

EAST MIDLANDS REGION NEWSLETTER



East Midlands Report for Sprint – February 2010

A time of changes for the East Midlands region. Firstly I have the daunting task of taking on the role of RO for the region after John Case's retirement from the role at the end of 2009. I'm sure you will all join me in thanking John for his sterling work as the region's RO over a mammoth 10 years of service. The club has been very lucky to have had someone willing to dedicate themselves for so long to the role. I'm sure we'll continue to see Jay CEE and his 'Beetle' at our meetings and I hope we'll continue to benefit from his years of experience.

The second change is that we now have a secondary RO for the East Mids region in Paul Arnold. Paul is of course more than qualified for this role as he attends nearly every local (and some not so local) event and meeting, has owned no less than 9 TVRs, has been a member of the club for more years than he will admit and is of course a really nice guy!

The last change is that of our monthly meeting venue. As mentioned by John in last month's report we will continue to meet at lunchtime on the second Sunday of the month but now at a new venue, the Unicorn's Head in Langar, Nottinghamshire. It has plenty of space inside, good reasonably priced food and most importantly a big flat car park.

Our final gathering of 2009 was a two day affair in early December. Firstly we had the East Midlands Christmas Dinner at Eastwood Hall where a record number of members enjoyed an excellent evening with some great food and plenty of the usual festive merriment. Many thanks to Paul and Jill of PPC for their donation to the Christmas raffle and to Dom of TVR Power for his donation to the drinks bill.

Many people stayed over night at the venue and were joined the following day at the hotel by others for the monthly meeting. The night of the meal was very wet which limited the number of people venturing out in their TVRs but 11 cars turned up for the drier Sunday meeting. Most of cars enjoyed a good chassis clean in the small 'lake' that had formed in the night half way up the drive to the hotel!



Plans for 2010 are now well under way and it looks like it will be another busy and exciting year for the region. Full details are, as always, available on our regional website under 'events' and on our regional forum but there are couple events I'd like to highlight at the beginning of the season.

Firstly our local TVR service centre Prestige Performance Cars in Melton will be holding their annual open day on Saturday 27th March. This has grown into a very popular event with 66 TVRs attending in 2009. It's a great opportunity to get your car out after what is for many a long winter break.

Secondly the massive National TVRCC meeting at Chatsworth will be held on 25th April. This is certainly an event not to be missed. As in previous years the East Midlands region will be organising a run through the Derbyshire Peak District on Saturday 24th April. Everyone is welcome. Full details of the weekend can be found on the Chatsworth Gathering website www.chatsworthtvr.co.uk

I hope to see you at some of our meetings and events this year.
Tony