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Membership with the Ottawa Jaguar Club entitles you to enjoy all of our regular and numerous activities that include regular meetings and summer drives, to name only a few, along with a copy of our on line monthly newsletter, Jaguar Jottings.

If interested in joining our club please contact Ray Newson via email at: membershipottawajagclub@gmail.com for additional information and an application form.

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President's Musings May 2023



Greetings to Ottawa Jaguar Club members and any other readers that have come to enjoy this issue of Jaguar Jottings. May brings us squarely into driving season for classic car owners -- windows down (or no roof) and the enjoyment again of hearing your engine, the exhaust, the rasp of an engine being juiced a little or the burble on deceleration as you coast or go down through the gears. As Neil Peart wrote in Rush's Red Barchetta, the "mechanical music". Ahhh - the joy!!

I went to my rented garage last week to visit Victoria, my Forest Green 1969 XJ6 to awaken her from winter sleep. With fresh fuel added (my gas tank repair holding) and a charged battery and 4 of 6 spark plugs changed out...I turned the key to let the fuel pump pressurize the system. Manual choke pulled out. Cranked the engine for 5 or 6 seconds and nothing. Cranked again and she fired right up and found a happy rhythm to idle before I removed the choke and another smooth idle was found at lower rpm. The season awaits! Please plan to join us in one of the coming drives in your Jaguar or other vehicle if needed - happy to have you along!!!

Ben Farmer

A bit of History



Jaguar C-Type is a racing sports car built by Jaguar and sold from 1951 to 1953. The car combined the running gear of the contemporary road-proven XK120, with a lightweight tubular frame designed by Jaguar Chief Engineer William Heynes, and an aerodynamic aluminium body.

Mike O'Brien

A Bit of History: Tata Acquires Jaguar Landrover

Tata responded to market needs immediately

The XF and XJ sedans got more efficient engines in no time. Andy Vine said in a report, "Things that before we were told would take three, four, five years, by the time Mr. Tata was done, we were seeing in 12 to 24 months."

Working from ground up

Moreover, it lacked efficient engines at the time when fuel prices were touching the sky. During 2009 to 2012, Jaguar could barely sell 50,000 units across the world.

Andy Vine, Jaguar Land Rover dealer in Louisville, KY. US, recalled Ratan Tata was directly involved in the business. Ratan Tata, along with Ralph Speth, traveled across the US meeting dealers and taking feedback on the Jaguar Land Rover brand.

The deal came at a worse time

Just months later, the global financial crisis hit, thrashing the auto industry, including Tata Motors, which made trucks and inexpensive cars too.

JLR was going through a rough patch

Mr. Tata bought Jaguar and Land Rover in an all-cash transaction of \$2.3 billion from Ford in June 2008. Nearly half of what Ford Motor paid to acquire both brands. At that time JLR's retro designs were getting outdated, and competing with new efficient diesel engines was just making the British car maker redundant. It's not that the American car manufacturer Ford did not try a turnaround. The car maker started the work much earlier with focus of resolving quality problems. But, the car maker was not able to really dent the luxury car market. Before handing over to Tata Motors, Ford launched the Jaguar X-Type, an entry level Jaguar, but later criticized for building a disguised version of Ford's best selling Mondeo sedan in the European markets.

Triumph over humiliation

Ratan Tata, who was the chairman of the Indian conglomerate Tata Group in 1999, faced 'humiliation' when he with his team went to sell the group's fledgling car business to Ford in 1999, but came back to 'do a big favour' just nine years later by taking over the US giant's marquee brands Jaguar and Land Rover (JLR).

Shift to luxury SUVs

At that time, one thing that came as a blessing for JLR was the changing consumer preference from luxury cars to luxury SUVs. On the other hand, Jaguar was facing a serious challenge of trying to sell the XJ sedan and the XK coupe due to their retro design.

Tata's 3-point strategy for Jaguar

However, it was Tata, who was convinced the new acquisition would turn out well in the future. According to an article by Forbes, Tata Motors major focus was on three areas - improving liquidity, cost control and providing new products. Three clear and pointed strategies later worked out well for the company.



JAGUAR HERITAGE TRUST, PRESERVING THE LEGEND

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The Trust preserves a collection of over 140 historic vehicles, many of which can be seen at events throughout Europe, with permanent displays at the Coventry Transport Museum and the Heritage Motor Centre at Gaydon, both in the UK.

The Jaguar Heritage Trust preserves the rich legacy of Jaguar Cars Ltd. As well as maintaining a priceless collection of historic Jaguar vehicles, the Trust is responsible for preserving an extensive archive of business documents, artifacts and product records for some of the most desirable vehicles ever made.

OUR DRIVING AMBITION

Established in 1983, the Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust is an educational charity. Its aim is to preserve the rich heritage of Jaguar Cars Limited and all its predecessor marques including Swallow, SS, Daimler and Lanchester. The Trust's major objective is to collect and preserve vehicles and artifacts, both past and present, which relate to and reflect the history, industrial development and social impact of Jaguar and its associated companies.

Their website: <https://www.jaguarheritage.com/>



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1996 Concours Andrew Hayden Park



1996 Concours at Andrew Hayden Park



1996 Concours Paddy Robertson, Jacquie Foster



1996 Alastair Allan and his XJ



1996 Brock King's 1949 Mk V



1996 Hershenhorns perfect XK140



1996 Guy Larabie announces winners Brock and Mrs. King in background



1996 Paddy and Chuck Cowie



1996 Stewart Robertson and Brock King



1996 XK8 Launch at Dealership



1996 Doreen & Roger Gough



1996 Fadia Karam and guests



1996 Guy Larabie and Michael Bell



1996 Merv and Lyse Clarke



1996 Merv Clarke, Roger Gough,
Pete Whitworth and Hugh Siddons



1996 Paul Davis, Hugh Siddons and
Jaguar Canada rep



1996 Michael Bell Ottawa Jaguar
Owner



1996 Stewart Robertson, Catherine
and Mark Roberts with wee Sarah
(now a Dr)



1996 Tony Fisher, Mary Vonne and
Michel Lalonde & Ron Foster



1996 Roger Gough, Pete Whitworth
and Ron Foster

Ottawa Jaguar Club (OJC) Events & Activities 2023

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We are fine-tuning the club activities for this year and we hope that you are able to attend many of them. Please look for updates in the monthly Jottings newsletter as well as on our website (www.ottawajaguarclub.com). Your Club could use your assistance in ensuring that all activities can be delivered. If you are interested in volunteering to lead an event or assist during any event, or have comments or ideas for the events, please contact Jim Butcher at ottawajagclubtreasurer@gmail.com.

Again, this year there are reoccurring events, such as:

Monthly - Jags and Java (2nd Monday evening 7pm - 9 pm) Tim Horton's parking lot, **corner of Bank Street and Hunt Club** starting in May 9th (look for more details in this Jottings newsletter)

Here are the non-reoccurring events that have been planned so far, please add them to your calendars:

May 26th - 28th *Prince Edward County weekend, including a tour RFAC Museum tour - OJC members have been invited to join Ontario Jaguar owners association on their weekend in Prince Edward County more complete details starting on page 10 of the April issue.*

June 11th OJC Jaguar Show Day - full day to show your cars and meet other OJC members and Jaguar enthusiasts - Cumberland Museum Grounds

June 24th Early summer OJC drive - ½ day drive (route TBD)

July 5th Show at Shine at Hunt Club Jaguar

July 15th *All British Car Day (ABCD) - Clarke Fields 93 Houlahan St., Ottawa Gates open 10:00 am*

July 16th Summer drive - ½ day drive (route TBD)

July 22nd Club BBQ (location TBD)

August 9th Show and Shine at Ottawa Jaguar

August 11th - 13th Weekend “plus” drive to join the Ontario Jaguar owners association concours event (more details to come)

August 13th *Boot n Bonnet British Car show*

August 23rd Short drive after Wednesday morning breakfast (starting at Stacked Restaurant route TBD)



Events that are italicized are not OJC led, but usually well attended by OJC members and if event is out of town, we may organize drives to get to them.

We are finalizing events for September and October, as well as our Christmas Dinner and will be providing details in the upcoming Jottings newsletter and on our [website](http://www.ottawajaguarclub.com).

OJC SPRING DINNER

6:00 PM Saturday, April 22, 2023

The Spring Dinner, held on April 22nd at the Broadway Bar & Grill, was a great success with twenty members attending.

After a long winter it was a great opportunity for members to catch up and share their recent activities with their table mates.

Bonnie Newson kicked off the evening by introducing the members of the Executive that were in attendance and noted that there would be a Trivia Challenge to look forward to!

The menu was wide and varied and portions were certainly ample. Near the end of the meal time, President Ben Farmer, welcomed everybody and gave an overview of upcoming events and what club activities are currently being planned.

After the dinner, Vice President Paddy Robertson hosted the Trivia Challenge. The teams were divided up by table and some 40 challenging questions were asked. The initial result ended in a tie between two tables. A run-off five questions were given to the two tied teams ending in another tie! "**Tiger Team Breakfast**", Nancy & Roy Fjarlie, Jay Hunt and Don & Jane Morrison were acclaimed the winners by default as they had only 5 members on their team vs their opposing team with 6. **Lots of fun and laughter!**

The evening wrapped up with names drawn for a chance to win one of the five beautiful centre pieces adorning each of the tables.

Thanks to all of the participants and organizers!

Bonnie Newson



see photos next page



A good time was had by all



Ray & Bonnie



Taking Orders



Paddy Robertson reading
the Trivia questions



Working on the Trivia answers



Dave
Seabright



Pam Stone, Chuck and Pam Robinson on left
& on the right, Lyse Clarke and Ollie Stone



At the winners table: "Tiger Team Breakfast"
Nancy & Roy Fjarlie, Jay Hunt, Don & Jane
Morrison



OJC Detailing Event March 25, 2023

When people look at our cars they notice the lines, the colours, the chrome (depending on vintage) and their first impressions are affected by the cleanliness and shine of our cars. OJC joined members from the Ottawa Porsche Rennsport and VW Golf R car clubs for a car detailing demonstration on March 25th. It was hosted at Slick Auto Solutions by owner Andre Corriveau. The technical session was very well received with over 30 people attending and about 30% of those being our OJC members.

It was a very informative technical session where Andre discussed and demonstrated new detailing techniques and new products that his shop utilizes to ensure every automobile they detail leaves the shop looking its best.

Slick Auto Solutions offers a full range of car detailing including exterior washes, decontamination, interior detailing, and Opti-Coat ceramic clear coats. They also sell and install tires and rims for street and track cars.

Andre uses a no rinse product as his wash product and uses only a 1 pail technique with a dirt screen in the bottom, a special sponge and a low-pressure pressure washer. It was explained the importance of a very thorough rinse before starting the wash, a lot of time was spent rinsing the cars to ensure that all dirt and dust was removed from the panels before a sponge ever touched the paint.

After the rinse, the car was carefully inspected to determine if there were any contaminants on the paint (bird droppings, road tar, oxidization, etcetera) and before proceeding to washing he removed these with the appropriate products. This step can include the use of certain solutions right up to addressing a problem with a clay bar (actually now it is a clay cloth!).



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OJC Detailing Event March 25, 2023 (cont'd)

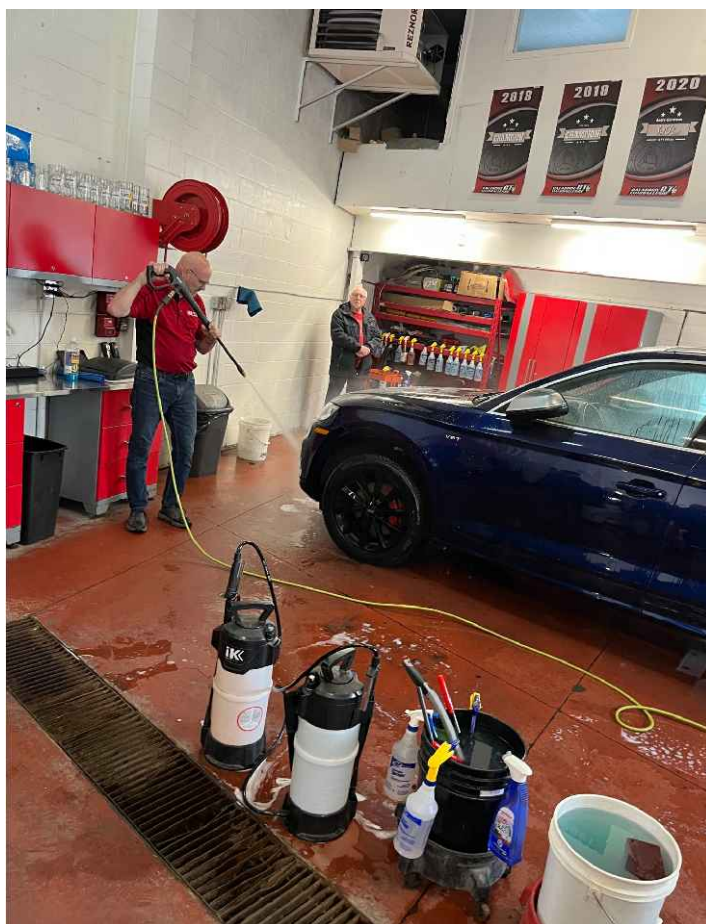
It was quite interesting to learn how little pressure on the sponge is used when washing, he barely touched the car with the sponge, the more the pressure the more chance of causing swirls in the paint. Also, he washes it panel by panel and was very careful when cleaning the lower part of panels as they likely are the most contaminated with dirt, road tar, etcetera. He continually cleaned and re-soaked his sponge as he worked the panels.

Once the car was washed, Andre dried it using a micro towel - folded multiple times to allow him to use a clean part of the towel for each panel in order to ensure that no scratching would occur. He also explained how his shop has organized the towels in 3 categories, new ones, slightly used and lastly the more used towels, with each group in different cabinets to ensure that the correct towel is used for the correct task.

He used the same wash solution to wipe down the interior and windows (although obviously the sponge is not very wet) and demonstrated the different brushes they use to clean the tires and rims.

Through-out the demonstration Andre explained how the detailing process has progressed over the past years, reflecting back to when everyone used to use wash mitts, car dusters and car drying water blades to dry their cars.... Those techniques/ tools have been surpassed with the new techniques.

Overall, it was a very informative technical session. The timing was perfect. Everyone left excited for spring to arrive so that we will be able to clean our cars and get them ready for summer, so people can again appreciate our cars.



by Jim Butcher

Jags and Java

The popular **Jags and Java** is returning for its second season. This is an informal monthly gathering where we meet over coffee and pizza, show off our cars, and share the fascinating history of Jaguar automobiles with interested passers-by.

This event will begin on the second Monday evening in May and it will continue throughout the summer on the second Monday every month until September and October when the shorter evening sunlight necessitates its move to Saturday mornings.

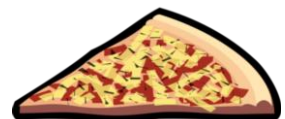
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See you there.



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