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BLACKWATER COUNTRY SHOW Sunday 17th June 2018

Just some of the things to see and do at this year's show

Ridden Heavy Horses/ Heavy Horses in Harness
Local Produce Stands/ Viking Re-enactment
Viking Living History Village/ Essex Police
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Canoeing on the lake/ Donkey Rides/ Gun Dog
Scurry/ Have a go Clay Shoot/ Have a go
Flyball/ Land Rover Club/ Little Rovers Dog
Agility/ Bouncy Castle/ Rifle Shooting Range/
Military Vehicles/ Working Newfoundland Dog
Display/ Woodturning Demonstrations
Inside Crafts and Stalls/ Fly Fishing
Demonstrations/ Birds of Prey Display/ Owls
Display/ Fun Dog show/ Model Boats/ Kayaking
Bar & Refreshments/ Horticulture/ Classic Cars/
Vintage Tractors, etc, etc.

A fun day out for everyone. Donation required for the Essex Air Ambulance of £5 per car. Please contact Mary Monk immediately at mary monk53@hotmail.com

INGATESTONE HALL CLASSIC CAR SHOW SUNDAY 29th JULY

This is a new show for us which Club Treasurer, Richard Gibby will be co-ordinating on our behalf. It is being held within the grounds of Ingatestone Hall. The Hall is a Grade I listed 16th-century manor house in Essex, some 5 miles south west of Chelmsford. Richard has agreed 16 places with the organisers so it will have to be on a first come, first served basis. A charity donation is required of just £6 per car. Entry for a visit around Ingatestone Hall will be available at extra cost, currently £7 pp. We have been advised that we will need to register your car in advance to enter, so Richard will need your registration numbers, car model and a couple of sentences about the car. This year, 2018, a vehicle information booklet will be available for download after registration closes at 1pm on Saturday 28th July for all cars attending.

Further details of the show can be obtained through this link: http://www.ingatestoneclassic.co.uk/#

Please contact Richard at rwgibby@gmail.com to reserve space and payment is needed by 3rd July Club Night.

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Jaguar Enthusiasts Club Essex Thameside Region AGM 2018

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 1st May 2018 at Langdon Hills Golf Club.

Meeting commenced at 20.30hrs.

Apologies for Absence – Mary Monk (Social Secretary)

Minutes of the 2017 AGM agreed - no matters arising.

Chairman's Report

Doug took the opportunity to reflect back over the year using this year's DVD of events, produced by Richard (our Webmaster), which included photographs and recordings made over the period by Neil, Richard and himself. The DVD covered a number events and shows, listed as follows.

February 2017 Sunday lunch at Top Meadow Golf Club.

April 2017 Visit to Gaydon Motor Museum.

Drive It Day to North Weald & Kersey Mill Suffolk.

May 2017 Windsor Festival Weekend.

Jaguar World London to Eastbourne Drive.

Battlesbridge Classic Car Show.

June 2017 Long Weekend to Laon.

Hayling Island Trip. Bromley Pageant.

July 2017 Maldon Motor Show.

Shuttleworth Collection & Lunch.

Silverstone Classic Weekend.

August 2017 Saffron Walden Car Show.

RHS Hyde Hall with the JDC.

September 2017 Bletchley Park.

The Warren Classic & Sports Car Show.

November 2017 Dinner Dance with Essex & Suffolk Borders.

The DVD was shown at the AGM.

Doug thanked the committee for their work, support and dedication to the club as, without these individuals, we would not be able to operate. They give up their time, attending meetings at various committee members homes, discussing club matter and striving to offer members the events they enjoy, all of which need a considerable amount of organising.

Doug gave special thanks to Gill Cain for her diligence in restructuring the membership renewals. This has taken a lot of time and effort, but we have now obtained a system that helps everyone by providing one yearly membership renewal date and a reduced workload for the membership secretary.

Special thanks were given to Neil Shanley for his efforts in raising the profile of the club through the order and purchase of club clothing.

Doug concluded by stating that the running of the club can be fraught at times but, with perseverance, we have a club that is healthy, active and above all satisfying to us for our love of the Jaguar marque.

Treasurer's Report

Richard circulated to attending members the Financial Accounts for 2017/18 (a copy of which is saved with this document).

Net regional club income, effectively our core running, remains healthy at £253 (£486 last year). Richard spoke of the change to membership subscriptions and the production of presentation folders and DVDs. A further £372 was spent on flags banners and an extra side cover for the event shelter.

Additional expenditure – i.e. other items that are not core admin and running costs – totalled £1574 (£1845 last year). Mention was given to our Social events and the club's contribution towards the cost of the Christmas Dinner Dance entertainment.

Overall we had a net reduction of £1,321. This reflected the committee's decisions to invest in some new items like folders and DVDs, and to subsidise others such as calendars and the entertainment for the joint Christmas dinner dance with the Essex and Suffolk Borders region.

As Treasurer, Richard remains perfectly content with the end of year balance of £5613 believing the balance should remain around the £4k to £5k figure.

Web Masters Report (Richard)

4936 people looked at the website last year (410 per month). Most popular pages: articles, diary and newsletters. Website now contains 65 articles, 132 newsletters and 800+ images.

Membership Secretary's Report

Gill reported that the membership remains stable. Figures show that, on 28th Feb 2018, we had 119 members compared to 113 on 1st March 2017.

We had 21 new members and 15 non-renewals. Leavers are mainly due to people moving, sale of cars, health grounds etc.

During the last financial year, we introduced a new system for the renewal of annual fees. Moving to a fixed date for renewal therefore last year was the transitional period where people had paid odd amounts bringing us into line for the renewal date of 1st March. Gill thanked Richard for his assistance in the restructure and also for running the direct debit system which has 33 persons now on board, representing 28% of the membership.

New credit card-size membership cards have been introduced. Finally, this year a Welcome Pack has been designed and introduced to the club for new members.

Election of Officers

Prior to the 2018 AGM, members of the club had been canvassed for any new volunteers or nominees for committee positions. No new names had been put forward. Current committee members had also been canvassed and had confirmed they were willing to stand again this year.

Members were invited to consider either 1) voting en bloc to re-elect the entire committee or 2), in the usual manner, nominating and voting for each officer individually. Members voted unanimously in favour of option 1, to vote en bloc.

Option 1 was therefore carried out and members voted unanimously to re-elect the current committee for another year. The elected officers are as follows -

<u>Chairman:</u> Doug Warren, <u>Vice Chair:</u> Graham Cook, <u>Club secretary</u>: Vaughn High, <u>Treasurer</u>: Richard Gibby, <u>Membership Secretary</u>: Gill Cain, <u>Social Secretary</u>: Mary Monk, <u>Webmaster</u>: Richard Gibby, <u>Newsletter Editor</u>: Doug Warren, <u>Additional Committee Members</u>: Neil Shanley and Bob Cain.

<u>A.O.B.</u> – None

The AGM concluded.

BREAKFAST AT THE CASTLE

For those expecting their regular fix of classic and sports cars at The Hare in Roxwell on this the premier Saturday in May, there was a surprise in store. For this month only (so far), we would be tasting a Full-English at its sister pub, The Castle, in Great Leighs,

Arriving reasonably early, we were greeted by a gathering – mainly Porsche's – not quite filling the ample car park. But things were about to change, and quickly. Within the following half hour, under a welcome blue sky and warm sun, the regulars and novices began to arrive. So much so, that the quiet road outside became an impromptu car show of its own. Parked along its length were some lovely old British cars including; a Morris



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Eight, a Wolseley 6/80 (I think), an MG Midget and an Austin A90 Atlantic. The latter triheadlamp sports convertible, from around 1951/2 and now a rare sight, was part of the post-war "export or die" drive, and was aimed at the States, but few were sold there. Its 4-cylinder 2.7 litre engine, derived from the A70 Hampshire, was no match for the American V6's or V8's. This rare survivor is a credit to its owner.

It is a shame that these old timers didn't arrive

earlier so that they could access the pub car park. Whilst there were a good many modern Porsche's in said car park, I did spot a couple of interesting 356's, both looking highly original. A white 1500 (?) roadster was parked on the grass verge outside whilst a red race-prepared coupe hunkered down with its younger siblings in the Car Park. Both great cars. Speaking of small fast sports cars, but something newer and British, some friends brought along a Lotus Elise S2, Type 23 built around 2003 and resplendent in white livery with green



stripes. This was number eight in a limited run of 50. Probably a celebration of something. A great little car and fast. You'll probably need Vaseline to help you get in and out though.

Classic & Sports Cars brought along a splendid primrose Mk 1 Healey of 1961 vintage. It was the ex Derek Park car with documented history and showing around 500 miles since full restoration. Check out their website and your lottery numbers if you fancy buying it.

Always good to see classic Fords from the 70's, 80's and 90's. In this case, Escorts, including a '72 Mexico (?), through to some RS Turbo's, but that Yellow RS 2000 did it for me. Most readers know my soft spot for American iron. Well, I was not disappointed. There were two excellent Corvettes, a recent model with a gorgeous sort of metallic aubergine paint job and a late 70's machine looking better than

new. It's the swoopy shape that always gets me. A regular at these events is a green Mercury Cougar.





From Ford's Mercury division, this looked like a

1970 example – let me know if I am close. A '67 version was driven by Diana Rigg in "On Her Majesty's Secret Service" – it took a battering on the ice rink, but still survives – check out the "Bond In Motion" exhibition.

Italy's finest were out in force with Red Ferraris and Black Lambo's. Love those full fat engine noises. English exotica were there in force with MacLarens and three or four Aston Martins. These included a DB9 coupe, an 11 convertible and a Vanquish. Coincidently, the KE suffix on the DB9 was the same as Pierce Brosnan's Vanquish in "Die Another Day". Our Region fielded three Jags, a brace of XJS 4.0 L





Convertibles brought by Steve and Wendy Potter and your scribe together with David and Sharon Ogg's white Suffolk SS100. Finally, the take-home car. Well, if you had seen it, maybe you would too – and it's not American! Feast your eyes on a 1956 Aston Martin DB 2/4, fresh from a nut and bolt restoration.

The present owner bought it in boxes and over a two year period AND turned it into the

magnificent machine you see today. The interior was as good as the paint on the exterior with a four dial set up placed centrally on the dash. With a nod to modernity, it was fitted with central locking and connectivity, but you wouldn't know it. Great car. I

will leave it there. So, if you weren't able to come along this month, do try next time, if only for the breakfast.

Neil Shanley

BATTLESBRIDGE MAY 2018

Our first main show of the year was of course, the Classic Car Show at Battlesbridge. The event was well supported by members, although on the day a few members were unable to attend due to various

reasons. However, with the support of the organiser, Jim Gallie, these spaces were filled with other Jaguars. Friday was set aside for marking 25 bays for the cars and the gazebo, as well as a space for Grange Motors who had indicated they would endeavour to bring along the 'new' Jaguar E-Pace. Initially, the size of the plot for our stand was set to previous shows, but it was increased due to some clubs pulling out at the last minute. If this was as a result of the weather forecast, I can understand, as the few days before the event the prediction was rain from 2pm on Saturday to midday on Sunday. On Saturday morning, a number of members assisted with the erection of the club stand, which was before the rain was forecast and appeared. Right up to the late evening, the forecast was still indicating a wet



Sunday morning. However, waking up at 4am Sunday morning, I was astonished to find that no rain was now indicated, just slightly overcast! A result which was quickly e-mailed to all members attending. By 09:30am all members cars were in place and looking grand with the saloons along one side with the gazebo and E-Pace proudly on display and with the sports cars opposite. A number of first time participants from the club proudly displayed their pride and joys, polished and gleaming in the daylight. In the afternoon they sparkled when the sun in fact did come out.

The show attracted many visitors to the stand, which was assisted by the display of the E-Pace and we managed to sign up 6 new members! A lot of old acquaintances were made and conversations relating to members Jaguars were had. Everyone enjoyed the day. The finalé to an excellent day was being awarded the "Best Stand of The Show" trophy! Having checked the previous club trophies it would appear that our last award for "Best Stand of the Show" was back in 2014!! Well done to all members that made this possible and for Colin Cooper and his Mark II who agreed to represent the club in the Awards ring.





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21 November 2017

What can I say. I was resigned to getting my car re sprayed as the paintwork was well, tired to say the least. But Mario convinced me he could rejuvenate it. I'll admit I had reservations but boy, did these guys do a fantastic job! If you flick through the posts you'll see my red Capri. What a transformation. I cannot recommend these guys highly enough! The time they have taken into getting me to love my car again is phenomenal! Thank you so much!

Richard Noble

4 January 2018

Excellent job on my XK. An 11 year old car now looks like better than when it was new!

Lee Browring

6 January 2018

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MONTH	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
JUN	TUES	5th	8pm	Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club Visiting speaker Patch Jobson, Regional Manager National JEC.
JUN	SUN	17th	ТВА	Blackwater Country Show Donation of just £5 per car required. Please contact Mary Monk at mary_monk53@hotmail.com See list of events on page 3 of this newsletter.
JUL	SUN	1 st	8am	Maldon Motor Show - Contact Bob Cain for passes at cain451@btinternet.com
JUL	TUES	3 rd	8pm	Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
JUL	SUN	15 th	10am	Hatfield House Guided Tour Meet up at Grange Motors at Brentwood to travel to Hatfield House. Entry fee £16 pp. Payment needed by July club night. Contact Doug Warren dwarren169@btinternet.com
JUL	SUN	29 th	9am	Ingatestone Classic Car Show. Donation required for charity of £6 per car. Contact Richard Gibby for tickets. Limited space. E-mail rwgibby@gmail.com
JUL/ AUG	TBA	TBA	TBA	Beadles Jaguar Southend New premises launch. B148 W Mayne opposite Toomey's Motor Village, Rochford.
AUG	SUN	5 th	TBA	DeHaviland Aircraft Museum Being arranged. Details to follow.
AUG	TUES	7^{th}	8pm	Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
AUG	SUN	19 th	9am	Hyde Hall Motor Show with the JDC Various car clubs will be attending this now annual event. Free entry arranged. Passes will be issued nearer the time. Contact Doug Warren at dwarren169@btinternet.com
SEPT	SUN	2 nd	TBA	Classics by the Lake. Bury St. Edmonds. Further details nearer the time.
NATIONAL EVENTS			NTS	2018
JUN	SAT/ SUN	23rd/ 24th	10am	Classic & Sportscar & Flywheel Show - Bicester https://classicsportscarshow.seetickets.com/tour/the-classic-sports-carshow Book directly.
JUN/ JUL	Fri/ Sun	29 th / 1 st	TBA	Jaguar Summer Festival 2018 See details at:https://jec.org.uk/events/jaguar-summer-festival-2018
JUL	Sun	28 th	9am	Simply Jaguars at Beaulieu Motor Museum, Beaulieu, Hants. An event for Jaguars of every age. Book tickets in advance at https://www.beaulieu.co.uk/simply-jaguar-2018
JUL	Fri/ Sun	20 th / 22 nd	ТВА	Silverstone Classic 2018 . See details at: https://jec.org.uk/events/silverstone-classic-2018

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