



Area 57 (Enfield) Newsletter

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Monday 17th March- Minutes of the 23rd AGM

Nineteen people, one less than last year, were at the AGM this year and Doug thanked everyone for coming. It was agreed by everyone that the minutes of last year's meeting were taken as read.

Area Rep's Report

In his first report as Area Rep, Doug followed the procedure that Alan always used by giving a run through of the various events that Area members attended throughout 2007. Quite surprisingly, this was around thirty events, despite the miserable summer. This year we had two Breakfast Runs and one Sunday lunch run, all to The Woodman at Nuthampstead. Many of the regular events attended were two Croxley Green shows, Classics On The Common at Harpenden, the Hoddesdon and Buntingford Town Centre Shows, to name but a few. As far as the weather goes, one of the most successful was The Festival of Transport at Luton, a new event for most of us. Also new was the show at Kimbolton organised by the Sporting Bears, definitely one to recommend for this year. The Museum had their usual weekend away in April, this time visiting Portsmouth. The XK Spring Weekend was in the comparatively little known area of Cheshire. The weekend incorporating XK Day was combined with National Day. Our own Club weekend was a return visit to Cricklade in Wiltshire. The charity show near Burnham was enjoyed by those who went and found considerably better weather in the east than the rest of us had. A non motoring event that we enjoyed was the cream tea /canal trip. This is a selection of some places visited during 2007 but of course, the main event of the season, the Enfield Pageant, again fell victim to dreadful weather. I'm sure you are all aware that our tent, like many others was completely destroyed by the wind and rain. This has now been replaced, ready for this year. Christmas Dinner was a return visit to Pearse House where we had a good meal and an enjoyable evening.

Treasurer's Report

A very healthy Statement of Accounts was presented by Barbara Collins, with the majority of our income and expenditure remaining fairly consistent from year to year.

Secretary/Newsletter Editor's Report

Wendy Shipman thanked Roy and Kim Fludgate for the good job they have continued to do in getting the Newsletter to you. As usual, I reminded people to read it, so they know what's on, and asked for reports of events, however brief.

Membership Secretary/Webmaster's Report

Roy Fludgate reported that there were three lapsed memberships this year, as last year this was because of people moving away or selling their cars. We currently have thirty five memberships representing fifty six people and fifty six cars. The web site gets plenty of hits and regular contact is kept with Jaguar Driver editor, Steve Fermor through this.

Election of Officers

Doug and Wendy Shipman, Barbara Collins and Roy Fudgate have all agreed to continue with the support of all present. Brian Kingsley will carry on as Club Archivist

Any Other Business

A letter was sent recently from Luton to all club Officials, the gist of it being that Jaguar Drivers' Club was going to set up a system, by which the Head Office needed all Areas and Registers to transfer all their funds to them where it would be held in separate accounts. Needless to say this created quite a lot of heated discussion, not least because they require it to be transferred by the 31st of March the Areas and Registers having been given only two weeks notice of this, there having been no prior notification of this change of policy in either the magazine or anywhere else. We have spoken to Mick Duffy about this and he said that the Bedfordshire Area is also up in arms about it. They intend to ignore the letter and request for the transfer until more can be explained at a meeting which is being held at the Holiday Inn, Milton Keynes on April 13th. Uproar is predicted!!! We'll keep you posted next month. In the meantime we intend to take no further action.

Presentation of the John Dyll Trophy

As you will be aware we have decided to "retire" the Trophy in two years time after Alan and Doug have it for a year each in recognition of their work for the Area over the past twenty two years. They tossed a coin to see who would have it first; Doug lost the toss, so the Trophy was presented to Alan Collins by Valerie Dyll.

The AGM was then closed and we continued with the normal club meeting.



Don't forget to contact Barbara for the first Breakfast Run on April 13th to the Woodman The cost is £8.50 per head.



The date for the Little Haven hospice Show is August 17th. I gather from Dick that it is being held at a slightly different place this year but still in the same area.



We have been given details of a V12 show that the Haynes Motor Museum is holding on Sept 28th. I have an entry form if anyone with an appropriate car is interested.



There have been a few events already that some members have attended; although I understand that the spares day at Farnham was not very good.

The Whitewebbs Museum held a Rover Day recently which some club members visited and enjoyed.

The Classic Car Show was a great success for one of our newest members; France Aliphan 's lovely XJS was chosen as best Jaguar in the show.



As people seemed to enjoy the Quiz night last year, we intend to run another one this year at the April 21st meeting. We think it will be a mixed bag of questions this time.



New Years Day Meet - Ace Cafe

Report by Dick Rogers

A few of us went along to the Ace Cafe for breakfast; myself, Eric, Keith O., Brian and Eric's mates John & Robin. It was a nice bright morning, and we arrived by 9 o'clock. Keith wanted kippers for breakfast, but they were off the menu (Sorry Keith!)

While we were there we discovered that the JEC are running an event at the Ace during the day on May 5th, the May Day bank holiday.

For next year I have been told about a New Years Day meet at Barrington, Near Royston...that should warm the cars up!



Enfield Design Awards - January 2008

Report by Dick Rogers

I was asked to attend the awards with John & Penny Wilkinson on behalf of the Whitewebbs Museum. We were shortlisted in the category for "Listed building with work carried out in the last two years". There was a meal and drinks and a talk on design for London by Edmond Bird. We received a lot of praise as we were the only entry that was self funding. We came joint first with Middleton Hall in Forty Hall. The certificate will be on display at the Museum.

