

Area 33 April - Visit to P&A Wood and lunch at the Angel & Harp



The day dawned bright and sunny despite the forecast as Area 33 members departed home early to meet at P&A Wood by 09.30am.

P&A Wood is an esteemed Rolls Royce Dealer and Workshop based in Great Easton, where a workshop tour had been arranged followed by lunch at the Angel & Harp, Dunmow.

The brothers Paul & Andrew Wood left Rolls-Royce once Andrew had completed

his engineering apprenticeship to start their own business working exclusively with Rolls-Royce and Bentley motor cars. With Andrew in charge of the engineering element and Paul in charge of sales and coachwork, the business flourished. Due to concentrated hard work and living their adopted motto, "Attention to detail", many concours events were won by the cars which they had restored.

The twenty Area 33 Members, Pam & Ron; Tina & Bernie; Ian & Anne; Dennis & Frances; Sian & Tony; Terry & Veronica; Tony & Anthea; Terry & Trish, Ron & Anita; Harry and Eric, had the opportunity to witness this detail in the many specialised workshops at the site. The main mechanical shop was completely full of Rolls & Bentleys, of various vintages and models, being worked on by the staff.

Despite this shop being so full we were told that they had another two buildings also full of cars awaiting attention; the majority of cars also coming from overseas; such is the reputation of this Heritage Dealer. The tour took about 1 ½ hours finishing in the Showroom where a range of pre-owned Rolls & Bentleys were displayed. I couldn't decide whether to opt for the lovely Derby Bentley at £78,000 or the more modern Bentley Continental GT at only £68,000, decisions, decisions!



A more detailed article on the visit by Tony will follow.



Our next stop was lunch at the Angel & Harp, a few minutes down the road; this is a popular eatery as we had to pre-order for our party as other tables were already booked for lunch; it proved to be a good experience with friendly staff and nicely presented food in a relaxed atmosphere.

Overall the food was excellent although one lamb main had to be replaced, for which we were not

charged, and seconds of vegetables provided at no extra; possibly a future Sunday Lunch venue?

Regards Eric Hoile