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The way we define our Jags: License plates reflect our affection (**Gord Mount's** "Purrrz" and **Anthony Pearson's** "Mellow" Yellow), model & year (**Yann Robin's** 61 MKII and **Peter Kenny's** "JAG E 67"), or the cat's origins (**Julien Brousseau's** Beautiful BC plates show his cat's Canadian history and **Dave Boon's** "JAG XK150" is in the British style). Then there are the self identities, like **Bob Higgs'** BOBS JAG. **Ira Bridger** named his for Leigh (LOVLEIGH), and **Raymond Redshaw** says that it's definitely "ME MK II". Does **Graham Stokes'** "XJR GLT" stand for glitter? **John Charman** proudly lets us know about his square dancing expertise: "I CALL".

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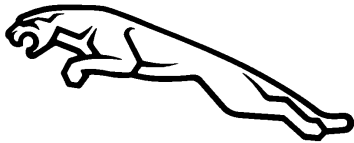
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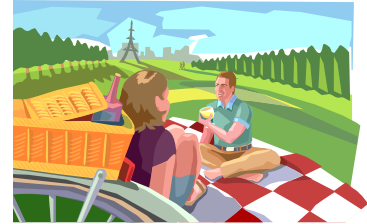
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Summer BBQ: August 8th

Don't forget! The first of our August events is the Summer BBQ to be held at the home of **Ann Foley** and **Eli Nesrallah**, 8193 Adam Baker Way, just north of Metcalfe. Enjoy an afternoon of fun and games or just relax and chat with friends. For a cost of only \$10, you will enjoy appetizers, salads, beef and chicken delights, desserts, ice cream and non-alcoholic beverages. (BYOB)



If you haven't already, please confirm your attendance with Ann and Eli.

To get there, take the 8th Line Rd. towards Metcalfe, or from Bank Street take either Mitch Owens Rd. or Parkway Rd. east, approximately 6 Km's to the 8th Line, south on the 8th Line to Adam Baker Way (just north of Metcalfe), right onto Adam Baker. 8193 is on the left.

If lost, call for help! 613-821-7775

Dave Clyne's Garage Tour (AKA The Rotisserie) – August 29th

You have read the great stories, now is your chance to see for yourself!

The mechanically minded will see the inside of Dave's "Dream Car Garage" with its stripped-to-the-bone E-Type on a rotisserie. Check out all aspects of the disassembly and how Dave keeps track of the parts. Get some ideas on homemade tools!



Outside you may enjoy the waterfront view, sit on the deck and take in the Arnprior skyline, or just enjoy the natural beauty all around.

If you need more to fill in your day, points of interest nearby include: the Morris Island Conservation area, the Fudge Factory at Fitzroy Harbour, the Diefenbunker at Carp and famous eateries The Swan and Cheshire Cat.

From Ottawa, take the 417 west to the Galetta Sideroad (about 20 min's from the Carp Rd. & 417). Turn right onto Galetta Sideroad, proceed too and through the village of Galetta, pass forest on the left, turn left onto Loggers Way (big yellow sign – Lots for Sale, about 10 minutes from Hwy 17). Proceed about 6 km to 5745 Loggers Way on your left.

Need help? Call Dave at 613-623-0412



There's always a story to go with those beautiful cars at any Concours event. Here are the stories behind the cars and owners of the "Top Cats" at our most recent Ottawa Jaguar Concours.

In the Championship Class, competition was so keen that we had a tie for first place.

Mike Powley's 2003 X-Type was entered in Champion Division C18, tying first place in champion division with an impressive 99.91 points

Mike and RoseMarie Powley took possession of their special 2.5L X-Type Jaguar in early May of 2003. The car is beautiful British Racing Green with a Charcoal interior.



Not their first Jaguar, the Powleys previously owned a 1976 XJ6C 4.2L. This coupe was dubbed the **Purple Gherkin** for its audacious (but authentic) typical 70's psychedelic "Lavender Blue" paint (Dilly-Dilly). During Mike and RoseMarie's ownership from 1986 until 2002, the car was consistently shown at Concours events and judged shows, never placing less than 3rd, and coming 2nd twice nationally in Champion Class JCNA.

There is also a Morgan in the household; their current model is a 1972 4/4 4-seater.

Mike's local Jaguar club is CXKJR or Canadian XK Jaguar Register/ Canadian Classic MG Club; this club is unique with the two Marques under the same roof, but it really works. Mike also belongs to the UK Jaguar Drivers Club, a couple of Morgan Clubs, and a local all-Brit Car Club. As a member of CXKJR for the past 16

years, Mike has held positions of both President and Vice President.

When asked "why Jaguar," Mike says between owning Morgans & Jaguars, "we call it owning the sublime & the ridiculous", you figure out which is which! He does note, however, that both of these Marques are still in production, unlike so many other great old British cars.

Mike and RoseMarie ran several JONAT legs. While in the Mount St. Helens area on the Washington State leg, their "four wheel drive" X-Type got stuck in the snow! As Mike points out, "you Gotta read the fine print." On the topic of 4WD, the X-Type ads say "... the continuous transfer of power between all four wheels



means the X-Type helps maintain a grip on the *asphalt* so tight, it's almost ferocious." As Mike says, "obviously does not apply to snow." The Powley's X-Type was assisted out of the snow with a tow from a 1976 XJ-12C.

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July Meeting Notes

Guy Larabie, President, opened the meeting at 7:02 pm. with 29 present. Guy thanked everyone for the hard work that went into the preparation and conduct of the annual Concours D'Elegance and the coincidental Jaguar Owners of North America Tour. As an aside, Guy explained to the audience that on the July 11th drive to Merrickville, **Rob Dunlop** won a Jaguar angel and a rusty car miniature. Rob's response was one of humility. The angel quickly found a new home in an ingenious draw conducted by **Paddy Robertson**.

Concours D'Elegance

Grant Edwards gave a brief overview of the Concours confirming common gossip that this year's event was the best attended and most congenial yet undertaken by the OJC. He also mentioned that the event suffered an overall financial loss. Despite **Roger Gough's** best efforts later in the meeting, he couldn't round up all the expenses from members, so we have to wait until August to get a precise accounting. The general consensus was that the loss was not a concern as the event was more than satisfactory to all.

Rob Dunlop reported that the preliminary scores were up on the JCNA website and they would be final as soon as he had the JCNA numbers of all participants. Rob asked for any input in the form of constructive criticism or suggestions for planning next year's event.

Jaguar Owners Tour of North America (The Tour)

Mike O'Brien advised that the tour was nearly finished, and those who participated enjoyed themselves. The stuffed Jaguar Jay, wearing an Ottawa Sector name badge, is headed to Brown's Lane and the Jaguar Heritage Museum.

Merrickville Car Show

Don Hobbs gave a brief synopsis of the Merrickville show where 15 cars from the Club were in attendance. Everyone enjoyed themselves. It was a warm sunny day with lots to do. There were about 520 cars to view. **John Charman** explained that he and **Wendy** went to Nicholson's Lock for lunch and waited the longest time before anyone arrived; he thought that they were perhaps at the wrong spot, until **Don Morrison** turned up! He reported that it is a lovely place for a picnic lunch. [See pictures page 7.]

Upcoming Events

Ann Foley outlined the plan to host a BBQ at their home near Metcalfe on Sunday August 8th at 1 pm (rain date would be Sunday, August 15th). The cost is \$10.00 per person; bring your own alcoholic beverages. They can be reached at 821-7775. There will be games and prizes. 38 people have signed up.

Dave Clyne has sent an e-mail (via Frank Basten) with the details of the visit to his garage on 29 August. If you did not get the e-mail, call Dave at 613-623-0412.

Frank Basten reminded those present about the Boot 'n Bonnet Club car show on 22 August in Kingston City park. Those wishing to join the drive to this show should meet at the Canadian Tire parking lot in Kemptville at 9 am.

Stowe/Bronte. Guy led a lively discussion regarding attendance at either of the shows on 18/19 September. The British Invasion in Stowe VT is the larger and is a 2 day event. Bronte, northwest of Toronto, is on the Sunday from 9-5 and will attract all types of cars whereas Stowe is English cars only.

Fall Drive to Picton. This event is scheduled for Saturday/Sunday, 23/24 October with a drive via a scenic route to Picton via the Adolphus-town Ferry. Accommodation is at the Waring House (613-476-7492). Tell them **Hugh Siddon** sent you (we think he is related to the owner: Sec.). The drive starts from the LCBO parking lot at Merivale and Hunt Club at 0830 Saturday the 23rd.

Baseball Game. Stand by for a short notice call to attend a Lynx home game as a group.

Executive Reports

Ed Theoret, VP was noted by his absence. Several people had flags etc to give to him.

Mike O'Brien, Secretary, noted that the club was obliged to report its Directors and Executive to the Provincial Government. It is planned to reduce the people listed as directors to three, and the executive listed as President and Treasurer, the number required by law.

Roger Gough, Treasurer, reported a bank balance of just over \$5000, soon to be depleted by Concours expenses.

Mark Roberts, Membership, reported a paid-up membership of 70 with six more who are tardy.

Next meeting. The next OJC Club meeting will be held at Campbell Jaguar at 7:00 PM on Monday 9 August, 2004. See you there.

Mike O'Brien
Secretary

How Do Others See Us?

To get an overview of how our "Ottawa Concours" is viewed by participating members of the Ontario Jaguar Owners Association, check out their website: [HTTP://CLUBS. HEMMINGS.COM/FRAMESET.CFM? CLUB=ONTARIOJAGUAR](http://clubs.hemmings.com/frameSet.cfm?club=ontariojaguar) Go to "latest Newsletter", then "Ottawa Concours".

○ Circle - cont'd

Both Mike and RoseMarie considered their Ottawa experience one of the highlights of the JONAT portion of their drive across Canada to Prince Edward Island. They extend their thanks to the Meet & Greet / Concours organizers, who in their opinion were well organized, displayed good judging and really had it all together.

Oh! I almost forgot: if we had an award for those who travelled farthest to our Concours event, the Powley's, having travelled all of the way from beautiful British Columbia, would surely have won this award, too. Nobody could say that this award-winning Jaguar is not a driver!

○ Graham & Margaret Stokes' 1998 XJR was entered in Champion Division C13, tying first place in champion division with a fantastic 99.91 points

When Graham and Margaret Stokes set out in

early 2001 to find their award-winning Jaguar, they were specifically looking for an XJR. They especially chose an XJR partly on the advice of

friends in Coventry England (nice to have friends in high places) and more specifically for its speed and power. It took about 3 months to locate the right car, their impressive 1998 version. Not only was this car, with only 19K on the odometer, in excellent condition, its Sapphire Blue colour, not normally available for this model, was obviously a special order, making it somewhat unique.

The Stokes previously owned a 1991 XJ6 that was also an award winner.



In 1992, it was JCNA North American Champion in its class! Most impressively, this car, as is Graham's current XJR, are/were daily drivers, used every day.

Graham's interest in Jaguars started in the early 70's when he was a Production Foreman for a company in Birmingham, England. The company produced parts for Jaguars, Bentleys and Rolls Royce, one production item being the Jaguar Leaper. It was around this time that Graham decided that "one day" he would own a Jaguar. It only took about 30 years, but patience is a virtue!

Graham has been a member of the Ontario Jaguar Owners Association for about six years and shows his car a regular basis. Since being at the Ottawa Concours, John and

Margaret have already shown their car as far away as Dawson Pennsylvania, where again, even after a long dusty drive, they took home another 1st place trophy.

This was the Stokes' second time at the Ottawa Concours; they went home with a first place win in 2003, too. They feel that the Ottawa folks put on an excellent show and displayed great hospitality.

A sedan with an impressive 0 to 60 in 5.4 seconds that's faster than most 2-seat sportsters on the road: this car is a truly great daily driver! Great ride, Graham!

○ Jeff Booth's 1992 Ser. III VandenPlas V12 was entered into Driven Division D6 taking first place in driven with a terrific 99.79 points

A relatively recent purchase as Jaguars go, Jeff and his wife Connie ob-



tained this award winning '92 VDP in March of 2002. A Special Edition Version, this car is number 36 of the final 100 cars of this series that were made for the Canadian market.

This was not a first Jaguar experience for the Booth's, as Jeff previously owned a Mk V and a Mk VII. As Jeff says, "that was about 25 years ago and he wishes that he still had them." There is also a 1971 Ser. III E-Type 2+2 at home, and wow!! that one was a 25th anniversary present from his wife Connie. (Right about now, I'll bet that all of the guys are saying, "Honey, you should read this!")

Jeff is currently an active member and Vice President of the Ontario Jaguar Owners Association. Jeff is also Chairman of their Concours d'Elegance and notes that "this is where the real work is." Jeff also supports the British Sports Car Club, in Hamilton, Ontario, and the British Saloon Car Club of Canada.

When asked why the Booth's have chosen Jaguar as their favourite marque, Jeff states that it is because of Jaguar's styling elegance, perform-

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Being a Concours d'Elegance Chair himself, Jeff's opinion of our Ottawa Concours event is much valued. Jeff felt that the Ottawa Concours was "first class." Ottawa Concours participants and members were friendly, embracing and inclusive in every regard. Ottawa was a super experience.

Jeff has a great story about his search and how he eventually found this very special '92 VDP. Watch for this in the September issue of *Jaguar Jottings*!

John and Lori Scapis' 1967 E-Type was the winner of Ottawa's unique "Distinctly British Award".

A special and unique award at the Ottawa Concours is the "Distinctly British" award, chosen and presented annually by the British High Commissioner to Canada.

This year's award went to **John Scapis** for his beautiful 1967 E-Type.

John has owned his award winning E-Type for almost eleven years. In these eleven years, John has made

the trip to Ottawa and presented this car at the Ottawa Concours no less than eight times.

A member of the Ontario Jaguar Owners Association, this is John's first and only Jaguar. However, he is considering adding an XK8 to the family at a future date.

John's desire for a Jaguar started in university. A friend owned a red Series 2 E-Type and he always thought that it was

one of the most gorgeous looking cars in the world. Once he started looking for his own, it took about 2 years to find the right one. Although requiring significant work, his find was mechanically sound, and now obviously beautifully restored.

Being a regular at the Ottawa Concours generates a lot of "just getting there" stories. One of John's favourites was a trip to Ottawa with his daughter shortly after putting a new top on the car. John had worked extremely hard to ensure that it was watertight; unfortu-

nately, the weatherman decided to test it out with torrential rains all the way. At one point, and with almost as much water inside the car as out, John had to stop and apply duct tape to the top of the windscreen. They were no sooner underway again when an 18-wheeler passed him and sucked the left windscreen wiper off! Before they could retrieve it, another

18-wheeler had driven over it.

Things were not looking good for this trip.

However, after arriving in Ottawa, John

was pleasantly surprised to find that the Concours was being moved inside. He now had an opportunity dry out, prepare and show the car. In the end, they had a great time and also had a great story to tell. The return trip was uneventful, thank goodness!

On the topic of the Ottawa Concours, John notes that his son or his daughter usually accompanies him. Since his E-Type has only two seats, there is always great discussion as to who will make the trip. With eight trips to the Ottawa Concours, at least one of them challenging, John is a great fan of our "Ottawa Event".



15+ OJC cars joined the Merrickville Cruise Show. We admit to hogging the one bit of shade in our corner to have a picnic lunch. The cars were packed in such that we couldn't get out to go to Nicholson's Locks as originally planned.

Market Place

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

1988 XJ-12, dark grey with dove grey interior. Excellent condition. Low kilometres (approx 12,000). Never winter-driven and well maintained. \$13,000. Call Odette Rowley, 613-521-2295.

1985 Jaguar XJS-HE Coupe, 5.3 litre V 12, very good original condition, "Arctic Grey" (actually a light tan). New Pirelli P4000 tires last summer (500km), 114,000 kms. Never winter driven. (The HE was the model with the most output of any of the V12s at 298 hp, and was only produced for two years, in the period after Sir John Egan had so much improved the Jaguar build standard and quality control)) Asking \$12,000, but eager to sell and see it go to a good home. Located in Quebec, 17km from the Ont. border. Jon Kirton Tel: (450)458-5541



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*It's not very often that the Concours photographer gets into the frame:
Stewart Robertson changing film for the awards photos.*

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XK8 Reflections

Studies of **Hugh Siddons'** red XK8 (top) and **Tony Fewkes'** lovely blue XKR (bottom) at the 2004 Concours d'Elegance.

The other blue XK8, we blush to admit, we can't identify!



Activities - 2004

If you have suggestions or wish to help, contact Activities Coordinators:

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Guy Goodman, Montreal
(guy_chris_goodman@yahoo.com).

- **Aug 8 - Bar-purr-cue (Ann Foley)** - details p. 2
- Aug 9 - Monthly meeting
- Aug 22 - Boot 'n Bonnet show, Kingston
- Aug TBA - Lynx Ball Game (Guy Larabie)
- **Aug 29 - The Clyne Garage Tour (Dave Clyne)** - details p. 2
- Sept 13 - Monthly meeting
- Sept 18/19 - British Invasion, Stowe, VT
- Sept 19 - Bronte Car Show
- **Fall Drive & Winery Tour, Oct. 23-24, Picton - Hugh Sidons - reserve early at the War-ing House (613-476-7492 - mention Hugh & the OJC)**
- Oct 11 - Monthly Meeting
- Nov 8 - Monthly Meeting
- Dec ? - Christmas Party



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