

Area 57 (Enfield) Newsletter

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Our first meeting at the Robin Hood seemed to meet with approval and we had eleven members there.



The last few weeks have been quite busy with various events some of which clashed.



Back on 13th August, several of us went to Saffron Walden Common, where there were hundreds of cars of various ages. There were several Jaguars on the field, including a few from the Cambridge JDC. Apparently this event has been running for several years but Alan and Barbara weren't aware of it until last year. Unfortunately next year it will be on the same date as the Tewin show.



As usual Tewin was a great success with about five hundred cars there, according to an article from a local paper. As we were parked mainly together, it was ideal; not far from tea and cakes and even closer to the ice cream van.



On the same day, 20th August, Keith O and others from the Whitewebbs Museum took some vehicles, including the Green Goddess, to a Family Fun Day at Elm Court in Potters Bar. Although about twenty to twenty five classic cars were there, it was mainly a day for families and children with plenty of activities for them. Music was provided by the Shades of Midnight, a local band which we enjoyed when we went to this event once before. All monies raised were in support of the Air Ambulance.



On Bank Holiday Monday, Brian, Mandy, Alan, Barb & Keith went to a big Country Show at Ashwell, not far from Baldock. There were dogs, horses, stalls, a few classic cars and masses of tractors and it seemed to be a good day out.



The first weekend in September is always busy as the Buntingford Classic and Capel Manor Shows are held on consecutive days. Doug and I went to Buntingford, where we were parked in our now regular place in front of the old school, for those of you who know the town. We get well looked after with cups of tea and cake. Throughout the day, there were masses of people everywhere and, during the afternoon, it was quite difficult to get through the crowds who were listening to the live music. As always many people take a lot of interest in the cars and chat with the owners. It was a brilliant sunny day which probably helped to bring the crowds out.



The next day, at Capel Manor, the sun shone all day as well. Needless to say, there were hundreds of cars on display and again our group managed to park almost together. The sound system was a bit dodgy at times but eventually got sorted for the sixties band. Apparently the Enfield Brass band played a couple of times on the back lawn, where cream teas were available.



Keith and Bobbie had an interesting visit to the Pitstone Museum, not far from Leighton Buzzard, where there is a lot of old farm equipment and a windmill. It opens on the second Sunday in the month.



If anyone wants to display their car in front of Hatfield House this Sunday, 10th Sept, please arrive between 9.30 and 10am. Use the main entrance opposite the Railway station.



We had hoped to have a return visit to the Woodman at Nuthampstead on 24th September for Breakfast but unfortunately, the numbers aren't enough to make it worthwhile. Hopefully we can arrange one for next spring.



As we are now holding our meetings at the Robin Hood, we can't really turn up with our own mince pies, sausage rolls, etc. at the December meeting. Bobbie picked up some Christmas menus for us and it seemed a good idea to have a Christmas Dinner at that meeting, as we have not had one for several years. I booked the room for the 4th December and said we would probably book the meal. Because of the Festive season they will only hold the room once they have a deposit of £10 per person. which is needed ASAP. Consequently, I need to know as soon as you read this, who wants to go. They can seat 18 comfortably. I can pay the deposit and then you can reimburse me at next meeting or ring me for my bank details.

