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The allure of an open bonnet...

Photos from the Hudson British Car Show,
May 30th



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June Jag Night

Monday, June 14, Knoxdale Road, 7:00

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Club Events

Jaguar Day—2010

June 26—see next page for details and the website for a map to the location (www.ottawajaguarclub.com)

Club Events List (until July 2010)

June

- 6 ByWard Market Car Show. OPI Rob Dunlop **CANCELLED**
- 14 Concours Preparation at Knoxdale. OPI Mark Roberts plus Wash/Polish/Shine/Seal with Steve Fox
- 26 Club Concours d'Elegance at Vintage Wings, Gatineau, OPI Mike O'Brien

July

- 17 ABCD. OPI Mike O'Brien
- 31 Club Slalom/BBQ. OPI John Price

More events:

July 31 British Car Display at Glengarry Highland Games, 10 to 4.

Membership Dues

Dues are \$60. Our excellent benefits plan includes membership in OJC as well as the Jaguar Clubs of North America, the *Jaguar Jottings* monthly newsletter and JCNA's bi-monthly magazine, *Jaguar Journal*.

Make your cheque payable to *Ottawa Jaguar Club* and send it to Membership chair, Lee Harrington, 1372 Old Carriage Lane, Box 2016 R.R. 1, Winchester, ON, K0C 2K0.

Detailing Tips from Steve Fox

DO: use Dawn detergent to wash your car. It does a great job of cleaning off old wax and dirt.

DON'T: use old rags or towels, they can scratch the finish.

DO: use thick microfiber cloths as they are soft and absorbent.

DO: use two pails, one with hot soapy water, the other with cool rinse water, and rinse your cloths frequently.

DO: use silicone spray (applied with a small sponge) to clean rubber seals, but ... **DON'T** get the silicone on the paintwork.

DO: use Steve's system of Washing, Polishing, Shining and Sealing ... in that order.



Jaguars in the Nation's Capital

Saturday, June 26, 2010

Gatineau Airport, Ottawa

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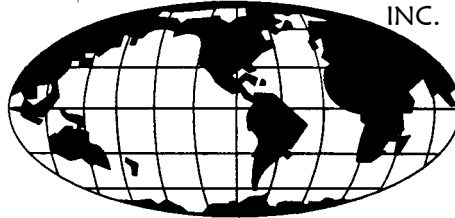
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If you want to have a ton of fun driving your Jag, as I am sure that most of you do, then a race track is the place to go and the people to go with are the good folks of the BMW Car Club of Ottawa and their excellent Advanced Driving School. In a single day you can learn a lot about driving, about your Jag and about yourself and you can do it in a relaxed, friendly and controlled atmosphere on a great track.

The BMW Car Club of Ottawa runs two such events per year at the Calabogie Motorsports Park, just north of Perth. The day starts with technical inspections of the car and of the driver's gear (helmet) and then moves on to the fun part, featuring classroom instruction to teach the theory and the intricacies of the track and excellent individual instruction in

your car whilst on the track. The instructor, sitting beside you in your car and using a simple intercom system, guides you on laps of the track and coaches you on the driver inputs. The instruction is progressive in nature and teaches control of the car, correct line on the track, track etiquette and, by end of the day, tremendous confidence in your car and tremendous improvement in your driving ability.

All of this is done in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere at the Calabogie track. The BMW CC, assisted by the full time staff of the track, organizes and conducts the whole event and it is a full and well organized day. Participants come from all over Ontario and Quebec and bring a wide variety of cars, ranging from well prepared track cars, such as a very nice



Porsche GT3 RS (which is trailered to such events) to the family car - in one case, a Subaru wagon. There were, of course, BMWs of all shapes and sizes and the Club members have some beautiful examples of that marque.

The Ottawa Jaguar Club was invited to attend the event and to take part in the noontime guided tour of the track. It was OJC Club member

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Bennett Leckie, also the coordinator for the BMW Club's track events, who extended the invitation and it was taken up by **Peter Whitworth** and me, and by **Dave Brooks** who showed up driving his Series 1 XJ6. Peter and I were put to work assisting at the event and the three of us took part in the noon ride, Peter in his TR7, Dave in his Jag and me in Bennett's lovely 2001 S Type. It was great fun to see Dave's rather large XJ6 lining up for a double apex decreasing radius corner but the Jag handled it all in fine style.

As I may have mentioned, it was a good day for visitors from the Ottawa Jaguar Club, an even better one for the many participants from across Ontario and Quebec, and a great day for the BMW CC of Ottawa. A well organized and well conducted event featuring people having fun, improving their driving skills and learning



about their cars can only be a success and the OJC owes the BMWCC a vote of thanks for asking us to be part of



their event. Next time, the OJC should have some participants?

John Price

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Editor's Ramblings

Hudson

I did not go to Hudson as planned due to the response to my e-mail being zero, and as it is not a particular nice drive from this neck of the woods (Brockville). I decided instead to go to the Car & Bike Show at Oxford Mills, a nice drive and less than an hour away. However, unbeknownst to me **Alan Graves** saved the day and went to Hudson on the spur of the moment. "It was a well attended event with a total of 420 cars." Alan took many pictures.

Note from the JCNA Book Shop

In an effort to provide greater services to JCNA members, the JCNA Shoppe has been rebuilt and expanded. The Jaguar publication range JCNA now offered is second to none and the discount for members should help in recruiting new members: publications@jcna.com. When specials are offered we will update.

Forthcoming car shows in this area

June 6 Thousand Island Cruise-In .Gananoque

June 26 Athens Car, Bike & Truck Show Athens Rink Fair-ground.

July 4 St Lawrence Valley Car Club. Fort Wellington, Prescott

July 11 Merrickville Cruise & Shop.

August 15 Cornwall Olde Car Club, Upper Canada Village, Morrisburgh

Interesting article in the Globe&Mail on Jaguar

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/globe-drive/car-life/classic-cars/the-cat-still-purrs/article1542179/?cid=art-rail-classiccars>

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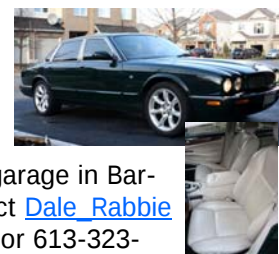
Items to watch or perhaps work on: Dent ahead of driver's door! Dec 29 2009. Shallow, but unsightly and heart-breaking. LS inner headlight bulb cloudy. Small areas of rust blistering rear wheel arches, lower door skin, windscreen. Headliner sagging. (Can DIYS or when car painted). Cruise control (none since purchase 2002). A/C was working 2 summers ago (Duracool). Dash has usual time-

crackled finish (kit available, or just use teak oil). Driver's mirror remote sometimes not. Connection loose? New oil pressure sender reads lower than actual. Bonnet left side hinge bracket has some play. Rear brakes? (Should probably do pads/rotors all around.) Drips oil at rear seal since purchase. I check regularly and keep topped up.

Contact Paul Cole, 613-389-8555. [JJA]

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President's Musings

Concours preparation

With our concours d'elegance only a few weekends away, there's still plenty of time to burnish up the beast and get that paint and chrome work gleaming. For the Champion class participants, it demands meticulous cleanliness including cotton swabs in the engine compartment to ensure every nook and cranny is spotless. The declining numbers of competitive participants in recent years suggests more and more are asking "why bother?" Many find the activity of concours preparation relaxing, almost therapeutic in the otherwise hectic modern life most of us lead. For sure it provides welcome relief from staring for hours at the computer or Crackberry screen. Being the lazy sod that I am, I've always worked best with a deadline and I use the concours as a reason to give my E-type a thorough going over each year, after which I got to enjoy the driving part for the rest of the summer. And of course there's that sense of pride you get when you roll up to the concours in your immaculate chariot....

June Meeting

In keeping with our concours focus this month, the next gathering will be at the Knoxdale CC, 14 June to discuss car preparation. Car "detailing" has become a serious fad (science?) in recent years amongst modern car enthusiasts and member Steve Fox has delved into the many processes and products. While a quick "wash and wax" used to be the standard, there are now new high tech products to prepare the paint long before the buffing begins. Steve will be covering the topic at the meeting while Mark Roberts, our Chief Judge and others will be offering some of their "tricks of the trade" for concours prep. I look forward to seeing you there.

XJ Launch

Once again through the generosity of Tim Whelan and the team at Jaguar Ottawa, we've been invited to the unveiling of the brilliant new XJ on Thursday, 3 June. I've yet to see one, but having seen XJ posters all over New York City during the May long weekend, there's no doubt the company is anxious for it to be well received in the USA. I saw a mere handful of Jags around Manhattan

(mostly X and S-Types) but lots of big S Class Mercedes. With its dramatic, elegant styling I can certainly imagine the XJ effectively cutting into luxury foreign car sales in the USA. Guess I'll have to check it next year when my wife drags me down to the "Big Apple" to see the sequel to "Billy Elliot"....

Cheers and Happy Motoring,

Rob Dunlop



Saturday, July 17, 2010

10am - 4pm

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Follow Greenview to the end – the park is beside the Ottawa River, Britannia Beach

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