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Events This Month

12th October - Fall Colours Club Drive

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President's Musings

Is it just me (and old age) or are the seasons galloping by lately? Fortunately, we've been blessed with some decent fall weather to ease us into the inevitable onslaught of Old Man Winter. Although some have been enjoying the extended driving season individually or in small impromptu groups (including yours truly) our September club activities were limited to the annual Hazeldean Mall British Invasion which always produces a good turnout, this year no different. A report and photos are elsewhere in the Jottings.

The Wednesday morning breakfast crew is very active as ever with numerous interesting cars in the Mooney's Bay mall parking lot each week. Top prize has to go to Don Morrison for his seemingly unending parade of cool vintage Cadillacs and Packards. It was great to see our Jottings editor, Vikram Ambrose, back in Ottawa for a few days. He left his new home in California just long enough to arrange shipping of his E-type back to the sunshine. His conversation at breakfast was peppered with "Pebble Beach", "Laguna Seca" and "year round vintage racing" so I'm frankly doubtful he'll return to our Nation's Capital any time soon. He promises to continue his great work on the Jottings for us however.

Spare a thought for spares

You'll recall the generous gift of obsolete spare parts from Jaguar Ottawa. Mike O'Brien and others have taken on cataloguing the extensive inventory which will soon be available to the membership. In general, the models covered are XJ-S, XJ40, X300 and X308 with some XJ Series III. These parts will be available at massively reduced prices (revenue needed to help cover storage costs). Members will have first call on the parts and any remaining will be

disposed of, likely to Jag-associated garages and parts suppliers. The parts list should be available before Christmas.

In the meantime if you aren't aware of it already, Jaguar itself has set up a subsidiary to handle obsolete parts for these models and others (Jaguar Classic Parts) and the associated website has the parts manuals and lists available for free. It's definitely worth checking out (www.jaguarclassicparts.com).

October/November Activities

Club Colours Drive - Saturday, 12 Oct. 9:30AM. Starts in Kemptville, three hours plus lunch and shopping opportunities in Westport. More details later by club-wide email.

Annual General Meeting & Dinner – Nov date and location TBC.

More information elsewhere in the Jottings and later by club-wide email.

Footnotes

Jaguar – onwards and upwards?

Jaguar's intention to become a larger scale auto manufacturer became seriously evident with the appearance of an SUV concept at the recent Frankfurt Auto Show as well as leaked photos of a new small Jag sedan (son of X-Type) using the same aluminum frame architecture for both. The sedan will likely surface first in 2015 with the SUV following in 2016.

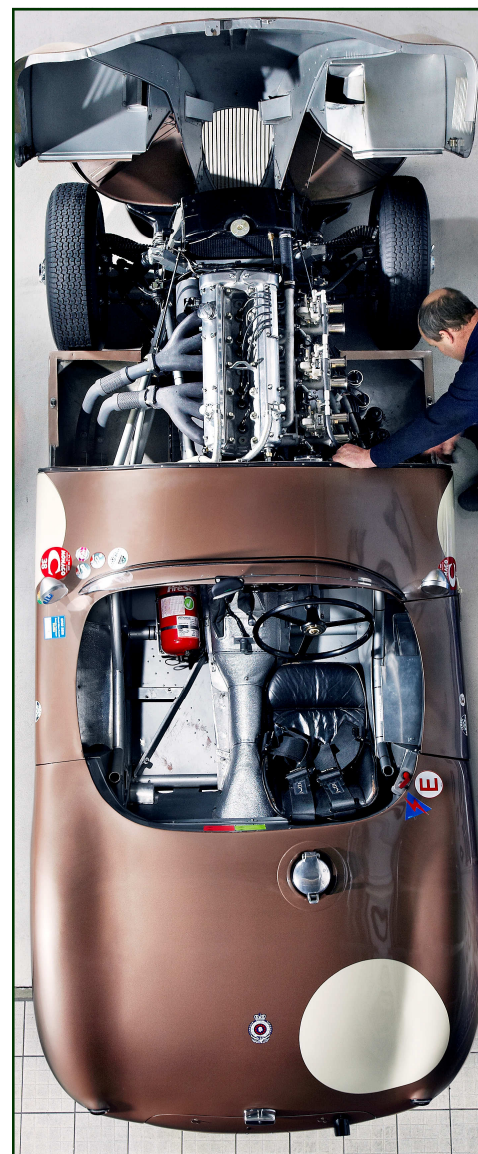
Eurocars 2014. After a first meeting, planning is already underway for next year's Eurocars event to be even bigger and better

than our highly successful first effort this past summer. If you have any thoughts or ideas that you'd like to pass along, please do so to me at your earliest opportunity.

Cheers and Happy Motoring,

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Hazeldean Mall British Invasion

Despite some iffy weather, a substantial club turnout of 12 Jags plus three non-cats attended this annual west end gathering. Perhaps due to the threat of showers, the overall turnout was modest with the OJC participation comprising the majority of the vehicles at one point. By the time our crew started heading out for a short drive and pub stop in Ashton, things had improved somewhat. It was great to see long time member Paul Davis and his Series III XJ6 once again after a long absence. Neither Paul nor his car seems to have suffered from the time lapse. The cosy Ashton pub now a full-fledged brewery as well has lost none of its charm and the Jag bunch enjoyed some great local ale and fish and chips before heading home. Many thanks Al and Sue Graves for making the arrangements and leading the gaggle.

Rob Dunlop



Peter Whitworth definitely in need of a hair cut



Executive Positions

By now, you'll be fully aware that our club is short executive nominations for 2014. With the days ticking down for 2013, it was suggested that I provide a short description of what these positions entail, easing the "fear of the unknown" and hopefully encouraging members to step up.

The executive positions and responsibilities are described in the **OJC Constitution**, available to everyone on our website under the Library tab and "publications". That said, some idea of the day-to-day activities may be useful to gauge the amount of time involved, which for many members is understandably a major factor.

Vice President

In addition to the traditional role of standing in for the president, in recent years, the VP has taken over the overall coordination of club activities. An annual activity outline is drawn up by the executive before the beginning of the year and the VP takes on the responsibility of ensuring each event has a sponsoring member/coordinator. As the year develops, additional activities will need to be added into the program. (Not having done the job in its present format, I'd hazard to guess that it involves a couple of hours a month). Ideally, the VP would follow into the position of president after a one or two year term.



President

Run executive meetings and the AGM where club-wide decisions are needed. (I personally dislike meetings for nothing and often conduct email meetings to resolve issues. We usually meet two or three times a year.)

Oversee and help the executive to set up and ensure the conduct and smooth running of events and activities.

Write the monthly "President's Musings" column for the Jottings and assist the editor with content if/as required. (two to four hours per month)

Attend club functions. (Retired and a local Ottawa resident, this is easy for me. However, I have on occasion been represented by the VP or I ensure that a club member will pass on our thanks and a gift if/as required. Usually one to max two events a month)

Answer or coordinate responses to JCNA emails and random requests for information from the general public. (We always respond to help requests from Jag owners, members and non-members alike. I get maybe three public requests a month and six JCNA emails a year).

Facilities & Equipment Manager

The club possesses a number of items used for the concours and other events that require storage and maintenance. The current (and first) incumbent was in a unique situation to be able to store and move the equipment when required. New storage arrangements have been made and transport will need to be coordinated, not necessarily provided by the manager. Currently, almost all of the involvement is centred on our annual concours event.

I think you'll agree that none of these positions (or indeed any of the executive positions) require a significant amount of time. With no disrespect intended for the incumbents, we could really use an infusion of new, fresh ideas to keep the club rolling along successfully. You may actually enjoy it!

Rob Dunlop

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Ottawa**Club****Annual General Meeting**

Membership involvement and participation in the AGM is a vital element of the operation of OJC, without which we could not provide the activities and services you want and are essential to the successful running of the club. **If you have items you feel we need to discuss, issues with the way the club is run, ideas or comments on how to improve it or suggestions for activities, please pass these to the club secretary, Dave Kenny (david.kenny@rogers.com) by 1st of November.**

The AGM will be held in November (details TBA) and will revert to a meeting and dinner format in the hopes of encouraging a stronger turnout (I think it has something to do with Pavlov's Theory). The agenda follows the usual format of a financial statement and reports on activities, then open discussion on any items raised by the membership. We'll follow with the nomination and election of executive members. A dinner for members and partners concludes the evening. The financial statement will be available before the AGM via broadcast email to members. Due to privacy considerations, it won't be posted on our website.



As for executive elections, we are still looking for a President, a Vice President, and a Facilities & Equipment Manager. I'm not a fan of springing a nomination on someone on the night, so I would ask that you pass on suggestions and/or your own candidacy to the nomination chair, our VP Ed Theoret (ed.theoret@sympatico.ca), also by 1st of November.

The club can only be as good as the membership is willing to make it.

Bits & Bobs

Jaguar C-X17

Like so many other auto manufacturers today, Jaguar too is trying to fill every niche possible. The funny blue thing you see to the right is the new Jaguar "sports" cross over vehicle.

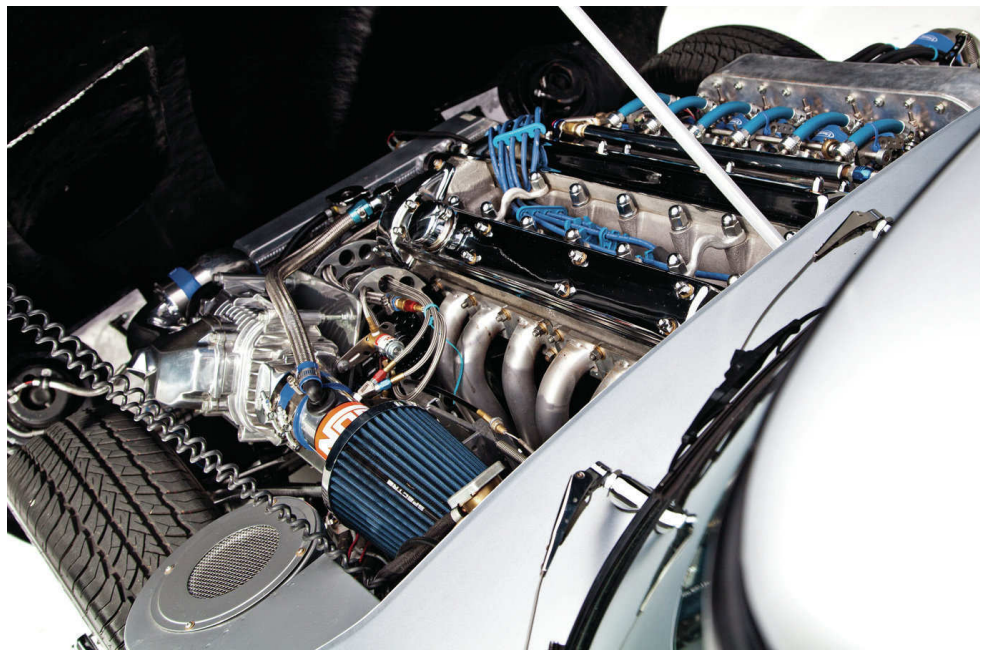
If Jaguar can make a little SUV, does that mean sister company Land Rover can make a sedan? Now that would be interesting.



Jim Cooper's E-Type

If you thought your project was ambitious, think again. This is Jim Cooper's 1969 Jaguar E-Type 2+2. Retrofitted with a carbon fiber wide body allowing for up to 4" wider tires, Eaton supercharged 4.2L XK straight 6 with Webers making roughly 450hp. Series 1 Coupe windshield and A-pillars integrated for a sleeker look. Rear seats removed and both dashboard and front seats moved back to make the car more spacious. BMW ABS system with XJS brakes and calipers. Can you top that?

Source: europeancar



Marketplace

XK Parts Galore! I have a large supply of chassis and engine parts from XK Jags. The short list includes; two complete 3.4L engines, one disassembled 3.8 block with rods, pistons and crankshaft. Many front end suspension parts; torsion bar and upper/lower control arms plus stub axles, two new rear springs, intake and exhaust manifolds, two cylinder heads and valve covers, complete rear axle housing, drive shafts, steering column and housing, engine oil cooler adapter plus hoses and radiator. Many other odds & ends. Contact: David Boon, 613-731-4166, davidboon@rogers.com [SON]



1984 Jaguar XJS HE V12 parts. Steering Wheel \$60,. Drivers side wing mirror \$40, Sun Visors \$35, Rear Lens assemblies L/R \$125. Rear View mirror \$35, Spare tire cover and tie down \$25, ECU \$200, RH Headlight \$125. Contact: David (613) 822-3669.

1974 Jaguar XJ12L. Comes with Safety certificate. Lots of new parts. More details on the OJC website. Price \$3,000.00. Contact Vikram Ambrose: noel.ambrose@gmail.com



1986 Jaguar XJS V12. Good condition. 143,000km. Price include 87 XJS for parts with good engine and trans. Price \$ 10,000. Contact: lukyluke@bell.net, 819-243-2113. [ASO]



1972 Jaguar XJ6. 4.2L engine, in working order. Exterior is in fair condition, with some minor rust, paint in good overall condition, with a few minor flaws. Interior is in pretty good condition, wood trim has some minor cracking in the varnish. Running and drivable but will need some brake work, suspension bushings and some metal work. New floor pans are included with the car to replace the two front floor pans on the car. Body panels and doors are all straight and gaps are parallel. Chrome is in good condition on the bumpers, mirror, etc. Rims show some rust and pitting. Has re-built fuel pumps, the Stromberg carbs have been switched to SU's from a 420. Price \$3,500.00. Contact: David (613) 822-3669. [JAS]



1988 Jaguar XJ12 Vanden Plas. Fitted with the rare Tom Walkinshaw Racing body kit and Speedline wheels from new. One owner, 108,300 kms, never winter driven, stored indoors, non-smoker. \$4000 in upkeep last year. A/C and cruise control currently not functioning. Front seat console could use a retrim, headliner is loose. Price \$8,500.00. John Barjarow, St Andrews West, ON. Tel: 613-932-8380 or Email: jerb269@hotmail.com . [JAS]



1990 XJS V12 Convertible. (Price Reduced) In very good condition. Owned once by a doctor in California, and was shipped to Ottawa last year. 54,000 miles. Power top, black exterior, tan leather interior. Price \$14,900 OBO Contact Philip Tomlinson, phil_ctomlinson@hotmail.com . [JAS]



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