

# spalding classic car club

and east elloe

## NEWSLETTER

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### Forthcoming Events

**Sunday 10 December**

**SEECCC CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

**FULLY BOOKED!**

**The Black Horse, Main Street, Baston, PE6 9PB – 3 for 3.30 pm sit down.**

Our annual festive gathering is at a new venue this year and has quickly sold out. There is a reminder of the menu on page 3. If you have any further questions, please contact Joy on 01775 723856 or email her at [jmann@seeccc.co.uk](mailto:jmann@seeccc.co.uk).

**Tuesday 9 January**

**CLUBNIGHT TALK BY STUART GIBBARD**

**Tigers' Club, Park Road, Holbeach, PE6 9PB – 7 for 7.30 pm start.**

Stuart, an SEECCC member, is giving a talk on 'Tractors and Sports Cars'. Members and non-members welcome. £3/head for charity.

**Sunday 4 February**

**SUNDAY MORNING MEET-UP**

**Baytree Garden Centre, Weston – 10am**

**See page 4 for all the details of our fabulous 2024 events programme**

### Chair Mann's CHATTER

Joy Mann Chair [jmann@seeccc.co.uk](mailto:jmann@seeccc.co.uk) ☎ 01775 723856

I'm back, I'm back, as a matter of fact I'm back!..... we won't mention the Gary element just the glitter! Talking of sparkly stuff, Christmas is fast approaching and we are really looking forward to catching up with everyone again at our SEECCC Christmas lunch on the 10<sup>th</sup>.

Firstly, I must acknowledge my Vice Chair, Steve Le Sage, who gallantly stepped into the breach and did a magnificent job in my absence. Thank you, Steve, you're a star!



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As some of you already know, we've had our very own annus horribilis and losing our amazing sister-in-law, then my lovely eldest brother died, coupled with my other brother in Critical Care in Addenbrookes with little hope of survival, something had to give. Whilst all this was unfolding, I injured my leg..... and, looking on the bright side, I did become a proficient hobbler.

Probate to sort, a house to sell, a marriage breakdown (not ours!) and my other sister-in-law "inadvertently ram-raiding" the local Co-op with her mobility scooter, left me with a lot on our plate, minus my usual sense of humour.

There's a 52 week wait on the NHS for an URGENT vascular referral so Nigel and I tipped out the piggy bank and invested in a £1,064 scan! This revealed a blocked artery in my right leg and although Mr. Mann does possess a set of rods it was decided I needed to look at the more conventional drug route. But, why oh why do they prescribe stuff you can't even pronounce?

I must also "walk through the pain" and I can now navigate a route around town which involves me stopping at intervals to stand on my good leg and bend the injured one against the wall. This makes me look like an old hooker.....and I'm not talking rugby!!

We were really looking forward to our October holiday but Scotland was so awash with rain our grocery delivery never ever arrived and our "luxury farmhouse" had no central heating nor competent cleaner IMHO! The scenic drives we'd imagined turned out to be fraught with problems and roads were shut due to landslides, so we left Scotland behind for a few days in glorious Yorkshire. Ee ba gum!

Huge thanks to Adrian, Steve and the rest of the team for keeping SEECCC afloat in my absence. We had a most enjoyable Norfolk brunch meet, courtesy of Neil and Pamela Williams, and the talk by local driving instructor, Steven Brown on the 21<sup>st</sup> was well received, although hugely humiliating for me, ha ha! ▼



I may be obese, according to one health professional, but at least that gives me broad shoulders!

Thanks also to all those who supported our Baytree meet on the 5<sup>th</sup>; it was good to see so many of our friends. Our Sunday morning meets will start again in February, subject to reasonable weather. Keep your eye on the website for any updates, [www.seecc.co.uk](http://www.seecc.co.uk)

Finally, our very best wishes for the festive season to one and all,

Joy

Just as a reminder for those going to Christmas Lunch...

**BLACK HORSE, BASTON**  
Sunday 10 December, 3 for 3.30 pm

**MENU**

**STARTERS**

**Leek & Potato Soup(vg)(gfa)**  
Toasted ciabatta

**Prawns**  
Marie rose sauce and croutons (gfa)

**Chicken Liver Pate**  
Red onion chutney & toasted ciabatta

**MAIN COURSE**

Choose from: **Topside of Beef, Turkey Crown or Nut Roast (vg)**  
with roasted potatoes, Yorkshire pudding, stuffing balls & seasonal vegetables (gfa)

**Pan-fried salmon** with lemon butter, new potatoes and vegetables

**DESSERTS**

**Christmas pudding (gf)**  
Brandy sauce

**Raspberry & white chocolate cheesecake**  
Raspberry ripple ice cream

**Tarte au citron**  
Vanilla ice cream

**Cheeseboard**  
Crackers, cheddar, brie, celery, grapes, and red onion chutney

**£25.00 per head**

Drink on arrival and tea & coffee included



**MARSHALS REQUIRED PLEASE!**

King's Lynn & DMC are running a 12-car navigational rally in the Long Sutton, Sutton Bridge, Walpole areas on the evening of Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January and require entries and marshalling assistance.

If you are able to help, please contact Adrian Cunnington on [kldmc.classic@btinternet.com](mailto:kldmc.classic@btinternet.com) or call him on 07970 072260. Thanks!

More details will be posted at [www.kingslynndmc.co.uk/events](http://www.kingslynndmc.co.uk/events)

Date	Day	Event	Organiser	Venue
9 Jan	Tue	Club Night Talk: Stuart Gibbard	S Le Sage	Tigers Club Holbeach
4 Feb	Sun	Sunday Brunch Meet	SEECCC	Baytree Garden Centre
13 Feb	Tue	Club Night Quiz	J & N Mann	Tigers Club Holbeach
3 Mar	Sun	Sunday Brunch Meet	SEECCC	Waterside Garden Ctr
13 Mar	Wed	Lunch at The Thatched Cottage	J & T Overson	Sutterton
26 Mar	Tue	<b>Annual General Meeting</b>	<b>SEECCC</b>	<b>Tigers Club Holbeach</b>
7 Apr	Sun	Brunch Meet: <b>LIVES.</b> presentation^	SEECCC	Waterside Garden Ctr
28 Apr	Sun	Drive It Day Run	S Saunders & Liz	TBC
5 May	Sun	Sunday Brunch Meet	SEECCC	Baytree Garden Centre
8 May	Wed	Club Night Run	C & C Cornish	TBC
11 May	Sat	Spalding Flower Parade	SEECCC	Spalding
2 Jun	Sun	Holbeach Car & Bike Show	S Saunders & Liz	Lawns & Lakes, Fleet
9 Jun	Sun	<b>SEECCC Charity Classic Car Run</b>	<b>A &amp; J Aistrup</b>	<b>Waterside Garden Ctr</b>
15/16 Jun	Sat/Sun	Holbeach Town & Country Fayre	S Saunders & Liz	Fen Road, Holbeach
23 Jun /am	Sun	Abbey Parks Brunch Meet	S Le Sage	East Heckington
23 Jun /pm	Sun	<b>Phob</b> 40th Anniversary Celebration	J & N Mann	Surfleet
30 Jun	Sun	Baston Car & Bike Show	G Faulkner	Grimsthorpe Castle
7 Jul	Sun	46 <sup>th</sup> Annual Classic Car Rally	King's Lynn & DMC	TBC
17 Jul	Wed	Club Night Run	A & C Cunnington	TBC
28 Jul	Sun	New Lodge Farm Brunch Meet	J & N Mann	Bulwick, Stamford
4 Aug	Sun	'Afternoon Tea'	C & K Langwade	Pinchbeck
11 Aug	Sun	Boston Classic Car Show	G Faulkner	Hubbert's Bridge
21 Aug	Wed	Club Night Run	J & P Pollard	TBC
1 Sep	Sun	Boston Fens Treasure Hunt	S Le Sage	TBC
7 Sep	Sat	Sleaford Show	SCCCMS	TBC
18 Sep	Wed	Club Night Run	S Le Sage	TBC
6 Oct	Sun	Sunday Brunch Meet	SEECCC	Waterside Garden Ctr
27 Oct*	Fri	' <b>Spooky Tales</b> '	Team Jenny & Jean	Stamford
3 Nov	Sun	Sunday Brunch Meet	A & C Cunnington	TBC
12 Nov*	Tue	Club Night Visit	TBC	TBC
15 Dec*	Sun	<b>Christmas Lunch</b>	<b>J &amp; N Mann</b>	<b>TBC</b>

\*Provisional. TBC: further info to come. Dates may be cancelled without notice. ^LIVES was our supported charity in 2023

# CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH

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Find as many car makes and/or models as you can in this grid forming our Christmas word search. Words can go up, down, across (either way) or diagonally and can also overlap. Send you answers as a list or a highlighted grid by 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024 to Adrian at [seeccc@btinternet.com](mailto:seeccc@btinternet.com). Good luck!



**Wishing all  
our members a  
Happy Christmas**

## LAST-MINUTE R.A.C. ANGST FOR PEREZ



Derbyshire driver Seb Perez campaigned this wonderful 1975 Lancia Stratos HF on the recent Roger Albert Clark Rally held over 5 days in Wales, Scotland and northern England towards the end of November. Sadly, the car agonisingly expired on the last stage when lying in second place leaving a top three clean sweep for the Ford Escorts of Marty McCormack, Cathan McCourt and Jason Pritchard.

We know some [SEECCC](#) members were involved as some of the 1600 marshals and as members of support crews for competitors. Well done all in supporting this landmark event which will return in November 2025.

Full results at <https://www.ewrc-results.com/final/78710-roger-albert-clark-rally-2023/>

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