CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Hello All,

We still have spaces available for our lunch on 'Drive-It-Day', on Sunday 28th April. The day will start by meeting at North Weald Airdrome, followed by a scenic drive to "*The Forties Experience Museum*," Bushey.

We will then lunch at The College Arms, Hertford Heath SG13 7PW. Members will be able attend any or all parts of the day as they wish. Please contact Mary Monk to put your name down for the parts of the day you wish to attend. Menu choices will need to be given by the latest Friday 12th April.

If you are thinking of attending the Silverstone Classic 26/27/28 July, you can still book Early Bird tickets for 1,2 or 3 days, until the 31st March. See their website for details.

With the weather now improving, hopefully you will be out and about in your Jaguars. Please remember to take any photographs which you think might be suitable for our webpage. We will be using some of these photographs in next years club calendar and we will be giving prizes for the best photographs at our December club night.

We would be pleased to hear of any garages, parts suppliers or car related services etc, that you have had a good experience with that we can list for our members to use in the future.

I would like to welcome the following recent new members to our region;

Mr Anthony Brady, Mr James Hughes, Mr Robert Hutchinson.

We hope you enjoy the Club, and we look forward to seeing you and your cars at the shows and events this year.

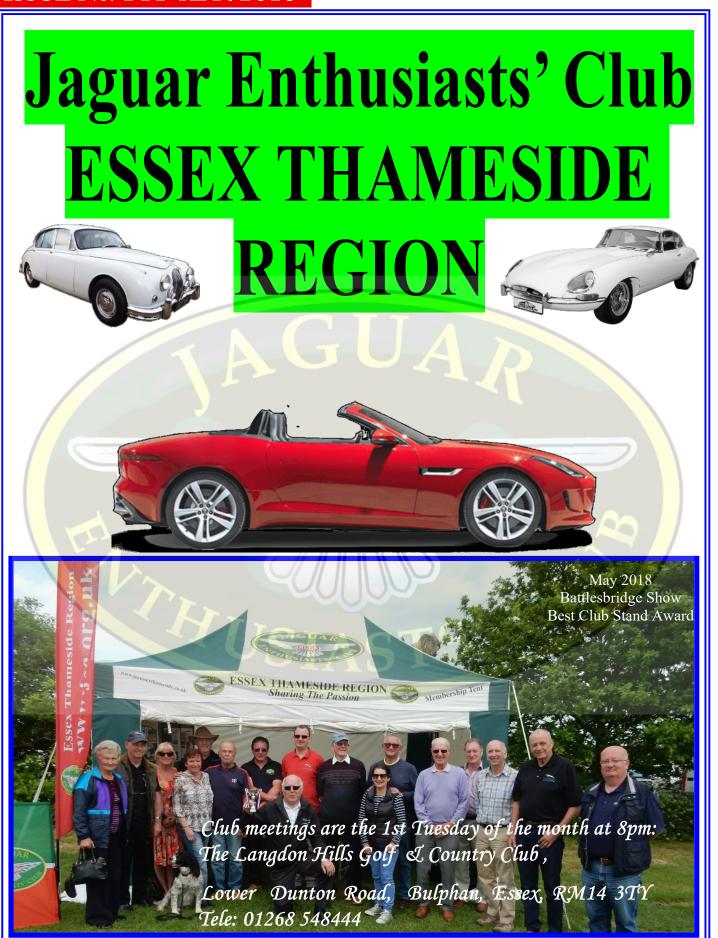
I look forward to seeing many of you at our next club night on Tuesday 5th April at 8pm, when we will be holding our region's AGM with the election of the committee.

Happy motoring.

Regards

Graham Cook

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JAGUAR XJ8 HEADLINING

As some members may be aware, I added to my collection of one Jaguar XK8 with a XJ8 3.2L V8, both coloured Seafrost. My latest edition, my XJ8, had a number of items needed to be rectified which I have done, on the whole, by myself. The car is now road legal and running as sweetly as a nut. Two major items were in need of addressing, one of which was the renewing of the headlining, the other is a paint work tidy up which is planned for March. A common problem with a lot of Jaguars, is the dropping down of the headlining. Over time the glue deteriorates and the headlining drops down inside the cabin area. Surfing the net, I looked at various Jaguar forums and specialist headlining companies, but were put off by some poor reviews appertaining to a lot of these so called specialist companies. I then came across a company called Q-Trim which conveniently is located 10 minutes away from my home in Galleywood. I went over to see the owner, Sebastian Bodera, at his workshop in West Hanningfield Road, Great Baddow. After lengthy discussion and the reassurance that he had undertaken a few of these Jaguars with this problem, I arranged





for him to replace the headlining. However, he is well booked up, as I had to wait 3 months before he could fit me in, but it was well worth it! He did a fantastic job for just £320. You can see from the pictures how good it has come up. If you are considering having your headlining replaced, I would certainly recommend his work and he can be contacted on Tele: 01245 917821 Mobile: 07927192266 www.qtrimessex.uk www.facebook.com/LeatherInteriors/

Members are welcome to see the finished work at either any club night or at attended shows this year. Doug Wannen

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CLUB BANNER FOR 2019

This year is the 60th Anniversary of the Jaguar MK 2. Released in October 1959, it replaced the Mk I which had been in existence since 1955. The production of the Mark 2 was as follows: 83,976 produced between 1959 and 1967, split as follows:

2.4 litre - 25,173,

3.4 litre - 28,666,

3.8 litre - 30,141.

The Mark 2 gained a reputation as a capable car among criminals and law enforcement alike; the 3.8 litre model being particularly fast with its 220 bhp (164 kW) engine driving the car from 0-60 mph (97 km/h) in 8.5 seconds and to a top speed of 125 mph (201 km/h) with enough room for five adults. Popular as getaway cars, they were also employed by the police to patrol British motorways. The Mark 2 is also well known as the car driven by fictional TV detective Inspector Morse played by the late John Thaw.

As a result of this celebration, it was decided to mark the occasion with a club banner. I spoke to Gavin, my son in law, who has the contact and machines to produce us some prints. I obtained three of our club MK 2 pictures with thanks to Neil and Richard and had them reproduced onto banner material. We were able to call in a few favours and had the benefit of working on each

photograph painstakingly removing windscreen and bodywork reflections.

Sometime later we had the images printed onto this year's banner for a once only deal for which no doubt we are grateful for Gavin's efforts.

Having looked at the quality of the banner this got me to thinking that I wouldn't mind a picture of my pride and joy up in the garage and also whether others would like a print or two of their favourite. I discussed the idea with Gavin re pictures, materials, pricing, etc., and how we could get the product out to the public. Thus, and I make no apology for the sell, a new company has been born, called "BHP Visuals". Hopefully members will find us on the internet at www.bhpvisuals.co.uk

We have a selection of multi choice materials such as banner material, poster paper, flag material with rope and rod and rigid foamex board all on multi print sizes.

Personally, I have just ordered up a huge 1500mm x 900mm print of the Series 1 XJ6 onto a rigid Foamex board which I hope to bring to the next meeting. (cost only £86)

The website is all inclusive you can post your picture, pay and it will be delivered or can be collected. There's examples of Garage Art, Flags, Banners, Stowaway Outdoor Displays and more, including types of material and cost. The prices are very competitive - *unbeatable* - all you have to do is give us a photograph or I can take one for you. A 1500mm x 1000mm print ranges from £36 to £86 or a slightly smaller print of 1200mm x 800mm is from £23 to £55. Check it out! Contributed by *Vaughn High*

















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- 7. A chance to be entertained! Evening performances from The Swingettes and BBC Strictly Come Dancing singer Tommy Blaize.
- 8. Great food. Whether you opt for the barbecue on Friday, the three-course gala dinner on the Saturday or just discover the cafe's on the estate there is plenty for all.
- 9. Learn from Dave Marks. With another of his amazingly informative seminars on the Jaguar compact saloons like the MK2.
- 10. Stunning location and bargain entry fee! Normally, you would be paying around £27 per person to gain access to Blenheim Palace's house, park and gardens. But with our advanced ticket discounts, you get access to all that plus the packed day of Jaguar attractions for just £32 per car, with up to 5 people on board.

Book now at: https://events.jec.org.uk/events/jaguar-festival-2019-at-blenheim-palace#booking



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Friday Morning - P&O Ferry or Eurotunnel crossings depart the UK (other crossings available). There will be complimentary tea/coffee served in the lounge area on the 'main P&O Ferry crossings' from Dover to Calais and Scenic & Continental Car Tours representatives will be on board to welcome you. After disembarkation you have the choice of making your way to our exclusive pre-Laon car display in Bethune, or enjoying the drive at leisure to make your way through Northern France to Laon and your chosen hotel.

Saturday - On Saturday the fun begins as all of the participants make their way to Parc Foch, the registration point for the weekends events. It's here you'll collect your route books for today's drive, your rally plate and details for Sunday's Parade (details tbc).

Sunday - This morning, all of the participating cars will 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.

10h00 - Cars assemble at their designated meeting point. 11h00 - Safety briefing.

14h00 - 17h30 - Closed Street Parade - Cars will be directed by the marshals to join the Closed Street Parade which links the lower town and upper town routes. 18h00 - Closing Ceremony - in the Town Hall.

Monday - 08h30-09h00 - Check-in for the Optional Monday Run - Cars that have pre-booked to participate in today's morning run assemble at the designated meeting point to collect their road book. Please note: lunch is NOT included.

For those who choose not to participate in the Monday Run, the day is at leisure to make your way back to your port of departure for your sailing back to the UK.

What's Included:

- Return P&O Ferry Crossing from Dover to Calais (other crossings available on request)
- 3 Nights Hotel Accommodation see hotel choices
- Buffet Breakfast each Morning
- Annual Friday Car Display en-route to Laon
- Entry Fee to the 2019 Laon Historique
- Participation in Saturday Rally including light-lunch
- Participation in Sunday 'Closed Street Parade'
- Optional Participation in Monday Morning Run
- Commemorative Tour Rally Plate

Please note: All of the times and arrangements above are subject to change.

All prices are per person and based on 2 persons in a car/sharing a twin/double room and include:

Entry package to the 2019 Laon Historique for 1 car and 2 passengers.

Additional passengers in the car will be charged £10.00 per person.

Prices are based on an 'up to 5 day return' ferry crossing with P&O Ferries.

Some members have already booked for this trip, so if you haven't done so yet, you will need to as there are limited hotel rooms left. Come and join in the fun by making a booking via: www.sceniccartours.com/laon-2019-dp/4594309750



JEC ESSEX THAMESIDE REGION

Arrangements for Drive-It-Day have now been made. We will start by meeting 08:45/09:00 Sunday 28th April at 'North Weald Airfield', Merlin Way, North Weald Basset, Epping CM16 6HR.

Entrance is free. Other car clubs will also be meeting here, so there should be other cars to view.

To set yourselves up for the day you will be able to purchase hot drinks and breakfast if you wish at 'The Squadron'. At 09:45/10.00 we will depart the airfield and have a leisurely drive along the A414 to 'The Forties Experience', Bushey Hall Drive, Bushey. Herts WD23 2ES. (www.lincolnsfields.co.uk)

The drive should take just over the hour. Entrance cost £5.00 adults, £3.00 seniors.

You will be able to purchase light refreshments such as hot drinks and cakes in the NAAFI cafe.

We will depart from the museum around 13:00 and for those wishing to eat we have reserved a seating area at 'The College Arms', 40 London Road, Hertford Heath, Herts SG13 7PW

The cost of a 2 course meal is around £25.00 per head. The actual menu is currently being set, which will be forwarded to members when we receive it. There is seating for a maximum of 40 people.

We will be taking a ${f \pm}10$ deposit per person for the meal, which can be paid to Richard Gibby at club night or cheques sent to Mary Monk. To put your name down and book your places please contact Mary Monk, email: mary_monk53@hotmail.com mobile: 07597 766508

Members can join us at the museum if they prefer, and the restaurant is optional.





Can't make Drive it Day?

Sunday April 28th is National Drive It Day, but not everyone can make it out on that day, so why not make it the Saturday 27th instead and take advantage of the invitation to visit the largest Jaguar toy box you will see this year. National JEC members have an exclusive invitation to visit the Jaguar Classic Works. Normally there is a charge of nearly £50 pp to have the tour of the workshop, so visiting them on their exclusive breakfast meet will be a bonus. To register your interest, e-mail: info@classic.jaguar.co.uk and use Jaguar Land Rover Breakfast Club as the title of the email. Supply your name and number of cars attending. They will then let you know if you are successful, as there are limited parking places.

The whole facility will be open allowing you the ability to have a look around this fantastic facility purely designed to look after the classic line of Jaguar and Landrover. Refreshments will be available to purchase on the day and the Club will be present with the 2019 raffle car.

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| REGIONAL EVENTS / OTHER EVENTS | | | | 2019 |
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| MONTH | DAY | DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
| APR | TUES | 2 nd | 8pm | A.G.M. Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club |
| APR | SUN | 28 th | 8.45am | Drive It Day. A trip has been arranged to visit 'The Forties Experience', Bushey Hall Drive, Bushey. Herts. Prior to this we will be meeting at North Weald Aerodrome between 8.45am and 9.15am. Lunch has been arranged. See details in newsletter for details. |
| MAY | SUN | 5 th | ТВА | Rickinghall Playing Field. (between Diss and Bury St Edmunds). Craft fair in the village hall. Held by the Essex & Suffolk region. Our region will attend and supporting them. More details to follow. |
| MAY | TUES | 7 th | 8pm | Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club |
| MAY | SAT | 25 th | TBA | Paper Mill Boat Trip - FULLY BOOKED 3 hour boat trip down the River Chelmer, with a cream tea. Cost £20 pp. |
| JUN | SUN | 2 nd | TBA | Thurrock Transport Fayre - Essex & Herts Ambulance fund raiser. Details to follow. |
| JUN | TUES | 4 th | 8pm | Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club |
| JUN | SUN | 23 rd | TBA | Blackwater Country Fayre. Details to follow. |
| JUL | TUES | 2 nd | 8pm | Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club |
| JUL | SUN | 7 th | TBA | Maldon Motor Show. "Classics on the Promenade" in Promenade Park, Maldon You will find vintage, classic and sports cars along with military and commercial vehicles. Essex Thameside will have a stand at this show. Details to follow. |
| JUL | SUN | 14 th | ТВА | The Orsett Classic Car Show. The event for lovers of classic and vintage cars, bikes, scooters and trucks. There is also a large vintage market and great live music. There will be hundreds of vehicles as well as 50 vintage and trade stalls. Now in it's 5th year. This is an event for the true vintage enthusiast. Details to follow. |
| NATIONAL EVENTS 2019 | | | | |
| APR | SAT | 27 th | 9-11 am | Jaguar Classic Works Breakfast Meeting See details in newsletter this month. |
| MAY | FRI/ SUN | 10 th / 12 th | ТВС | Jaguar Festival 2019 at Blenheim Palace More details to follow nearer the time. |
| JUN | SUN | 16 th | ТВС | Jagfest 2019 Organised by the Kent South Region of the Jaguar Enthusiasts' Club and in association with, the National JEC, we welcome all National & International JEC members and owners of any other Jaguar or Daimler car, to join with us for, what promises to be, a very exciting weekend extravaganza, More details nearer the time. |

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