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April—2020

I am wishing that all club members and their families are weathering the storm of the present health issues and everyone is maintaining their sanity. I hope that all our snow bird members are safely back at home. It just seems to be a bit odd to write a club update with all our events cancelled or postponed.

The Jaguar Clubs of North America cancelled the Vegas AGM and are proposing a late summer or fall event. Their Constitution states the AGM must be a member attended yearly event. An attempt by JCNA for telephone and web seminars also failed due to the number of participants.

On a brighter note, members enjoyed the March dinner meeting along with a little Irish Flair. Bonnie and Ray Newson were the best dressed Irish members.

Josee Dubois did her social director magic for the event. She also discussed planned events for the balance of the year and some long-range plans for future social events in 2021. Family Day/Concours plans were updated as well. Thanks to all that attended.

Our planned calendar dates for events will be updated at such time that it is safe to carry on with them.

"Stay Safe and Healthy"

Lee

Spring Drive to Hudson—May 31



This year's Spring Drive will take us to the picturesque town of Hudson, Quebec, to enjoy, and participate in the bi-annual Hudson British Car Show. This delightful, informal show is in a park off of Main Street in Hudson, PQ.

The park is located within easy walking distance to many of the town's unique shops and restaurants. You may choose to browse the shops and lunch in town, or enjoy a tailgate picnic in the park.

The drive will leave from the Tim Horton's located at 1270 Trim Road in Orleans, just south of Hwy. 174. We will be departing at 9:00AM so please plan to arrive by 8:45AM at the latest.

The drive will take us primarily on good two-lane roads to Hawkesbury where we will have a short break at the Tim Horton's there. After the

break, we will continue on to Hudson. Of the remaining 45 minute drive, a short (approximately 10km) part of this leg will be on rural freeway east of Hawkesbury.

There is a \$10 donation fee to help cover the costs of running the show. The first 300 cars, however, will get a dash plaque and \$10 worth of raffle tickets.

Drive time is approximately 2 hours each way. The optional return trip will also be via country roads with a stop at Beaus Brewery in Vankleek Hill.

Paul Balharrie

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Or see: <http://hudsonantiquecarclub.com/home/2020-hudson-british-car-show/>

COVID-19

It goes without saying that all April events for our Club, including the weekly breakfast meetings, have been either cancelled or postponed until it is safe to resume normal activities.

Going forward, if it becomes necessary, events will be cancelled on a month to month basis. You will be kept informed either here in the Jottings, on Facebook or by Email.

For all events planned and organized by clubs and organizations other than the Ottawa Jaguar Club, please check their websites for changes and updates to their plans.





Ladies,

'Oh no, we have idle hands!!! So what do we do, well we add a new section to the Jottings! Go figure.

Well Ladies... a corner has been created just for us!!

What will be posted here? Well, for starters:

- Social gatherings for just the Ladies such as:

- o tea time (at a nice corner restaurant or even someone's home)
- o Spa day,
- o Weekend getaway (well on this one our mates may want to join us, we will see)

- Fun facts to share;

- o natural products recipes (food, cleaning, organic, etc.)
- o gardening, decoration, sewing, health tips and more
- o best picture of our pets
- o best traveling place
- o writing, poems,....
- o YOUR hobbies

This Corner is for YOU. Send me your suggestions, topics, anything that you love doing.' Would like to share!

Josee

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The Help Wanted Section!

In the February issue of the Jottings, "The Survey Report" on the topic of the Jottings, stated that the Jottings were; "Universally liked and several saying that it's the best thing that the club has." This certainly makes it a hard act to follow for yours truly, your new Editor & Publisher.

In order to maintain the quality, keep you up to date on club activities and initiatives, and provide articles of interest, your assistance and input is required. Your comments, both positive and negative are welcome. Suggestions in regards to articles of interest will certainly help. Either just a suggested topic, the framework of an article, or any article prepared and ready to go (preferred), will go a long way to making sure that your newsletter delivers what you expect.

Articles do not have to be just about Jaguar vehicles, or even just cars in general. Any topic that you feel would be of interest to our readers helps to provide something for everyone, a drive, a trip, a tour or event, all stories to be told.

Pictures are important, and sometimes tell a story all alone. If you have a great picture that you would like to share, please add it to an article or just send it along.

Another mandate of the 2020 Executive is to be more inclusive of the ladies in our club. Josee Dubois will be taking charge of our "Ladies Corner" a section of the Jottings dedicated to articles and items of interest to the ladies. (See above). Please ensure that your co-pilots are aware of this initiative. If they would like their email address' added to the Roster report, just notify our Membership Chair, Jay Hunt.

Please forward your comments and contributions to;

editor@ottawajaguarclub.com

Ray Newson



Keeping Busy

While we are all into some form of social distancing or another, I thought that these tips would help keep our OJC members busy while Self Isolated.

First: (Important)

Check the "honey do" list and complete all Jobs.

Once you get your gold star, it is time to move on to the more important stuff!

Jag jobs !!!

Yes, you can be closer than 6 feet to your car so go nuts!

Ontario Hydro has brought rates down so you can heat up the garage.

Jack the car up, remove wheels and clean them.

Clean interior and exterior. (the dry wash spray cleaner is good body cleaning)

Do some basic maintenance (oil change, coolant change, brake/clutch fluid change etc.)

Do not go and order stuff from the States.... our Canadian dollar remains in the toilet and is not getting better. As my niece once said ... "are you crazy in the head?"

Take some Jerry cans to the gas station and buy some fresh 91 octane gasoline and top up your tank. Prices have never been better for years.

Bob Hiland

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**DID A LITTLE
MECHANICS WORK
TODAY.**

**PUT A REAR END
IN A RECLINER.**

In the March issue of the Jottings, Dave Kenny provided us with an in depth technical view of Electric Vehicles today. I thought that it would be interesting to look back at their early days. Tesla had its' Roadster on display at the Boca Raton Concours in 2010, the banner read:

Never go to a gas station again!

Electric cars don't have to be boring!

My thoughts at the time were that if this little **TESLA Roadster** is any example, we'll all be driving electric cars, maybe sooner than we think.

The brochure read; "This hot little two-seater will compete, performance wise, with almost any comparable gas powered auto available today."

This 100% electric roadster, will get you from 0 to 60 mph in 3.9 seconds. Top speed is 125 mph and EPA tests, combined city/highway mileage, will give you 244 miles on a full battery charge. Recharge time is 3.5 hours, less for a partial charge just to get you downtown and back.

The car is powered by a microprocessor-controlled lithium ion battery pack with a life cycle of over 100,000 miles. This battery pack produces 248 hp with a 14,000 rev limit and regenerative braking. A single speed gearbox gets the power to the wheels that are equipped with Brembo/AP ventilated disc brakes and ABS.

The vehicle sits on a bonded extruded aluminum monocoque chassis with a hand crafted carbon fibre body. Several interior options are available to finish it off.

Size wise, the Mazda Miata is a very close comparable conventional vehicle to the TESLA. The TESLA is 2 inches shorter but 5 inches wider than Miata. Wheelbase is 1 inch longer on the TESLA but inside; leg, head and shoulder room are each about 1 inch more for Miata. EPA tests rate Miata at 21 City / 28 Highway (US), TESLA boasts no gas required and Zero emissions.

This vehicle was not a prototype but a production car available in some eight dealerships across the US. Priced at \$109,000 US for the base model (2010) it obviously was not for everybody (yet), however reviews were very positive. Price of options were fairly comparable to



conventional cars; upgraded stereo with navigation system, premium 7 speaker sound and Homelink \$3K, leather interior \$6K, metallic or premium paint \$1K & \$2K respectively, body coloured hardtop \$3.2K, carbon

fibre hardtop \$5K. Battery replacement after 100,000 miles, \$12,000. How soon will you be driving an electric car? was the question back then.

Ray Newson

Postponed



'Even though we have postponed our OJC Spring themed Party, The Roaring 20s - Speakeasy, we are still continuing with our planning.

The picture noted above is actually the backdrop that will be installed at our Photo Booth corner.

Once social distancing has been lifted, we will have one heck of a Party!!! In the meantime, and to keep ourselves entertained, we will be posting on Facebook fun rules, period slang, etc. We hope that you will join our Facebook page. You never know, any of these Party postings may hold the answer to our prized questions, which will be asked/played at our Themed Party. Stay safe and healthy!!

Josee

March Dinner Meeting



It was a small but brave group that attended the March dinner meeting. The theme of this event, being close to St. Patty's Day, was obviously Irish.

Bonnie and Ray Newson took home the prize for "Best Dressed" given the Iris theme. (No they weren't the only ones there.)

The next informal dinner meeting is currently scheduled to be held on Wednesday May 13th. Time and location to be determined.

Ray

Ottawa Jaguar Club

Did You Know ?

Cork Clutches?

Did you know that automotive and motorcycle clutch plates once used Cork? It certainly raised my curiosity when Mick Roberts, a cousin of mine, mentioned that he had to have the clutch on his 1934 Morris 25 recorked.

It seems that cork clutches were fairly common in the years prior to World War II. They were considered "wet clutches" as they ran in oil to keep the corks lubricated. This also allowed for smother shifting. Oil was fed into the bell housing through a hole in the back of the engine block and recycled back into the engine, after filtering of course.

A period correct maintenance manual suggested that a good source of corks was from French vineyards. It also cautioned against using "used corks". (Not as much fun.)

Ray



In need of repair



Mick Roberts restored 1934 Morris 25



Clutch recorked

COVID-19 ALERT

Due to the coronavirus (COVID-19), event information may be out of date. Confirm details with event organizers.

JUNE 11 & 12—BRISTOL R.I.



Hopefully by June our current pandemic crisis will be history and we will be ready for a road trip. British Motorcars will be descending on the beautiful seaside village of Bristol, R.I. **June 12 and 13th.** You are invited to come and explore the charm of beautiful and rustic Bristol, R.I., and all that it has to offer as part of a very special annual event. Bristol, R.I. is approximately 750Kms from Ottawa, a days drive to work out the isolation blues.

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Celebrate the great British Motorcar and British lifestyle at the British Invasion, September 11 – 13, 2020. This three-day event will feature "all things British", with a primary focus on classic British motorcars.

This event is the largest all British motorcar show in the United States, attracting more than 600 British motorcars from the U.S. and Canada each year.

A British Invasion Block Party on Stowe's Main Street will kick off the weekend of festivities with live music, food and beverages and plenty of British motorcars to view.

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enTIREly mobile and COVID-19

As you know, we are in a pandemic state of emergency and I wish to reassure you that enTIREly mobile is still fully operational. In fact, in order to minimize social interactions and therefore minimize risk of contamination, a mobile tire service might very well be the best way to service your vehicle at this time. Rest assured that no gap in your safety while driving will be created because of the pandemic. As such, tire change season will still go on as Spring comes about. Existing customers will have priority booking over new ones. I will serve you to the best of my ability and in a timely fashion. Given the current health situation, service is offered with proper social distancing, using and accepting phone, text, and email instructions. Immediate payment can be made, among other ways, by VISA, MASTERCARD and E-TRANSFER. Rest assured that all card information will be immediately deleted after payment has been processed.

For those people that have already asked me for my recommendations on all season tires and rims, they will be sent out shortly. For anyone requiring a new recommendation, please feel free to reach out. Staying at home for an extended period of time may not be



the easiest solution during this exceptional situation, but it may be the safest. enTIREly mobile is committed to your safety, offering you the best at home automotive service around.

Again, feel free to reach out if you have any questions in regards to your vehicle and its' services. Seeing me wave through your window this Spring, will be a sign of another completed task off of your to do list for the purpose of "driving safely".

Eric Fauteau

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Events & Activities 2020

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Some event times and locations are still in the process of being organized and arranged. All dates are accurate at this time, to the best of our knowledge. Activities for the current month will always be highlighted in **red**, Ottawa Jaguar Club Activities will be highlighted in **bold** lettering. Associate club activities and activities of interest to our members will also be included here as appropriate. Time, location and any pertinent information will be updated on the website, via Facebook as it becomes available, and updated here in the Jottings monthly.

Ray Newson, For your OJC Executive

All April events have been cancelled due to the COVID-19 virus.

You will be notified of any changes and/or further cancellations as they become known.

May	2nd	Saturday	SU Carburettor Clinic	Time & Location to be announced
	3rd	Sunday	Boot'n'Bonnet Auto Jumble	Kingston, Ontario
	13th	Wednesday	OJC Bi-monthly meeting	Time & Location to be announced
	15th	Friday	Carlisle Import & Performance	May 15th to 17th. Carlisle, Pennsylvania
	24th	All Week	British Car Week	
	31st	Sunday	OJC Spring Drive	Hudson P.Q.-Hudson British Car Show, details pending
(Note: This is a change of date from the OJC Calendar, previously May 23rd.)				
June	4th	Thursday	Barrie Automotive Flea Market	June 4th to 7th. Barrie , Ontario
	5th	Friday	Calabogie Motorsport Show-n-shine	Calabogie, Ontario
	18th	Thursday	OJC Concours - Judges Training	St. Anthony's Soccer Club, Preston St. Ottawa
	20th	Saturday	OJC Club Brunch	Time & Location to be announced
	27th	Saturday	Alexandria Car Show	Alexandria. Ontario
	28th	Sunday	Wheels on the Mississippi Car Show	Carleton Place , Ontario
July	5th	Sunday	OJC Family Day & Concours	Cumberland Heritage Museum, Cumberland, Ont.
	11th	Saturday	All British Car Day (ABCD)	Clark Fields Park, 93 Houlahan St., Nepean, Ontario
	25th	Saturday	OJC BBQ Party	Manotick, Ontario
	26th	Sunday	Canadian Capital Classic Car Show	Wesley Clover Park, Kanata, Ontario
	26th	Sunday	Perth Rib-Fest & Car Show	Perth. Ontario
	31st	Friday	Glengarry Highland Games	July 31st to Aug. 2nd. Maxville, Ontario
August	9th	Sunday	Boot'n'Bonnet Car Show	Kingston, Ontario
	15th	Saturday	OJC Picnic	Time & Location to be announced
	16th	Sunday	Brits On The Lake in Port Perry	Port Perry, Ontario
	30th	Sunday	Classic Car Expo	Beaconsfield, Quebec
September	8th	Tuesday	Hazeldean British Invasion & Pub Dinner	Hazeldean, Ontario
	11th	Friday	British Invasion at Stowe	Sept. 11th to 13th. Stowe, Vermont
	16th	Wednesday	OJC Bi-monthly meeting	Time & Location to be announced
	20th	Sunday	British Car Day at Bronte Creek	Bronte Creek, Provincial Park, Ontario
	27th	Sunday	Classic European Car Show	Merrickville, Ontario
October	1st	Thursday	Carlisle Fall Show	Oct. 1st to 4th. Carlisle, Pennsylvania
	3rd	Saturday	OJC Fall Colours Drive	Time & Route to be determined
	3rd	Saturday	OJC Fall Harvest Party	Time & Location to be announced
	4th	Sunday	OMGC Fall Colour Run	MG Club event, Time & Route to be determined
	18th	Sunday	OJC Club Brunch	Time & Location to be announced

November	15th	Sunday	OJC 2021 Membership	May be paid anytime now
	23rd	Monday	Interclub Trivia Challenge	Time & Location to be announced
December	12th	Saturday	OJC Christmas Dinner	Time & Location to be announced
	21st	Monday	First Day of Winter	Looking forward to spring
	25th	Friday	Christmas	OJC Wishes you all a Merry Christmas
	31st	Thursday	New Years Eve	Drive Carefully & All the Best in the New Year



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