



Area 57 (Enfield) Newsletter

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The Pageant is getting very near now, so if you have not spoken to Eric yet, please get in touch with him as soon as you can (01707 875129). Anyone who is responsible for bringing anything, make sure you bring what we need. Don't forget your mug for tea or coffee. Please be on site by 9am.



If anyone is available to take their car to the Grovelands Park Centenary, have a word with Peter Starling. The dates for this are 18th and 19th of May. Also on 19th are Aston Clinton and Herts Auto Show at Stanborough Lakes. There is supposed to be a large selection of cars, motorbikes and car dealerships all in aid of Make a Wish Charity.



On 1st /2nd June there is a big Steam and Country Show at Oaklands College, St Albans. There should be classic cars as well.



On Saturday 15th June, and new for this year is the "Classics in the Meadow" show at Meadow Park, Borehamwood. Entry forms can be downloaded from the council web site. (See link from the club website calendar.)



I imagine that anyone going to Luton Show will have their passes and we can arrange a meeting place & time at our June club night.



We have been asked by the Red Cross to take some cars to North Mymms Park on 16th June. The Red Cross Open Gardens leaflet mentions that there will be a selection of Jaguars on display so hopefully we can support them again. It was a very relaxing day last year, with most people taking a picnic.



Back in early April the Museum Weekend was based at Aylesbury to take in some of the Midsomer Murders villages and starting with a visit to Waddesden Manor. I understand that an organised magician came on the wrong day but a good time was had by all despite some chilly weather.



We had our second visit to Redcoats Hotel for our Breakfast Run and I think everyone agreed that it was very good, and our table in the conservatory gave us a lovely view over the garden. Douglas and Sally have since been there for a very good lunch.



On 19th April Doug and I met up with Alan and Barb at Peterborough services to go to the Hazlewood Castle hotel just outside Tadcaster in Yorkshire for the XK Spring Weekend. There were plenty of familiar faces and cars. Our rooms were converted buildings looking over a very pleasant courtyard with a rill running through it. Plenty of room to park the cars and sit out in the sunshine. Dinner on Friday was a buffet and then on Saturday morning we set off for a drive of about thirty miles to Saltaire. This is a world heritage site, and at one time was one of the biggest mills in the country. The owner, Titus Salt had the mill built and also a complete village for all his workers as well as a school, church and hospital. We were given a talk about the mill and it's workers in the most entertaining and informative way by a "Victorian mill worker" with a broad Yorkshire accent. She had researched the inhabitants of the village and we were all given laminated bookmarks depicting an actual worker and saw where they lived when we had our walk around the village.

The dinner that night was very good and one of our XK regulars told us about a sailing trip that she and six other "girls" were going to do around the coast of Ireland calling in at as many lifeboat stations as possible in aid of the RNLI. We were all happy to contribute to such a good cause.

The next day we went to an English Heritage house called Brodsworth Hall near Doncaster. Organisers Bob and Lynn did very well to organise a route for us that didn't involve going through Doncaster. After that the weekend finished at a pub where we had all previously made our menu choices. Until we started eating, the noise level was rather like a school playground. We had had some drizzle on Friday morning but after that it was perfect weather..



Thanks to Graham for his article last time; Richard F has told me that he has started on his car ownership history so hopefully he won't be the only one. (*I have received part 1 of Richard's account which I will include at a later date. Roy.*)

