



Area 57 (Enfield) Newsletter

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As some of you know, Doug and I are celebrating our Golden Wedding at the end of this month and we hope that you can join us at the October 1st meeting for a drink and nibbles.



Some of us are going to try a new venue for a Breakfast Run on 7th October. It is to a small family owned and run hotel called Redcoats at Little Wymondley. The usual meeting place will be opposite The Bulldog in Bullsmoor Lane at 8am but for anyone who is further up the country, go to J8 of the A1, take the Little Wymondley turn and go right through the village where you turn left at a mini roundabout into Blakemore End Rd, after half a mile, reach a t-junction and Redcoats is opposite. There is the usual fruit juice, cereals, etc plus yogurts and fresh fruit or fruit salad. The full English breakfast which is cooked to order consists of any combination of bacon, fried egg, sausage, grilled tomato, baked field mushroom, fried potatoes, fried bread and black pudding. I have booked it to arrive at 9am and they aim to seat us about half hour later after they have taken our orders. The cost is £13.50 per head. Please let me know by the meeting on October 1st if you want to book. We have been there and spoken to the owners, one of them belongs to the AC Club so will be interested in the cars.



The dates for the next few weeks are as follows; September 16th, Croxley Green show with Carters Steam Fair. On the same day, the leek judging will be at Eric and Margot's from about 2pm, anyone is welcome, whether part of the competition or not. Give them a ring beforehand to say if you are going (01707-875129).



The second Little Haven show is on Sept 23rd, mainly auto jumble but some cars get there as well.

The village show at Furneux Pelham is on September 29th from 10.30.



The EDVVS has organized two evening outings, the first on 10th September to a private collection of vehicles at Camlet Way at Hadley Wood and a return visit to Studio 434 at Potters Bar on September 24th. Anyone who went before will know what an amazing collection of cars this is. They are both from 7.30 to 8pm. Either make you own way or meet at the Whitewebbs Museum at 7.30.



We have been quite busy over the past few weeks starting with the show at Purleigh in aid of the Little Haven Hospice. There was quite a bit of confusion getting on to the ground but got ourselves organized in the end. There was the usual mix of cars, commercial and agricultural vehicles plus steam, both full size and models. Plenty of horses, dogs, rabbits, owls, charity stalls and live music, so plenty to see. As usual the club is making a donation to the charity.



The following Sunday some of us enjoyed a BBQ at Alan and Barb's. Well cooked, Alan and Barb for all the accompaniments. For years Doug and I have been using some folding chairs which we have always called Fludder's Foldies, as Roy got them for us. However not long after Alan had been telling us about the two stone he had lost, he broke one of our seats, so he won't live that one down.



The Cuffley show took place over the Bank Holiday weekend and as usual we were there on the Monday. We had ten cars there and thank goodness it was a lot warmer than last year. Apparently the Countrywise TV Show was filming there and when they know the scheduled date for the programme to be shown, Dick will let us know.



On September 2nd Douglas went to a show at Kensworth, near Whipsnade which he thought attracted about a hundred cars.

On the same day Alan and Barb went to East Anglian Day at Ickworth House near Bury St. Edmunds which they enjoyed.



The Museum recently had a very successful visit from a coach party from Holland. They stayed for about four hours and, as well as paying the £200 fee for opening the Museum and being shown round, they gave a £40 donation and did quite a bit of shopping as well.



We are looking into various venues for our Christmas dinner and hope to get a decision at the next meeting



We welcomed a prospective new member, John, who has a Daimler250



CARS AND PLANES AT PANSHANGER

Report by Margot Tetsell

It was a beautiful day for a car show, and even better for a car and plane show. Eric and I had never visited Panshanger Airfield before but my cousin invited us to bring our car along to the Panshanger Revival Day on 19th August. Always up for a new experience we accepted. All classic and vintage cars were allowed in free of charge plus anyone who had made the effort to dress up in 1930's/1940's style. Some people really looked the part so I was soon snapping away with my camera.

The venue was in a lovely leafy area alongside the airdrome and what it lacked in size it made up for in quality and atmosphere. There was a lovely little café with tables and seats outside and a little terrace next to a pond full of koi carp. You don't expect to find fish on an airfield, unless of course they are flying fish (sorry!). We were pleasantly surprised by the quality of the food and coffee and we have since learnt that some people go along there just for a cooked breakfast. The BBQ, old fashioned lemonade and Pimms stalls were doing a good trade as well.

Most of the cars were lined up opposite rows of light planes so it was easy to have a look at both and we enjoyed seeing the planes landing and taking off. I especially liked the stunt plane even though I felt like ducking under the trees when he headed vertically down to earth. On the car front Eric was pleased to see two Hupmobile racers. They were also offering 'taster' flights over the local area. There was entertainment too with a jazz band and some professional dancers from 'Jiveswing'.

All in all a lovely little show with lots of atmosphere – well worth a visit.

