

SEPTEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

I wish to welcome all new members who have joined in the last month. I am extremely pleased that so many have decided to support the Club in this way. I hope that everyone is feeling well and looking forward to events in the coming months.

"THANK YOU"

I wish to forward a message I have received from Cynthia Hamon, the wife of the later Peter Hamon.

"Dear Members of the JCVC who kindly attended Peter's funeral. A big "thank you" to all the classic car drivers and the tractor boys who gave Peter such a meaningful farewell. I know he would be deeply touched and it meant a lot to me also. Thank you all, Cynthia Hamon".

SUNDAY MONTHLY MEETINGS – Venue St Clement's Parish Hall from 10.30am

The next Sunday Meeting will be Sunday September 28th.

AUGUST VEHICLE OF THE MONTH

I was very pleased that Mick Genee was present this month as between us we found a beautiful 1997 XK8 Jaguar belonging to Robert Horwell. Congratulations Bob in being the latest recipient of the Vehicle of the Month award.



1997 JAGUAR XK8

I purchased the 1997 XK8 this year in 2025. I am the fourth owner and the Jaguar has always been registered in Jersey. The second owner, a friend of mine, also a Club Member, owned the car for 14 years, until about 3 years ago. It is in excellent condition for a car that is 28 years old and only has 28,000 miles on it.

Thanks. Bob.



COFFEE MORNINGS - JERSEY PEARL, St Ouen, second Tuesday of the Month, from 10am.

It was marvellous to see so many of you at Jersey Pearl in August, I counted 30. There was plenty of chat going on so I think you all enjoyed yourselves. The next meeting will be on Tuesday September 9th.



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RJA & HS SUMMER and PRODUCE SHOW – Sunday August 17th

The Club attended the above show and 15 of you brought some beautiful vehicles along including a grey Fergie tractor belonging to Leighton Peck who is one of our new members this year. It was great to see a tractor amongst the group. I was also pleased to see 5 minis which was a real treat. Several awards were made by the RJAHS, the judges being three generations of the same Family i.e. Martin Rouault, his son and grandson who all own Mini Mokes. I must persuade them to become members.

The following were awarded prizes;

GOLD AWARD – Pam and Frank Laurens with their 1953 MG TF Midget Convertible

SILVER AWARD – Dave Pallot with his 1980 Honda Accord Generation One

BRONZE AWARD – Brian and Irene Biddle with their 1965 Ford Cortina Super Mark One

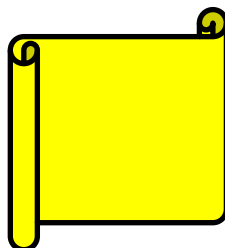


SPECIAL AWARDS as follows:

LEE ROBERTS'S MAZDA MX-5



LEIGHTON PECK'S 1948 Ferguson TE20



BEST MINI:

First – Jane Tirel with her 1960 Austin Seven Mini

Second – Mick Marett with his 1989 Mini Mayfair Shell

Third – Amanda Myers with her 2000 Mini Cooper



Congratulations to all of you!

There was plenty to see at the show with a tremendous array of plants, produce, cakes, craft and a bumper entry in the Jersey Poultry and Ornithological Society show who were celebrating their 170th Anniversary. I had never seen so many guinea pig entries at a show. They certainly had a very successful show to celebrate 170 years. There were also some beautifully painted eggs that had been blown.

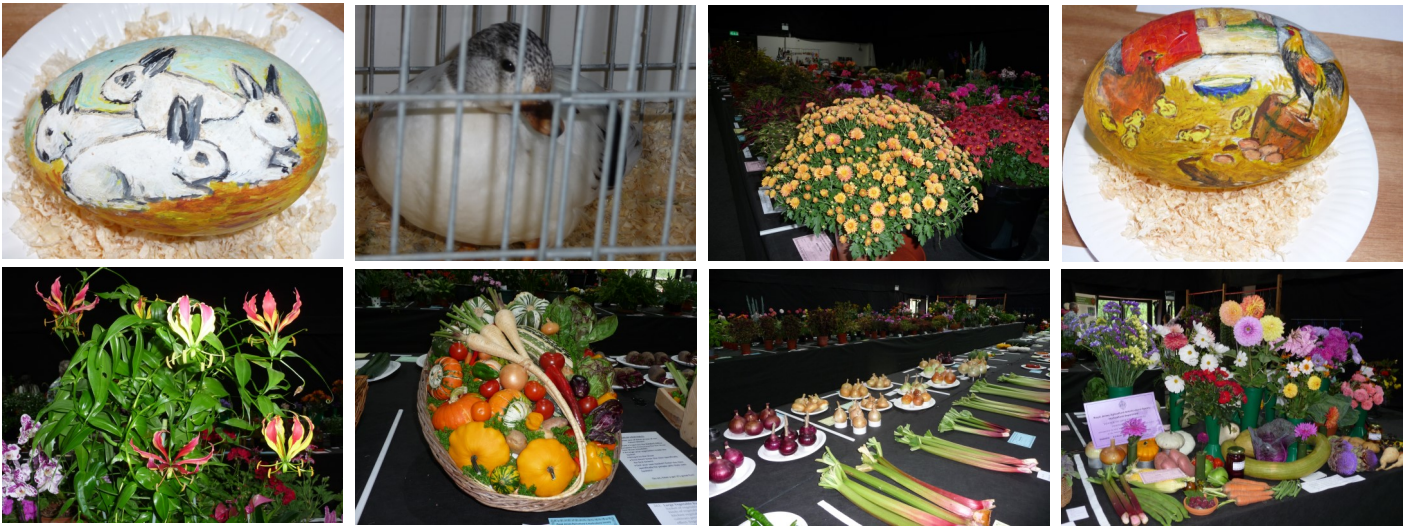


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SAMARES MANOR COUNTRY FAIR – Bank Holiday Monday August 25th

We were once again very lucky with the weather, it was a very hot day but there was a nice breeze to cool us down and shade was found under the trees. The gardens were looking spectacular considering the hot weather we have been having this summer and an abundance of fruit was noted on the trees. It certainly has been a good fruit and berry year.

Unfortunately there were no Lindy Hop dancers, however the Hot Bananas were in full voice and gave us some great musical entertainment.

I was pleased to see 22 vehicles this year a few less than in previous years but we all lead busy lives and one can't be present at all events and I thank you one all for your support.

Charles Le Couteur was once again heading the threshing in the courtyard and after a few teething troubles it all got under way. There was a huge heap to do and with rain forecast the day after the event, it needed to be done without delay.



AUGUST SUNDAY MEETING - 31st August

The Sunday meeting coincided with the St John Fellowship event and for once Pam and I went in different directions. I went East and she went to Pier Road to sort out the St John Fellowship Drive.



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I was glad to see a good number of you at the Parish Hall and I thank everyone who helped me to set up the room and put things away afterwards. I would also like to thank Emma for helping me out with the presentation photos and running the raffle.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and COMMITTEE POSITIONS

The Annual General Meeting will be taking place on Sunday November 30th at St Clement's Parish Hall at 11am.

At this stage I can say that there will be one vacant position as regrettably Phil Johnson has decided not to stand again next year. He is cutting back on certain things but will continue to be a member of the Club. I wish to thank Phil for his dedication regarding the Membership section of the Club and advice he has given me on several occasions.

The other Officers and committee members will be standing again for another year.

If anyone would like to come forward to fill this position please can you let me know in the next month or so. I thank you in advance.

Frank Laurens

JCV/ST JOHN FELLOWSHIP Event – 31st August

This has been an annual event for many years and involves taking the retired St John Ambulance members in a Classic Car for a drive around the lanes of Jersey.

After some thought on how to make this event more popular it was agreed at a committee meeting to use Classic Lorries instead of the cars. Ian Le Brun was adamant that it would work and I must admit I was very enthusiastic about this idea as memories of Sunday School treats, streamers flying in the wind and a great deal of laughter came to mind!

Well I have to say as Ian and Trevor Barette drove up the road and parked by Pier road car park the excitement started to build. Some had never experienced this treat in a lorry but some had and we lead the way giving out streamers to those who didn't have any. Trevor Bayliss had flags for everyone to wave and after climbing the steps into the lorries we were under way with even a lady of 93 on board!



Thirty of us had so much fun, with hooters tooting, streamers blowing, singing and a great deal of flag waving it was one of the best events so far. The St John Fellowship had such a great time they have booked the lorries again for next year. I have a feeling we shall have more than two lorries!



Trevor Bayliss of St John Fellowship thanked the two drivers and presented each of them with a bottle of wine. He also thanked the Club for thinking of this idea as he said the whole Fellowship had enjoyed themselves so much it was the talk throughout the lunch. He also presented our Chairman with a "Thank You" celebration plaque to mark this event and added he had remembered to have Lorry engraved on it instead of Car. Frank thanked Trevor Bayliss and also thanked the two lorry drivers, Ian Le Brun and Trevor



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Barette for leading the first Classic Lorry Drive.

A delicious lunch was enjoyed by all at the Hotel Ambassadeur and a raffle was held in aid of the St John Fellowship funds.



A final word from Trevor Bayliss. “Great Guys” 2 Very Happy Chappies. Many thanks to both of them.

JCVC BBQ – SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 14th

This year the Pallot's Museum Autumn Fayre **will not** be taking place due to circumstances beyond their control. However, we shall be holding the Club BBQ in the field on Sunday September 14th, a run will be held beforehand. Richard Taylor has kindly agreed to write the route on this occasion, please gather at 10.30am for an 11am start. It will start at Lakeside Care Home, Airport Road, St Peter in the lower car park. As we drive up please turn sharp right into Lakeside Pavilion where we shall have a break of 20 minutes to 30 minutes in order that the residents in this part of the home can view the cars etc. This will leave everyone time to catch up and park up in the top car park. The residents will have a chance to see the cars properly and be wheeled around if they wish.

We can then all leave in a line and we should have plenty of time as the BBQ won't start until 1pm.

If you haven't let me know that you are going to the BBQ please do so as soon as possible. The price will be £26.50, please complete the form previously circulated and return the cheque or cash with slip to me by Sunday September 7th. Having been informed that my cataract operation date has been changed I am now able to come to the BBQ and looking forward to it. The food is always delicious and it is a very enjoyable event. As in past years the Club will be providing the desserts.

POPPY RUN – November 2nd

The Poppy Run will be taking place on the above date ending with a lunch at the Prince of Wales, 12.30pm for 1pm. We shall also arrange a raffle and all proceeds from the raffle will be donated to the Royal British Legion.

I do hope you will be able to attend and I enclose the menu as pre-orders are necessary for this lunch. Please send payment and choices to me by Saturday October 25th. I thank you in advance for your help in this.

SUNBEAM RAPIER OWNERS CLUB, UK - Summer 2025 Special French Tour, Normandy Trip - from 22nd to 25th August 2025

Martyn and Colleen will be sending in an article.

DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

ANNUAL DINNER – FRIDAY NOVEMBER 21st at the Hotel Ambassadeur, 7pm for 7.30pm.

Menu to be forwarded and price for overnight stay if required. A raffle will also be included, courtesy of the Club, and I am sure that Emma and Family will be sorting another bumper one for us.

CHRISTMAS RUN and LUNCH – SUNDAY DECEMBER 14th at the Dolphin Hotel. Gorey, 12.30pm for 1pm.

The menu and price to be forwarded but it will be around £37.00



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JCVC MERCHANDISE

Mick de Sousa has assorted merchandise for sale to Club members. The following are available for sale and we shall have them for sale down at the **RJIMF**: Lapel Badge - £2.50, Car Screen badge - £1, Tractor Screen Badge £1, Grill Badge - £31 and Left and Right Hand flags - £5 each and key rings - £3. Please phone Mick if you need any on 01534 725859 or email mdesousa1962@hotmail.com

That is all from me - Happy and Safe Motoring
Pam Laurens

Tractor Run – Sunday 27th July 2025...

Thirty ‘Handsomen Gentlemen’ spanning eight generations of ‘life’s spills & thrills’ experience around some of the finest specimens of agricultural tractors gathered at the home of The Two John Emmanuel’s {Snr & Jnr} at Hamptonne, St. Lawrence where we were duly invited to start the July run from. Along with the drivers many spectators also turned up to join in the pre drive rendezvous.

We were treated to bacon rolls and drinks all cooked and served to perfection by ‘Team Emmanuel’ whilst we sat and stood in the gorgeous St. Lawrence ambience ‘putting the world to right’ as we so finely do at our gatherings.

Unfortunately for the last few gatherings we have had a minute’s silence to remember ‘former colleagues’ who have recently passed away – this time it was for the late Peter Hamon.

Peter was one of the Founding Members of the ‘Tractor Division’ – it was his suggestion a charity tin be passed around each time so folk {if they wish} can donate to the cause as a way of thanks for the organised trip. The phenomenal charity that is Jersey Hospice was chosen, in fact it’s still the same today some years later which bears testament to the care and love shown to people in their care.

Waving Hamptonne ‘farewell’ we headed due north east to Mont Gavey, at the top we took a left into the back drive of a stunning property, Le Tresor recently purchased by James Ransom. It turns out one of ‘our colleagues in classic tractors’, David Pallot was born here, almost a step back into time so to speak for him, I hope.

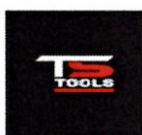
Leaving Le Tresor we meandered through stunning St. Lawrence into mellow St. Mary with a brief albeit very rural track and little lanes through seductive St. John before heading back into St. Mary around the Crabbe area eventually ending up in the car park of the Ugly Oyster café {formerly Café Romany} down in Greve De Lecq. As the new norm there isn’t any rush to leave when the runs have finished so again various groups discussed ongoing ‘bits & bobs’ before heading off...

As well as thanking the ‘Road Marshalls’ we’d also like to thank John Lamy, our resident in house controller of the charity tin. He turns up each and every run we have encouraging all to drop a few pennies into the pot in his own unique way. His gentle persuasion has no doubly been a big influence in us getting to impressive amounts donated over the last few years, something we all should be very proud of considering in essence it’s a few people meeting with a few old tractors half a dozen times a year!!! Thanks, Monsieur, for your time and effort – it’s truly appreciated...

Next tractor run planned for Sunday 14th September – the normal Club BBQ bash held at The Steam Museum albeit due to various technicalities there isn’t going to be an open day so to speak however we have been allowed to use the site for our club’s use. Starting venue to be announced closer to the date...

Keep at it. Thanks.

Mick & Toots



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