

Area 57 (Enfield) Newsletter

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A few events took place in July with mainly good weather.



As usual a few of us took our cars to Hoddesdon Town Centre on 9th July and, although the visiting cars tend to be mostly the same every year, the show attracts a lot of people to the town and it was busy all day.



The following day was the always excellent show at Kimbolton. Lots of shows aim to have something for all the family and this really does. Apart from hundreds of cars, there is music, battle re-enactments, plenty of stalls, and pets corner for childen, just to mention some of it. The weather was good most of the time but any showers that occur at this event always seem to be very heavy, unfortunately just as we were getting food out. Not easy eating a plate of salad etc. in an E type. During the day a Hawker Hurricane fighter circled overhead about three times.



The fish and chip boat trip on 24th July was very pleasant and relaxing. As this had been suggested as something to mark the Area's 30th, it was a bit disappointing that only sixteen people booked, (which was only just enough to make the booking). Unfortunately Margot, who had acquired all the information in the first place, was unwell and had to miss it. The area where we got on the boat was very colourful with flowers. We then meandered along the River Lea in one direction and, at one of the locks, we stopped for the fish and chips to be delivered from Broxbourne. It was quite early to be eating lunch at 11.30 but the fish and chips, roll and butter, tea and coffee were very good and there were plenty of empty plates. We turned round and went in the other direction for a while. The river was busy with plenty of hired boats being used. Very successful and worth thinking about again next year.



Alan and Keith parked in the public car park for the Classics on the Common event at Harpenden and enjoyed a wander around the cars, where numbers had apparently been limited once again, but there were masses of people as usual.



We hope to go to Croxley Green on Wednesday which had about 1500 cars turn up last year according to their web site.



Sunday 7th August is the date for National Day at Coombe Abbey. Douglas M is part of the newly formed XF committee so he will be in attendance. Alan, Barbara and ourselves also intend to go. Tony and Lesley will already be there, having taken part in one of the JDC trips which starts in Blackpool.



The great tomato judging takes place at Keith W's on Sunday 14th August from 1pm onwards. Anyone is welcome, not just the tomato growers, but please ring Keith at least a week beforehand if you intend to come along. If you want anything to cook on the BBQ please take it with you, also any alcohol you want. Keith, Laura and Will will do the rest. It might be best to put garden chairs in your car in case they are needed.



Coming up are the shows at Tewin on 21st August. Entry forms are available on their web site, The Buntingford Classic event is on 3rd September and the Capel Manor Show is on 4th September.



It may seem along way ahead but we will need to start discussing the Christmas meal soon.

