pound donated did make a difference!

# JAGUAR NEWS



You wait years for a Jaguar SUV, then three come along in quick succession. It was little over a year ago that the F-Pace arrived, winning Auto Express and World Car of the Year Awards in the process. Then we saw the stunning Jaguar I-Pace electric SUV concept unveiled at last year's LA



But beating it into showrooms will be this, the new Jaguar E-Pace, sitting unsurprisingly below the F-Pace in the line-up and arriving in the first few months of 2018 with prices starting at £28,500.

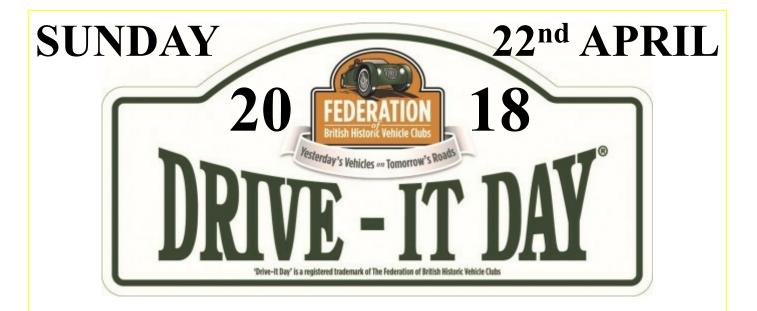


Then, for 2019 we have a "new" XJ. Various pictures have emerged from motoring magazines as to what they think it will look like but the major indication has been that it is likely to be a full electric vehicle to compete with the Tesla Model S. The next-generation Jaguar XJ, will be "something that is visually stunning on the outside and luxurious inside", according to design boss Ian Callum.

Jaguar Land Rover is believed to have hotly debated the new XJ as it evaluated how to develop a flagship design for the next generation of cars while boosting sales in a class dominated by the Mercedes-Benz S-Class. Discussions are understood to have swung as widely as dropping it from the line-up and developing a large SUV, to sticking with an ultra-conventional saloon. After months of debate Jaguar bosses have finally pushed the button on reinventing the XJ as an



"indulgent, super-luxury" car. The new XJ is likely to feature mixed-materials body construction, a new-generation V6 hybrid drivetrain, an entirely fresh look for the interior and much more of the technology needed for connected and autonomous driving. It's expected to arrive in showrooms in spring 2019 and a concept version could be seen this year, the 50th anniversary of the original XJ.



The Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs® 'Drive It Day' takes place every year to help raise awareness of the large and important extent of the classic vehicle movement in the UK. Essex Thameside Region has been supporting this event for a number of years and this year we intend to do the same and have arranged a trip to Greene King Brewery in Bury St. Edmunds. Three tours have been agreed with Greene King consisting of 12 members for each tour. Please note that there are over 100 open tread metal steps to climb to the roof, so the tour is not suitable for anybody with walking difficulties.

Those members that are not successful in obtaining a place on the tour or perhaps do not want to visit the brewery other points of interest in Bury St. Edmunds are available to visit. Rich in history, visitors have lots to discover. Find out about Bury St Edmunds role in the Magna Carta, the story of Saint Edmund, and where a French Tudor Queen rests.

Visit the Abbey ruins, the site of one of the most important medieval monasteries in Europe, and wonder at Suffolk's only cathedral.

Explore medieval streets and architecture, Georgian squares, Britain's last remaining regency theatre, and the town's literary links to Shakespeare, Charles Dickens and Norah Lofts.

Walk or cycle through picturesque parks, woodland and meadows. Enjoy the tranquility and beauty of the open spaces of the Abbey Gardens, Nowton Park, West Stow Country Park and Ickworth Park and Gardens.

The brewery tour cost £14.00 including tasting's of some of their range of beers including, IPA, Old Speckled Hen, Abbott Ale, Belhaven to name but a few. Bookings MUST be made by 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

Lunch is being arranged for all those wishing to participate and more details will follow.

Please confirm your participation on this event and pay the tour fee before club night on 6<sup>th</sup> March.



## JANUARY CLUB NIGHT

The first meeting of 2018 will be on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January at 8pm at Langdon Hills Golf and Country Club and all members are welcome to attend. If you have loads of chocolates, biscuits or any unwanted Christmas gifts, why not add them to the club raffle for the benefit of others. You never know, you may win them back!





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FEB	TUES	6th	8pm	Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
MAR	TUES	6th	8pm	Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
APR	TUES	3rd	8pm	Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
APR	SUN	22 <sup>nd</sup>	TBA	Drive It Day - Greene King Brewery Bury St Edmunds. See details inside newsletter
MAY	SUN	13 <sup>th</sup>	TBA	Battlesbridge Classic Car Show More details to follow nearer the time.
MAY	SUN	13 <sup>th</sup>	TBA	Faversham Transport Weekend More details to follow nearer the time.
MAY	SUN	22 <sup>nd</sup>	ТВА	Clacton Classic Car Club Show Plough Corner, Harwich Rd., Little Clacton, Essex CO16 9ND.  More details to follow nearer the time.
NATIONAL EVENTS			NTS	2018
FEB	FRI/ SUN	15 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>h</sup>	10am	London Classic Car Show @ Excel Centre  Now in its fourth year, London Classic Car Show has established itself as one of the UK's best classic car events right in the accessible heart of the country's capital. Experience over 700 classic cars in London this February.  www.thelondonclassiccarshow.co.uk/  Normal price per ticket is £25.00. However, go to this link and get tickets for just £20: www.groupon.co.uk and select London Classic Car Show then 'view deal'.
FEB	WED	28 <sup>th</sup>	8am	JEC TRACK DAY BRANDS HATCH See details in this newsletter.
				Jaguar Summer Festival 2018  The Club are hosting an exciting and fun-packing "all singing and all dancing" weekend based at the lovely Wroxall Abbey in Warwickshire.  Members can book a package to stay at the Abbey throughout the weekend to

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