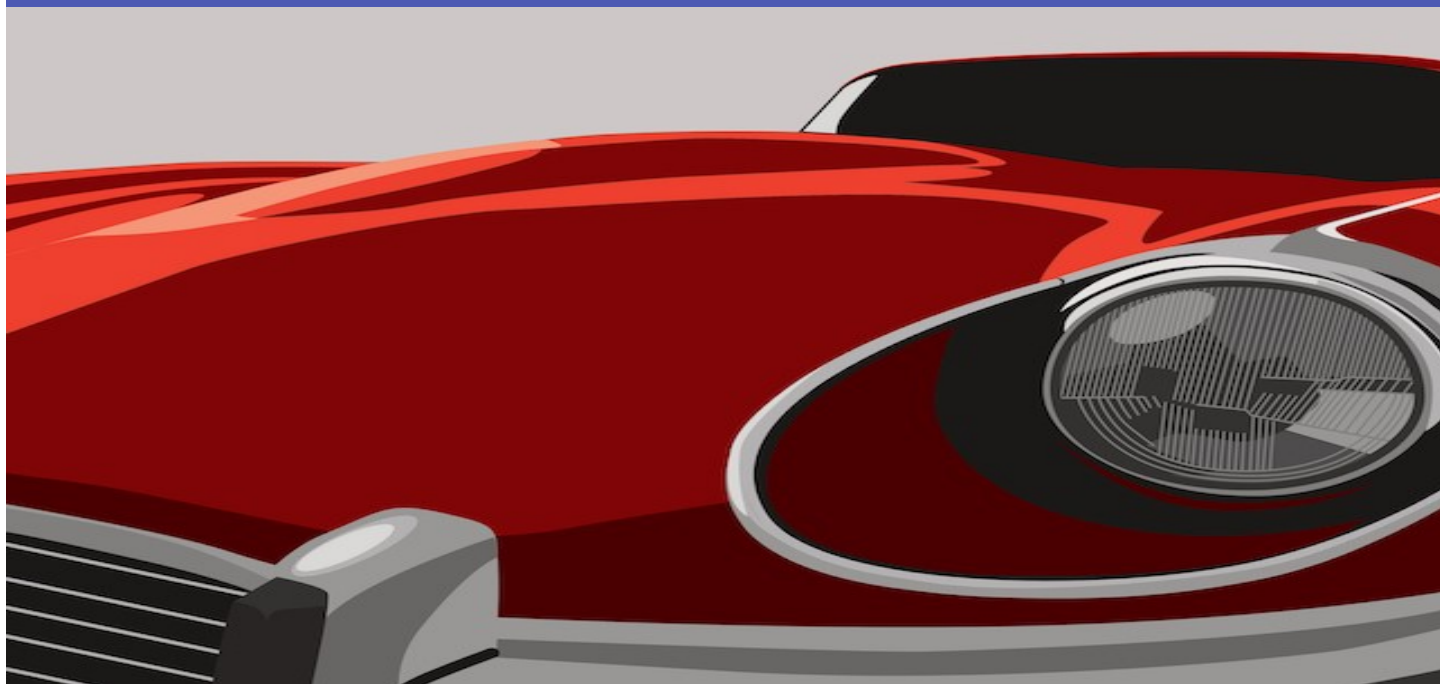


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Chairman's message

Hello Everyone

I hope you are all keeping well in these frustrating and difficult times. The car show season has now just about finished for this year. Whilst we had splendid weather in the Spring and

Summer this year, the car season was somewhat a wet flop due to Covid-19. We did what we could this year, but as we all know Covid-19 is back on the rise again. Let's hope 2021 is a better year for us petrol heads. Drive-It-Day 2021

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is scheduled for Sunday the 25th April, let us hope we will be able to use the day out to kick off next year's car season.

We have received a Regional Update email from Graham Searle of the main JEC. We have printed the full contents of the email on page 3. Whilst Covid-19 remains with us and under such advice from the JEC, we will be postponing our club meets and car events until we are further advised by the main club.

You will remember that Doug Warren entered a photograph of his splendid XK8 convertible to The Garage You Tube competition to be put in a XK8/R 2021 calendar. Doug is pleased to be able to tell us that his car came 6th and will feature in the 2021 calendar. Doug would like to

thank all the members that voted for his car. You can view the cars in the calendar at <https://youtu.be/rilrRf7Zu14>

We have back on the Yesterday TV channel 'Bangers & Cash', the rather amusing new third season of the Mathewson's North York Moors family business which auctions cars and motoring memorabilia. A nice easy to watch show.

Well a nice short message from me this month!

Stay safe and keep those Jaguars in top form.

Graham

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We have received the below email Regional Update from Graham Searle of the Enthusiasts Club. Our region will be following their advice until further notice is given by them

Regional Update!

The Clubs current advice for all Regions is to CANCEL or postpone their monthly meetings and local club events for the foreseeable future, in line with government advice.

Some Regions have been invited back to their normal meeting venue with the promise that they are fully secure in line with current regulations affecting that area.

Whilst that may be so, we wish to remind you of the guidance given on our website:
<https://jec.org.uk/news/2020/coronavirus-guidance-from-the-jaguar-enthusiasts-club>

Those rules, plus any new local ones, still apply and if you as a Region are thinking of going back to your venue, you personally need to ensure a Risk Assessment, Track & Trace etc are in place and remember it is YOU and the Club that will be liable - not the venue, as it will be you, in the Clubs name, inviting your members to attend.

Therefore the Club's advice is not to resume meetings until the situation is under control.

We are all desperate to meet up again and we want to see venues survive and thrive again but not at the risk of a member's life and out of respect for other people that we may come into contact with.

So please think very carefully before accepting or sending any such invitations and protect the Club, yourselves, our members, and the community as a whole.

Members Items For Sale

Members are invited to advertise any item they wish to sell or give away in this section. This is a free service. The club takes no responsibility for the accuracy of the description or condition of the articles advertised.

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The Grandfather Days

The early days -

'Course you wouldn't get away with it now Son'

(As told by Frederick Cooper)

In the late 1930s, Geoff and I had to take out an old kitchen range and replace the range with a fireplace in Rebels Lane, Southchurch. It was the time when I had the Austin Seven and this was used for transporting the plant and materials from the yard in Milton Street, back and forth to the different jobs.

Geoff and I had finished installing the fireplace and the last thing to do was to clear the premises of all the rubbish, which included the old kitchen range.

We loaded the old car up with all our tools, rubbish and the old iron which was destined for Lincolns, the scrap iron merchants in Princes Street Southend.

The poor old car was well loaded down both on the back seats and passenger seat. The larger parts of the range had to be tied onto the back of the car, which meant that the steering was very light, to counteract this phenomenon I told Geoff to sit on the bonnet to balance the weight. We managed to get back to Lincolns in his fashion and sold the scrap iron for a

princely sum of money and then finished unloading at the yard.

"Another days work done! 'Course you wouldn't get away with it now Son."

Written by Colin Cooper in recording my memories and the stories told to him by his family especially his father Fred, and his Uncles, Geoff, Fred and Bill in running and working for the local family building and decorating firm W.J.Cooper & Son.



Caption Competition

We received nine entries for our October Caption Competition. Doug Warren was the chosen the winner by the committee, winning an electric corkscrew with his caption :

"Chris: "Who was that on the phone, Marise?"
Marise: "No one important. Just some man who said it was long distance from Australia, so I told him I knew that already and put the phone down!"

This months photograph by kind permission of Russ Smedley.

Please send your Caption suggestions for this months competition to Graham Cook.
cook_gm@hotmail.co.uk



The entries for the October competition were:

1) "Yippee! they have found a vaccine for Covid 19" (Marise White)

2) " Hurry up and take the photo Neil I'm getting hungry!" (Chris White)

3) " Ground Control to Major Tom, your Jag is dead, there's something wrong, can you hear me Major Tom??" (Ian & Liz Croxson)

4) " 999 Emergency operator "Hello - is the patient breathing?"
Chris "Yes - she is right now, but shortly she may not be..." (Ian & Liz Croxson)

5) " Oh Chris, he's got an 'ology'." (For those that remember the BT ad with Maureen Lipman!!) (Doug Warren)

6) "Please Chris can we get a mobile phone like everyone else?" (Doug Warren)

7) "That's good, apparently eating in a phone box does count as eating outside, we just need to keep the door open" (Graham Cook)

8) "Great, the AA man says he will be with us very shortly" (Graham Cook)

9) "Chris: "Who was that on the phone, Marise?"
Marise: "No one important. Just some man who said it was long distance from Australia, so I told him I knew that already and put the phone down!" (Doug Warren)



Do you have a suitable amusing photograph we could use for a future Caption Competition ?

Thank you to those members for their support. We look forward to your suggestions for this month's competition. The results will be published in the December issue.

Here are the answers to our October quizzes


How well did you do ?

Before They Were Famous

- 1) Vincent Price, 2) Teri Hatcher, 3) Keira Knightley, 4) John F Kennedy, 5) Elvis Presley, 6) Donald Trump, 7) Diane Keaton, 8) Ian McKellen, 9) Amy Winehouse, 10) Harrison Ford, 11) Cher (you should have got this one as we forgot to black out her name!), 12) Jack Nicholson

Movie Car Quiz


- 1) Duel, Dennis Weaver, Chrysler Valiant
 2) Genevieve, John Gregson, Dinah Sheridan, Deracq (1904)
 3) Pink Cadillac, Clint Eastwood, Cadillac Eldorado
 4) To Catch A Thief, Cary Grant, Grace Kelly, Sunbeam Alpine
 5) Blues Brothers, John Belushi, Dan Aykroyd, Dodge Monaco
 6) Smokey And The Bandit, Burt Reynolds, Pontiac Trans Am Firebird
 7) Planes, Trains And Automobiles, John Candy, Steve Martin, Chrysler LeBaron Convertible
 8) The Yellow Rolls Royce, Omar Sharif, Shirley MacLaine, Rolls Royce Phantom II
 9) The Love Bug, Dean Jones, VW Beetle
 Herbie Rides Again, Helen Hayes, "
 Herbie Goes To Monte Carlo, Dean Jones, "
 Herbie Goes Bananas, Charles Martin Smith, "
 Wonderful World Of Disney: The Love Bug, Bruce Campbell, "
 Herbie Fully Loaded, Lindsay Lohan, "
 10) The Spy Who Loved Me, Roger Moore, Barbara Bach, Lotus Esprit



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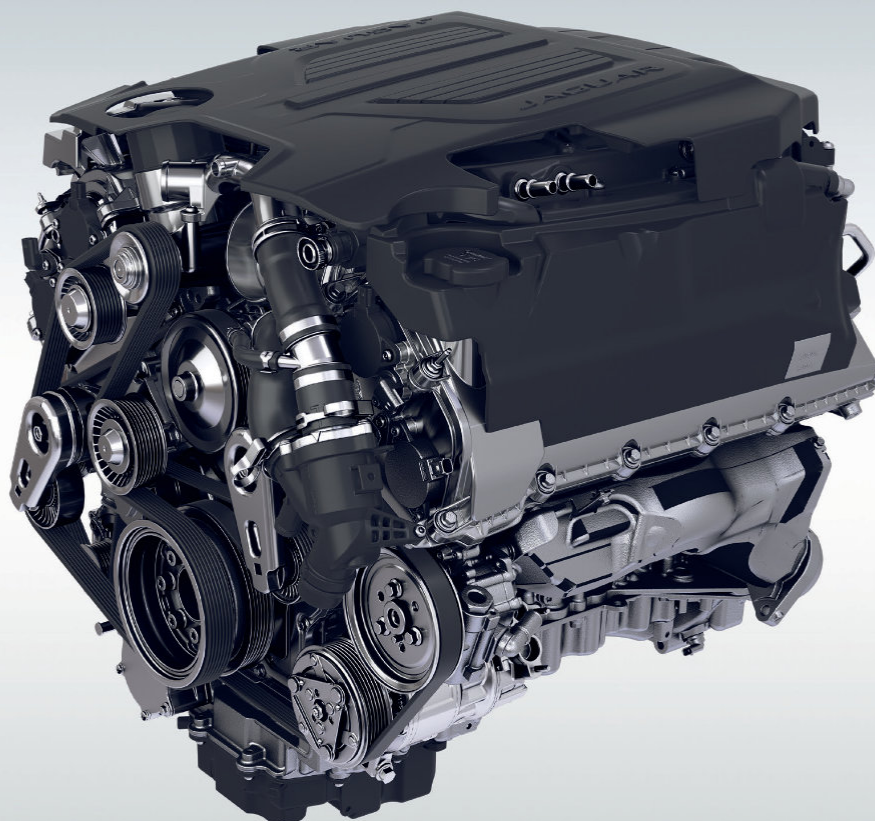
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November Car Quiz - Name The Make And Model



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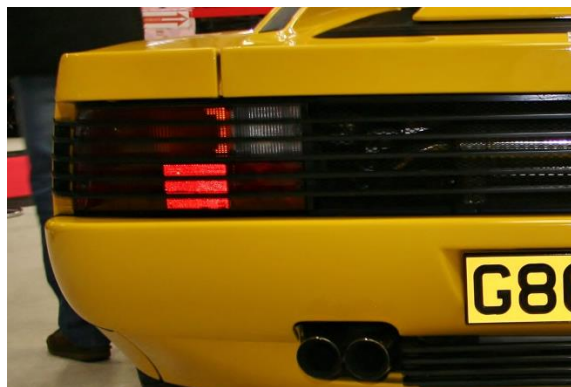


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**We need your support and input.
Please help keep the Newsletter a continuing asset to the Club
by contributing an article.**

In these difficult times why not give yourself a little project and write an article.

It does not need to be long, or indeed about cars, any subject that would be of interest to our members.

If you would prefer to send a draft or an outline, then please do so and we will edit it into an article for inclusion. When sending an article please any photos separately, as this assists us with the publishing.

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BEFORE THEY WERE FAMOUS

Who did these youngsters grow up to be?

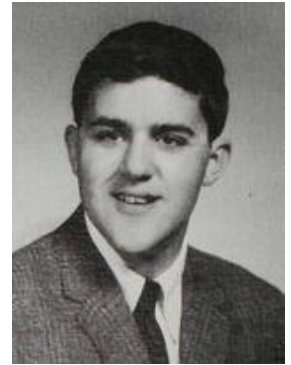
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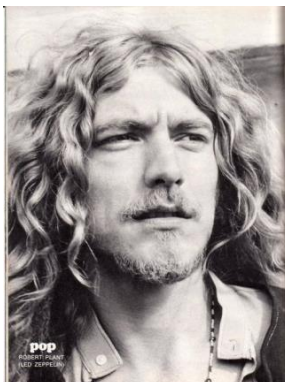
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ESSEX QUIZ

This month we have an Essex quiz for you from our member Mike Hurley.

All the answers relate to Essex.

1. Where was the first Roman capital in Britain ?
2. Where is the oldest wooden church in the world built in 1081 AD ?
3. Great Dunmow is home to the oldest recorded competition in Britain still running today, what are they known as ?
4. The Essex coast is the second longest coastline of any English county.
a. Is it 350 miles long / b. 390 miles long / c. 430 miles long
5. Essex has more islands than any other English county, are there
a. 18 islands / b. 28 islands / c. 35 islands,
6. Southend Pier is the longest pleasure pier in the world. But how long is it ?
7. What is Britain's smallest town?
8. What is the UK's largest village?
9. Where is the largest village green in England covering an area of roughly 43 acres?
10. What Castle has the largest Norman Castle Keep in Europe.
11. In 1920, the first ever radio broadcast featuring Australian Dame Nellie Melba, a famous opera soprano of the time, was made from which town.
12. What Iconic Scottish king was born at Montpelier's Farm in Writtle, near Chelmsford, in 1274 ?
13. Did you know five US presidents hailed from Essex? Can you name 3 of them ?
14. Where is King Harold who died in the Battle of Hastings buried?
15. What sailing Mecca has the distinction of being the only Cinque Port outside Kent and Sussex?
16. In what village was Edward the Confessor's palace located ?
17. Which one of the following people have not lived in Essex ?
a. Richard Madeley – TV presenter / b. Jesy Nelson – member of Little Mix, / c. Billy Ocean – singer / d. Seal (musician) / e. Cary Grant – actor / f. Ian Dury – rock and roll singer / g. Idris Elba – actor / h. Jilly Cooper – world famous novelist
18. Although it's hard to believe at this time of the year, Essex is proudly home to one of the driest locations in Britain. But where is the driest place in Essex?
19. Culturally Essex boasts fame from the likes of John Constable who immortalised the rolling country hills and farmland in his paintings. But where was his iconic Haywain painted?
20. Essex is the wealthiest county in the UK. If it were its own country where would it rank as a world economy.
a. the 53rd largest economy in the world. / b. the 69th largest economy in the world /
c. the 74th largest economy in the world

The answers will be in next months newsletter. Good Luck.