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The weather has been kind for most of the events lately. Harpenden was certainly better than last year when the heavens opened. I gather that the numbers had been limited to 1200 cars but it seemed the busiest that Doug and I have seen in the few years that we have attended. It certainly brought in plenty of the public, as it just looked like a sea of people some of the time.



National Day was at Althorp, the childhood home of Princess Diana. We couldn't see much of the exterior of the building as it was covered with scaffolding. Keith and Bobbie were the only ones to go inside although I think most of us walked to the lake where Diana's grave is on the island in the middle. There is also an exhibition housing lots of memorabilia and about twenty of her outfits.

We had booked a space for a club stand and along with other Areas we were parked on a very slight slope looking down towards the main area where the cars were parked. I don't know the numbers involved but there was quite a constant stream of all types of Jaguar coming in.



The weather was not good for the midweek Croxley Green show. Douglas got half way there before the deluge changed his mind for him. Brian K went although not in his E type and found that the ground was OK and there were lots of cars there as usual.



The show at the Gunpowder Mills was a two day event. Brian went on a wet Saturday when about thirty cars turned up. Keith and Audrey went the next day, when the sunshine brought out about a hundred and fifty cars.



The show near Chelmsford, in aid of the Little Haven Hospice, continues to be a very good day out. Unfortunately we didn't all arrive at the same time, so we weren't able to park together; perhaps we can arrange to meet somewhere next year. Apart from a wide variety of cars on display, there is always so much to see, with arena events, craft and charity stalls, live music etc.; something for everyone.



Coming up over the Bank Holiday Weekend there is the Steam & Country Show at Cuffley. We will be attending on the Monday; Please be on site by 9 a.m.

The Classic Car Show at Knebworth is also on over the same weekend.



I think everyone who is going to Buntingford should have received their passes by now.

The following day there is a car show at Capel Manor and also East Anglian Day at Elveden in Suffolk.



Other events in the near future are at St Mary's School, Bishops Stortford on September 12th and the Croxley Green Show with Carters Steam Fair on September 19th.

Barbara is going to try and book the Woodman at Nuthampsted for the Breakfast Run on 10th October

