



## Area 57 (Enfield) Newsletter

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#### **ENFIELD PAGEANT OF MOTORING - 29th to 31st May**

The weather gods had mixed blessings for us this year. On Saturday it was pretty wet, although there were still seven cars on our stand. Sunday was definitely the best day, when there was plenty of sunshine although it was very windy - it took about seven of us hanging on to the tent to get it erected. We displayed eighteen cars that day, and Wayne's Austin Swallow took centre stage. It generated a lot of interest, although several people who weren't familiar with the beginnings of Jaguar did wonder why we had an Austin amongst the Jaguars. On Monday the sun never really got through properly but at least it was dry and not so windy. We had eleven cars that day, probably more cars than members as several of them belonged to people who were doing marshalling duties.

The theme in the marquee this year was "The Quest for Speed" and the EDVVT had managed to get some very special vehicles for display; notably a 1933 Napier Ralton from Brooklands which had been John Cobb's record breaking car back in the thirties. A mock up of Bloodhound, the vehicle which will attempt to set a new British Land Speed Record of 1,000 mph in less than 50 seconds was there. It will be driven by Andy Green who set the current record of 763 mph back in 1997. Jools Holland's replica of a gas turbine powered Rover was also on display.

We missed Barb's bacon frying skills but we managed OK. Thanks go to Bobbie, Margot and Loraine who helped me out. After last year's arena muddle we opted out of taking our cars in as, once again, it seemed as if rather a lot were all going in together.

The prize for best club stand went to the Custom Cruisers, but we got commended and were awarded a cheque for £50.



Fewer of us than usual went to the Luton Festival of Transport but the show was extremely well supported and we all felt that there were even more cars than previously. Amongst the Club stands the display of mainly thirties Vauxhalls was particularly impressive.

On the same day the Little Haven hospice had an extra show this year; an auto jumble as well as around two hundred cars. Don't forget their main event on August 15th. Speak to Dick if you need a pass.



#### **XK/XJ WEEKEND - 19th/20th June**

As last year the two Registers combined for their day at the Shuttleworth Collection at Old Warden on the Sunday. The XK Register has always made a weekend of it and we met up with those who had been staying at Shuttleworth college on Friday night at the Stondon Car Museum, which Our Area had visited a few years ago. From there we made the short journey back to Shuttleworth where we were able to park our cars in front of the flying area. The display was to start at 6.30 pm so we had dinner at 5.00. The meal was cooked and served by students of Bedford College and it was very good. There was no dressing up in our glad rags for this dinner as we then walked down to the display area. It was already quite chilly and by the time the display finished at 9 pm it was decidedly cold and we were all well wrapped up.

The majority of the planes were from the thirties and some of them gave a display of flour bombing at a target on the ground.

On Sunday the weather improved considerably after a chilly start but, as we find at so many events, the number of cars attending is less than it used to be. When we first started going to XK Days at Burleigh House there were usually well over sixty XKs, but this time there were only about twenty. France Aliphon was there with his lovely silver XJS and received two awards.



There was another clash of dates as Area 33 were holding their day in conjunction with a big show at Highlands House at Chelmsford. Some of you may not know that Len & Sally have sold their E-type to Keith and Bobbie and it continued it's winning ways by being awarded the Chairman's Trophy.

A couple of weeks earlier Brian K had been to village fete at Datchworth where there were about seventy five cars on display. This is always on the second Saturday in June and he can recommend it for a pleasant afternoon.



The summertime gatherings at The Lordship Arms at Benington have restarted on the second Tuesday of the month.



The EDVVS has been invited to Panshanger Aerodrome on Sunday 11th July. There is no charge but you will need a form from Keith O. This is the day after the Hoddesdon Town Show and they should be sending passes out soon.



Several people have expressed interest in National Day at Althorp on August 1st. We need to see if there is a logical place to meet up for this so we can go in together.



I have been given several dates by Brian and Dick:

July 4th Matching Green  
August 4th and September 19th Croxley Green  
September 4th Buntingford Classic  
September 5th Capel Manor  
September 12th ST Mary's , Bishops Stortford  
September 26th Battlesbridge  
October 2nd /3rd Furneux Pelham  
JDC Classics at Malden have open days on June 27th, July 18th, August 22nd and 3rd October



If anyone is in need of a pass for Classics on the Common at Harpenden on July 28th, Keith W and Eric both have spares.



Unfortunately, the health problems besetting the club continue and our best wishes go to Chris Engeham for a speedy recovery.

