# CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone.

One of our country's favourite subjects for discussion comes to mind, the weather. What lovely hot weather we had over Easter. Let's hope the we have a nice hot summer as well. It is certainly up lifting to be out and about when it is sunny.

'Drive It Day' will be taking place on Sunday 28 April. We have over 50 members expected to attend at the North Weald Airfield meeting point and The Forties Experience Museum, and over 30 people eating at The College Arms. It promises to be a good day. A report on the day will be given next month.

The flagship event this year of the JEC calendar is coming around. Blenheim Place is on the 10-12 May. Over 1,000 Jaguars are expected to attend. There will be a display of Concours cars, and a parade. I expect most members who attend will do so for the Sunday only, with a £32 cost for 1 car and up to 5 people, which also includes access to the house and gardens. I would like to hear of members who are attending please.

Back in the day when I was at school, I visited the London Motor Show and came away with a brochure on my favorite car at the show, the Jaguar XJS. Since that day I have wanted to buy one. Well I finally treated myself and bought one, a Red 1988 Coupe. It certainly drives differently to my XK8, but it puts the same smile on my face when I drive it. The same feeling I am sure you have when you drive your Jaguars. Whilst I thought it would be very unlikely that my car would be chosen, I put my XJS up for the parade in the Jagfest being held by the Kent South Region on the 16th June at Hole Park, Cranbrook, Kent TN17 4JA. To my surprise I have another smile on my face, as my car has been chosen to drive in the parade for the XJS 6 cylinder model. The event looks to be an

excellent one. Have a look at the website if you are interested in attending. We be meeting at Lakeside Services for a drive to the show, further details will be given closer to the time. Please drop me a line if

your are attending as I need to give an idea of numbers to the organisers.

Our next club night will be Tuesday 7th May at Langdon Hills Golf Club. Now that we have the lighter nights, I hope you will be able to take your Jaguars for a drive and join us for the meeting.

## Graham Cook

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Club meetings are the 1st Tuesday of the month at 8pm: The Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club, Lower Dunton Road, Bulphan, Essex, RM14 3TY Tele: 01268 548444

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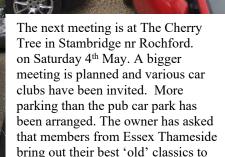
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# THE HARE BREAKFAST MEET-APRIL 2019

The breakfast meetings at The Hare at Roxwell began in earnest on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April. The car park was full way before 9.00am, the official opening of the pub. Again, coffee and Danish were made available to all the petrolheads that turned up, and there were many. Members from Essex Thameside were there in their numbers, some that hadn't been before too. They were surprised with the collection of new and old classics that had turned up. Supercars, such as McLarens, Ferraris, Aston Martins, Lamborghinis and Porsches were there in their numbers, along with quite a number of Americana with Ford Mustangs prominent amongst those present. By 9.30am the car park was full and

late comers were unable to get in to display their cars and some decided to park on the opposite verge - not recommended. The event is getting very popular nowadays and anyone wishing to attend will need to arrive early - by 8am!



show off as well as your 'modern' classics as other Clubs will be doing the same. If you have an old 'D' Type or SS100, then please bring it along. It will be greatly appreciated. However, we need to know how many members will attend as space will be allocated for our club members in a specific space. Therefore please call Doug Warren (07788637057) or e-mail (dwarren169 @Btinternet.com) by April 29th in order that space can be reserved.



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The photographs show our current range of Club Clothing. They are available in a choice of five different logos including Daimler. Colours are restricted on some items, please advise your colour choice prior to order. We may be able to supply other types of clothing, please ask. Pricing for this year has not been established but we are working on this. Previous editions of our 2017 and 2018 Newsletters provide more detail. Eg: sizes and makes.

If you are interested in any item, please email Neil Shanley: neilshanley@btinternet.com













Esses and Suffalk Borders - Pickinghall Show

Essex and Suffolk Borders Region are organising a Car Show and Craft Fair to be held on Sunday 5th May. The location is Rickinghall Village Hall, Hinderclay Road, Rickinghall, Suffolk IP22 1HD. The village is just off the A143 Bury St Edmunds to Diss road.

There was a car show here for many years, and then a model railway exhibition took over for ten years. This has now run its course, and two members of the JEC in the village were asked if a car show could be set up again.

There will be classic cars from various clubs on the field, several trade stands and charities, and a craft fair in the village hall. There will be food available for purchase, plus a coffee stall, ice cream van and a licensed bar in the hall, run by The Bell, a local hostelry.

Visitors will be able to vote for the car they would most like to take home; the Public Choice. The show will be open to the public from 10 to 4, and admission and parking will be just £5 per car, or £1 for pedestrians. There will be **no charge** for clubs or individuals showing their cars, but prior booking will be necessary.

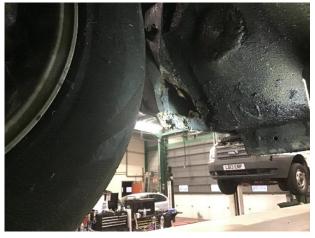
Contact Graham Cook at: cook gm@hotmail.co.uk or mobile 07767 888040

# V812 DCN - THE STORY OF THE ROLLING RESTORATION

In October 2018, I obtained a 1999 Jaguar XJ8 3.2L. It came without history, but showed 57,554 miles. On checking the MOT history, available on the DVLA website, it indicated that the recorded mileage in October 2005 was 38,278. On the face of it, looking at the condition of the car now, it would appear that this was likely to be the genuine mileage. Efforts are being made to confirm this. From December 2008 having now covered just 50,778 to February 2010, it covered a further 6,500 miles. Then from February 2010 to October 2018 it undertook just 258 miles! I suspect a yearly trip to the MOT station was its only journey over these years. On obtaining the car, there were a number of items that needed addressing. The first being the replacing of the alternator, drive belt and a new battery. A Jaguar alternator was indicated at £759! Alternative OE alternator from SNG Barratts was £165.60, a big difference. It transpired that this was a Denso make alternator, which Jaguar fit anyway. A five year warranted battery from Halford costs a further £132. A drive belt finished off the expense at £23. However, as there was no service history, I decided to undertake a full service, including, renewing spark plugs, air, fuel and petrol filters,

Having checked over the car for any other parts needed, I then replaced the front brake calipers, bumper stops, a coil pack, fuel pressure regulator, oxygen sensor, inner tie rod, thermostat and water pump which accounted for a further £350 of expense. Three tyres on the vehicle were indicated as being made in 2007 and the other one was an original -1999!! Although plenty of tread, cracking was beginning to show so I changed them all for less than £200. Whilst not a premium brand - Alpha Accelera - they turned out to be better than most on noise, wet

driving and braking.





My final expense was to have the car resprayed and welded as there was rust with holes behind the front wheels arches as shown in these pictures.

The bodywork on the whole was in good condition, although at some stage all bumper edges had been scrapped and touched up badly. There were a number of other paint imperfections around the car, so a full respray was needed. This was undertaken by Spray Shack of Braintree. They had the car for two weeks and cut out the rust and welded new metal into the areas shown above. They also removed the

bumpers, both front and back spray the bumpers off the car. bottom of the rear window





in order to rub down and There was a little rust at the which needed sorting.





This rust required the rear window to be removed so that the problem area could be dealt with to prevent it returning. It was also starting to occur on the offside too. The picture on the left shows the rust bubbles and the picture on the right shows it repaired.

However, I have just one issue to address. While undertaking the respray, the rear XJ8 boot badge broke and I needed to get a replacement. Attending the recent International Jaguar Spares Day at Stoneleigh, I failed to find one. However, as a temporary measure I did obtained a XJ8 "Sports" badge which fits. This will suffice until I can obtain the correct one.

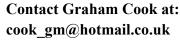
As indicated in last month's newsletter, the headlining was also addressed, so the end result is a near perfect 20 year old car.

\*\*Doug Warren\*\*



# FORTH COMING EVENTS







The Blackwater Country Show has established itself as one of the most enjoyable family events in the Essex calendar. Situated within a picturesque setting, with two well maintained lakes, it offers a wonderful day out.

The Show is organised by a dedicated team who work throughout the year developing ideas and managing and coordinating the various areas of the show. The show promotes the countryside and countryside pursuits and is an exciting, learning and interactive experience for everyone. Many areas of the Show are about The Great Outdoors, taking part, getting active and having fun! Be inspired by the wealth of activities, demonstrations and attractions that we have on the day.

Each year the Show donates to the Essex Air Ambulance and also to a chosen local club, charity or group.

Contact Mary Monk at mary monk53@hotmail.com

# CHELMSFORD 15 - 16 JUNE Presents Presents THE THE THE THE TOTAL TOTAL

Although this show on at the same dates as the Kent Fest which the club is attending on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June, any members are welcome to book this show on the Saturday if you want to make it a fun filled weekend. Please book directly for tickets: See details at link: https://motorshowevents.com/ fathers-day-motor-fest/

# CHRISTMAS DINNERDANCE

To all members,

Our Annual Dinner Dance, shared with our neighbours, the Essex & Suffolk Borders Region, is now being organised. This year's venue will be at the Marks Tey Hotel near Colchester, as on previous years. There will be; a three course meal, wine on the table, entertainment - including our ever popular singer - and more.

Accommodation overnight and breakfast in the morning is included. The hotel does have a swimming pool and steam/sauna rooms for those who wish to limber up before the main event. I can recommend it.

There will be a theme this year, so not simply Black Tie. The theme is a Venetian Ball.... and masks are mandatory. The cost is £187.50 per couple. Payment of a deposit of £50 per couple will be required by 30th June, 2019 with payment of the balance no later than 30th September, 2019.

This event is very popular and we have been allocated 40 number places i.e. 20 number couples, so please advise your interest at your earliest convenience to neilshanley@btinternet.com. Your places will be confirmed upon receipt of your deposit. This can be paid via the Club's Direct Debit Scheme, or by cheque made payable to JEC Essex Thameside Region and posted to Richard Gibby or Neil Shanley. (addresses below). You may also pay by cash at Club Night, but be mindful of the deadlines.

Oh, please put the date in your diary....Saturday 23rd November 2019.

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# Client Feedback

Richard Noble - 4th Jan 2018 Excellent job on my XK An 11 year old car looks better than when it was new!

Lee Browning 6th Jan 2018 Highly recommended, amazinh work, You need to see it to believe it. Blown away with the final result.

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REGIONAL EVENTS / OTHER EVENTS				2019
MONTH	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
MAY	SAT	4th	9am	The Cherry Tree Breakfast Meet Special. See details in this newsletter.
MAY	SUN	5 <sup>th</sup>	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. Details will be sent separately by Chairman.
MAY	TUES	7 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
MAY	SAT	25 <sup>th</sup>	TBA	Paper Mill Boat Trip - 3 hour boat trip down the River Chelmer, with a cream tea. Cost £20 pp.
JUN	SUN	2 <sup>nd</sup>	9am	Thurrock Transport Fayre - Essex & Herts Ambulance fund raiser. Details to follow.
JUN	TUES	4 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
JUN	SUN	23 <sup>rd</sup>	TBA	Blackwater Country Fayre. Details to follow.
JUL	TUES	2 <sup>nd</sup>	8pm	Club Night Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
JUL	SUN	7 <sup>th</sup>	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 <sup>th</sup>	10am	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 on Page 8.
NATIONAL EVENTS			NTS	2019
MAY	FRI/ SUN	10 <sup>th</sup> / 12 <sup>th</sup>	8am	Jaguar Festival 2019 at Blenheim Palace Blenheim Place gets set to be invaded by Jaguars. The price of entry for Club members is outstanding value as allows access to the event as well as the spectacular house and gardens. On the day we will be running some of your favourites, such as Meguiars Pride & Joy & Concours competition, a long parade on the Palace's private roads, plus guest interviews and much much more. Essex Thameside will have our own pitch with Event Shelter, so o participate in the club stand, please contact Graham Cook at cook_gm@hotmail.co.uk or by phone on 07767 888040 See details at link: https://events.jec.org.uk/events/jaguar-festival-2019-at-blenheim-palace
JUN	SUN	16 <sup>th</sup>	8am	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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\*Touch Pro Duo is a standard feature on 20MY XE HSE and XE HSE Dynamic. \*\*All in-car features should be used by drivers only when safe for them to do so. Drivers must ensure they are in full control of their vehicle at all times.