

**BUMPER  
NEW  
YEAR  
EDITION**

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**Tuesday 12 January**

**Clubnight family quiz**

**Organised by Simon Leonard. At Whaplode Manor, Saracen's Head, PE12 8AZ. 7.45pm for 8pm start.**

**Tuesday 19 January**

**Committee meeting, Saracen's Head Village Hall, 8pm**

**Sunday 24 January**

**Brunch meeting**

Wimberley Hall Farm Café, Stonegate, Weston, PE12 6HR. See page 3 for details. Limited to 30 covers. Please pre-book places with Adrian Cunnington on 01775 761520 or email seeccc@btinternet.com

## January

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## FROM THE CHAIR

I hope you have all had an excellent Christmas and wish you a Happy New Year. Over the last month, from a Club perspective, we have had what turned out to be a fairly uneventful AGM and an excellent Christmas Lunch.

At the AGM, we were able to welcome John Sidebottom to the team and we look forward to his contribution to Committee. At the same time, Dave & June Pollard stood down as Directors of EEMC as our motorsport activity within the Club has pretty much declined to zero. But it would be remiss of me to allow that event to pass without thanking them both for their significant contribution to the running of East Elloe Motor Club over the past 25 years (plus?). Thank you both.

I must also thank Dave's brother Ian who has also stepped down after at least 10 years as our Company Secretary. Ian is staying on as a Director and Committee member, however, so we look forward to his continued involvement. Joy Mann has kindly agreed to add the Company duties to those she is already doing as Secretary, including membership, minutes, club regalia and general *factotum*; we are indebted to her for doing so.

Our Christmas Lunch was very well supported, so thanks to all 53 of you who made it to The Toft Hotel near Bourne for some excellent fare and festive fun. It was nice to see our Hon President, Robert Oldershaw, and his wife Sue amongst our number. Thanks also to Ian & Clare Pollard for organising a route to Toft and to Joy, once again, for sorting out the meal plans with Toft.

We have some good events coming up for next year the first of which are above and there is much more over the page. All that remains is for me to remind you that subs are now due (see page 3) and to wish you all a Happy and Prosperous 2016. See you at the quiz.

*Adrian*



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# 2016

## CLUB CALENDAR\*


Month	Date	Day	Event	Organiser	Venue
January	12	Tu	Clubnight: quiz	S Leonard	Whaplode Manor Hotel
	24	Su	Brunch meet	A & C Cunnington	Wimberley Hall, Weston
February	9	Tu	Clubnight: fish & chip night	N & J Mann	Sheddy's, Spalding
March	8	Tu	Clubnight: talk on fuels	A Cunnington	Whaplode Manor Hotel
April	12	Tu	Clubnight: pub meal	B Patmore	Five Bells, Tydd St Mary
	24	Su	Drive It Day Run	S Saunders/L Bollons	TBC
May	1	Su	Springfields Show: club stand	Committee	Springfields Event Centre
	10	Tu	Clubnight run	C & C Cornish*	TBC
	16-18	Mo/We	SPRING TRIP	J & T Overson	Suffolk
	26	Tu	4th Tuesday clubnight*	Committee	Regular venue TBC*
June	5 or 11*	Su/Sa*	Charity Lazy Day by The River	J Wherry	James' garden
	12	Su	ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR RUN	B & E Aistrup	Baytree > Deene Park
	14	Tu	Clubnight: noggin & natter	Committee	TBC
	18/19	Sa/Su	Holbeach Country Fayre	S Saunders/L Bollons	Holbeach
	19	Su	Bourne Classic Car Show: club stand	Committee	Wellhead Field, Bourne
	26	Su	Visit: North Norfolk Railway	N & P Williams	Holt/Sheringham
July	28	Tu	4th Tuesday clubnight*	Committee	Regular venue TBC*
	12	Tu	Clubnight run	J & H Sidebottom	TBC
	17	Su	Steeplechase Run	T Webster/J Chamberlain	Waterside Garden Centre
	26	Tu	4th Tuesday clubnight*	Committee	Regular venue TBC*
	28	Su	Stamford Classic Car Show: club stand	Committee	The Meadows
August	9	Tu	Clubnight: water taxi cruise*	TBC	River Welland, Spalding
	14	Su	Boston CCC Show: club stand	Committee	Graves Park, Kirton
	21	Su	Norfolk Trundle (Run)	J & P Read	TBC
	23	Tu	4th Tuesday clubnight*	Committee	Regular venue TBC*
	28	Su	Stamford Classic Car Show: club stand	Committee	The Meadows
September	13	Tu	Clubnight run	J & P Pollard	TBC
	18-21	Tu-Fr	AUTUMN TRIP	B Patmore	Cotswolds/Avon
October	2	Su	Brunch meet*	TBC	TBC
	11*	Tu*	Clubnight: music train*	I & C Pollard	Sleaford > Wainfleet
November	8	Tu	Clubnight: pub meal	A & C Cunnington	TBC
December	4 or 11*	Su	Christmas lunch	J Mann	TBC
	6	Tu	AGM	Committee	TBC


*\*Please be aware that this is a PROVISIONAL calendar which is subject to, and most probably will, change. Keep a regular eye on the website and your monthly edition of News for up to date information. We also publish information on other events we become aware of on our supplementary Events Page.*





## SUNDAY BRUNCH MEET: 24 JANUARY, 9.45AM

We have another of our occasional Sunday Brunch meetings coming up on 24<sup>th</sup> of this month at **Wimberley Hall Farm Cafe at Weston**. We are limited to 30 places, so please book early. Sorry but, as we are squeezing in ahead of their normal Sunday lunch trade, we need you to arrive from 9.45am and by 10.30am at the very latest. **Pre-ordered food only, here is the menu:**

**WIMBERLEY HALL**  
**www.wimberleyhall.co.uk**  
SECCS Breakfast: 24 January

 **Wimberley Big Breakfast £7.95**  
2 sausage, 2 bacon, 2 eggs, tomato, beans, mushrooms, hash brown  
Toast & mug of breakfast tea/filter coffee  
**Latte or cappuccino available at extra £1.50**

 **Wimberley Breakfast £5.95**  
1 sausage, 1 bacon, 1 egg, tomato, beans, mushrooms, hash brown  
Toast & mug of breakfast tea/filter coffee  
**Latte or cappuccino available at extra £1.50**

 Bacon or sausage in a bap £3.50	 Toast £1.50
 Poached eggs on toast £2.75	Served with your choice of jam or Seville orange marmalade
 Beans on toast £2.75	

Please advise your selections no later than **Tuesday 19 January** to Adrian & Caroline Cunnington on 01775 761520 or you can email [seccs@eemc.co.uk](mailto:seccs@eemc.co.uk)

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## SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE!

It's that time of year when membership renewals are due so – unless you have joined recently under one of our special offers which included 2016 as part of the deal – please send yours through to our Membership Secretary, Joy Mann, as soon as possible.

From 2016, we have decided to dispense with the issue of membership cards – unless they are specifically requested or needed – but you will get an email receipt to confirm your renewal.

Full information is on the membership page of the Club website but renewals for ordinary subscriptions (with an emailed monthly newsletter) cost £12 for single membership and £18 for a couple.

You can make a BACS payment to East Elloe MC Ltd at S/C 20.80.78 A/N 50490008 if you wish (please quote the member name/s as your reference) or, alternatively, fill in the form attached with this newsletter and post with your cheque to Joy Mann at the address on the form. Sorry but we are unable to accept direct debits on our account.

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## FEBRUARY FISH 'N' CHIP NIGHT: TUESDAY 09 FEBRUARY

For our February meeting, we are heading into Spalding for our fish and chip night at **Sheddy's Fish Restaurant** on the corner of New Road and Red Lion Street.

Nigel & Joy have organised our visit and we plan to meet at 7pm for a 7.30 sit-down. There's a choice of cod, haddock, scampi or chicken with chips and peas/baked beans/curry sauce, plus a medium soft drink or cup of tea/coffee, all for £6.50 per head. Extra drinks are available at menu price. If you wish to bring your own alcohol, glasses will be available and there's no corkage fee.

Please book with Joy on 01775 723856 or you can email her at [jmann@eemc.co.uk](mailto:jmann@eemc.co.uk)

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### REQUEST FROM AYSCOUGH FEE HALL MUSEUM

**1940s themed event: Sat/Sun 13/14 August 2016, 10.30am – 4pm**

*We have received the following request from Ayscoughfee Hall & Gardens in Spalding. We will not be able to have an official Club presence as their event clashes with Boston Classic Car Show, but if anyone with an appropriately aged vehicle is interested in going, please can you advise Joy Mann.*

Dear Spalding and East Elloe Classic Car Club,

I am contacting you to see if any members of your club would be interested in attending our 1940s event in 2016. I believe that a few of your members attended our very successful event in August this year just as visitors and due to space etc we were unable to park them on site and they used the area at the side of the Hall.

It would be lovely to have an actual area with a group of cars displayed, and I have managed to secure one of the lawns in the Gardens (that has access from Love Lane) to display a number of period vehicles.

We think that the space will hold 10-15 cars – especially as 1940s vehicles are quite small. We would obviously like vehicles that fit with the theme of the event (ie pre-1950's).

We had over 5,500 visitors to this year's event – and I want to make it even better for 2016 – every one attending enjoyed it and there was a great atmosphere. Period dress is encouraged, though not essential and there will be music, dance and displays to visit as well.

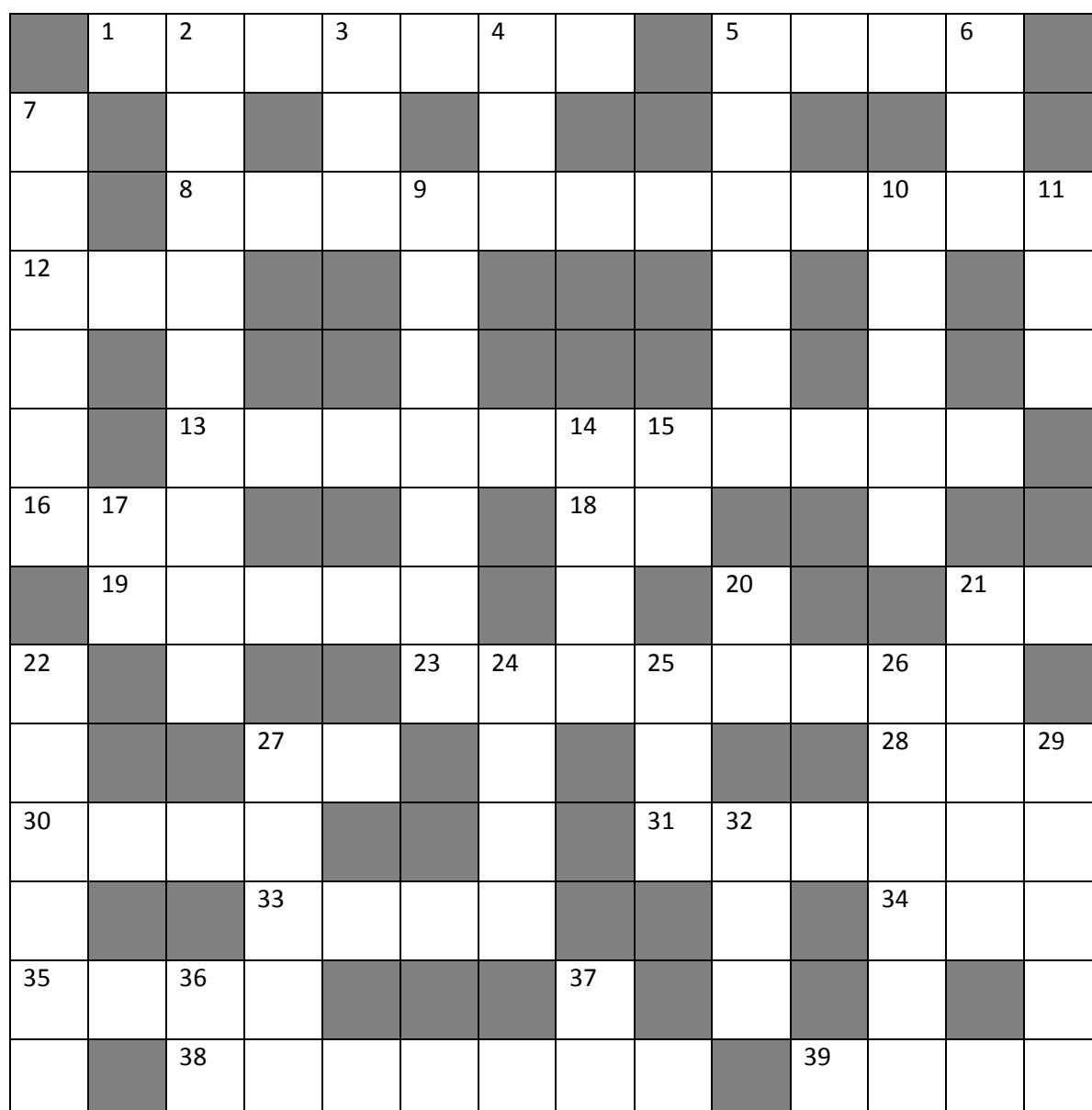
I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes,

Julia.

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# CROSSWORD



## ACROSS

- 1** Italian sports car manufacturer (7)  
**5** Parent organisation of 1 across (4)  
**8** Mid 30s sports car (6,2,4)  
**12** They're many of these at auction (3)  
**13** Miura maker (11)  
**16** BMW 'Batmobile' model (3)  
**18** *Breakfast* \_\_\_ *Tiffany's* (2)  
**19** A dog of a car? No! (5)  
**21** Ex F1 owner turned pundit's initials (2)  
**23** Classic fuel brand (8)  
**27** Made in Abingdon (2)  
**28** You'd do this to buy a 12 across (3)  
**30** Alec Issigonis designed this (4)  
**31** Rare Spanish classic of the fifties (6)  
**33** A light-weight Chrysler of the 1990s? (4)  
**34** The only colour for 1 across? (3)  
**35** Exxon fuel brand (4)  
**38** Winning British sports car maker? (7)  
**39** Type of brake before the disc (4)

## DOWN

- 2** Spalding & \_\_\_ CCC (4,5)

- 3** Our biggest one is in June (3)  
**4** A street for 5 down people (3)  
**5** Renault, Citroen, Venturi are all... (6)  
**6** Austin numerical variant (3)  
**7** Scandinavian sea (6)  
**9** Welsh classic make (7)  
**10** Audi you say 'estate'? (5)  
**11** Classic Six Hours race venue (3)  
**14** Ron Tauranac-designed racing make (4)  
**15** Bentley Continental or Austin 1300? (2)  
**17** Sporty Vauxhall designation (2)  
**20** Datsun make it (2)  
**21** Lotus model of 20 years standing (5)  
**22** Super Snipe manufacturer (6)  
**24** \_\_\_ Jones, 1980 F1 champion (4)  
**25** Hillman's rear-engined super mini (3)  
**26** Sporting arm of 5 across  
**27** A major success for Morris (5)  
**29** Do I evade this American make? (5)  
**32** English race car maker, 1933-1954 (3)  
**36** Modern-day Ford version of 17 down (2)  
**37** Volkswagen micro-car! (2)



## CLASSIC RACING FEATURE



in partnership with



19 & 20 September 2015

*Two of our club members, ROBERT OLDERSHAW and ADAM CUNNINGTON, were involved with separate entries at this major classic racing event held in Belgium back in September.*

Earlier this year – at a dinner with Sir Stirling Moss amongst others – I fell into conversation with the Gloucester-based Aston Martin racing stalwart Nicholas King. To cut a long story short, we eventually agreed that my son (also Robert) would share Nicholas's Ford Mustang at this year's Spa Six Hours classic race. We would be taking our Lola to compete in the FIA Masters Sports Car meeting and, as the Saturday was a quiet day for the Lola, we thought six hours of additional practice would be good!

As Robert has only raced Sports Prototypes for the last 11 years (Radical, Juno, Gunn & Lola), a little familiarisation with the car was considered a good idea and Nicholas agreed to share the Mustang at an Aston Martin OC meeting at Donington Park. This went well with both driver and car coming back in one piece(!), although Robert's reaction to driving such a big saloon after the Lola was interesting: he suggested that the turn-in point for Redgate (the first corner) was somewhere near the pit exit!!

Fast forward to Spa and qualifying on the Friday night: Nicholas elected to go out first and do three or four laps then hand over to Robert to give him some extra seat time, followed by the third driver Chris Woodgate (Chris runs Nicholas's beautiful Aston DB4 for him). Finally, some new tyres were bolted on and Nicholas went out and did a few laps just to scrub them for the race. On a dark but dry track, he also was able to better Robert's best time of 3m 11 by three seconds to do a 3.08 and put the car at 58<sup>th</sup> overall of the 120 starters.



Mustang #51 in the pits at Spa



**Adam Cunnington** took part in the 'Spa Six' at the request of Dutch MGB racer Mark Dols who was looking for a co-driver for the event. Adam has previous experience of the Six Hours having campaigned a Marcos 1800GT there with the late Antonio Bertini in 2011 and 2013.

They qualified 15<sup>th</sup> in the GTS11 class but alas broke a halfshaft and suffered major electrical problems during the race. Despite this they were still running at the end and finished in 59<sup>th</sup> place with a best time of 3m 13.3s.



The race started dry and reasonably bright. Robert did the start which unbelievably with all those cars went without drama. After one lap, the Mustang had made several places and for the next two hrs continued to climb the leaderboard. Much to the consternation of our pit crew, times continued to fall so for the last 30 minutes they were trying to get the Mustang to slow down as it was now consistently lapping at 3.08 (with a best of 3.06) and they were concerned about fuel usage. After 2 hours, Robert came in with the timing screens showing car 51 was now 21<sup>st</sup> overall and first in class. Driver change and fuel stop were accomplished without drama and with Nicholas in the car he resumed the race with us now back down the order in the mid 40's. With our third driver deciding against racing, the team decided to keep Nicholas out for an extra 30 minutes and then Robert would go back in the car for the race to the flag. Not to be outdone by his slightly younger team mate, when the team eventually brought Nicholas in, he had restored us to 21<sup>st</sup> OA and first in class.

By the end of Nicholas's stint it was dark and starting to rain (this is Spa after all!) and after the driver change and refuelling again we dropped back into the forties once more and sixth in class. Conditions for that last 90 minutes varied from light drizzle to torrential rain which made driving a little challenging, to say the least. Back in the pits the progress of car 51 was being followed closely as it gradually made up lost ground, from sixth in class we got back to 3<sup>rd</sup> and Robert was taking between 10-20 seconds a lap out of second place. He finally got past him just three laps from the end. The class leader was also being caught but by only about 2 or 3 seconds a lap and time ran out to catch him. 25<sup>th</sup> overall and second in class was a brilliant result and better than either Nicholas or Robert expected. Full marks to Richard and Gary of Triple 3XR who prepared the car and kept both drivers in order.

RHO



Robert Oldershaw junior and Nicholas King celebrate 2<sup>nd</sup> in class

*P.S. As for the Lola, our luck continued in a similar vein to most of 2015... Robert qualified 10<sup>th</sup> but by lap two was up to 5<sup>th</sup> and running first 2 litre car. But on the third lap, the car lost power due, we think, to an as-yet unresolved fuel problem.*

## BOURNE SHOW

Entries are already being taken for Bourne Classic Car Show on 19 June 2106 where we will have a stand. Entry forms are attached with this newsletter or can be downloaded from the website.

## MY CLASSIC

There are no current submissions for this feature. If you would like to impart a small amount of information about your classic to your fellow members, please send it with a photo, to Adrian Cunnington at [seeccc@btinternet.com](mailto:seeccc@btinternet.com).

## • SPOTTED •

This superb Aston DB5 was •SPOTTED• in the last month near Sleaford...



Seen something notable, interesting or just plain different? Send a picture saying where it was •SPOTTED• to [seeccc@btinternet.com](mailto:seeccc@btinternet.com)

## AND FINALLY...

A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other...

ANONYMOUS

**HAVE A HAPPY 2016!**