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President's Musings



Here we are at the beginning of April watching the snow disappear under a generous rain (...April showers...). I've already had my E-type out for a successful test drive after changing the oil. I hope we are all looking forward to another glorious season of Jaguar touring.

Reading through the committee reports for the JCNA AGM now in progress I noted several interesting items. The financial balance looks somewhat better than ours; they have a savings account of \$190,639.50 US and a cash account of \$66,861.09 US. The contribution from the Jaguar Cars Club Sponsorship fund has dropped from

\$50,473.00 US in 2014 to \$15,285.00 US in 2015; a significant reduction. George Camp has put his name forward for another term as president. The JCNA Archives is responsible for issuing Heritage Certificates representing Jaguar Heritage in North America. Cost for members is \$35 US while for non-members it is \$50 US. The Archives are advertising a limited number of historic films as DVDs for club showings and the availability of various images for newsletter editors. The website is working better with a recent webmaster, which has been very helpful in sorting out issues with our club sector of the site. There is still a challenging list of improvements required such as aligning the slalom and rally scoring posting, forum functionality, membership software and intermediate and long term objectives. When our two delegates return we'll get the flavor of discussions and conclusions at the meeting.

Please note our upcoming Spring Dinner at the Ottawa Hunt Club taking place on Apr. 23rd with RSVP required for Apr. 11th. We are committed to a minimum number of 35 attendees. The

club is subsidizing the event to keep the cost down to \$45.00 per person including taxes and tip. This will be a great venue to reaffirm acquaintances for the summer season and generally socialize. Thanks to **Steve Fox** who has done a yeoman job of organizing this event with initial input from **Phil Karam**.

Also coming up is a tech visit to **Tint FX detailers on Saturday, Apr. 16**, with details inside the Jottings. For anyone keen to learn how to get your car truly clean and get that extra special shine this should be of major interest.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Spring Dinner!!!

Dave Kenny



Club Events This Month

16 APR - TECH VISIT - TINT FX DETAILERS

23 APR - SPRING DINNER, OTTAWA HUNT CLUB



MARCH TECH VISIT - PHIL'S GARAGE / BEARR'S

A dozen members assembled for the club's March activity which included visits to Phil Karam's garage to check on the just-finished restoration of his XK120 coupe, a Show and Tell of services and facilities at Bearr's Motorsports with a delicious Dunn's smoked meat sandwich in between!

PHIL'S GARAGE. The XK120 restoration chiefly involved the bodywork and interior as the engine and mechanicals were in generally good working order, requiring mainly a thorough check over, refresh and tune up. The coupe's colour was originally white when Phil acquired it thirty years ago (below) but he opted for a classic silver gray with a two-toned leather interior, in accordance with the new owner's wishes.

Phil is an old hand at Jag restoration having already completed an XK120 roadster (lower right) and an XK140 coupe. He prides himself in using the original factory methods where possible including metal welding, riveting and lead loading where original. Photos of "before" dramatically demonstrated the quality of the final product. The XK120 leaves for a new owner overseas shortly, and to be sure he/she will be most pleased with Phil's excellent craftsmanship.



BEARR'S MOTORSPORTS. Following a tasty lunch at Dunn's, the members re-assembled at Bearr's Motorsports showroom, resplendent with a vast array of custom rims and tires. The small parking lot in front was filled with all manner of vehicles including high-end Euro machines. Nabil and Mete, the business partners, met us and led us around their facilities followed by a Q & A session.

Although having the appearance of a wheel and tire specialist (which they are), Mete has a well-deserved reputation as an excellent general mechanic with much experience (including with Grand Touring Motors In Toronto) on most European brands including Porsche, Audi, Aston Martin, Mercedes, BMWs and Jags. From personal experience, a major asset is his easy and willing manner with the customer, always friendly and very approachable with all types of problems large and small. The wheel and tire shop is equipped with the latest German high tech balancing and alignment equipment. Nabil is particularly helpful in seeking out and providing several options to meet the customer's tire and wheel needs.

Often the best advertising is by word of mouth and since the club first visited Bearr's two years ago, they count a good dozen OJC members as regular (and repeat) customers (me included) with both Jags and domestic vehicles. They offer very attractive tire packages including balancing and alignment, usually under other dealer prices for the tires alone. Mechanical issues are thoroughly analyzed, the customer kept informed and consulted and reasonable options discussed, avoiding the "surprise" bill presentation at the end. If you are looking for a reliable, reasonable mechanic and tire shop, I highly recommend a visit to Bearr's...and you can use my name.

Rob Dunlop



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Snowbird Report

Don and Jane Morrison are wintering in Florida and Don sent along some photos from the annual Boca Raton British Car Show. A regular attender, he noted that car and spectator numbers were down somewhat this year particularly other Canadians, possibly due to the abysmal exchange rate or the coolish winter they experienced down south. Some great looking cars though...



1930's MG Midget



1937 Alvis Speed 25



1958 Jaguar XK150



Jags in a row...



Daimler SP 250



1961 Jaguar E-type



Auction Action by Phil Karam

Our resident auction observer Phil Karam recently returned from the spring **Scottsdale, Arizona** auctions.

As indicated in the photos, recent strong values for Jaguars appear to be holding, particularly for the favoured early alloy XK120s and the early E-types.

The Vanden Plas-bodied SS100 is an oddity that possibly relies on its one-only uniqueness perhaps more so than styling which could be described as very much a matter of personal taste. As is often the case for Jaguars subjected to non-standard styling, they rarely if ever surpass the original.

Speaking of Phil, be sure to check out his recently added new section on the OJC website, **Car Values**, for links and regular updates on Jaguar values.



1949 JAGUAR ALLOY XK120 ROADSTER - \$407,000 - RM AUCTIONS



1939 SS100 ROADSTER - BODY BY VANDEN PLAS(1947) - \$1.4M - RM AUCTIONS



1961 EARLY JAGUAR E-TYPE - \$440,000 - BARRETT-JACKSON AUCTIONS

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JAGUAR NEWS

2017 JAGUAR F-TYPE SVR

The first Jaguar product of JLR's Special Vehicle Operations (SVO) made an appearance in New York City prior to the recent auto show, blasting through the Park Avenue Tunnel. The most powerful production Jaguar ever, it starts with the 5.0 liter V8 from the F-Type R adding 25 BHP to 575 with 516 lb-ft of torque (up 14). Adding aerodynamic changes, lighter materials, refined chassis tuning and wider tires results in a performance with AWD to 60 mph in 3.3 secs, the quarter mile in 11.6 secs and a top speed of 200 mph. it will be available in North America in both coupe and roadster versions summer 2016.



JAGUAR TO BUILD MORE XKSS

Following on the heels of the very successful program to recreate six newly-constructed Lightweight E-types, the Jaguar Heritage department has announced that they will turn their attention to building nine XKSS models, the road going version of the iconic D-Type. Originally intending to produce 25, only 16 were built due to the Browns Lane fire in 1957 destroying the original forms and dies. Considered by many to be "the first super car" They will be hand-built to original specifications, identical to the original 16 from 1957 at Jaguar's new "Experimental Shop" in Warwick. The price will be in excess of \$1.5m.



NO JAGUAR XK SUCCESSOR

According to *Car & Driver* magazine, Jaguar has abandoned plans to develop a replacement for the flagship XK coupe which ended production in 2015. Citing interviews with chief designer Ian Callum and Jaguar Land Rover North America's CEO Joe Eberhardt, Callum's thoughts expressed last spring about a larger, more expensive XK replacement derived from the F-type or an XJ-based coupe have been reconsidered. Eberhardt pointed out that with the new SVR F-Type as the pinnacle of the range, selling another high-end coupe alongside didn't make sense. Introducing another car into the \$35,000 to \$125,000 highly competitive ultra-luxury coupe market wouldn't serve Jaguar's aim of doubling sales. According to Eberhardt, he's happy with F-type and XJ selling around 400 copies a month in the US, which he sees as bracketing the hoped-for volume models of XE, XF and F-Pace. He further added that additional models will be considered but nothing below the XE. (Source: *Car & Driver*)



EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES 2016

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Jan 11 / 6 pm	Tech visit – Mark 2 restoration – Rob Staruch's /Cheshire Cat pub
Feb 8	Darts and Pizza Night – St Anthony's
Feb 13	Interclub Darts Tournament—Barrhaven Legion
Mar 12	Tech visit 10 AM + 1PM , Bearr's Motor Sport / Phil's XK120
Apr 16	Tech Visit - Tint FX detailers, 10AM
23	Spring Dinner - Ottawa Hunt Club (RSVP 11 April required)
May 14 (15)	Spring Drive
TBA	Concours judges' training – St Anthony's
29	Drive to Hudson British Car Show
Jun 10	OJC Concours Meet & Greet
12	OJC Concours and Family Day – Cumberland Heritage Museum
25(26)	Summer Drive (picnic/BBQ)
Jul 9(10)	Club golf tourney (mixed teams, informal best ball)
TBA	British Day – Canadian Guide Dogs – Manotick
16	All British Car Day (ABCD) – Britannia Beach
22	Perth Ribfest and car show
29	Glengarry Highland Games – British Car Day - Maxville
Aug 5-7	"Brits on the Lake" weekend – Port Perry / Prince Edward County
13	Race the Runway – Smiths Falls Airport
21	Boot 'n' Bonnet British Car Show – Kingston
30/Sep 9	Hazeldean Mall British Invasion and Pub
Sep 10	Club drive
Oct 1	Eurocars Oktoberfest drive and lunch
TBA	Fall Colours drive
Nov	AGM and dinner
Dec	Christmas Dinner

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