



## Area 57 (Enfield) Newsletter

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##### *Area Rep's Report*

Doug opened the meeting by thanking the seventeen people who attended, and as usual gave a brief mention of some of the events that were attended throughout the season.

Quite early in the year were the XK Spring Weekend and the Museum weekend which were enjoyed. We had our usual Breakfast Run to the Woodman in April, but for the first time we all found it rather disappointing. The one in October, to Redcoats hotel, Little Wymondley however, was much better. The early Croxley Green show was well attended, as was the later one in September. Several shows were cancelled in a very wet 2012, and the first of these was at Aston Clinton. Hoddesdon didn't have it's usual good weather as it was quite wet for part of the day. The picnic organised by the Letchworth Classic Car Club was another event that had to be cancelled. Surprisingly Luton, on the same weekend, was able to go ahead, as their ground drains well. Some of us attended an open day at North Mymms in aid of the Red Cross; the gardens were not as good as we have seen them but it was a very relaxing day with most of us taking a picnic. Our presence was appreciated and we have been asked to attend again this year on June 16th. The always enjoyable Kimbolton Fayre was another weather casualty, but several of us went to a show at Cressing Temple, where the ground was surprisingly dry. This turned out to be a very good substitute for Kimbolton. As usual Harpenden was a great success but this year they have reduced the number of cars from 1200 to 1050. Another event to be called off was the XK/XJ weekend at Stratford on Avon. The ground at the Stratford Armouries was waterlogged.

In August we had to find a new venue for our meetings due to the closure of the Enfield British Legion Club and, after quite a lot of discussion, it was decided that our new home would become the Whitewebbs Museum. We are all very grateful to Keith O for organising this, and to him and Bobbie for opening up each meeting and serving drinks for us. It has been a very successful move.

Although some of us had trouble getting in, the show in aid of Little Haven was up to standard, and apparently the autojumble one for the same charity also went well. We had several cars at the Cuffley show as usual. Buntingford is always a very good event with lots of cars, people, and music. In September we had a pleasant weekend away near Fareham, when the SatNavs fought back! There were two barbecues this year, one at Alan and Barb's in very good weather and the other at Eric and Margot's which included the leek judging. This was won by Dick. Doug and I were very surprised to receive presents for our Golden Wedding while we were there. Around this time Kensworth, East Anglia Day and Furneux Pelham were also attended by some people. A few people went to the Mangapps Railway Museum at Maldon on a bitterly cold day, with only a few broken biscuits for refreshment. Unfortunately, due to my accident, we couldn't attend the Christmas meal, but I understand it went well. For the same reason I was unable to supply my usual mince pies for Mince Pie night. On New Year's Day, the meeting at Barrington was another cancelled event, but I gather there were still around 250 cars parked on hard standing. As usual this can only be a taste of the year but of course they can't all be mentioned. I know that Hertford Heath, Bennington, and the Ace Cafe are all regulars. Apparently Alan's show was enjoyed by all those who attended.

### ***Treasurer's Report***

Copies of our Financial Report were circulated by Barbara Collins which showed that the club balance is very slightly lower than last year but still a satisfactory amount.

### ***Secretary/Newsletter's Editor's Report***

As usual Wendy Shipman expressed her thanks to Roy for printing and circulating the Newsletter every month with the normal request that people read it to keep up to date with events. Any contributions are very welcome as are photos for Brian for the Club albums.

### ***Membership Secretary/Webmaster's Report***

Roy Fludgate told us that we have had two lapsed memberships this year which means we have thirty two memberships representing fifty people and forty eight vehicles.

### ***Election of Officers***

As there were no volunteers to take on any of the Club positions, Doug and Wendy Shipman, Barbara Collins and Roy Fludgate will carry on with the support of the membership. Brian Kingsley continues to keep the club albums and Keith and Bobbie Oswick are in charge of the Club Room.

### ***Any Other Business***

There was nothing further to be discussed so Doug closed the AGM by mentioning that he was pleased to see some members' recent health problems were improving, and by sending good wishes to John, who is now out of hospital.



The main event in the coming weeks is the Pageant on May 25th, 26th and 27th. Eric has booked our pitch for us and now needs the names of people and which days that they can attend. If you haven't already spoken to Eric, please contact him on 01707-875129



Peter Starling is part of the committee which is organising an event on Saturday May 18th to celebrate the centenary of Grovelands Park at Southgate. They are hoping to get a good range of cars to represent the different years. If you are able to attend please contact Peter on 020 8360 9579 or email him at: [starlings.nest@btinternet.com](mailto:starlings.nest@btinternet.com)



There is still time to book for the Breakfast Run on April 14th (details in last Newsletter). Some of us will be meeting at Bullsmoor Lane at 8am as usual.



I normally print off some entry forms for Buntingford but this year you will need to go on line to register and then pay by Paypal.



Alan has recommended a firm called Mega Batteries



The museum was recently the setting for the filming of a documentary and after July I'm hoping that Keith can do a write up about it for us.

