

## Area 57 (Enfield) Newsletter

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Our Christmas Dinner is all booked on 4th December (7.30 for 8.00). It's nice to see our numbers are up a bit on last year, so here's looking forward to an enjoyable evening. We don't have another meeting before then as there is a three week gap this month

The November Newsletter is always the most difficult to find anything to write about so, although it is not car related, I thought I'd regale you with a short report on the rail trip that Keith & Bobbie, Keith & Audrey, Alan & Barb and Doug & I went on recently. We have been on several trips with UK Railtours very successfully. This trip was to Berwick on Tweed and then by coach to Lindisfarne. It had been a beautiful day and all very enjoyable when we all got back on the coaches to return to Berwick for our journey home, with the usual four course dinner. However, due to various engineering problems, the train didn't get back to the station until shortly after 8 p.m; three hours late. We were told that we had to go slowly out of the station a little way to remove one of the power units. Soon after that we were told that there was good news and bad news. The good news was that we had a clear run to Doncaster; the bad news was that, due to our being so far behind schedule, there were engineering works further down the line. This meant that the train would have to stop at Doncaster where a fleet of coaches would be waiting to take us to our various destinations. We eventually got back to Potters Bar station at 2.40 a.m; five hours late.

The company were extremely quick in sending out apologies and the choice of £50 per head refund or £70 per head credit against any future trip. This is the option we have all gone for, as the previous trips we have been on have all been very enjoyable.



I don't know where the Bentley club are having their New Year's Day meeting but I know that several people went to the gathering at Barrington, north of Royston last New Year, so that will probably be the choice for anyone wanting to clear the cobwebs.