

**DON'T DELAY!! We need entries/meal choice by 9 July please for the clubnight**

# spalding classic car club

and east elloe news

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## Tuesday 13 July CLUBNIGHT RUN

This is an evening run-out to a village pub for supper organised by Nigel & Joy Mann.

If you fancy an evening drive out (just over the border!!) into the wilds of Cambridgeshire, Tuesday, July 13th is the date for your diary.

We're starting from **Moulton Mill** at 7.00 p.m. prompt, but you're welcome to gather there any time from 6.30 p.m. We have planned a suggested rural route meandering into Parson Drove for around 8.00 p.m. with supper booked at **The Five Bells** (not to be confused with the other two pubs in this village!) TFB is a traditional village hostelry run by husband and wife, Bob and Marcella, the latter producing some very good home-cooked pub grub!

The all-inclusive cost will be just **£9.00** per person for main course and a pud of your choice.

Choose from

- Steak and kidney pie with chips, or potatoes, and peas.
- Lamb Espagnole – Tender lamb cooked in tomatoes and herbs served on pasta with melted cheese.
- Mushroom Stroganoff served with rice or pasta.
- Chargrilled salmon or chicken breast on Caesar salad.
- Prawn Salad with cocktail dressing.

Please select your choice(s) and send with your remittance no later than **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July**. Cheques should be made payable to "East Elloe Motor Club Ltd." and posted to

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or call us on **01775 723856**

*Thanks!*

## Boston Classic Car Show

We have a presence at a number of shows coming up starting with the **Boston Classic Car Show, Sunday 8 August**. Joy Mann is kindly co-ordinating a list of attendees for this event — if you can help with our stand at Graves Park, Kirton, please contact Joy on 01775 723856 or at [jmann@eemc.co.uk](mailto:jmann@eemc.co.uk).

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Pic: John Sidebottom



*Our Classic Car Run 'Car of the Day' winner, Allan Beesley, has sent us this compilation of the history of his MkII Jaguar since he bought her in 1998.*

Most importantly for me were the facts that it still had its original registration and V5 document. It was a bonus that it comes from Norwich and that, although it's actually a 1964 registered car, it did not have a suffix plate.

I had previously owned a 3.4 Mk2 which I got rid of when the rust, failing oil pressure & very heavy steering resulted in me panicking and swapping it, PLUS some cash (!), for a 1937 Morris Eight tourer. But that's another story.

It did, however, mean that - having decided to "do" another MkII - I had lots of mods that would make my car more suitable for the MSA Euroclassic Rallies that we intended to use it for.

I selected a Jaguar specialist near Cambridge who must remain nameless as I would not recommend anyone to use him for a similar restoration. Nice bloke but..... My brief was to prepare an "as new a car as possible", with the following specific modifications:

- 3.8 engine rebuilt with new pistons, chains etc and a "straight port head", made to cope with unleaded fuel.
- Later "all synco" gearbox with overdrive
- Limited slip differential
- Coopercraft 4-pot front calipers and updated rear pistons, servo assisted
- Rack & pinion power steering
- Wire knock-ons in place of steel wheels
- New radiator with Kenlowe fan & louvres cut in bonnet to ease risk of overheating, a tendency of these cars.
- All chromework & lights replaced or replated
- All woodwork stripped & revarnished
- Complete retrim in Connolly leather

Since the restoration, we have undertaken 3 Euroclassic Rallies in our Jag in 1999 to Salzburg, Austria; 2000 to Budapest, Hungary and 2008 to Denmark, Norway, Sweden. In all, we've covered over 13000 miles without any problems that I couldn't sort out myself ■

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