



## Area 57 (Enfield) Newsletter

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After two very quiet meetings due to Bank Holidays, it was good to have about a dozen of us there, including John, a local man who came along in his series 1 E-type 2+2. He took away all the relevant application forms so hopefully he may become a new member of the club.



The Enfield Pageant of Motoring was the subject that was discussed most. Saturday was very busy, no doubt due to the perfect weather. Eleven of our Area cars were on display, plus a Daimler 250 V8 and an E-type which joined us for a while. On Sunday the weather was better than we expected, although there were a few heavy showers. Only six or seven of our cars were there that day. Unfortunately Keith William's E-type wouldn't start when it was time to leave on Saturday and despite lots of efforts, it needed a push start. He is still waiting to find out the reason for the problem. On Sunday, Alan's E-type also decided to play up, but after returning home slowly, followed by an AA man, they were able to unload everything, transfer it into their XF, and arrive at the show later. The number of cars that we get now is rather disappointing compared to previous years when, as some of you will remember, we often displayed more than twenty cars on both days. Our membership has got smaller and, inevitably, older over the years, which is undoubtedly the reason. Peter was able to transport the Leaper but everything else relies on Alan & Barbara and Doug & I. The tent, tent poles, banner and poles, chain fence and posts, cooker stand, ovens, gas canister, water and stand and the kettle all live in our shed and have to be transported up the garden, through the garage and into the E-type, which is becoming rather a lot of work. Barbara is responsible for all the food, tea coffee, biscuits etc. as well as frying pans and tables. At the end of the Pageant, there were only five of us left to pack everything away. Due to this, it was suggested at the meeting that we no longer do any cooking or provide drinks. There are plenty of food and drink outlets on site, or people can bring their own. Everyone at the meeting agreed to this, so that will mean a bit less to be transported in future. I don't know how long we have been providing bacon rolls and drinks, but giving up doing it will take some of the pressure off. We were grateful to George and some Museum members who put the tent up on the Friday, which was a great help the next morning. As this was the first Pageant since the expansion of the London ULEZ, the EDVVT is awaiting developments too see whether the numbers were down very much.



Some of you may have seen an attachment from the Shuttleworth Collection on the Tewn entry form, asking for pre 1980 British cars to display on their British Flying Day. When Villa Scalabrini was postponed, which otherwise would have been on the same day, we got in touch and we were invited to take our XK120 and were sent a free pass. Our car was one of about a hundred cars parked opposite the hangars. There was a great variety, from little Austin 7s to Bentleys. A couple of other XKs and an E-type were there and our neighbours were in a 1926 Bull Nose Morris and a series 1 Ford Capri. Some cars, including ours, were invited to drive around the airfield a couple of times, but we opted to go round only once as the engine was getting a bit hot. Slow driving and stopping and starting on a very hot day didn't suit it at all. The flying display began with a Hurricane and ended with a Spitfire. As we didn't have a programme and couldn't hear the commentary, we didn't know what some of the other planes were. There were thousands of cars in the car park so it appeared to be a very successful day.



The next upcoming events are the village fete at Datchworth Green, SG3 6TL on Saturday 8th and the Luton Festival of Transport at Stockwood Park, Luton on Sunday 9th.



The postponed show at Villa Scalabrini, Shenley will now take place on June 16th and, a fortnight later on June 30th, the Cars in the Park show at Oakhill Park, Church Hill Rd, EN4 8PQ is back after missing last year. I believe this used to be free admission but they have now had to introduce a £10 per car entry fee. No booking required and gates open for show cars at 10:30am.



The Tewin Classic Car & Craft Show on August 18th and the Capel Manor Classic & Vintage Car Show on 1st September can both be booked on line.



Brian and Mandy have recently enjoyed a driving holiday in Ireland, and he also went to Little Easton Manor where there is a classic car show on the first Sunday in the month.



Alan and Barbara recently went to an Open Day at Copped Hall near Epping where the gardens were lovely and there were cakes to rival Tewin!



Congratulations to Peter and Julie on the arrival of Elara Mae, their first grandchild.

