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JAGUAR MARK II'S FOR SALE

Club member, Bryan Watson, is selling his two Jaguar Mark II's. See pictures below.

Green Mark II: 1962, MOT'd till Sept. 2018, 5 speed getrac gearbox, Larger S U Carburettors, uprated fuel pump, modified cold air intake, wider rear axle, Coombs arches, larger stainless steel exhaust with 6 branch piped manifold, 4 pot caliper brakes, 5 x spoked wheels and grey interior leather. Fully restored some years ago. Most MOT certificates. Purchased 12 years ago.

Red Mark II: Registered 01.01.1962 Rosso Red, grey interior, 3.800 cc 4 speed manual with O/D, power steering MOT's 1992 - June 2018 - MOT exempt from April 2018. Owned by Bryan for 11 years. Previous Owner had the car for 15 years and totally restored it. 50+ stage photos + large file of invoices, bills etc. *Selling to purchase Auto Mark II due to medical problems. £21,000 each.*

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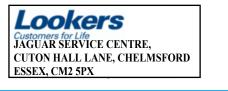


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AMAZING COLLECTION OF AFFORDABLE CLASSICS UP FOR SALE

A stunning haul of 100 affordable classics including several rare and highly desirable models has been put up for auction by Jaguar Land Rover.

The vehicles, many of them British classics from the 1960s and '70s, are part of a 500-strong hoard bought by Jaguar Land Rover from uber-collector Dr James Hull a few years ago.

JLR has now decided to offload around 200 items, including the affordable classics plus a vast number of pedal cars and even a boat, offering them with no reserve in a Brightwells auction next month.

There are dozens of interesting vehicles in the collection, which was amassed over a 35-year period by Dr Hull. We're particularly taken by the above Reliant Ferguson 4X4 – a one-of-a-kind prototype of a 4WD Reliant Scimitar GTE.

Other highlights include a homogolation special Vauxhall Chevette 2300 HS (below) – one of just 400





models – a Borgward Isabella Coupé and a nicelooking Rover SD1 3500.

There's also an exceedingly rare Rover Estoura, an estate based on the Rover P6 and produced by coachbuilders FLM Panelcraft. Only around 200 of these were ever made.

Matthew Parkin, head of Brightwells Classic Cars said, "We are absolutely delighted to have been asked by Jaguar Land Rover Classic to auction part of their significant classic collection.

"Focusing solely on non-Jaguar Land Rover products, the diversity of the lots on offer is extraordinary, offering everything from a Riva-style speedboat to the unique Scimitar Ferguson prototype – all at no reserve. It's



going to be a lot of fun." The auction will take place at Bicester Heritage on Wednesday 21 March.

http://bicesterheritage.co.uk/what on/affordable-classics-at-bicester-heritage-from-the-jaguar-land-rover-heritage-collection/

HELLO SAILORI

Late last year at one of the raffles held on Club night, I won a prize. My winning ticket wasn't the first out of the hat, nor even the second, in fact there wasn't much left when I reached the table to collect my winnings, but there was an unassuming white envelope, looking a little forlorn, with the script "Two Tickets For The Boat Show", hand written on the address side. How could I resist. This was kindly donated by our own Lester Magness – who does have an interest in things marine, but more of that another time.

So, on a cold January Friday morning, Sue and I set sail for the Excel in Docklands. I've always fancied a boat, but those I lust after all come with a seven figure price tag, hence no boat for me. Indeed, looking around the vast, but sparsely populated Hall, there appeared to be many that would meet my needs, but not my pocket. Let's go in.

The first boat by the Entrance was a Riva Rivamare, being sold by Ventura. Powered by twin Volvo

Penta D6 400 hp engines, this 12 metre long baby will cruise at 31 knots, maxing at 40. No slouch then, and, with mahogany and maple panelling, premium sound system, fully furnished, this one owner sexy little 5 berther could be yours for £880K. One of my "take-home-from-the-show" choices.



motors, this is one to take to Monte.

I did see some small submarine-like devices both on display and in cubby holes on some of the yachts. It turns out these are Seabobs.

As the advertising copy goes..."if you've ever dreamt of emulating the Spectre Agents in Thunderball, chasing 007 with their underwater tow sleds, Seabob is for you!" You can be a human Dolphin, swimming at speeds up to 14 kph (or 13 KPH underwater), and that's just the base model. Better still, the SR version has a Seabob Cam System to let you film these frivolities.

Speaking of that very un-secret agent, if James Bond ever owned a boat, it would be a Sunseeker, and, on the Show's largest stand, there were several to choose from.

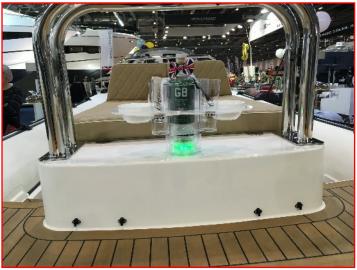


Moored next door we found Sue's favourite. A Fairlane Squadron 53. With 6 to 9 berths, two or three with en-suite, panelling to shame those boys at Crewe, and a couple of those Volvo



The first item you notice is the white Bentley at the entrance. This Continental convertible was resplendent in a white leather interior and yacht deck timber. There was a cocktail bar on the stand, as well as in the car, together with some sumptuous furnishing so that you could part with your cash in comfort and partake in a stiff drink when you realised how much you spent. Next to this Sunseeker, Prestige Luxury Motor Yachts fielded an excellent stand with more eye watering nautical must haves. But it was not all Gin palaces for the rich. There were many other displays to attract this non-sailor.

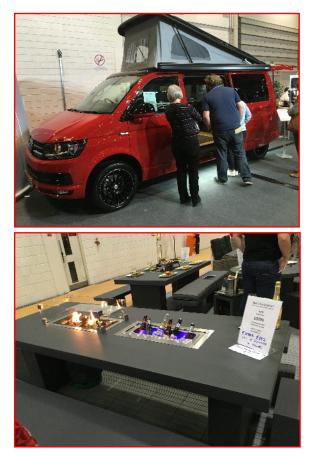




Fancy a Camper Van? You could chose red or black. For reasons I am not a party to, a couple of Fiat 500s made an appearance as did tables made from reconstituted stone(?) which hosted a fire behind glass and, more usefully, beer on ice. Yours for a show offer of £3295 apiece. There were some others made from bits of tree. You could even have a helicopter. Just load up the Louis, slap on the Chanel and fly down to your mooring in Monaco. Passing the Moet and Chandon Bar, we came across Rimmer Music selling baby grand pianos. Made by Yamaha, these could play themselves, be an electric or percussion piano, be programmed from your I Pad and teach you how to play and compose. Probably much more. Only £42K each.

Plenty of sleek power boats on offer, starting around £80,000 they looked like a lot of fun for a "relatively" small outlay. Canal boats were there too, perhaps not as romantic as the other offerings, but looked like a great holiday idea. Whilst they looked old, they were, in fact, new. If unlocking locks and an evening by the lock keepers pub is your bag then go hire.

Take the Gin and Tonic holder, for example. There you are, having just mixed your favourite Death's Door, with coriander and cardamom pods poured over crushed ice when a ripple across the Med sends the Fever Tree and the gin flying across the foredeck. Well, no more, this little gadget keeps everything in one place. One retailer selling lights, switches, table lamps et al to kit out your super yacht in a display reminiscent of an interior shot on the Starship Enterprise...great stand.

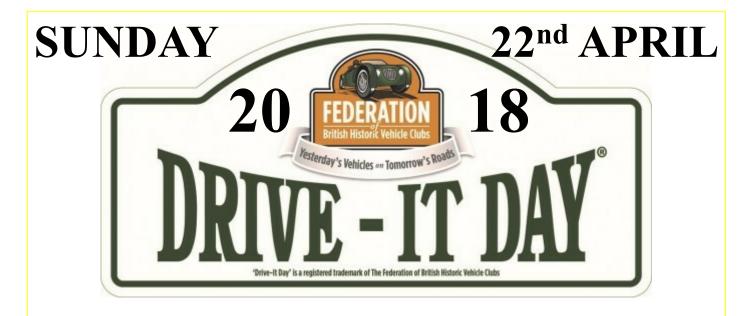


There was much more, but before you all become sea sick, I'll cast off. Try it next year, you won't be disappointed. Written by Neil Shanley

2018 SUPPORTED EVENTS

Your committee have agreed the following events/shows to support this year. More details will appear in future newsletter editions. Please pencil them in your diary.

| EVENT/SHOW | TIME | DATE | CLUB ARRANGER |
|---|-----------------|--|--|
| DRIVE IT DAY GREENE KING BREWERY/SUFFOLK CARS | 8:45am - 6pm | SUNDAY 22 nd APRIL | DOUG WARREN dwarren169@btinternet.com |
| BATTLESBRIDGE CLASSIC CAR SHOW | 10am- 5pm | SUNDAY 13th MAY | DOUG WARREN dwarren169@btinternet.com |
| FAVERSHAM TRANSPORT WEEKEND | 10am- 4pm | SATURDAY 12 th MAY / SUNDAY 13 th MAY | MARY MONK mary_monk@hotmail.com |
| CLACTON CAR SHOW | TBC | SUNDAY 20th MAY | GRAHAM COOK cook_gm@hotmail.co.uk |
| HATFIELD HOUSE GUIDED TOUR | TBC | SUNDAY 3rd JUNE | DOUG WARREN dwarren169@btinternet.com |
| BLACKWATER COUNTRY SHOW | TBC | SUNDAY 17th JUNE | MARY MONK mary_monk@hotmail.com |
| MALDON MOTOR SHOW | TBC | SUNDAY 1 st JULY | BOB CAIN cain451@btinternet.com |
| INGATESTONE CLASSIC CAR SHOW | TBC | SUNDAY 29 th JULY | RICHARD GIBBY rwgibby@gmail.com |
| SILVERSTONE CLASSIC | TBC | FRIDAY 20 th TO SUNDAY 22 nd JULY | GRAHAM COOK cook_gm@hotmail.co.uk |
| de HAVILLAND AIRCRAFT MUSEUM | TBC | SUNDAY 5 th AUGUST | GRAHAM COOK cook_gm@hotmail.co.uk |
| RHS HYDE HALL with JDC | 10am- 4:30pm | SUNDAY 19th AUGUST | DOUG WARREN dwarren169@btinternet.com |
| CLASSIC & SPORTS CARS BY THE LAKE | 11am- 4pm | SUNDAY 2 nd SEPTEMBER | DOUG WARREN dwarren169@btinternet.com |
| THE WARREN CLASSIC & SUPERCAR SHOW | TBC | SUNDAY 23 rd SEPTEMBER | VAUGHN HIGH vaughn.high@sky.com |
| GRAND MOTORBILIA DAY BATTLESBRIDGE | 10am- 5pm | SUNDAY 30 th SEPTEMBER | DOUG WARREN dwarren169@btinternet.com |



All arrangements for Drive-It-Day have now been made. The day will start at McDonalds car park, off junction 28 on the A12 northbound, opposite the Colchester Football Club stadium at 8:45am Sunday 22nd April. We will leave this location **prompt at 9am** as we head to Suffolk Sportscars in Woodbridge, Suffolk. They have kindly agreed to open on Sunday for us to visit. We have been asked to be there by 10am without fail.

Following the visit we will then travel to Bury St. Edmunds and visit the Greene King Brewery for a 1pm Tour. Due to initial lack of interest, only one tour has been agreed with the brewery for 12 members. Those members would have received a confirming e-mail from me. However, as stated last month, that doesn't stop members joining us to visit Bury St. Edmunds which is rich in history. Find out about Bury St Edmunds role in the Magna Carta, the story of Saint Edmund, and where a French Tudor Queen rests. It also has a very nice park/gardens and river running through it, as well as shops and interesting archeological remains.

Following on from the brewery visit, we will head to Stowmarket to have a late lunch at the Shepherd and Dog Public House. If you haven't put down for this day and wish to join in, contact Doug Warren.



TOP MEADOW SUNDAY LUNCH

On February 18th members from the club met up at Top Meadow Golf Club restaurant for a Sunday lunch. 36 Members and partners joined the gathering. An excellent three course meal was provided at a reasonable cost and it was a great opportunity for members to have a catch up outside of the regular club night. The service was very good from the staff on duty and all our needs were catered for. I even thought Charles Bronson was there to make sure everything was OK, although I did think he died a few years back! I certainly didn't want a "Death Wish". Those that went will understand!





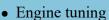


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| REGIONAL EVENTS / OTHER EVENTS | | | 2018 | | | |
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| MONTH | DAY | DATE | TIME | LOCATION | | |
| MAR | TUES | 6th | 8pm | Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club | | |
| APR | TUES | 3rd | 8pm | Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club | | |
| APR | SUN | 22 nd | 8.45am | Drive It Day - Greene King Brewery Bury St Edmunds. See details inside newsletter | | |
| MAY | TUES | 1 st | 8pm | Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club | | |
| MAY | SUN | 13 th | 8am | Battlesbridge Classic Car Show More details to follow nearer the time. | | |
| MAY | SUN | 13 th | ТВА | Faversham Transport Weekend Contact Mary Monk at mary_monk@hotmail.com for details of meet. | | |
| MAY | SUN | 20 th | ТВА | Clacton Classic Car Club Show Plough Corner, Harwich Rd., Little Clacton, Essex CO16 9ND. More details to follow nearer the time. | | |
| JUN | TUES | 5th | 8pm | Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club Visiting speaker Patch Jobson , Regional Manager National JEC. | | |
| NATIONAL EVENTS | | NTS | 2018 | | | |
| MAR | SUN | 18 th | 10am | Jaguar Spares Day Stoneleigh-Park Exhibition and Conference Centre near Coventry, Warwickshire, CV8 2LZ. Need to find a Jaguar Spare or find the right supplier? Then join Jaguar traders and owners from all over the world at this Spares Day, £10 payable on the door on the day. | | |
| JUN/ JUL | Fri/ Sun | 29 th / 1 st | ТВА | Jaguar Summer Festival 2018 The Club are hosting an exciting and fun-packed "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 be on hand for all the activities and fun. This year we are delighted to announce that Strictly Come Dancing stars Anton Du Beke and Erin Boag will be joining us to show off their dancing skills and even offer lessons. So get those dancing shoes on. More details will be released soon on ticket prices and what's on offer throughout the weekend, including any early bird offers. | | |

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