

# CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

*Hello Essex Thameside Members,  
welcome to our October newsletter.*

The car show season is drawing to an end. We managed to attend a full calendar of shows and events during the spring and summer. The summer seems to have shot by and autumn is upon us. Fortunately we still experienced some hot days in the last month.



Our committee has started to commence scheduling our list of shows and events for next year's season. We will in due course be arranging a Sunday lunch and other events before the end of the year.

During the last month we attended the Barnards Farm Open Day, 'Jaguars at the Castle' at Warwick Castle, and The Warren Classic & Supercar Show. All of these shows were well attended by our members, it was great to see so many of you enjoying yourselves at the shows.

From Friday 8th to Sunday 10th November the Lancaster Insurance Classic Motor Show will be taking place at Birmingham's NEC. The show will display over 3,000 classic & vintage cars and motorbikes across seven halls. Discount codes for show tickets are available from the JEC and various car magazines. I along with some other members have booked hotel rooms to make a weekend of the event.

We would like to remind those attending the Christmas Dinner Dance in November that if you have not yet paid, the balance payment is due now.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our next club night which will be on Tuesday 1st October at Langdon Hills Golf Club. We will be starting this evening earlier at 8pm, with a talk by Emma Airey from Hiscox Vehicle Insurance.

*Graham Cook*

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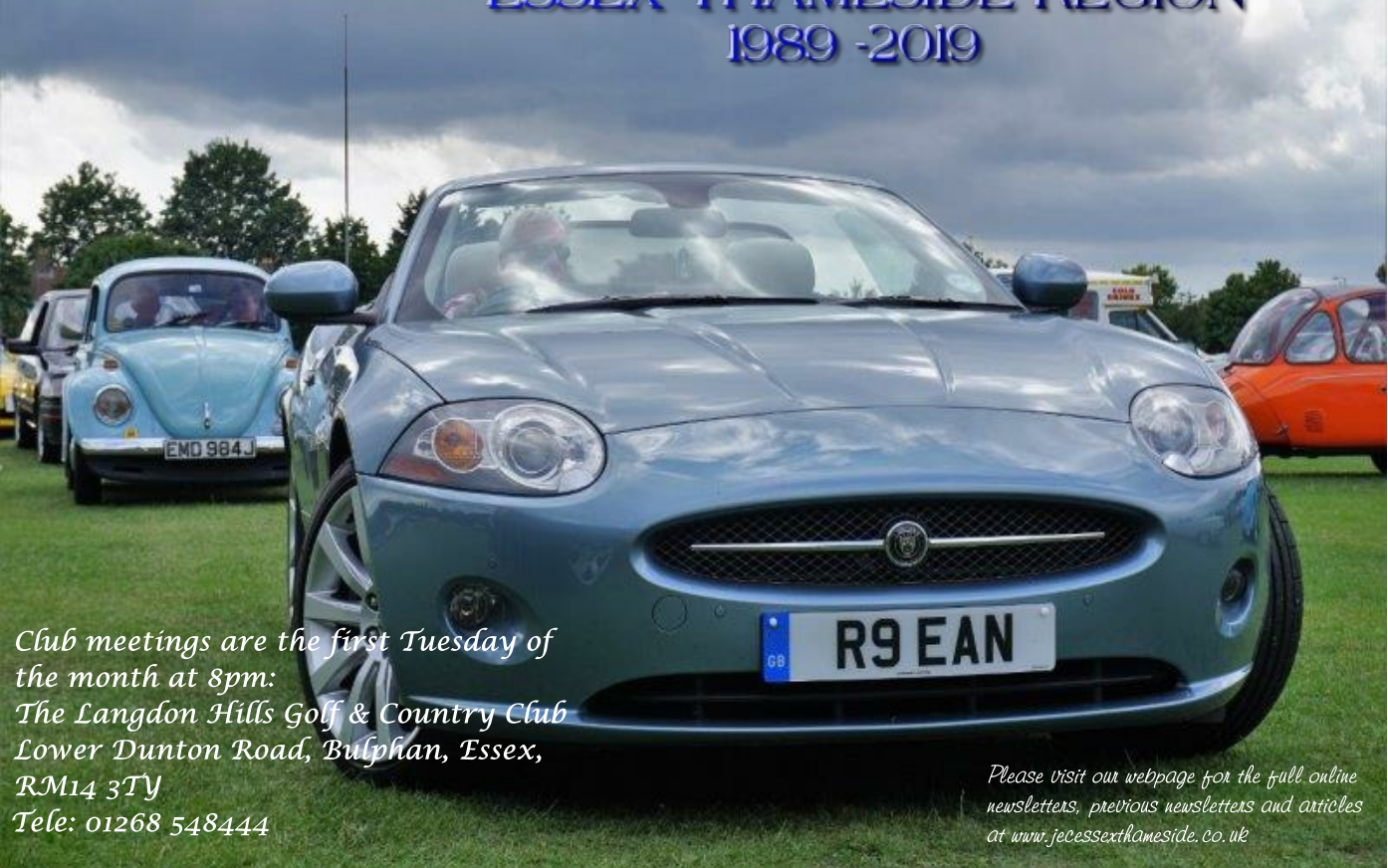
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Jaguar has confirmed the next-generation XJ will be all-electric, issuing a teaser image at the 2019 Frankfurt Motor Show

A sketch of the new car's rear end flashed up on a screen at the company's press conference. The new XJ will be made in the UK at JLR's Castle Bromwich production site, safeguarding thousands of jobs over the next few years.

The picture, which appeared behind CEO Professor Dr. Ralf Speth as he welcomed the world's motoring media to Germany, shows the new XJ will get a full-width LED light bar. It looks as if the new XJ will get a sharper XF-inspired bootlid, with a centrally-mounted badge and Jaguar lettering, too. The image fades to white, disguising the car's left-hand side and much of the overall shape.



Speth said: "Based on our rich knowledge and experience gained from the I-Pace, Formula-E and I-Pace eTROPHY, our engineering team is in full swing to deliver the world's first, full-electric luxury sports saloon. The flagship of Jaguar: the all-new XJ. "The new, all-electric XJ – extraordinarily remastered for the 21st century – will offer spiritual freedom for our customers," he said. "Gliding in elegance, new tranquillity and new functionality, and in full consciousness taking care of the environment."

This news comes just two months after JLR announced the new XJ would be built in the UK, which followed the British manufacturer's pledge to offer electrified options for all its new models from 2020. The new XJ will be the first electric car produced at the brand's re-tooled Castle Bromwich plant, being designed and developed by the same team responsible for Jaguar's all-electric premium SUV, the I-Pace.

Jaguar aims to implement "giga-scale" battery production to support the project, with a new UK-based plant in Hams Hall, North Warwickshire. The facility will be operational by 2020 and aims to produce enough batteries to supply 150,000 electric Jaguar Land Rover models each year.

"If battery production goes out of the UK then automotive production will go out of the UK," Jaguar Land Rover CEO explained. "The battery is 40 per cent of the cost of an electric vehicle - we want to keep this kind of added value inside the UK."

Basing production of the all-electric XJ at Castle Bromwich also makes logistical sense to Jaguar Land Rover, offering easy access to the firm's electric motor manufacturing centre in Wolverhampton. The experience of the plant's current employees (who specialise in working with the XJ's all-aluminium construction) will also prove invaluable.

Switching the XJ to a pure-electric powertrain will also allow Jaguar to steal yet another march on its German rivals, following the success of the I-Pace. That car arrived around a year before Mercedes or Audi managed to get the EQC and e-Tron to market – cars that are based on existing platforms instead of the Jaguar's bespoke electric architecture.

Britain's biggest car maker has suffered a series of setbacks over the past 12 months, forced to axe jobs and investment to boost profits amid dwindling sales due, in part, to JLR's reliance on diesel, which has fallen out of favour with consumers.

The facility at Castle Bromwich will be completely overhauled during the summer. "I am delighted to announce a major electric vehicle offensive to be built at Castle Bromwich," Ralf Speth said "This facility will give us flexibility to develop EVs and hybrid vehicles alongside our diesel cars, giving customers even greater choice."



# Barnards Farm

On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September, 18 members and their partners, met up at Barnards Farm, in West Horndon for their "Special Event" day. The farm covers 22 hectares of gardens and woodlands owned by the Christabella Charitable Trust and Bernard & Sylvia Holmes who live on the site. A significant collection of sculptures (82) is disposed throughout the garden providing some interesting surprises. Many artists and nationalities are represented and the collection includes works by Elizabeth Frink, Jean-Marie Fondacaro, Antony Gormley, Thomas Heatherwick, Nicolas Lavarenne, Bernard Holmes, Charmiane Cox and Monica Young. The site also has its own airfield, car museum, cycle shop, cafe & shop.

The site also contains a miniature railway. The railway was officially opened on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2010 when the first 260m of running track was completed. Since then, volunteers have been working hard to extend the line.

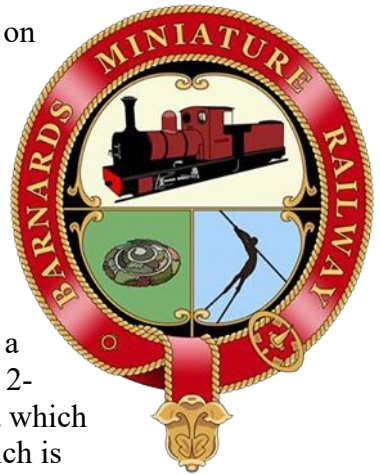
During 2016 more work was undertaken to extend the line to 1.5kms. It now runs, the full circumference of the property with four station stops along the track. Starting at Burton Shaw Station, then three additional stops along the route, which are Belvedere, St. Tooterie Halt & Angel Green.

The main Terminus - Burton Shaw - is located near the on-site airfield where a new station building and toilets have been added. Burton Shaw Terminus is a 2-platform station with 3 tracks. The middle track being the engine release road which allows steam and diesel engines to run round their trains via the turntable which is located at the East end of the Station adjacent to the new signal box and wind pump.

The line is aluminium 7 1/4 inch gauge and has two engine sheds, a carriage shed, a small workshop and a Mess.

They run Steam, Diesel/Hydraulic, Petrol and Electric locos on this track.

As stated before, there is an on-site car museum which houses one of the largest collections of De Dion Boutons, as well as some American and continental cars from the 20's & 30's.






One of the most interesting machines on display - bearing in mind that the current car industry are all heading towards electrification of their cars - was a 1902 Columbia XXXI Electric car. Yes over 100 years ago, they were experimenting with electric cars then.



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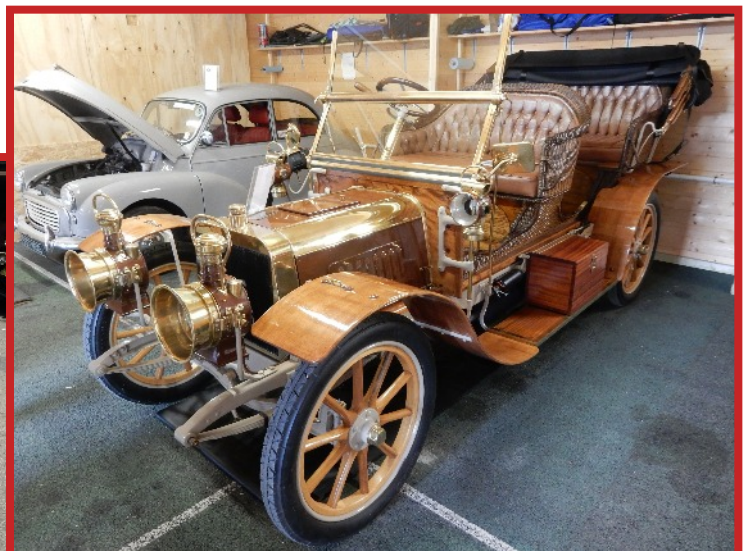


## 1902 Columbia XXXI Electric

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This rare car was one of 47 model types – both hybrid petrol and electric – produced by the Electric Vehicle Company of New York, and manufactured in 1902 by Pope in Hartford, Connecticut. Purchased new by a Mr. Mark Hopkins, the car was later bought by the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn in 1936. Ford then sold this Columbia to a British collector in late 1975, with its current owner acquiring the car in 2017, just in time to successfully complete last year's London to Brighton Run. The Columbia is fully functional and in regular use, having had its batteries replaced on a number of occasions.

There were a number of other cars displayed including a very nicely presented 1949 Bentley and a 1906 Darracq Flying 15 Tourer. This car appeared to be totally made of wood and the seats of wicker. See picture to the right.





The event attracted a large number of visitors, who we assume were there to visit the gardens, as well as visiting the museum and miniature railway. They had the added bonus of seeing a number of individual classic cars, as well as the Mercedes Car Club and JEC Essex Thameside Region members cars. Due to the number of members who turned up for this event, we had to be split our display, as the area allocated was not big enough. Here are a selection of of members cars on display at the Farm.



JAGUAR



# JAGUARS AT THE CASTLE

On Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September, a number of members from JEC Essex Thameside Region attended the yearly gathering of “Jaguars at Warwick Castle”. It was a fine day and brought out hundreds of Jaguars from all over the UK and further afield.

Jaguar Heritage and Jaguar Classics brought along some of their fine Jaguars. One of the ‘stars’ was the Jaguar XKR from the James Bond film “Die Another Day.



was built toward the end of the Cabriolet production. Although the car was offered only as a two seater, this car was specially fitted with rear seats for the young Prince William & Harry. The Princess used this car between 1987 and 1991. It then was handed back to Jaguar and now resides in the Daimler Heritage Collection.



Also on display, was one of Princess Diana's cars she had while married to Prince Charles - A Jaguar XJ-S. This car



Another great looking car on display was the Jaguar Project 7. The F-Type Project 7 is a collectors' edition sports car, which had a limited run of only 250 worldwide. At its launch in 2015/2016 it was the fastest and most powerful Jaguar ever, capable of reaching 60mph in just 3.8 seconds and a top speed of 186mph. Designed by Jaguars Special Vehicle Operations (SVO) team it has one pure purpose – driving pleasure. It was priced at £130k. They are now fetching between £150k to £200k.





Can anyone spot the difference with this Jaguar X-Type that was also on display at Warwick Castle???

This car is unique in the catalogue of X-Types. It is a V6 development car with a supercharged 3.0 litre, petrol engine, six speed gearbox and all wheel drive. It was used for development testing throughout 2004/5 and gifted to the Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust by Jaguar Cars in 2008. The number plate X400 SVO relates to the car's project number 'X400' and SVO is Jaguar's Special Vehicle Operations, who built the car.

Jaguar had released details of the X-Type on 1st November 2000, and unveiled the new car in the metal to an international audience at the Geneva Motor Show in March 2001. The X-Type was the fourth and smallest member of the expanding Jaguar family. It was Jaguar's first entry in the compact sports saloon market and the smallest-engined Jaguar for thirty years, since the classic 2.4 litre models of the 1950s and 1960s.

The X-Type had an innovative technical specification. It was originally fitted with a choice of two AJ-V6 engines developed from the engine already used in the S-Type. Power was 231 bhp / PS (172 kW) for the most powerful 3 litre, giving it a top speed of 146 mph (234 km/h). 2.5 litre and 3.0 litre X-Types featured the Traction-4 full time all-wheel drive system, which offered agile handling and sure-footed road holding. All models were available in Sport and Special Equipment versions.

The new car was built in Jaguar's totally refurbished Halewood plant, located on Merseyside in the north west of England, the result of an investment of £300 million. As the X-Type went into full production, it contributed to a substantial increase in annual sales to over 120,000 cars. After only two years, 100,000 X-Types had been built. With the expanding X-Type range, Jaguar aimed to reach a new and different group of customers.

The original 2.5 litre and 3.0 litre models were followed in 2002 by an even more affordable 2.1 litre front-wheel drive model, still with a V6 engine. During 2003, two further versions were introduced: a four-cylinder 2.0-litre Diesel derivative with Jaguar's first-ever Diesel engine, and an Estate Car which similarly was Jaguar's first production estate, launched at the Frankfurt Motor Show in September 2003.

The supercharged version of the X-Type never made it into production.



# JAGUARS AT WARWICK CASTLE





## INTERNATIONAL JAGUAR SPARES DAY

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MONTH	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
OCT	TUES	1 <sup>st</sup>	8pm	<b>Club Night Speaker Emma Airey from Hiscox Vehicle Insurance will give a talk.</b> At 8pm she will present an overview of their key insurance benefits, followed by a Jaguar themed quiz. Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
OCT	SAT	5 <sup>th</sup>	9am	<b>The Hare Breakfast Meeting -Last meeting of the year</b>
NOV	TUES	5 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	<b>Club Night</b> Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
DEC	Tues	3 <sup>rd</sup>	8pm	<b>Club Night - Xmas Special.</b> Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
REGIONAL EVENTS / OTHER EVENTS				2020
JAN	TUES	7 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	<b>Club Night</b> Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
FEB	TUES	4 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	<b>Club Night</b> Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
MAR	TUES	3 <sup>rd</sup>	8pm	<b>Club Night</b> Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
APR	TUES	7 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	<b>Club Night</b> Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club
NATIONAL EVENTS				2019
OCT	SUN	20 <sup>th</sup>	10am	<b>International Jaguar Spares Day Stoneleigh, Warks.</b> The event consists of over 200 stalls from UK & abroad. Stalls can vary from private collections and garage clearances to replica manufactures & major Jaguar parts suppliers. Many companies having full teams available to answer any questions you may have or to assist in finding a piece you require. Entry fee £10. Pay on the door, not in advance.
NOV	FRI/ SUN	8 <sup>th</sup> / 10 <sup>th</sup>	9am	<b>Lancaster Insurance Classic Motor Show, NEC Birmingham</b> The Lancaster Insurance Classic Motor Show, with Discovery, is the event not to be missed for any classic car owner, collector, enthusiast, car club member or anyone with a general interest in classic cars. The show brings together the world's largest gathering of 300 car and motorcycle clubs with over 3,000 iconic classic and vintage cars and motorbikes on display across seven halls at Birmingham's NEC. <a href="https://www.necclassicmotorshow.com/tickets">https://www.necclassicmotorshow.com/tickets</a>



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