

East Anglian Card Collectors Club

(Celebrating 50 years in October 2019)

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Saturday 16th November 2019

It was very easy to think that this month would be 'after the Lord's Mayors' show following on from our tremendous anniversary meeting of last month. Little do you realise the tenacity and enthusiasm of our membership and November was above average in 'at least' two ways.

I made an early start and still arrived to late to help the boys set up, I have discovered they start at quarter past seven, well done Barry and Ken it is very much appreciated. John Shaw was setting up and it was soon looking good for another good meet. The dealers drifted in and set up with a good amount of enthusiasm, the regular early birds were keen to sniff out the bargains as always. John Haddon Silver and Mike Heard had dropped out for personal reasons, but a new member tried his hand at dealing with a couple of friends. I think it worked for them and they sold some of their stock. I do know John Shaw had a very good day. Nice to welcome Ken Courtney back with his stock, I understand that Alice and Janice are hoping to make the Christmas event.

Can I ask dealers to let me know which dates they will be coming next year, some already have and the places are filling up fast. Give me a call.

Nice to see a few lesser spotted members putting in an appearance, Garry Daynes (in search of football cards), Mick Plant is hoping to become a regular attender and will set up stall and deal in the new year. Richard Spurgeon was back after s few month's absence, he knows a good club when he sees one. Robert Butterworth joined today, I hope he enjoys his membership for a good few years. Today the numbers were 57 members and 8 visitors, including Ann and Les two grand daughters who did a great job assisting with the auction.

There seemed to be (as always) a great atmosphere in the club today, lots of chatting, searching, buying and selling. There were a few photographs taken last month, I have put them in a folder, everyone is welcome to check them out, they will be on the reception desk, just ask Doreen.

Next month it is our Christmas meeting and ‘of course’ that means Giant Raffle and free Christmas themed buffet, proceeds this year from the raffle will be given to Air Ambulance at the January meeting. I hope you will agree a very worthy cause. I have been given a very large donation (from a member) to buy a 1st prize, so please everybody dig deep and lets see if we can make it £400 this year. The two grandchildren got us off to a good start by selling £100 in raffle tickets at today’s meeting. Would have been more if I had brought more books of tickets, still there will be three different colours available next month. Don’t forget to bring in your prizes, several members who can’t come next month have already done that. I do have this ambition that one year we will have **100** prizes.

Approximate timing next month, doors open **8.30am**, Two dealers Peter Beer and Paul Lynch. The 200 lot auction about **11.00/11.15am**, Santa Les with his words of wisdom about **12.45pm**, followed by the buffet (about **1.00pm**). The usual drinks and delicacies will be available until about **12.00**. The then the Giant Raffle at **2.00pmish**. Lets see lots of festive cheer, Christmas Sweaters, hats, socks the lot, dress is optional but nice. Can we out dress Ken Courtney this year ?

There was a small error on the dates I sent out last month so please ignore them I will resend next month.

Alan is currently listing May 2020, so is well ahead of himself, the first four months have all been completed and will be circulated in the usual way. If you cant wait to see what is coming up in the auction, they are all on the website (or will be very shortly). This month the auction looked a lot better and there a few lots that will be popular, so we were all ready to go at 1.00pm. I counted 32 expectant bidders. The full facts and figures read 250 lots sold for £3879. There were 19 successful in house bidders spending £2404, a further 11 successful postal bidders who spent £1475. There were 8 vendors and remained unsold. Top spot went to Lot 192 an early Liebig album with 50 sets in selling for £180. Pick of the December auction has to be Lot 122 a near full set of Godfrey Phillips Football League Colours, I’m sure this will be keenly fought over, just hope it doesn't go to penalties!

**Saturday 14th December Roydon Village Hall
from 8.30am**

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Meeting Dates

2020

**Saturday 18th January, Saturday 15th February, Saturday 21st March,
Saturday 18th April, Saturday 16th May, Saturday 20th June,**

**Saturday 18th July, Saturday 15th August, Saturday 19th September
Saturday 17th October, Saturday 21st November, Saturday 19th December**

All at Roydon Village Hall, nr Diss, South Norfolk

from 8.30am to 4.00pm