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## ***En Route to Pembroke***

***Sue and Al Graves' 1994 XJS***

***Paddy Robertson's 1985 XJS***

***Rob and Jean Dunlop's 1968 E-Type***

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***October Meeting***

***Tuesday, Oct 10th, 7 p.m., Real Canadian Superstore***



# Member Profile: Hugh Siddons' Story

**Hugh Siddons** has owned Jaguars for about ten years now, which coincides with the time that he has been a member of the Ottawa Jaguar Club. Hugh's story starts with a very wet vacation that he took with his wife **Hally** one August at Cape Cod. Hugh had planned to golf and Hally looked forward to reading books on the beach. But, alas, that was not to be.

They went antique hunting in the rain, but rather than a special piece of furniture or artwork, it was an E type Jaguar that grabbed their attention! Its nose was peeking out from the side of a house in a Fall River suburb where Hugh and Hally were lost. Curiosity got the better of Hugh and he knocked on the door to enquire even though it was not for sale.

The owner, whose charm they took to immediately and who remains a friend to this day, showed them two other E types in his yard. He explained that he only collected E types and that this was his 75th one! He hunts them down and trades/sells them after restoring them, just for fun. His real business was travel agencies. Being a tall man, he was in the process of advertising this car for sale because the low roof in the coupe troubled his back. He now only drives an OTS.

They arranged to play a game of golf and discuss the matter in a few days when the weather improved. They had a lot of fun playing golf for 18 holes and sealed the deal on the 19th with one proviso, that they play each year on this unique course by the sea,

where there is no club house, only a tin shack with a rusty coke machine and incredibly polite children who stepped aside for their elders to play through. A true holiday course!

Well that started Hugh on a new experience of owning subsequently an XJ12 and, on selling that, a BMW 330ci. Hugh more recently bought an XK8, so now owns the grandfather and grandchild of these fabulous sports models. Of these two cars, Hugh still gets the best charge out of driving the E type when it is perfectly tuned and the wire wheels well balanced. The suspension is not bettered today for comfort and handling.



*Hugh and his first Jaguar at the 2003 British Invasion in Stowe, Vermont*

The E type has been off the road for two years now. Hugh took on the "small" job of simply taking the engine out to repair the oil leaks and check out the tolerances. Well, one thing led to another...but now the whole car forward of the bulkhead is clean, with a renewed braking system, including vented disks.

To further improve safety, Hugh installed Halogen headlights and can finally get the safety done and the car back on the road. One of Hugh's biggest challenges was to replace the direction indicator switch. After hunting worldwide for a replacement with no luck, he amazingly found the broken part of the switch at a small garage right here in Ottawa. The offending part was a plastic return spring that is not made any more and, when found, was still in its original package.



Hugh's story is similar to that of many others in that he owned sports cars as a bachelor, used company cars during marriage, and has returned to his youthful yearnings to own the E type.

In earlier days, Hugh bought a new MGB coupe, which was the very edge of the interpretation of a "company car", and sold it to own a second hand Lancia Fulvia Sport Coupe 1300. What entertainment this car was. Front wheel drive, excellent steering and handling and a stylish Italian presence They used a lot of aluminium in this car and given its light weight, the car was very quick despite only a 1300 cc engine; one of Hugh's favourites.

The enjoyment of restoring an old car was made possible by having pleasant helpful people in the Ottawa Jaguar Club give of their experience and skills which Hugh hopes to reciprocate now that he is a "veteran". The encouragement that he received to complete the project was most welcome.

*By Hugh Siddons & Ray Newson*



*Hugh's XK8 was purchased in a Canadian winter!*



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# 2007 Summer Holiday

## Tulsa Jaguar Club's Itinerary for June 2007

The Tulsa Jaguar Club invites all JCNA members to join them on their summer 2007 holidays in England.

Unless there are some unforeseen changes by Jaguar, Bentley or the boat company, this is the final and complete program chosen for their tour.\*\*

Participants in the full program will depart from their gateway airport on Thursday, 7 June 2007, and arrive in England the morning of Friday, 8 June, at their choice of airports (Gatwick or Heathrow). Pick up a rental car and drive to Carmarthen, South Wales for the "Daimler and Lanchester Owners Club International Rally" events from Friday to Sunday (e-mail [miketowey@aol.com](mailto:miketowey@aol.com) or [v8boy1@aol.com](mailto:v8boy1@aol.com) for registration details). This is an exceptional opportunity to see some rare and unusual cars.

On Monday morning we will drive to Coventry for sightseeing and shopping.

Those not wishing to participate in the DLOC Rally will depart their gateway airport on Sunday, 10 June 2007, and arrive in England the morning of Monday 11 June. Pick up your rental car and drive to Coventry for sightseeing and shopping.

On Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. we will meet at the Coventry Transportation Museum for touring. See their web site at [www.transport-museum.com](http://www.transport-museum.com) for details and an overview of the museum.

After lunch, all are free for more sightseeing and shopping.

Wednesday morning (the 13th) after breakfast, we drive to Birmingham with the remainder of the day free for sightseeing, shopping or touring the countryside.

Those not participating in the earlier activities may join the tour Thursday morning the 14th at the Jaguar Assembly plant in Birmingham for a factory tour (time and confirmation pending). After lunch, we drive to Crew for the night.

Friday morning after breakfast, we meet at the Bentley Assembly plant for a factory tour (time confirmation pending). After lunch, those taking the Canal Cruise will return their cars to the proper designated facility (possibility Stoke-on-Trent) and take the train or bus to Whitchurch, with the remainder of the day free for sightseeing and shopping.

On Saturday morning (the 16th), all those not taking part in the factory tours and only wishing to participate in the cruise may join with the tour



A barge on the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct near Llangollen, one of the highlights of the planned tour

here. For those assigned to the same boat, it is suggested that you get together Saturday morning and do enough basic provision shopping to last over the weekend. We will meet at the boat yard at 14:00 hours (2 p.m.) for orientation, and begin cruising at 15:00 hours (3 p.m.). The cruise will last until 9 a.m. Saturday morning, 23 June, at which time the boats must be returned to avoid severe late charges. Please view ([www.chirk.com/castle](http://www.chirk.com/castle)) and ([www.chirk.com/aqueduct](http://www.chirk.com/aqueduct)) for details and an overview of some of the sights on the cruise.

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The boat company projects the cost of the cruise at \$523(US) per person including the cost of the boats for the seven days, all fuel, accident damage waiver and cancellation insurance, assuming that there will be a full complement of sixteen (16) that sign up. However, if there are fewer than sixteen, the cost will increase by approximately 5% per-person. As all other activities are "pay-as-you-go," these costs can only be determined by each couple's choices.

There are only sixteen boat spaces available, so please e-mail your requests for space and send your deposit of \$250.00 (US) per person as soon as possible in order to confirm reservations, with full payment due on or before 7 March, 2007. Remember, the total cruise price does include cancellation insurance.

Should any members not wish to go on the cruise and only participate in the factory tours, there is limited additional space available, but we must have your reservations to provide a head count to the factories.

Questions? Phone 918 299 2839 e-mail [allgau@cox.net](mailto:allgau@cox.net), or fax 918 299 1337.

See you in England!

*Don Wright*

**\*\*Accommodations are your own choice and responsibility throughout the tour.**



# Market Place

*Jaguar Jottings accepts advertisements in good faith, but it is in your best interest to make every effort to check offers personally.*

**1968 Jaguar 420**, \$16,000. Opalescent silver-grey with navy interior. This Jaguar 420 has been fully refurbished to original condition and is ready to drive. The leather has been renewed; new headliner, carpets, and rubber seals have been installed. The wood has been refinished to its original splendor. The exterior paint was chemically removed to bare metal and a primer, base coat/clear coat system applied. Bright work good but not excellent. The rear end was removed and new bearings, seals, rotors, shocks and springs installed and calipers rebuilt. The front end received same treatment with new bushings, ball joints, mounts, front rotors and brake calipers rebuilt. Braking system redone with silicone brake fluid. Steering box rebuilt; new bushes installed in steering linkage. New tires on good wire wheels. Engine compartment clean but not detailed. Unknown mileage on engine; however, it has good oil pressure and compression and runs strongly. Automatic transmission is good. Boot redone with new boot mat. Spare tire, jack, tool kit and knock off hammer are all there. Drivers handbook too! Contact Grant Edwards 613-254-5611, [grantedwards@rogers.com](mailto:grantedwards@rogers.com). [ASO]



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## JOA-Montreal Report

The following is an excerpt from a speech given by Bill Taylor at the funeral of **Leon Frechon**



I personally have known Leon for eight years as a member of the [Jaguar Club of Montreal]. He was a gentleman and a gentle man, much respected in the

community. I was amazed the connections he had when he accepted the role of events' coordinator. He had a dry sense of humour and we all know his love for sweets and deserts. I can see him now drooling over the desert menu each month at the barbecue where we hosted the club meetings. Leon always kept track of how much beer the members consumed and watched over us.

Leon was a terrific organizer within the club. I remember this past spring an event which took place at the "Willows" [Hudson, QC]. The terrace

was packed with members overflowing into the main dining room. I asked him how he managed to procure the main terrace to ourselves, to which he replied, "I bribed the hostess." "How did you manage that?" He smiled that Leon smile and said, "By the way, the club owes me sixty dollars!"

That was Leon, always positive, never at any time a negative remark. On the last two or three occasions when fellow members and myself went to visit him at St. Mary's he was in great pain, but always managed a smile, still positive as ever.

The club, as all of us, will surely miss him---but judging by the lovely weather we had this year at all the events Leon organized, I am sure God must drive a Jaguar and he has most definitely recruited Leon on his team.

*On behalf of club members, a \$100.00 donation has been sent to the Cancer Society, in memory of Leon.*

### Coming Events

1. A fall drive is being planned; more info to follow.
2. Shop visit is in the works for November with more info to follow.
3. Shawn Bruno is looking into the location of this year's Christmas Dinner.
4. A visit to a chrome shop will be set up for January or February next year.
5. Meeting November 17<sup>th</sup> –Cote-St-Luc B.B.Q. 6971 Cote-de-Liesse Rd. Supper starts around 6:30

### JOA Montreal Executive

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## JCNA Event Notification

The Jaguar Association of New England has added a new event to the JCNA online Calendar

Date : 2007-08-10 to 2007-08-12  
 Type : Concours  
 Name : 35 Annual Concours  
 Sanctioned : P  
 Location : Sturbridge Host Hotel, Sturbridge MA  
 Chair : Michael Kaleel, 617 338 8747 x11 [mkaleel@kaleelcompany.com](mailto:mkaleel@kaleelcompany.com)  
 Co-chair : Brenda Soussan,  
 Chief Judge : Aldo Cipriano, (508) 473-1435

The Jaguar Club of Southern New England has added a new event to the JCNA online Calendar

Date : 2006-10-08  
 Type : Slalom  
 Name : Slalom #1  
 Sanctioned : P  
 Location : 360 Market St., Hartford CT  
 Chair : Kenneth Haas, 860-345-0015 [khaas@megahits.com](mailto:khaas@megahits.com)  
 Co-chair : Dean Casuno,  
 Chief Judge : Harold Kritzman, H: 860-666-2828 B: 860-666-3045 [coinman1@bigfoot.com](mailto:coinman1@bigfoot.com)

Additional information on these events can be found in the JCNA Online Calendar : <http://www.jcna.com/calendar/events.php>

## Erratum

Did you see the mistake in the September 2006 issue of *Jaguar Jottings*? There it is, right smack dab in the middle of the front page. That isn't an XK140—it's an XK120. Our sincere apologies to the owner of the cat, and to all our readers who spotted the error. PR

## How well do you know your



You're an auto trivia expert and you love a challenge. If it has four tires and a steering wheel, you know every colour and curve, marque and mistake. (By this time, so also does your long suffering partner, although this probably wasn't by choice.) With one, fleeting glimpse of chrome you can relate every detail about that car that's worth knowing.

And what does this lifetime obsession mean for you today? It means the *Jaguar Jottings Chromozone Quiz* will be a piece of cake, a walk in the park, easier than pulling the heads off a twenty-year-old V-12!

Here is the challenge. These pictures show bits of chrome from cars displayed at the Blethering Place Collector Car Festival, Oak Bay, B.C. on August 13, 2006. In some cases there isn't a lot in the picture, but there is certainly more than enough for any master of the marque to figure out the make and model.

The answers will be published next month. In the meantime, if you know them, please write to the editor, c/o [stewart008@sympatico.ca](mailto:stewart008@sympatico.ca), or call 613-729-8859 and leave a message with the letter and description. For the first person who gets all ten correct, there might even be a prize.



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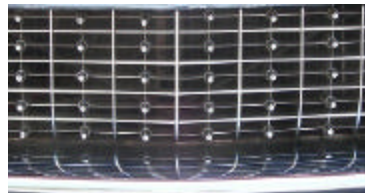
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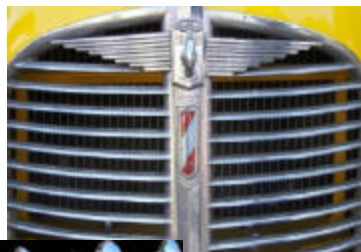
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## Calabogie Motorsport Park

### Inaugural Event: Oct. 14-15, 2006 Goodwood in the Valley

This is a celebration of the opening of the Calabogie Motorsports Park. On-track and off-track activities throughout Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> will include parade laps, ride-alones, show-n-shine and kart demonstrations topped off by a giant beef BBQ. Sunday will be a full track day.

#### Track Groups:

1. Touring - paced tour of the track, shorter sessions.
2. Performance A - novice lapping, full sessions.
3. Performance B - Advanced lapping, full sessions.
4. Performance C - closed wheel race vehicles, full sessions.
5. Performance D - open wheel race vehicles, full sessions.

#### Pricing

*Spectators:* free admittance.

*BBQ:* \$25 per person, plus ride-along tour of the track.

*Touring Group:* \$50 includes BBQ

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## Calabogie, Continued from p. 8

Performance Groups: \$150 per day or \$250 for weekend, includes BBQ

Lunches: hotdogs, hamburgers, drinks available for nominal prices.

### Schedule

Saturday Oct 14:

Facility opens 7:00 AM  
Mandatory Drivers Meeting 8:30 AM  
On-track activities start at 9:00 AM  
9:00 AM: Touring, Performance A, Performance B, Performance C - Closed Wheel, Performance D - Open Wheel, Performance A, Performance B, Performance C - Closed Wheel, Performance D - Open Wheel  
Lunch: Parade laps, off-track presentations  
1:00 PM: Touring, Performance A, Performance B, Performance C - Closed Wheel, Performance D - Open Wheel, Performance A, Performance B, Performance C - Closed Wheel, Performance D - Open Wheel  
5:00 PM: BBQ

Sunday Oct 15:

Facility opens 7:00AM  
Mandatory Drivers Meeting 8:30AM  
On-track activities start at 9:00AM  
9:00 AM: Performance A, Performance B, Performance C - Closed Wheel, Performance D - Open Wheel, Performance A, Performance B, Performance C - Closed Wheel, Performance D - Open Wheel  
Lunch Break  
1:00 PM: Performance A, Performance B, Performance C - Closed Wheel, Performance C - Open Wheel, Performance A, Performance B, Performance C - Closed Wheel, Performance D - Open Wheel

The Calabogie Motorsport Park is located approximately 4 kilometres south of Calabogie, east off Hwy 511.

# 'In Search of A Few Good Men' (and Women)



## Part 2

The Ottawa Jaguar Club relies on volunteers to make it move and grow. If you want to be more involved in the life of the club, do not hesitate to contact **Rob Dunlop** (613-834-0588; rojedunl@hotmail.com). Nominations are made at the October 10 meeting, and the election held on November 13.

### Activities Director

See the "Drives in 2007" item on page 2 for a note from **Al Graves** regarding the position that he is leaving after two years of very hard work. Al may leave big shoes to fill, but truly it's a fun job. You get to plan the events that *you* would like to do!

### The Executive

According to articles 15 to 18 of the OJC Constitution, the Executive have the following responsibilities. Some amendments to these positions are being proposed, including taking responsibility for the annual Concours away from the Vice President (as the VP hasn't done it in probably 15 years!).

15. The **President** of the Club shall ensure the proper direction with regard to the members wishes and in the best interest of the Club. He/She may act as Master of Ceremony at official events of the Club and shall normally preside at all the Club's meetings, or, in his/her absence the Vice President, or, in the absence of both, any other Director. The President of the Club shall have the right to cast one (1) additional tie-breaking vote when and only when the event of a tie occurs at an Annual General, Special General, Regular Monthly or Board of Directors' meeting. This additional tie-breaking vote will not apply during elections. The President will have signing authority for all funds. The President's term of office should not exceed two consecutive years.

16. The **Vice President** of the Club, in addition to filling in for the President as needed, and when possible, shall chair a Concours d'Elegance Committee and shall assist in the organization and execution of the same event. The term of office should not exceed one year, except that the Officer may be nominated to the next year's Executive in competition with other Club members.

17. The **Secretary** of the Club shall be responsible for and maintain Minutes of all meetings of the Directors and of the Club and shall be responsible for the safekeeping of the Club's papers, except financial records, and of its chattel property. He/She shall be responsible for the preparation and mailing of the Notices referred to in By-Law No. 5. He/She shall provide an agenda/table of items for all meetings to the Chairperson presiding. The term of office should not exceed one year, except that the officer may be nominated to the next year's Executive in competition with other Club members.

18. The **Treasurer** of the Club shall be responsible for the funds of the Club and shall see to the collection of all subscriptions and other monies that may be receivable and for the deposit of all monies to the credit of the Club in a financial institution, which shall be chosen by the Board of Directors and in which the account shall be maintained in the name of the Ottawa Jaguar Club. He/She and the President may sign all cheques payable out of the Club's account. He/She shall maintain a proper accounting record of all financial transactions and shall give at each regular meeting a brief summary of the Club's financial position. He/She shall prepare and submit to each Annual General Meeting a full and proper financial statement, signed by the Club's auditor as having been found correct. The term of the office should not exceed one year, except that the officer may be nominated to the next year's Executive in competition with other Club members.

If you have any questions about these positions or the Constitution, talk to president Mike O'Brien.

# Pembroke Drive

## Sept 17th

We met at Coras in Kanata for breakfast before setting off. There were only three cars, but we had a great day.

We headed up the Ottawa Valley on back roads through Carp, Galetta, Arnprior, Braeside and Beachburg before arriving in Pembroke before lunchtime. We spent a pleasant half hour on the Pembroke waterfront before heading to Finnigans Bar and Grill for a very pleasant and very adequate lunch.

After lunch we headed south down Hwy 41 through back roads to Douglas, into Renfrew, south again on back roads to Pakenham, stopping for an

ice cream on the way. Then, after a waterfront stop in Pakenham, it was back through Kinnburn, Dunrobin to Kanata and home.

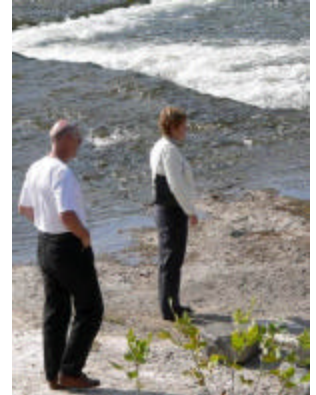
Alan Graves



Top: Sue Graves, Rob and Jean Dunlop on the shore of the Ottawa River in Pembroke.  
Middle: Photogenic Gull



Above Right: The cars parked at Pakenham.  
Right: Rob and Jean Dunlop at the water's edge  
Below: Jean, Paddy Robertson and Sue Graves.



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# September Meeting

Monday September 18th, 2006

The meeting was held at the Loblaws Superstore on Richmond Road at Kirkwood. President **Mike O'Brien** opened the meeting at 7:05 pm with 19 members present.

**Lee Harrington**, Club Secretary and president of **Robert Construction** gave a very interesting talk about how to plan and conduct home renovations. The success of the talk was measured by the various and complex question that were asked.

Lee also advised the group that there were 69 paid memberships in the club at this time.

After a lengthy coffee and goodies break the agenda resumed.

**Where to meet?** There has been some discussion since we moved to the Loblaws Store that the acoustics are not the best and parking for Jaguars is inadequate (unsafe). The general consensus was that the current executive should conduct an analysis of a quieter but central location. Al Graves described the attraction of the Knoxdale Community Centre used for many years by the Triumph Club. Pictures are on the website via the "what's new " link. The cost is nil. The area is residential and the Triumph club reports having met there for many years with no vandalism. The facility is available on the second Monday of each month at a cost of only assistance at a community day parade.

## A review of this year's events.

Mike O'Brien commented that there has been a very full year of events, yet some that required much planning were poorly attended. The new committee will be encouraged to re-canvass the membership before making any event plans.

**The constitution.** It was clear that few members had ever read the club constitution. The executives have reviewed the constitution and have suggested changes to match our operations in 2006/2007. A copy of the proposed draft will be sent to everyone for comment before 1 October. Members are requested to provide constructive comments by October 5<sup>th</sup> so that a copy with consensus-based amendments can be presented at the meeting on October 10<sup>th</sup> and vote on for approval at the AGM on November 13<sup>th</sup>

**Elections.** The club elections (an annual event) will be held on Monday November 13<sup>th</sup>. **Rob Dunlop** has formed a one-person committee to contact members and to develop a slate of officers and directors for consideration at the meeting. **Lee Harrington** has sent out the mandatory notice (as per the constitution) 60 days prior to the elections. If you would like to breathe some new life into one of the positions, **please call Rob Dunlop (613-834-0588)**. New members are particularly encouraged to get involved; many of the longer-term members have done more than one of the jobs and have paid their dues, so to speak. All positions are open for competition.

**Executive Reports.** The President called upon the current executive to present an annual report verbally at the annual general meeting before the elections occur.

**Fall Activities.** In the absence of a volunteer, **Al Graves** has offered to plan and conduct a fall colour drive on Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup>. Details will be available in due course on the website and in the Jottings. [See page 2.]

## Christmas Party.

The club traditionally holds a Christmas party in December. The venue has often changed between a member's home and a commercial establishment. The best attendance has been when held in a home due to the relaxed atmosphere. Holding such an event is a big job for the hosts despite the financial assistance offered by the club to cover the costs of the party. We are looking for a volunteer for this year's party and we are also reviewing commercial facilities' availability and cost. If you think that you would like to host the Christmas party (with labour, catering and financial restitution provided), please let me know as soon as possible.



**Jottings and the Website.** A long discussion occurred surrounding attendance at events and meetings and a potential link to members not reading e-mails ... or the electronic version of the *Jottings*. It was suggested that perhaps mailing everyone a copy might be more effective in keeping you all informed. **Your views would be most welcome (if you read this, of course).**

Please note that the next meeting will be at the Loblaws Superstore on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10<sup>th</sup> (the day after Thanksgiving).

Cheers!

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