



## Area 57 (Enfield) Newsletter

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We welcomed a new member at the meeting; another Doug with a lovely silver XK8.



### Grovelands Centenary 18th/19th May

When we said that we would go to the celebrations at Grovelands Park, we didn't know what to expect. It turned out to be an extremely enjoyable weekend. Peter Starling and his committee had organised plenty for people to enjoy. There were two music stages, a Southgate Royalty dance marquee, various stalls, a very well supported dog show, as well as a few cars of interest. Probably because it wasn't a car show, the people who had come along to enjoy the day were not ones who are used to seeing old cars. We probably had more interest than we get at lots of car shows. Several people asked Doug how he had got the XK there, not expecting it to have been driven there. A couple of eight year old Top Gear fans were able to tell their families what it was. With help from Dick, Keith had taken the fair organ from the Museum and the rows of seats where people could sit and listen were full most of the time. When Doug or Mike (Etype) put their bonnets up people were swarming round like flies. A good weekend in a lovely setting, mainly good weather; what more can you ask.

On the same day Eric and Douglas were at Aston Clinton which attracts hundreds of cars and had been one of last year's weather casualties.



### Enfield Pageant 25th/27th May

At last we had a Pageant with good weather, sandwiched between very wet Friday and Tuesday, which had made setting up and clearing pretty unpleasant for the Museum people concerned. We had a few cars on Saturday, the traditional auto jumble day, and a good display on both Sunday and Monday, with 68 years separating Wayne's 1.5 litre and Douglas's brand new XF Sportbrake. There were good crowds all over the weekend, so hopefully it will have been a financial success. We took our cars in the arena on Sunday but not many spectators were watching. Keith said that lots of clubs won't go in the arena because they don't want to move their cars. In our biased opinion we display our cars better than most but we are still prepared to go in. Although it appeared to be busier on Sunday, it seemed as though more people were coming around our cars on Monday. The motor bike stunt riders were very popular as was the Top Gear simulator, which stayed for Monday as well as Sunday which was the only day it had been booked for. I gave out a couple of club entry forms but they haven't always resulted in new members in the past.



## **St Albans Steam and Country Show 1st /2nd June**

Many years ago, Doug and I went to a lot of traction engine rallies when he was involved in building steam models, but this was the first for many years. Lovely weather had brought out the crowds to a very good event. Roy gets sent details of this show but classic cars are a very small part of it, probably no more than a couple of dozen. There were quite a few commercial and army vehicles but it is mainly steam. Nearly thirty engines were in steam with some of them demonstrating log sawing, stone crushing and baling. Probably around twenty model steam traction engines were also driving around as well as a large display of stationary engines. and two Shand Mason fire engines. There were plenty of craft stalls and food outlets, so it was a very good show.



The nearest forthcoming events are Luton and Area 16 day at Sarrat, both on 9th June.



The following Sunday 16th some of us will be supporting the Red Cross at North Mymms Rose Garden. If you can bring your car along, please speak to Eric for details of time to meet.



On 7th July there is a show at Barleylands, near Billericay and on the same day I have been given details of Cars in the Park at Oak Hill Park, East Barnet. There is no pre booking, £5 per car on the day. It's called a Classic and Custom car show with self judging awards. There is live music scheduled all day.



I imagine that anyone going to Hoddesdon on 13th July has been contacted and should receive details nearer the day.



The next day is the Kimbolton Fayre which got washed out last year. It's an excellent show with lots to see. I still have one pass for this.



With an unfortunate clash of dates, the show at Cressing Temple is also on 14th July. The contact numbers for this are 01376 329825 (Anne Livingston) or 01702 522436 (Eric Holle)



National Day on 4th August at Little Horwood is not too far away. Pre booked price is £8 per car and £4 per passenger. On the day it is £10 and £5.



Dick should be giving out the passes for the Little Haven shows next time.

