SOUTH ESSEX MG OWNERS CLUB NEWSLETTER

Area 0906 www.southessexmgoc.net April 2026
info@southessexmgoc.net

Last Month.

No New Members to report.

Recent Events.

Harbour View Lunch

On Wednesday 18th March, we attended the Harbour View Restaurant in Tollesbury for a delightful lunch with a beautiful view of boats in the harbour.

Derek organised a convoy from The Lodge to those who preferred to join in rather than making their own way there.

This was our second visit to this restaurant, and it didn't disappoint.

The weather was very nice albeit a little windy, but the sun was shining.
Some had pre-ordered hot food, and others chose from the selection of sandwiches which were served with chips and salad on the day.

We had a total of 23 members in attendance and enjoyed by all.

Our grateful thanks to Derek for organising this for us.

June

Secretary's News

Earlier in the year, our member Barrie Freedman donated his Limited Edition Corgi Model MGF to our Club.



We have deliberated long and hard as to the best way to raise money from the sale of this item and have now decided to hold an auction for the highest bidder.

As things stand, we have received a bid of £20 which falls far short of the true value of this model.

I am therefore inviting members to submit a bid via our club email info@southessexmgoc.net until the next club meeting on the 11th May.

Barry

What's On

Saturday 25th April

Annual Quiz

Champions Manor Hall, South Woodham Ferrers

Monday 11th May

Meeting at The Lodge Country Inn from 8pm.

NOTE this is the 2nd Monday due to the May Day Bank Holiday on the 4th May.

Sunday 16th May

Little Baddow Open Gardens

COMING UP ON 17th JUNE
Weekday Lunch at The Ship In, Tiptree

Our second weekday lunch has been booked and is being organised by Derek Gardner.

Please see Derek at tonight's meeting if you would like to be added to the list.

Full details will be in the May Newsletter.

MESSAGE BOARD!

LEISURE & ENTERTAINMENT NEWS

Welcome to the April Leisure & Entertainment News.

ANNUAL QUIZ EVENING
Champions Manor Hall, Hullbridge Road, South Woodham Ferrers, CM3 5LJ
Saturday the 25th April 2025 at 19.15 prompt

This event is now all but finalised with a total of 8 teams.

The quiz will start at 7.15pm. There is a car park on site. Please ensure you arrive at the hall by 7pm to allow the quiz to start promptly.

If for any reason you are delayed arriving at 7pm please ensure you send me a message to my mobile number, as shown at the foot of each newsletter.

There is no bar at the Hall so please bring your own drinks/nibbles etc. to enjoy during the quiz.

There will be 6 rounds of 10 questions, plus a Marathon which we will be able to try and solve throughout the evening and collected later on.

Following each round of questions, we will be asked to pass our answers to an adjacent team table for marking.

This is an absolute fun quiz. It's not Mastermind. We appreciate everyone relying on their own team knowledge only.

It is also part of our ongoing desire to support a variety of charities from events we enjoy during the year and all proceeds from the quiz will be donated to Little Haven's Children's Hospice, which we have supported for 25 years now.

I have arranged for the food to be delivered to the Hall at 8.15pm and as in the past, this will be served from the kitchen in the lobby by table numbers starting with Table 1.

When your table number is called, two people from each team will be asked to take the meals list provided on each table to collect the food and return to the team table.

All cutlery serviettes, salt, vinegar, and a hand wipe will also be provided for each table.

If any of you wish to bring any Ketchup or Mayonnaise etc., please feel free to do so.

Before the second half of the quiz commences, black sacks will be handed round for all food & cutlery rubbish to be collected, and Churchill's delivery personnel will return to the hall and take the sacks away.

Please do not put empty bottles and/or cans etc. in the sacks and take them home for disposal

There is the usual raffle, the proceeds of which will go to the charity.
Tickets will be £5 per strip as usual.

When all prizes have been presented to the winning team, if any of you have time to help with the clearing away of tables and chairs, this would be gratefully appreciated.

We have to vacate the hall by 11pm prompt, with everything back to where it was.

LITTLE BADDOW OPEN GARDENS & CAR DISPLAY
Saturday 16th May 10.30am to 4.00 pm
Short Convoy from The Generals Arms
The Ridge, Little Baddow, Chelmsford, CM3 4SX

We have received an invitation to this event as a club which we have accepted.

We have received these details:

Entry will be free to display for a car and two people, with free entry to gardens (normally £8 per person). Parking will be at Riffhams, Graces Lane, Little Baddow CM3 4AX, and we expect to have fifteen gardens open and some five other sites, including two churches and the History Centre. Lunches will be available at the Memorial Hall and two pubs. Other attractions may include boat trips on the Chelmer Navigation, Morris dancing and the KEGS band. Free buses will be provided to ferry people around.

The cars will be displayed at the front of the house on grass in the Repton-designed garden.

Although we have limited space, we will ensure there is ample distance between cars to fully open car doors.

We request that if members wish their cars to be parked together that they arrive in convoy, otherwise they will be parked up with other cars as they arrive.

It is requested that members arrive with their cars between 10.15am and 10.30am.

We do not require names or car registration numbers.

Some of you have indicated that you would be interested in taking part in this event, which we attended last year as a club event.

The email also states that names must be given by the 16th April which is a little close now and I will endeavour to go ahead and request at least the same number which we achieved last year.

We will need to arrive in convoy so that we can all park together and therefore we should all make our own way to the Generals Arms (also known as Olio on the Ridge) at The Ridge, Little Baddow, CM3 4SX

Please arrive at The Generals Arms by 09.45 for a prompt 10.00 departure.

Please contact me on the day if you are running late so as to avoid having to park separately from our group.

Please see me at the meeting if you wish to confirm attendance or wish to take part and a Pass will be sent to you by email or handed out at The Generals Arms before heading off to the event.

That's all for this month.

June