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Events This Month

21st June - Eurocars Drive

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President's Musings

Spring at last! May proved to be a much more agreeable month weather-wise and our club's activities could finally move outdoors onto the open road where they belong. Both of our scheduled events, the **Byward Market Auto Classic** and the **Hudson British Car Show**, were blessed with sunshine and good participation, reports and photos elsewhere in the Jottings. To **Alan Graves** our Hudson tour organizer and guide par excellence, many thanks. The enroute stops were most welcomed (at least by me) for stretching legs and for taking on (and offloading) Tim's coffee.

Our cars were well received at both events prompting lots of interest and very favourable comments from the public. Occasionally, we get the odd remark as with the gentleman in the market who referred to Ed Theoret's XK150 as a Rolls Royce (??). I have it on good authority that **Dave Kenny's** superb E-type was in fact selected as the "People's Choice" for favourite car at Hudson, but as he had already departed was passed over for the runner up.

Tech Corner – Engine Oil

You get to meet and talk with a lot of fellow enthusiasts at car events like the two this month. Talk frequently (always?) turns technical and it's often interesting what you hear in discussing "care and feeding" of Jags. The subject of engine oil choice came up on several occasions...not brand but weight and type. I was quite surprised at the number of the older XK-engined car owners using 10W30 instead of the correct 20W50. Also, there was quite a divergence of opinion on whether to use synthetic, part synthetic or non-synthetic engine oil. There's not enough room to fully discuss here (a later technical article perhaps?) but if you haven't confirmed recently or aren't sure, I

recommend not relying on memory or a past owner and verify the correct specification with your owner's manual. You may be in for a surprise... If you have questions, contact our Technical Director, Phil Karam.

Concours Preparations

You will be aware that our annual Concours and Jaguar Day this year will run concurrently with the All British Car Day, on the 19th of July.

Coordinating the two events is proving tricky but not insurmountable. A key challenge for running both events together is the registration and payment process for each. In the past, most of our members have relied on registering on the day, standing in line to fill out the paperwork, checking VIN etc. Our web wizard and resident techie **Karen Wilson** has developed an automated registration form for Jaguar entrants. Details are elsewhere in this and next month's *Jaguar Jottings* plus there will be detailed instructions on the website. For now, my message this year is **we want everyone to pre-register online even if you're not sure of attending and/or you have weather concerns**. No payment occurs until you arrive at the site and we would rather throw out unused entry packages than delay registration and have members wait in line unnecessarily. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated and you'll welcome the time and hassle saved getting registered.

Upcoming Activities

With summertime around the corner, there are lots of upcoming events with which to enjoy Jag motoring and socializing with your fellow members:

Concours Judges' training – weekday evening, week of 16 June. Details to judges shortly

Eurocars Drive – 21 June - multi-club drive to Smokies Ridge winery and St Albert's Cheese factory

CGDB Tea and Show – 13 July – guide dogs charity event featuring UK tea and car show in Manotick

OJC Concours Meet and Greet – evening 18 July – social event at Jaguar Ottawa dealership

OJC Concours at ABCD – 19 July – annual club concours and Jaguar display at the All British Car Show

Watch for email updates for further details and/or check our website www.ottawajaguarclub.com. The website also lists other car-related activities and events in the area.....be sure to check them out.

Cheers and drive safe,

Rob Dunlop

OJC Concours 2014 Registration

Our annual OJC Concours and club show day this year is being held concurrently with the All British Car Day (ABCD) on 19 July. This will provide an exciting new backdrop to our major event but at the same time requires some adjustment to getting registered for the day.

ABCD entry fee – all cars (including Jaguars) are required to pay the ABCD \$20 entry fee per car to get on the field. The fee covers lunch for two and draw and door prizes. You will get a ticket to indicate that you have paid and all Jaguar owners will then proceed to the Jaguar registration desk to pick up their package and goodie bag with meal tickets etc.

OJC Concours registration and fees. For past events, our registration form was available on line to be copied, filled out and mailed in with a cheque. Historically, very few pre-registered this way (5 or 6) and most relied on showing up at the registration desk on the day to fill out the several pages of paperwork (particularly

those having a car judged) before paying. This process was slow causing lineups and delays getting on to the field.

This year, thanks to Karen Wilson's IT prowess, we have an **online registration form** on the OJC website which can be completed then simply click "submit" to email. The forms come to the registrar who will complete an entry package which will be available at the Jaguar registration desk on the day. As registration is completed electronically, we have no provision for payment in advance. Upon arrival, no further paperwork/action is required other than for judged cars (driven and champion classes only) to pay (in addition to the ABCD \$20 fee), \$20 in cash or cheque. All Jaguars, including enthusiast (display only) cars will be registered this way.

Please note Should you visit the ABCD website, you will note a pre-registration form that can be copied and submitted with payment in ad-

vance. This does not apply to Jaguars and should not be used.

There are significant benefits to the participants and the organizers if everyone uses this method to pre-register plus there is no disadvantage to registering and for whatever reason, not attending since there is no advance payment. We sincerely hope everyone cooperates....and registrations can be accepted starting today!

Form access -

www.ottawajaguarclub.com, home page, under "Upcoming Activities and Points of Interest" (bottom of page). July 19 concours registration – click on "register online".

Your Concours team



Byward Market Auto Classic

Traditionally the first car show event of the year for OJC, the Auto Classic was advanced three weeks this year to coincide with May long weekend activities in the Byward Market.

Seven Jaguars basked in the chilly but bright sunshine beaming down on the Clarendon Court parking site. In attendance were Mike O'Brien (2005 VDP), Harry Brownell (1968 E-Type 2+2), Dave Kenny (1967 E-type 2+2), Hugh Siddons (1966 E-type coupe), new member Jim Foster (2007 XK coupe), Rob Dunlop (1968 E-type roadster) and Ed Theoret (1959 XK150 roadster).

The courtyard is a busy thoroughfare to the market so many visitors stopped by to view, photograph and discuss the Jags. The organizers did a fine job looking after us including delivering an excellent chicken wrap and french fries lunch. Despite a traffic-packed departure through the busy market, it was an excellent event. Unfortunately, cars in attendance have been on a steep decline for a number of years which regrettably must be putting the event's future somewhat in doubt.

Rob Dunlop



Spring Drive and Visit To Hudson Town and British Car Show

Sunday, 25th May was a great day for a drive, a great day for a car show and a great day to walk in a vineyard – and we got to do all three!!!

The spring drive group of 9 intrepid drivers and their companions set off from Tim Horton's on 10th Line Road just after 9:30 Sunday morning for a relaxed drive down to Hudson, stopping for coffee at Tim Horton's at Hawkesbury on the way.

Once we reached Hudson we joined the bi-annual Hudson British Car Show in a park just 200 meters from Hudson's Main street. The show was well attended with well over 200 cars present including many that seldom, if ever, make it up to Ottawa.

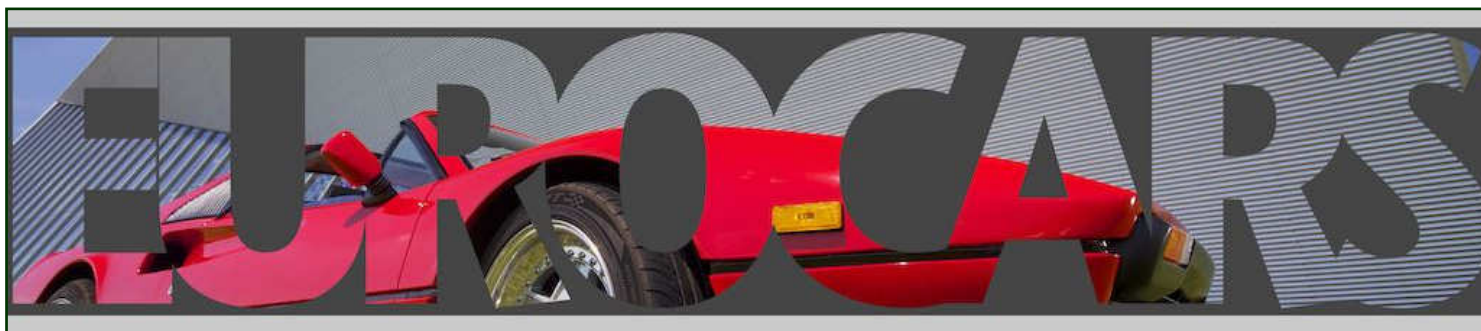
Those who had brought picnic lunches were able to relax and enjoy them, although the unnecessary "background" music was occasionally just too loud. Some of the ladies mounted an expedition into town to go check out the boutiques, stores and tea rooms – but Clarence and Cripps, a local Hudson store, actually had a table at the show.

Some folks had to leave early because of reports that bad weather was go-

ing to hit Ottawa – thankfully it didn't. But some of the rest enjoyed the back roads drive back to Ottawa, including stops at Vankleek Hill winery, where we were given a tour of the vineyard, and Beau's Brewery – I needed some more Tom Green Ale – then it was home arriving back into Ottawa around 5:30 pm.

Alan Graves





EUROCARS 2014 DRIVE—JUNE 21st, 2014

After some detailed discussion between representatives of the European Car Clubs involved in last year's Eurocars 2013 event at the Canadian Aviation Museum it was agreed that this year should be a fun drive ending in a picnic.

Therefore we hope that everyone will participate in this event through Eastern Ontario on Saturday morning 21 June.

The route <https://goo.gl/maps/GcXUr> will take us on hard surfaced roads from the East end of Ottawa to the cheese factory in St Albert <http://www.fromage-st-albert.com/eng/contact.htm> and then to Smokie Ridge Vineyard South East of Kemptville <https://www.smokiesgrapes.com> where we will sample the wine and purchase some for lunch if you wish. Please note that travel near the St Lawrence River will be on County Rd 2 not the 401. We encourage you to bring lunch and suggest cheese from the Cheese factory with bread and wine (you bring the bread and whatever else you desire).

If you plan to attend, please notify your club representative of the Eurocars 2014 committee whose contact details should be with this notice. If you are not sure contact either Mike O'Brien stores@ottawajaguarclub.com / 613-601-5745 or Bruno Bastien bruno@911targa.ca

Departure will be from The Orleans Shopping Centre 110 Place D'Orleans Drive at 9:15 am. We encourage you to arrive at 8:15 am for coffee. There will be a driver's briefing at 9:00. We anticipate arrival at St Albert at 10:15 with 45 minutes to shop for cheese and departure for Smokie's Vineyard at 11:00 and arrival at 12:35 for lunch. Cars will depart in Groups of 15 in 5 minute intervals.

If you have an FRS handheld radio please bring it to assist in controlling the drive.

See you there

Bits & Bobs

Sparks Street Cruise Night

The Friday night cruise festivities on Sparks Street begin for this season on Friday, 30 May. In its second year, the event includes live music, activities and prizes. The event runs every Friday from 5 to 9pm. Parking entrance is via Elgin between 5 and 6 PM, after 6 PM enter via Metcalfe. Further details and entry forms (required) are available at http://www.sparksstreetmall.com/cruise_night_form.asp.



Jaguar Pinarello Dogma F8

Jaguar has been working with Team Sky – the outfit that has won the Tour de France two years running now – since 2010, furnishing the team with support vehicles for bicycle races around the world. But now it's stepping its collaboration up a notch by redesigning the team's bike.

Working with frame manufacturer Pinarello, Jaguar took the existing Dogma 65.1 racing bike design back to the drawing board. Jaguar's designers and engineers reshaped the frame tubes, seat post, front fork, derailleur and all the components attached to the frame, each part streamlined for aerodynamic efficiency. They ran it through Jaguar's Computational Fluid Dynamics processor 300 times then verified the results in the wind tunnel.

The resulting Pinarello Dogma F8 is an impressive 26.1 percent more aerodynamic than the 65.1. Which couldn't have been an easy feat to accomplish, but ought to put Team Sky in an even better position to defend its title this season.

Source: Autoblog.com



Members' Corner

We are pleased to welcome four new members to OJC:

Jim Foster & N Hung

Ottawa - 2007 XK coupe

Noel Gauthier & Johanne Cadieux

Gatineau - 1988 XJ12 VDP

Bernard Leclerc & Francine Guy

Gatineau - 1971 XJ6, 2005 X Type

Dale & Wendy Rabbie

Ottawa - 2010 XKR convertible
(returning member)

Welcome all /Bienvenue a tous and we look forward to seeing you out at club events this summer.

Contact details for new (and old) members are provided through the membership list emailed periodically by membership director, Karen Wilson.

Concours d'Elegance 101

A concours is basically a car show that focuses on the judging of competing cars to determine which ones best meet an established standard for originality and condition. There are numerous variations but the version we follow is based on the rules and regulations established by our parent JCNA organization for Jaguars and related Daimlers. The official JCNA definition reads:

"The foremost purpose of the JCNA concours is to encourage the Owners of Jaguars to preserve, maintain and present their Jaguars in as clean and authentic condition as possible (with some classes excepted) ...(with) the secondary purpose to celebrate all Jaguars and their owners by creating an event where people may share all degrees of interest in owning, driving, maintaining and restoring Jaguars."

A Concours d'Elegance has been an integral part of the Ottawa Jaguar Club since its beginning in 1985. Founding members attended several US events under the auspices of the Jaguar Clubs of North America (JCNA) while formulating plans for the club and decided they wanted to include a concours in their activities. The first OJC event occurred in 1988 and has been held every year since over the intervening 25 years. It remains our annual marquee activity. There are three levels of participation:

Enthusiast - Cars aren't judged. Simply give your beast a good clean and drive out to Britannia Park, park it and enjoy the ambience of all the Jags and the other British marques and meeting up with club friends. A BBQ lunch for two, door prizes and draw prizes are included in your \$20 admission fee."

Driven Division - The entry judging level. Cars are checked and scored for mechanical operation, the exterior and the interior. Scoring is detailed in the JCNA concours manual on their

website. Trophies for first through third are provided for each car class.

Champion Division— Top judged level. Judges check the same areas as for Driven Division plus the engine compartment and the boot (trunk). Again details are available on the JCNA website and three trophies are presented for each car class. There are also other special judging classes for original, modified and competition cars when needed.

In order to accurately and equally assess competing cars across the 60+ clubs, JCNA has developed a very detailed rule book and requires that members doing the judging must regularly attend classes and pass a test to stay current. The judges under a Chief Judge (currently Rob Dunlop for OJC) who organizes the training, sets up the judging teams and runs the judging on the day. The rule book is available to all members on the JCNA website. Members can compete in any North American JCNA concours and must compete in at least three to qualify for the JCNA Championship for their class.

The judges are evaluating the different areas of the cars using three criteria: authenticity, condition and cleanliness. Authenticity: are the parts/components/finishes correct for that model and year of Jaguar? Condition: are the parts/components rusty? Cleanliness: are the parts/components dirty, oily, muddy etc? The overall objective is the car should appear as it would have when it left the Jaguar factory. Scoring is out of 100 for Champion and 10 for Driven. Judges assign deductions as required. Detailed judging score sheets are sent out to competitors after the event.

Okay, so you're thinking about entering a car in the Driven or maybe Champion Division. Well there's still time before 19th July to get you car up to scratch (...oops, no pun in-

tended). So then, what do I need to focus on??

First off, take some time to read up on the point deductions for your car in the JCNA rule book on their website. Running around to get something painted or ordering new shiny parts may not be worth the related small deduction if not perfect.

Second, as a long time judge, I can tell you that the biggest problem competitors have is not whether the bits on the car are shiny and authentic, it's getting the car really clean. The area that seems to cause the greatest pain is the windows. Not surprisingly, the engine compartment is a real challenge but the Driven Division is always available until you've had the time to clean up the engine for Champion.

Finally, in no particular order, wash and wax of course but make sure that you don't leave any telltale white wax residue around the headlights and trim. Don't forget to clean the door jambs. If you have wire wheels, take them off to clean them properly. Make sure to clean the carpets under the car mats as the mats have to be removed to judge the carpets.

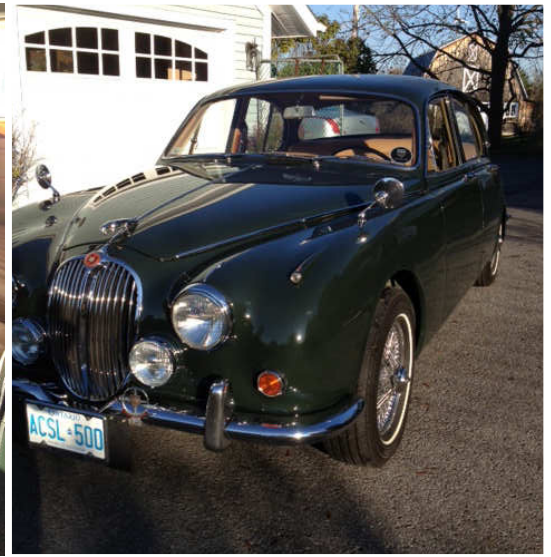
If you want some tips on detailing, contact Steve Fox who has written an article in past Jottings...he also won his class first time out, so the task isn't insurmountable! That said, you learn something every time you enter and check out the other cars, so think of it as an ongoing project. There's no greater satisfaction than a gleaming, classic (or modern) Jag.

Rob Dunlop

Editor: Article first appeared in the June 2013 special edition of the Jottings. Download it from the website if you haven't seen it.

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