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Events This Month

13th July - UK Garden Party & Tea
18th July - Concours Meet and Greet
19th July - All British Car Day
19th July - Ottawa Jaguar Club Concours D'Elegance 2014

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President's Musings

I hope everyone is finding time to take advantage of the great weather of late to get out and enjoy the open road in their treasured Jag(s). Our main event in June, the **Eurocars Drive on the 21st** featured a cross section of "Europe's Finest" for a memorable drive and picnic.

Regrettably, only four of the 36 cars in attendance represented OJC. Great weather and roads, super wine and cheese and great fellowship...I'm not sure what else we can offer to entice member participation. A report and photos appear elsewhere in the Jottings.

We'll try again with a full schedule in July including the **Guide Dogs Charity event on Sunday, 13 July** and our season's main event; the **annual OJC Concours being held this year with the All British Car Day on Saturday, 19 July**. We also have the **Concours Meet and Greet, 18 July**, the Friday evening before the concours being held at Jaguar Ottawa. More info on these activities is elsewhere in the Jottings and/or on the website, with updates via email closer to the dates. Be sure to check the website for other car-related events in July, if so inclined.

Judges' Training

Many thanks to the full slate of 10 concours judges who participated in the annual rules review and practice judging at St Anthony's on the 18th. We even had a newbie in John Blais who will try his hand at some practice judging at the concours to be fully qualified for next year. Thanks also to Ed Theoret for offering up his superb XJ40 as the sacrificial judging test subject.....not much there to find wrong, Ed!

Concours Preparations

Less than three weeks away, preparations are well in hand and moving along nicely for the new venue. There's a copy of the entry instructions elsewhere in the Jottings. Please note, the field doesn't open until 8 AM, so adjust your arrival time accordingly.

Thanks to those who have signed up as volunteers to help out with the day's activities. If you missed the appeal, there's still time to register with Mike O'Brien (stores@ottawajaguarclub.com) We only need an hour of your time to help make the day run smoothly.

To date we have had only four members register using the automated registration form link on the website. Please take the five minutes needed to complete the form, if only out of consideration for the registration staff that otherwise spend frantic minutes on the day filling out the several forms needed particularly for the judged cars. It's also going to save you time as well. The form link is located on the website home page, bottom centre under "Upcoming Activities and Items of Interest", opposite 19 July.

Weekend Trip - Aug 9th

You will all have seen the detailed email from Alan Graves and Don Leblanc outlining the proposed overnight club trip to the **"Brits on the Lake" event in Port Perry** and surrounding area as well as the possibility of an additional night in Prince Edward County. This is a great event (check it out on Youtube) with interesting drives and stops there and back. Be sure to give it your consideration and get back to Alan or Don soonest to ensure we can get the necessary accommodation in time. (afgraves@rogers.com).

Looking forward to seeing you all in the coming busy weeks.....

Cheers and drive safe,

Rob Dunlop

2014 Concours & All British Car Day



(For Jaguar participants)

At the entrance:

All Jaguars must pay the ABCD entrance fee of \$20 per car.

Non-Judged Cars (i.e. enthusiast class):

Park anywhere on the field and then proceed to the Jaguar registration tent to complete registration, pick up package and place windshield card on car. If pre-registered, simply collect your package.

Judged Cars (Champion and Driven classes):

Park in the Concours judging area as directed by the parking attendant. Proceed to the Jaguar registration tent and complete registration by paying \$20 per judged car. Place windshield card on car and place judging forms in car.

If NOT pre-registered (for Judged classes):

You will need to bring your car's Vehicle Information Number (VIN) and JCNA membership number.

Prizes, Awards, Lunch and other goodies:

ABCD swag bag contains lunch tickets (2 per car), lucky draw tickets and event plaque. Award ceremony at 3pm for People's Choice.

OJC will present the Miniman Best Enthusiast Class Jaguar award and provide draw tickets for the Jaguar Sponsors' draw (held at the end of the award's ceremony).

Eurocars 2014

Moving away from the European car show combined with concours format from last year, the 2014 Eurocars event took the form of a drive through the countryside with stops at the St Albert's Cheese Factory and Smokie's Ridge Winery for a tasting and picnic lunch.

Thirty-six cars assembled at the Orleans mall with a wide variety of Porsches, Mercedes-Benz and BMWs, a couple of Alfas, three Jaguars, a Rolls, an OJC Bentley and a very delectable McLaren. Awaiting for departure, the assemblage drew a number of curious visitors, keen to check the cars out.

With route instructions in hand, the drive was underway in three smaller groups. I had the distinct pleasure of leading the McLaren around part of the route, constantly amazed at how it closed up from a quarter mile distance to my rear bumper in the blink of an eye!

St Albert's proved an opportune stop post coffee intake and the store offered the usual excellent cheese assortment for the shoppers in the group. As an aside, the new cheese factory, much larger than the original facility destroyed by fire last year, is nearly finished. The break offered the opportunity to admire the many great cars and compare notes with the owners.

Soon back underway, the groups continued down south, along the picturesque St Lawrence before heading back up north to the final rendezvous at Smokie's Ridge Winery, near Mountain, Ontario. We parked in a prepared field with nearby picnic facilities before joining the friendly and very engaging winery staff for a tour and tasting of their products. Still new to the business, their wine from imported grapes was superb, complementing the newly-purchased cheese and other delectables at the following picnic.

All too soon, it was departure time and fond farewells were exchanged with new

friends before heading home. Everyone greatly enjoyed the day prompting an offer by the Mercedes Benz club to organize next year's drive. Kudos to Bruno Bastien of the Porsche club and our Mike O'Brien for putting this year's memorable event together.

Rob Dunlop



Jaguar / Land Rover Ottawa Visit

This past week, Mike O'Brien, Merv Clarke and I stopped by Jaguar Ottawa to meet the new management staff and confirm plans for the concours and meet and greet (and check out the newly-arrived 550BHP F-type R coupe). **General Manager Mark Weisbrod, Sales Manager Dan Herman along with long term club friend Parts Manager Mike Comtois** confirmed the continuation of the longstanding

AWD version, to be followed by an SUV and an aluminum XF replacement. High demand has slowed delivery of some of the smaller engine Jaguar versions of late but with the new UK engine plant expected this summer, it's only a temporary situation.

Locally, Mark is challenged by the need for an aluminum repair facility in the area, the solution possibly in

his current sinister-looking, all-black Jaguar XFR. Keen to enhance the Jaguar brand exposure, he's considering running the car with full leaper décor at the upcoming "Race the Runway" event, Smiths Falls airport, 23 August (www.racetherunway.com), an event to be added to our activities' list for next month. By Mark's reckoning, the XFR's performance could surprise more than a few at the half mile top speed event, emphatically exhibiting to a large performance car crowd the "pace" quality in addition to the traditional "grace and space" expected of a four door Jaguar sport saloon.

Mark, Dan and Mike are highly approachable and keen to offer the best service possible to the public at large and the club in particular. We look forward to a continuing close association with Jaguar Ottawa in the years to come.

Rob Dunlop



Left to Right;
Mark Weisbrod (General Manager),
Mike Comtois (Parts Manager),
Rob Dunlop (OJC President),
Dan Herman (Sales Manager)

excellent relationship and outstanding support we have had with the local dealership. We can expect to see new Jags and Land Rovers on display at the concours and our Meet and Greet will once again take place amongst a delectable selection of XFR-S and F-type coupes in the showroom.

Mark and Dan also took the time for a general chat about Jaguar Land Rover and the dealership. Mark indicated that the new XE small sedan, due out in 2015, will likely not appear in North America but until 2016 in an upscale

cooperation with another manufacturer. Although new to the marque, he is very sensitive to the high standards of dealer service expected, and outlined some of the measures introduced to offer customers a better maintenance experience, including additional technical staff to cut servicing time and improved facilities. Mark is clearly a "hands on" manager with extensive Mazda experience including support of the local Miata Underground club. He's an enthusiastic driver and loves

UK DAY GARDEN PARTY & TEA

By the Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind (CGDB)

Fancy a restful summer's afternoon under cool green shade, tucking into a traditional British tea with scones and Devon cream accompanied by the dulcet tones of a live music combo? Then we have the event for you!

The annual charity event to raise funds for the CGDB is scheduled for **Sunday, 13 July, noon until three**. We are asked each year to help add atmosphere by bringing along some British classic cars. Set in the idyllic, peaceful facility near Manotick, this is a great way to get away from the stresses and strains of Ottawa living.....at least for a short time.

Entrance is free with a \$15 fee for the tea. To ease access and parking, they ask that we arrive together. **Meet at the Swan on the Rideau pub parking lot for a departure at 12:00 sharp**. Late arrivals can proceed independently.

Swan on the Rideau, 2730 River Road, corner of River Road and Roger Stevens Drive

<https://www.google.ca/maps/@45.161613,-75.630432,17z>

Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind, 4120 Rideau Valley Drive North, Manotick

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1968 Jaguar MK2 3.4, Brit Racing Green, tan leather, auto, second owner, excellent glass, chrome, interior, and condition. Chrome wire wheels. Winter air-tight bagged. Daily driver and drives like a beautiful pussycat. All is excellent. Price \$35,000. Is parked at Steve Hayes Classic Automotive Repair, for viewing and test drives, 5490 Hinchinbrook Rd, Hartington, Ontario, K0H 1W0, classicautomotiverepair@gmail.com 613 583 4311 for viewing and test drives. Jim Reid [mjj]



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bobrochon1@gmail.com [tja]



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1972 Jaguar Series One XJ6. 4.2L 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. Front seats intact, rear bench seat has some dried and cracked leather at the top, but the car comes with a second rear seat I bought that can be used to repair the original seat. 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. The Stromburg Carbs have been switched to SU's from a 420 and a second rear seat and floor pans are included. I have \$4000 invested in this car so far, but am willing to accept any reasonable offer to see it go to a good home. Contact: David @ (613)822-3669 [tas]



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