



Jag Jottings

September 1999

Executive:

President: Paul Davis
Vice President: Ricarda Smith
Secretary: Stewart Robertson
Treasurer: Roger Gough
Membership:
Ernie Bayliss 824-5448
Activities: Yonn Robin
Concours Chairman:
Paddy Robertson
Technical Advisors:
Ted Powell 722-9397
Ron Sierolawski 729-9489

Jag Jottings is the monthly publication of The Ottawa Jaguar Club and represents the opinions of those who input articles and not necessarily those of the Club. It is produced for the information of its members and welcomes your participation.

General information:
Ron Sierolawski
351 Island Park Drive
Ottawa Ont.
K1Y 0A6
Phone 729-9489

Editor: Guy Larabie
445-2173

Designed and produced by
Rae Chalmers OJC
233-6425

Distribution: Trevor Klotz

Typefaces:
Body Copy: Caxton Light
Headings: Caxton Bold



Next Meeting
November 8th



**Sorry for the
screw-up**

**Due to rescheduling of meeting dates and
incompatible files this issue of Jag
Jottings is late.**

President's Message

September and Fall is quickly upon us. Where does all the time go! After the past few months of hot and dry weather and the last week or so of rain, we can hopefully look forward to the warm days and cool nights of Autumn. Perfect weather for those last activities with your Jaguar before you know what comes upon us. And there are still plenty of events (both OJC and others) coming up.

Our Annual Colour Drive is scheduled for Saturday, October 2nd. It will begin at 2:00 PM at Jaguar Ottawa and end at L'Orée du Bois Restaurant in Old Chelsea, Québec. Remember to please contact Yann (233-5506 (h) or 599-3600 ext. 3210 (w)) if you plan to take part in the Colour Drive as he will have to make reservations at the restaurant.

As well, there is the Christmas Party. Currently, no one has

come forward to provide a location for the Party so, if you feel your home would be suitably spacious enough and you would enjoy hosting OJC members and their spouses for our final event of 1999, please think about it and contact Yann.

A few OJC members and their cars drove down to Kingston on Sunday, August 22nd for the 10th Annual Boot 'n' Bonnet Club British Car Day. It was held at the Kingston City Park in a great location - not far from the city itself, near the cooling water and under the old trees (great for shade). I entered my Jag, didn't win any prizes but thoroughly enjoyed the event. There were 20+ Jaguars in addition to Triumphs, MGs, Lotuses, Minis, Austin-Healeys as well as single examples of other British marques such as a Bentley, a Ford Zephyr, a 1937 Austin 7 "Nippy", a reproduction of a 1953 Allard J2X and Diane and Lorne

Plunkett's 1953 Alvis TA/TC 2100. Diane and Lorne (of Kanata) were very pleased that their Alvis won Best in Show. As there are not many Alvises around and they like our calendar of events, the Plunketts will hopefully become members of our Club.

Sunday, September 12th saw our OJC Rally take place. It was really a very pleasant drive on a glorious fall day through the streets and parkways of Nepean, Kanata, Ottawa, Rockcliffe Park, Gloucester, Orleans and Cumberland, ending up at Wendy and John's with a picnic. Seven cars turned out for this enjoyable event. Yann prepared a Jaguar Knowledge Test and all took the test after the picnic. The questions ranged from relatively easy (Who created Jaguar? - Sir William Lyons) through interesting (Which car was popular with police forces in the sixties (UK)? - MK II) to downright difficult

(Who designed the Jaguar mascot? - Cordon Crosby). The winner of The E-Type Story CD ROM was John Charman with a score of 12 out of 20. You can imagine the other scores!

I'm preparing a letter to JCNA to nominate Jaguar Ottawa for the JCNA Jaguar Dealer of the Year Award. I read the letter I had prepared at the meeting and was given some suggestions for amendments. As this nomination has to in by the end of November, I'll finalize it and mail or e-mail it in the near future.

While we don't have a speaker lined up yet for the October meeting, at our November 8th meeting we will have David Monaghan of the National Museum of Science and Technology give us a presentation on the Museum's car collection. This promises to be a very nice presentation complete with a slide show. Remember to keep in mind our up-coming November election of the Club's 2000 Executive. If any members wish to run for any of the Club's Executive positions or know of other members they

would like to nominate, please contact me or any other member of the current Executive. If you think you or another member could help guide the OJC in the next millennium, now's your chance to get involved!

Our last meeting was on Monday, October 4th at Capone's. We had to move the date from the usual second Monday of the month to accommodate Thanksgiving,

Next meeting will be on November the 8th

STAINLESS STEEL EXHAUST SYSTEMS

XK 120 single	\$319	XJ-12 sl	\$549
XK 120 side TP	\$319	XJ-12 s2	\$559
XK 120 SE	\$379	XJ-12 ssDP	\$269
XK RACE	\$409	XJ-S sl	\$559
XK 140 single	\$479	XJ-S s2/HE	\$569
XK 140/150	\$419	XJ-S BBore	\$639
XK 150 auto	\$429	XJ-S ssDP	\$269
XK 150-S	\$459	XJ-S 6 cyl	\$539
XKE6	\$509	SS 100 3.5L	\$579
XKE6 strThru	\$539	Mk 1 single	\$339
XKE6 2+2	\$529	Mk 1 dual	\$579
XKE6 ssHDRS	\$599	Mk 2 single	\$339
XKE6 BgBore	\$569	Mk 2/340dual	\$439
XKE6+2BBore	\$579	Mk 4	\$759
XKEv12	\$469	Mk 5	\$489
XKEv12 Prem	\$559	Mk 7	\$519
XKEv12ssDP	\$269	Mk 8	\$579
XJ6 sl w/dp	\$499	Mk 9	\$579
XJ6s2/3 noDP	\$469	Mk 10/420G	\$589
XJ6 ssDP	\$139	"S" / 420	\$599

SS Clamps \$7.50 ea - All plus UPS

DICK AMES

3963 Wilshire Circle
Sarasota, FL34238
(813) 923-8321

Market Place

This newsletter accepts advertisements in good faith but we suggest it is your best interest to make every effort to check offers personally.

For Sale: - 1988 Souvergn. 140KM, brown, in good shape. Asking \$7,000. Call Frank Manitta - Wk - 736-1441, - Hm 521-7251

For sale: 1983 Vandenplas - 4 door - black with tan interior - excellent tires - new battery - clean - \$10,000 cdn - US title. - call Phil Tarbell - 518-358-3044

For sale: 1970 XKE Series II Roadster. U.K. model retaining U.K specs., including R.H.D. Excellent condition throughout, with many Concours awards. Asking \$45,000. Gordon Mount. (613) 828-4547. E.mail:gmount@concentric.net."

MORE ADS MORE ADS - As a member, this space is free to use if you wish to sell any of your vehicles.

NOTES FROM THE SEPT. MEETING

Our September meeting was well attended. Unfortunately, there was no speaker but we did have many “war stories” from several members.

Phil and Fadia Karam attended the Pebble Beach Concours as well as the Concours Italiano in Monterey California and talked about the many activities and fabulous cars at both events. Many pictures taken at the Concours as well as the programmes were circulated and drooled over by all. As Phil said, the only event better than Pebble Beach is next year's Pebble Beach!

Ricarda Smith talked about her recent trip to Mt. Tremblant where she dropped in on a prestigious North American Ferraris gathering as well as sanctioned racing on the nearby track. In addition, she was down to Cape Cod and enjoyed a tour of the automobile museum at Sandwich.

Don Morrison noted another fine museum, the New England Automobile Museum, located near

Boston in Brookline on an old estate that has many fine cars on display. He peaked everyone's interest with a short description of the location as well as some of the contents of the museum.

Phil and Guy mentioned that they planned to attend the huge gathering of British cars in Bronte near Oakville on September 19th. (See the article elsewhere in this issue of the Jottings to get a first hand account).

I indicated that I would be going to the British Invasion in Stowe together with Raymond Redshaw. That is unless we are rained out by the remnants of Hurricane Floyd! Hugh and Hally Siddons were kind enough to invite OJC members to drop by their condo in Stowe for a post-Invasion pick-me-up.

At the meeting, I noted that we are in the process of finalising the issuance of a Trademark Assignment and License agreement for the OJC logo. As a result of some

discussions at the meeting, Guy is to look into the possibility and costs associated with producing a metal car badge with our authorised club logo. It would be suitable for mounting on either a badge bar or on the grill of your Jag. If the price is right, this sounds like a great idea!

A few other items were discussed and can be found in the President's Message portion of this newsletter. Finally, a reminder was issued to not forget that unusually, October's meeting will be on the first Monday of the month not the second as is normally the case.

Restructuring:

An attempt at self-redemption in which everyone and everything is moved up, down or sideways, and then given a new name to see if it works better that way

On the road of life

Here are a few selected bits of wisdom for your entertainment:

- 1) Oil is a non-renewable resource that's bad for the environment when wasted. Drive your car until it is completely out before adding more.
- 2) Bungee-cord your front bumper to your neighbour's rear bumper to save on gas and engine wear. Keep insisting it's a coincidence that you're going the same place. If he or she asks where you are going next, say you haven't decided yet.
- 3) In times of engine trouble, putting your fist through the dashboard probably won't fix your car's malfunction, but it will let your car know how you feel.
- 4) Good, responsive brakes are crucial. Be sure to clear out the heap of Egg McMuffin wrappers from under your brake pedal so you can push it all the way down to the floor.
- 5) To extend the life of your car battery, keep it in the refrigerator when not in use.

Tip of the Month

By Walt Osborne

As many of you probably know, on series 4 XJ 6 i.e. AJ-40 of 1988 or newer vintages, it is quite possible to flood the fuel injection system with water under three particular set of circumstances.

To begin with, this condition may occur when it either rains hard or if the car is washed with a generous amount of

water being dumped on the car. Secondly, the condition may also appear when the filter cap gasket for the fuel tank becomes deteriorated and cracked with age or if the cap is loose. Finally, this flooding can occur when the filler cap area drain becomes clogged with debris.

The key to avoiding this unpleasant occurrence from happening in the first place is to keep the area drain clear. This

doesn't cost anything and can be done in a few minutes. Keeping the cap tight and in good condition is also a good preventative measure.

If in doubt about the cap, get a new one. It costs very little and can save you the cost of towing your car to a garage and having it repaired. Then there is the peace of mind of knowing you will not be stranded on a dark and rainy place in the middle

of nowhere at two in the morning because of a fuel injection flooding problem.

Good Luck!

This service is provided by Walt Osborn and his company, Vintage Jag Works. Address: 1390 West Hwy 26, Blackfoot, Idaho 83221 USA Phone: (208) 684-4767, Fax: (208) 684-3386 Email:

walt@vintagejag.com
Internet: <http://www.vintagejag.com> You can view previous tips at http://www.vintagejag.com/previous_tips.htm Please direct any questions or tips ray@vintagejag.com

Bronte's Bounty

By Guy Larabie

As noted in my last activities reminder, Louise and I left Ottawa on Saturday September 18th to attend the Bronte all British Auto Show. For those of you who are not familiar of Bronte's whereabouts, it is sandwiched between Oakville and Burlington in south-western Ontario. The show field is approximately a mile from the Bronte exit on the QEW.

What is particularly interesting about this show, is that over 1,000 cars show up for a _ day event and just about

every conceivable British marque is represented. From AC's to Wolsleys, all were available for viewing by the general public. Jaguars were well represented with the majority being XJS's, XK's and E-Types.

Amongst the other cars featured there were an Abundance of Austins and Austin-Healeys, an Assortment of Astons, a Bevy of Bentley's, a Few Fords, a Handful of Hilmans, a Line of Lotus', a Legion of Land Rovers, a Multitude of

MG's, a Menagerie of Minis, a M  lee of Morgans, a Throng of Triumphs, a Ruck of Rolls Royce's, a Swarm of Singers and a Squad of Sunbeams. Phew, I am happy this section is finished as I was running out of inspiration and adjectives!!

There were also single models of a Beaston, a Peerless G.T., a Reliant Sabre Jowett Jupiter. If I forgot anything, it should come back to me by the next meeting. I hope to see all of you there.

OK, I ADMIT IT, I WAS WRONG!

By Wendy Van der meulen

Several of you have heard me complain, in the past, that although

the XK8 is a nice car, it just doesn't look like a Jaguar. I just couldn't see how they could claim it was based on the XJ-S. It just didn't

look like a Jaguar!

THEN, the other weekend, I was driving down the 401. In my rear view mirror, quite a



723-8717
PARTS AND SERVICE

**"WE THINK THE WORLD
OF OUR CUSTOMERS"**

Michael Shore

- Jaguar Canada "Master Technician"
- Jaguar Canada "Service Manager Fellowship" Award Winner

Mike Vandriemsdyk

- Jaguar Canada "Member Technician"

Michael Doherty

- Jaguar Canada "Member Technician"
- Extensive Factory Training

Igor Ratushnyy

- Japanese and European Car Specialist

Complete repairs - Minor to Major - Computerized 4 Wheel Alignment

- Special Labour Rate Discount to OJC Members

Parts Available

1796 Woodward Drive, at Maitland 723-8717

ways behind me, I saw a car pull out to the fast lane. I'm always looking for Jaguars on the road and, here, I thought was an XJ-S! But then, I thought, no, it doesn't look right - the bonnet

shape seemed to be right, but something about it looked wrong.

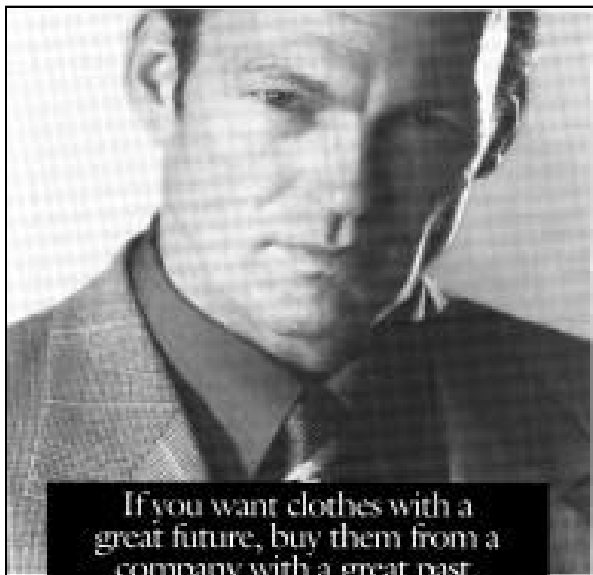
I watched it for a second or two before I realised that it was an XK8.

Immediately, two thoughts went through my mind:

(1) Hey, I'm getting pretty good at recognising them when they're still far down the road! (2) Darn it! XK8's do look like Jaguars! Now I can't complain about them anymore

TRAVEL UPDATE

Most of you know that I am in the home-based travel business. My card has been in Jag Jottings for several months. I just wanted to mention, very quickly, that I am organising two trips for the summer of 2000 on which you are all invited to join me. One is a 5-day "soft adventure" cruise of Alaska. This is not on a luxury cruise liner but on a river boat! - the idea being that it can get to places the large ships can't. The other trip is a 7-day tour from Vancouver to Victoria via train, ferry, and motor-coach. I will have more information with me at the next meeting.



If you want clothes with a great future, buy them from a company with a great past.

ERfisher

113 Sparks Street Mall Bayshore Shopping Centre
Ottawa 232-9636 Nepean 829-8313

Fine Clothiers in Ottawa Since 1905

HARDY AMIES **AUSTIN REID** **CAMBRIDGE**



Ree Chalmers Associates Corp.

Good design is timeless
Computer aided design for today's markets
- we do this newsletter! -
233-6425

K. Walsh & Associates
90 Yorkville Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5R 1B9
TRAVEL SERVICES INC.

Tel: (416) 929-5964 Fax: (416) 929-0081

Wendy VanderMeulen
Independent Contractor
E-Mail: wendyv@sympatico.ca

GETTY IMAGES

Tel: (613) 833-3543 Fax: (613) 833-0553

Vintage Jag Works

We offer articles on rebuilding the XK engine,
"XK Engine Rebuild Notes" \$8.00
and
"Twin Cam Cylinder Notes" \$8.00 postpaid continental U. S.

1390 West Hwy 26, Blackfoot, Idaho 83221 USA
Phone: (208) 684-4767, Fax: (208) 684-3386
Email: <mailto:walt@vintagejag.com> Internet: <http://www.vintagejag.com>



We Specialize in
XKE * XJ6 * XJS Parts
New * Used * Remanufactured
Also Give us a Call for your
Vintage Race Parts Needs
* Dealers Welcome *

Terry's Jaguar Parts

117 E. Smith St. Benton, IL 62812

for information & catalog

Call: 800-851-9438 or Fax: 618-438-237

<http://www.terrysag.com>





**In celebration of our Second Anniversary, Jaguar Ottawa
is pleased to offer the members of the Ottawa Jaguar Club**

20% OFF OUR REGULAR DOOR RATE*

20% OFF THE LIST PRICE OF JAGUAR PARTS*

Until August 31, 1999

as a special thank you for your support over the last two years.

*** This offer replaces the OJC's regular 10% discount
until the end of August.**

**Please contact the Service Department for more information
and to schedule your appointment:**

**Jeff Jardine, Parts and service Manager
Serge Cyr, Parts Coordinator**

1450 Merivale Road, Nepean
Tel: 225-8987, Fax: 225-1179

Email: jaguars@jaguarottawa.com - <http://www.jaguarottawa.com>