

# AREA 1 JAGUAR DRIVERS CLUB NEWSLETTER

## NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



I am sorry for the delay in writing this month's newsletter. Phil and I seem to have had a hectic few weeks what with a wedding in the family and I was also helping at the NEC last weekend on the Jaguar stand.

We have some exciting plans for next year and I hope to have a draft calendar of events available for our next meeting which is the AGM.

I am pleased to say we have two members who have volunteered to join the Committee next year, namely Lorraine Smith and Malcolm Sykes, for which I am extremely grateful. They will replace David East and John Hedges who are both standing down at the AGM.

I am happy to stand again for Chairman at the next AGM, and if elected, will stand for one more year only. Thereafter it is my intention to stand down, partly due to the pressures I have at home, but also because I believe it will be time to pass the role onto someone else. I am hoping that in the coming year, more and more members (not just committee members) will continue to volunteer to help organise some of the events so that Area 1 can continue to thrive. Our members and their help are key to our existence so that we can continue with the great rapport we all have.

Since the last newsletter we had a great day out in the Surrey countryside organised by Malcolm and Jan Sykes. It was just such a shame that the weather was so wet as Malcolm and Jan had put a lot of work into organising the drive with places to visit en route and clues to find. We finished with a very good lunch at the Frensham Ponds Hotel and a chance to dry out!

Our darts evening on 5<sup>th</sup> November was another great success and was well attended despite the fact that it was Bonfire Night.

### EVENTS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR

**Tonight, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November.** Following on from the success of last year, we shall be having another curry evening at the **Mumbai Brasserie** in Andover tonight at 7.30 p.m. We have 17 members that are due to attend.

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019, The Mill at Sonning** – tickets are all sold out for what should be another great evening.

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** – **AGM**, followed by a quiz that Brian Cutts has kindly agreed to organise again, so please support this evening. The AGM will start promptly at 8.00 p.m. so if you intend to eat beforehand, please arrive no later than 6.30 p.m. The quiz will take place immediately after the AGM.

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2019, Christmas dinner** – 52 people are due to attend this event and some of us will be staying at the hotel overnight. The start time is 7.00 p.m. for an aperitif before dinner at 7.30 p.m., but I expect many members will meet in the bar before that from around 6.00/6.30 p.m. The dress code will be smart/casual.

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There is one event that is already cast in stone and that is our annual 7 course gourmet dinner and overnight stay at the Madjeski Hotel in Reading. Jane Lawrence has once again organised this. Next year it will take place on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March** and the cost will be £150.00 per couple for the dinner, bed and breakfast. This is a very popular event so if you would like to join us please contact Jane urgently on 01635 827954 as the rooms will sell out fast!

We are still open for any suggestions you might have for events for next year, so please let me know so that they can be included in our Calendar of Events.

Lastly, don't forget to let Dave Greenly know as soon as possible if you would like a 2020 calendar. His email address is [dgreenly@mac.com](mailto:dgreenly@mac.com).

Sue Parkinson  
Chair Person

P.S. I would just like to remind you of the discount that club members can get for car servicing at Marshalls Jaguar at Greenham, Newbury. One of our members recently had his XK serviced – the normal price was £642 and as a club member he was charged £350 – quite an amazing discount!

