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President's Musings



Here we are about a third through the summer driving season past the ABCD show.

August is chock full of events and we still have the Maxville Highland Games the last weekend of July.

For the first time we had a club booth at the ABCD with available brochures on the club and JCNA and cards to hand out by the generous volunteers staff. The organiser, Bob Hiland, is preparing a summary of the number of inquiries and general interest to decide, if this is worth continuing.

I counted 31 Jaguars and 11 E Types at the ABCD in roughly 200 cars. I did talk to several non- club owners at their cars passing on the

merits of club membership. One of the things to keep in mind is the arrangement with the dealer, Jaguar Ottawa, for parts at cost plus 10% and labor at minus 20%. A chat with Carlo Spinello, the Service Manager, revealed that they are currently doing a carburetor job on an E-type.

I notice that the Wednesday morning breakfast often draws up to 20 members during these summer months with stimulating conversation on politics and useful Jaguar information exchange.

ETHANOL. Recently Phil Karam sent me a note from a hot rodders site concerning the effects of ethanol addition to gasoline fuel. This has been discussed before regarding the water affinity of ethanol and this effect on starting and corrosion. A new point is the related but seemingly converse drying effect of ethanol particularly regarding gaskets and simulated rubber seals, etc. Particularly noted was the destructive drying effect on the older mechanical fuel pumps, where the diaphragm is rapidly dried out and fails. Up to 10% ethanol content, these effects may be minimal, but moving to the 15% now evolving in the US could be a

problem. I did an internet study of the availability of gasoline with NO ethanol additive and received a definitive answer from Petro Canada stating that at gas bars with no 94 octane available, the 91 is ETHANOL FREE. I also have a query out to Ultramar. For the Jaguar engines requiring octanes approaching 100 (like the older XK units in the E-type) I have found on my E-type which, due to milling of the head and block is now approaching 10:1 compression ratio, that it will function on 91 octane as long as I avoid lugging it and keep it revved on hills. I have been running it with Petro Canada 94 octane (which contains up to 10 % ethanol), but now will try using the ethanol free 91 octane.

MEMBERS: *those with the older XK engines (Mark1 and 2, S-Type, 420 and Mark X saloons, E-types) let us know what fuel you are using and your experiences...replies to editor@ottawajaguarclub.com Thanks!*

In the meantime, I hope we can all take advantage of the large number of driving activities in August. See you on the road!!

Dave Kenny

AUGUST Club Events

5-7 - "BRITS ON THE LAKE" - PORT PERRY

13 - RACE THE RUNWAY - SMITH FALLS AIRPORT

20 - DAY AT THE RACES - CALABOGIE RACEWAY

21 - BOOT 'N' BONNET CAR SHOW - KINGSTON

23 - GROWLER CUP GOLF TOURNEY

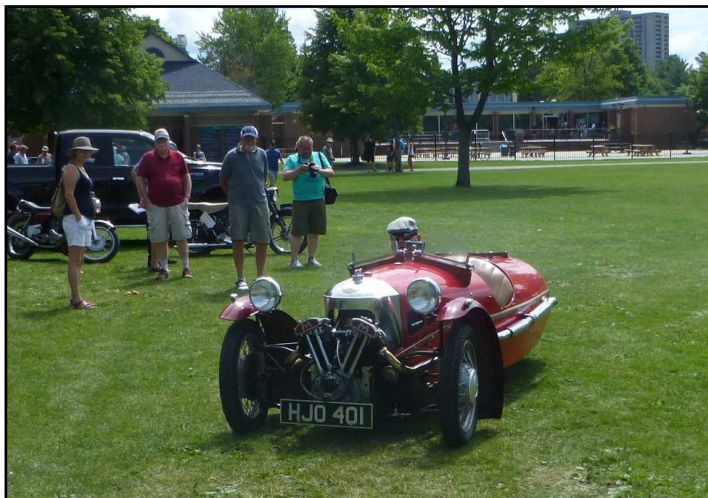
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ALL BRITISH CAR DAY (ABCD) 2016

The annual gathering of the "Best of British" enjoyed a sunny, summer day at Britannia Beach Park on 16 July. The combined effort of the British car clubs in the Ottawa area went off successfully with near 200 cars of various marques, shapes and sizes to delight the gathered enthusiasts and public visitors. OJC contributed numerous volunteers for parking, set up, cooking and for the first time, a club stand. From past ABCD experience it's been a bit surprising that quite a few Jag owners are not OJC members; more so that many had not heard of our club. With that in mind, we set up a club stand to get the word out and inform visitors of the many benefits to club membership. We had a good dozen folks stop by and several seemed serious about coming on board.

The Jaguar showing was good with 10 to 12 E-types and a mix of new and old sedans, coupes and a couple of classic XKs. The "best of the rest" included an Aston Martin DB6, a three wheel Morgan and a massive 1920's Rolls Royce roadster along with an impressive cross section of MGs, Triumphs, Healeys and Loti. The intriguing one-offs included a smart Jensen Interceptor convertible, a Ford Zodiac and a Triumph Stag. Our Jaguar Ottawa dealership supported the event with a new XE small sedan and the F-Pace SUV, which drew a fair bit of interest. All in all, a very pleasant way to spend a summer day.



PERTH BBQ BLOCK PARTY & RIBFEST

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The 22 July weekend marked the 200 year anniversary of Perth's founding with a homecoming rib fest and car show. Classic cars were invited to gather on the fairgrounds, Sunday, 24 July including nine OJC Jaguars, six of which had made a group drive with light traffic and blues skies from Manotick. Our ever-busy Karen Wilson, Perth resident, club membership director and webmaster as well as a Ribfest organizer found the time to bring a 1995 VDP and greet us on arrival before whisking off to tackle other issues.

The event featured four professional "ribbers", a beer garden with local micro brewery products, live music and a variety of vendors. With the heat approaching 30 Celsius, the OJC crew rustled up some finger-lickin' good ribs and chicken and a few cool brews before settling down under cover to listen to the dulcet tones of live toe-tappin' country music. A stone masons' competition was an interesting diversion with tapping of a different sort. Corvettes provided the major contribution to the car show with 22 on site as well as an interesting cross section of domestic and imported vehicles (...my personal favourite, a 1947 Chrysler, wood paneled Town and Country convertible).

The quaint and picturesque town of Perth is known for its many popular festivals (garlic festival anyone?) and this year's rib fest no doubt added to their success.

Rob Dunlop



...more ribs anyone? ...burp!



1947 Chrysler Town & Country - that's real wood



Dave Clyne conducts "E-type 101" lecture...

"Time to say goodbye" update

Following on from last month's article about Phil Karam's XK120 coupe being sold and shipped last June to its new owner in Germany, Phil received photos confirming its safe arrival at its new home near Stuttgart. It's currently in storage awaiting a German safety check (TUV) and registration.



"All in the Family"

Member and S Type owner Bryan Murphy recently recorded a family gathering of sorts when Lorne Plunkett stopped by with his S Type for a meeting and family photo.

Bryan Murphy's car (a 1966 3.4 litre S Type), originally a UK RHD car once owned by fellow OJC member Dave Clyne, has undergone an extensive 13 year restoration (*see Feb 2016 Jottings for details - editor*). Lorne Plunkett purchased his 3.8 litre S-Type several years ago from OJC member Merv Clarke.

Bryan reports that his car was recently safetied and registered although he continues with a number of small jobs to do. Lorne enjoyed the meeting, noting his admiration of Bryan's patience and perseverance over the 13 years of restoration. (in photos, Lorne's 3.8 is in front, Bryan's 3.4 is behind)



"Thanks, Bearr's"

Bearr's Motorsports, a well known local garage with club member clients, contributed several very generous draw prizes to our annual *Jaguar Concours and Family Day* in June. Editor Rob Dunlop stopped by Bearr's recently to present them with a plaque as a token of our appreciation. (*Apologies for the photo quality....some of it has to do with the subject matter in the middle but the mechanic/photographer is apparently better at twiddling wrenches than taking pictures...*) Rob Dunlop



(left to right: Mete, Bear, Editor, Nabil)

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES 2016

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EVENTS SHOWN WITH DATES ARE GENERALLY FIRM, BRACKETED DATES ARE WEATHER ALTERNATES, NO DATE INDICATES ACTUAL DAY IS STILL TBD. DETAILS OF TIMING, DIRECTIONS ETC AS WELL AS CALENDAR UPDATING WILL BE PROVIDED CLOSER TO THE EVENT THROUGH THE WEBSITE, IN THE JOTTINGS AND/OR BY EMAIL IF/AS REQUIRED. ADDITIONS AND IDEAS ARE ALWAYS WELCOMED. (HILAND@ROGERS.COM)

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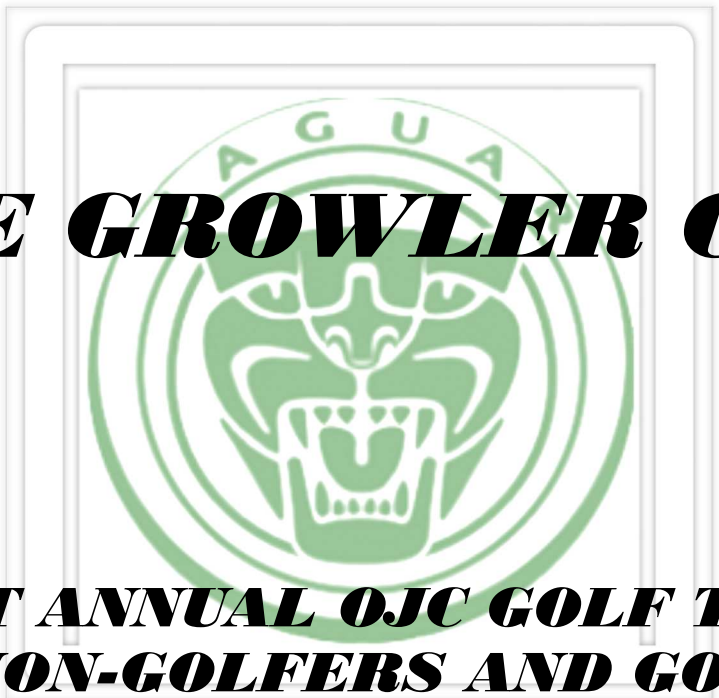
Aug 5-7	"Brits on the Lake" weekend – Port Perry
13	Race the Runway – Smiths Falls Airport (racetherunway.com)
20	Day at the Races - Calabogie Motorsport Park
21	Boot 'n' Bonnet British Car Show – Kingston
23	"Growler Cup" Club golf tourney (mixed teams, informal best ball)
30	Hazeldean Mall British 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

DAY AT THE RACES

TED POWELL MEMORIAL RACES, CALABOGIE MOTORSPORT PARK

SATURDAY, 20 AUGUST

- **JOIN THE MG CAR CLUB AT CALABOGIE MSP FOR A CAR DISPLAY IN THE PADDOCK, PARADE LAPS AROUND TRACK AND SPECTATING RACING INCLUDING VINTAGE AND HISTORIC CLASSES.**
- **9 AM DEPARTURE FROM TIM HORTON'S ON MARCH ROAD TO CALABOGIE VIA ALMONTE. RETURN 3 PM VIA CLAYTON FOR PIT STOP.**
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