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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.

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Ben Farmer

We are firmly in the new driving season for the vintage and fair-weather Jaguars in the club. Our windows down and sunroof open for the newer daily driver Jags - to enjoy the great engine sounds. We held the OJC Spring Dinner a few weeks ago and had a great turnout of 32 members ready to enjoy the new season of club events - including new member Paul Blais with his 2012 XKR to longstanding members Fergus and Carol Groundwater who also have an XKR!

Be sure to circle some events on the calendar to join with other members this summer. Until then, good driving!

Market Place

2009 Jaguar XKR convertible for sale metallic dark blue, blue top, tan interior, car mint only 53,000 klm. Located Ottawa now in storage in heated garage, but can be seen price TBD. REASON SELLING bought another Jag. Contact Kester Hamilton @ KHamiltonASMI@rogers.com



Jags and Java

C'mon Out Everyone

Let's have a good turnout for the first **Jags and Java** of the season.

Polish up your Kitty and join us

Monday May 13, 2024 at 7:00 PM

and the second Monday of every month in the parking lot adjacent to the:

Tim Horton's, 2495 Bank Street (in the Southgate Shopping Centre)



Meet casually with friends and other members over coffee, donuts and pizza.

Bring along other Jaguar enthusiasts and prospective members to join in the fun.

See you there.

Jay

2024 Events List

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The following is OJC's Events list updated to April 23, 2024. Thank you to the Members who have volunteered to fill the planned drive dates.

Please Note:

1. The Detailing Seminar that was to be held on May 11th will be rescheduled to a later date due to road construction commencing at Steve Fox's address at that time.
2. The Drive to Val des Monts on May 26 has been cancelled. If anyone would like to volunteer to organize a drive anywhere else for this date to kick start the drive season, it would be greatly appreciated.

If you would like to volunteer to organize an event or have any questions regarding any Club oriented events, please contact Louise Collins at ottawajagclubevents@hotmail.com

OTTAWA JAGUAR CLUB Calendar of Events 2024				
MONTH	DATE	TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
MAY	Saturday May 11	TBA	Detailing Seminar NOTE: to be rescheduled at a later date	TBA
	Monday May 13	7:00pm	Jags & Java	Tim Hortons Bank & Hunt Club
	Sunday May 26		Spring Drive to Val des Monts, PQ	Looking for an organizer
JUNE	June 8	9:30am	Drive to Mont Tremblant, PQ (Kester Hamilton)	Details to follow
	Monday June 10	7:00pm	Jags & Java	Tim Hortons Bank & Hunt Club
	Saturday June 15	11am-2pm	Hazeldean Gardens Senior Residence Car Show & BBQ	Wit Lewandowski
	Thursday, June 20	6:00pm	All Member Meeting	Restaurant?? TBD
JULY	Sunday July 7	TBA	Drive - Stittsville Area (Ben Farmer)	Details to follow
	Monday July 8	7:00pm	Jags & Java	Tim Hortons Bank & Hunt Club
	Saturday, July 13	10am-4pm	ABCD Clarke Fields - TR7 featured Marque	www.britishcardayottawa.ca
	Sunday, July 14		Cars & Coffee, Landsdowne Park	www.carsandcoffeottawa.ca
	Sunday, July 28	10am-4pm	OJC Jaguar Day Cumberland Heritage Museum	Details to follow
AUGUST	August 9-12	TBA	Weekend Drive to OJOA Concours (Al Graves / Barry Paulson)	Details to follow
	Saturday August 10	10:00am	Jags & Java	Tim Hortons Bank & Hunt Club
	Sunday, August 11		Cars & Coffee, Landsdowne Park	www.carsandcoffeottawa.ca
	TBD	TBD	Possible Tech Session	
	Sunday August 18	TBD	Drive to Upper Canada Village (Mike O'Brien)	Details to follow
	Saturday August 24	11am- 2pm	Lanark Lifestyle Senior Residence Car Show & BBQ	240 Gore Street, Perth Wit Lewandowski
SEPTEMBER	Saturday, Sept 14	10:00am	Jags & Java	Tim Hortons Bank & Hunt Club
	Sunday Sept 22	11:30am	Fall Colour Drive Poker Rally (Jay Hunt)	Details to follow
	Sept 28/29		OJC/OJOA joint Fall colours/lake cruise drive (Al Graves/Barry Paulson)	Al Graves. Details to follow
OCTOBER	Thursday October 9	7:00pm	All Member Meeting TBA	Loblaws Gloucester Ctr
NOVEMBER	November 10	11am-3pm	OJC Annual General Meeting (AGM)	Location TBD
DECEMBER	Sunday December 8	TBD	Christmas Dinner	Details to follow

OJC SPRING DINNER

A good time was had by all of the 32 OJC Members and guests who attended our Spring Dinner on April 21st at the St Laurent Lone Star Texas Grill.

The evening's activities started at 6PM with appetizers, supplied by the club, allowing plenty of time for members to catch up with each other after the long winter months of hibernation. Ben Farmer, our club President, said a few words about the club and planned upcoming events before dinner orders were taken around 7PM, when we were all seated ready to order our meals and share time with our tablemates.

With supper behind us, it was ticket time as all participants had been given a draw ticket in advance. Four lucky attendee's each won a \$50 gift certificate to various restaurants around town, another fourteen each took away one of the table centerpieces. These small centerpieces, made by Louise Collins our Events Coordinator, were a big hit as each had a hidden surprise of chocolates buried below the floral decorations on the top.

Our Spring Dinner is always a cue to get ready for our Jaguar driving season. This signals the time to get the Cats out of hibernation and ready for some summer fun.

Submitted by Bonnie & Ray Newson



OJC's Weekend Drives - A Perspective On Where We've Been And Where We Are Going.... Part 2 -2011 - 2018

by Al Graves

The three multi-day drives held before 2010 established an interest plus put in place some of the planning processes, approaches and tools to establish a fun, quality, diverse experience for participants.



Following the 2008 drive there was a three year gap until the next drive, a return to P.E.C. in 2011. After that the tempo increased, with 6 events between 2011 and 2018 - then the pandemic hit causing a 4 year gap until we returned to multi-day events, in 2022. Space precludes that I catalogue each of the drives in detail so I will group them together.

They are: -

- a) Touring drives - we held a touring drive to PEC in 2011, to Quebec's Eastern townships in 2017 and to the Muskokas with a steamship cruise in 2018
- b) Drives to British Car Shows - we held weekend drives to Port Perry's "Brits on the Lake" car show in 2014, 2016 and to the Boot n Bonnet car show (plus Prince Edward County again) in 2015.

Touring Drives (2011, 2017, 2018)

These follow a format of a leisurely paced drive to a specific area, visits to various attractions and places of interest in that area and then a return trip back to the greater Ottawa area - all on lightly travelled highways and good quality back roads.

In 2011 we took a 2.5 day drive (Aug 19 afternoon plus Aug 20/21) travelling to our Picton hotel (The Waring House) via Jasper, Forfar, Harrowsmith and Sydenham. We stayed 2 nights at the Waring house, touring PEC on the Saturday before returning home on the Sunday via the Loyalist parkway, alongside the St. Lawrence River and a lunch stop in Rockport, to a drive completion at Merrickville. A major highlight of this drive was a visit to Martin Handforth and his classic car collection at Waupoos.

In 2017 we headed east to tour in the Magog/Sherbrooke area of southern Quebec, via a stop at the Maxville Highland Games on the Friday. Attractions included visiting Abbaye St.

Beniot du Lac, the Lac Boivin Conservation Area, Magog, Ayers Cliff, North Hatley, a cruise on Lac Memphremagog, and visits to Vignoble et Cidrerie Coteau Rougemont and Fort Chambly on the way home. Our Saturday lunch was at the McGowan Inn at Georgetown and we stayed at the Chateau Bromont which was excellent. The tour ended at the Swan on the Rideau pub south of Ottawa.

In 2018 we went west to tour in the Muskokas area in a 3 day weekend trip, on the 3rd - 5th August. The highlight of this trip was a 2 hour cruise on Lake Muskoka on a steamship/replica steamship. As luck would have it we drew the replica but we had a tour of the real vintage steamship, R.M.S. Segwun immediately after our cruise. The drive down stopped at Barry's Bay's Zurkowski Park, the Mad Musher in Whitney for lunch, several places in Algonquin Park including the logging museum and its trail and the Visitor Centre. We stayed two nights in Bracebridge and toured the Rosseau area before the Saturday afternoon cruise.

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1 – Rob and Jean Dunlop at Rosehall Run Winery (2011), 2 – Steamship Segwun (2018), 3 – Algonquin Park Visitors' Centre (2018) 4 – OJC Cars on Glenora Ferry (2011), 5 – OJC Cars departing Chateau Bromont (2017), 6 – Lake Memphremagog Tour Vessel, 7 – Abbaye St. Benoit du Lac (2017), 8 - Visiting Martin Handforth's car collection, PEC (2011) 9 – Zurakowski Park (2018), 10 – Fort Chambly (last stop in 2017), 11 - Lake Memphremagog from McGowan's Restaurant, Georgetown (2017), 12 – Mad Musher lunch stop (2018)

Drives to British Car Shows

These multi-day drives were intended to allow participants to attend British Car Shows that are outside of our area and which are too far for us to get to the show on the morning of the show. The "Brits on the Lake" car show in Port Perry is one example of this, Port Perry being a 4 hour drive from Ottawa. The Boot n Bonnet show in Kingston is nearer, at 2 hours on the freeway, or 2.5 hours ++ on back roads, so it also requires an early start. The drives to British Car Shows get around this by making the visit into a multi-day event, usually two days, with a leisurely scenic drive to near the show site the day before the show, and an evening drive home after the show. We've used this approach three times.

In 2014 and again in 2016 we visited the Brits on the Lake Show in Port Perry, northeast of Toronto and in 2015 we combined a visit to the Kingston Boot n Bonnet Show with a tour of nearby Prince Edward County.

The 2014 tour to Port Perry included a visit to the Mineral Museum in Bancroft and a brief stop at the Kawartha Country Wines outlet at Buckhorn en route to our hotel while the 2016 trip to Port Perry included a visit to Algonquin Park including a stroll around Peck Lake as well as a visit and tour of the Ontario home of Lucy Maud Montgomery, of "Anne of Green Gables" fame, at Leaskdale, en route to Port Perry.

Next - the "twenties" drives - up to 2023 and what's in the pipeline for 2024 and beyond.....

OJC's Weekend Drives - A Perspective On Where We've Been And Where We Are Going.... Part 3 - The 2020's - 2022, 2023 Plus 2024 And Beyond

by Al Graves

After building momentum for these drives throughout the 2010's the pandemic caused a 4 year gap. In 2022 we returned to multi-day events, with a drive to join OJOA's concours in 2022. 2023 was the first year that saw two multi-day events - a spring drive to PEC in conjunction with OJOA and a summer 4 day drive to return to OJOA's Concours at the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum. We are planning two such drives in 2024, both in conjunction with OJOA. One is a return to OJOA's Concours, but with a different route and stopping places, the other, by request from OJOA, is a 3 day Fall drive.



Drives to OJOA Concours Events In 2022, 2023

After the changes in OJC's JCNA status several members also joined OJOA and several others left OJC to join OJOA. Once the pandemic had subsided this opened an opportunity for Ottawa area Jaguar enthusiasts to participate in OJOA's formal Concours and to build a bridge between the two clubs, aided by the welcome OJOA gave to OJC participation. As a result of this OJOA invited OJC members to participate in their Concours, which is held in mid-August amongst the aircraft of the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum at Hamilton's airport. The judged cars are housed inside the hangars so the event is largely weatherproof, but Hamilton is a long drive from Ottawa and most direct routes are blocked by the Greater Toronto area.



1-5 = 2022, 6-8 = 2023. 1 - 2022 route map, 2 - OJOA Concours judged cars floor, 3 - XJ220 cockpit, 4 - The Paulson's helping with judging, 5 - Lunch in Guelph en route to Concours, 6 - Our cars at Legendary Motor Cars, 7 - Montage of 7 pics of Concours, 8 - McMichael Collection of Canadian Art

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In order to reach the Concours reception site at Brantford in time for the OJOA Saturday early evening reception while driving on good driving roads we leave on Friday. The Concours doesn't finish until late on Sunday afternoon so we start back on Sunday, overnight north of Toronto, finishing on Monday. This leads to a four day event so the organizers put a lot of effort into making the driving days en route to the Concours into interesting diverse days with multiple highlights.

The 2022 Drive To OJOA's Concours

(12th - 15th August 2022)

For the 2022 drive we departed from PJ's in Arnprior Friday morning, heading to Bancroft and their Mineral Museum then on to Bobcaygeon and a visit to the Kawartha Settlers' Village before overnighing at a Best Western in Orillia. On the Saturday we headed over to the quaint little town of Creemore before heading south to Guelph for lunch and then spending the afternoon in the Royal Botanical Gardens at Burlington. After Burlington it was a short drive to Brantford and their Best Western in time for the OJOA Concours Reception and Dinner and an overnight stay. On Sunday morning we individually headed over to the Concours site in Hamilton, a 25 - 30 minute drive. After participating in an excellently organized Concours with a buffet lunch we left around 4:45 pm for a 2 hour drive via back roads to Newmarket, which is significantly nearer to Ottawa. Then in the Monday morning we left Newmarket and drove home, visiting the Peterborough lift lock historical site, Blommers/World's Finest Chocolate outlet store in

Campbellford as well as the Campbellford Gorge. Then it was a straight run home to the tour end in Carleton Place.

The 2023 Drive To OJOA's Concours

(11th - 14th August, 2023)

The 2023 Concours drive was organized similarly, as will be the 2024 drive, but with a different route and stopping points. The 2023 drive featured the Avro Arrow Test pilot memorial in Barry's Bay, Algonquin Park, The Dorset Lookout, the McMichael Collection of Canadian Art and a wander around the showrooms on the Legendary Motor Car Company of Milton, Ont, plus Kawartha Country Wines on the return journey which ended in Bancroft.

2023 Spring Weekend Drive - Prince Edward County - joint event with OJOA (May 26th - 28th, 2023)

This tour started in Port Perry (OJOA) and Smiths Falls (OJC) on the Friday, with the two groups rendezvousing at our hotel, The Waring House in Picton Friday evening. Saturday the group spent the day touring PEC, visiting Lake on a Mountain, Fifth Town Artisan Cheese, an Ostrich farm, Casa Dea winery (for lunch), Sandbanks Provincial Park, Salmon Point, the OENO Art Gallery and much more. A drive dinner was held at the Waring House on Saturday night. On Sunday we drove over to Trenton, just north of PEC for a conducted tour of the National Air Force Museum Of Canada, followed by a group lunch before we went our separate ways.



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2024 Upcoming Events

4 Day Drive - O.J.O.A. Concours, Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum, Hamilton (August 9-12)

This would follow a similar format to the highly successful 2022 and 2023 events but would use a different route and en route attractions and stopping points to maintain event freshness. This event is in the planning stage so the actual route has not been finalized but it will be to the south of the 2022, 2023 routes, likely with an overnight stop Friday night in Whitchurch-Stouffville. The event will go ahead for the Ottawa area O.J.O.A. folks and O.J.C. is invited to also participate as per 2022, 2023, when two of O.J.C.'s member returned with 'first place' trophies!!! If you are interested in getting more information or in participating please contact Alan and Barry via the new drives e-mail at jaguardrives@rogers.com mentioning Concours 24.

An O.J.O.A. Fall Colours Weekend Drive With O.J.C. Participation Sept 27th - 29th (O.J.C. Dates)

This event is being planned within O.J.O.A. and O.J.C. for the last weekend in September. Due to Muskoka hotel accommodation issues for O.J.C. it will be a Friday - Sunday event, starting in Arnprior. O.J.C. will join O.J.O.A. for the Friday and Saturday legs at the Chutes Coulonge parking lot around 10:00 am.

On Day 1 (Thursday, 26th) the O.J.O.A. contingent will depart from Port Perry at 10:00 am. And will drive via back roads and lightly travelled 2 lane rural highways to Renfrew, via Bobcaygeon, Buckhorn, Bancroft with stops in those locations. The O.J.O.A. participants visit the Kawartha Settlers Village, then grab a fast food lunch at Tim Hortons or another fast lunch stop in Bobcaygeon, before visiting Kawartha Country Wines near Buckhorn. After this they drive to Bancroft for a tour of the Mineral Museum and a possible coffee stop, before heading to the Days Inn in Renfrew for an overnight stay and dinner in town.

On Day 2 (Friday) the O.J.O.A. contingent leaves its hotel at 9:00 am and crosses over into Quebec for the drive to Chutes Coulonge Park, a small park with a picturesque waterfall as a major attraction. The O.J.C. contingent will assemble in Arnprior before driving to join O.J.O.A. in the parking lot at Chutes Coulonge at around 10:00 am. We can grab a drink in the park cafe before heading west through Pembroke and over to Hwy 60 and Barry's Bay for a brief stop at Zurkowski Park and the memorial display to Janusz Zurkowski and the Avro Arrow and to grab a fast food lunch in Tim Hortons, Subway or similar in Barry's Bay. The next stop is the East Gate of Algonquin Park before we visit Lake Opeongo, the Visitor Centre and possibly the Art Gallery (depends on timing). After this we head over to our hotel in Huntsville.

The Overall Trip – OJC Version

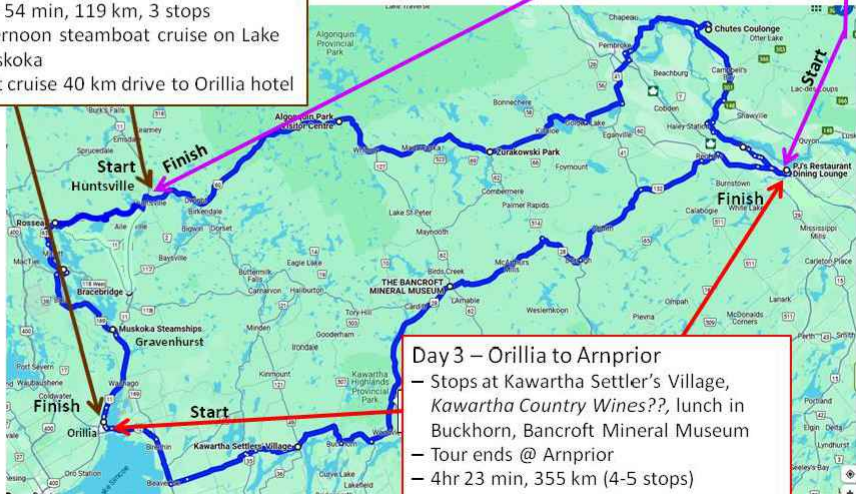
- Day 2 – Huntsville to Orillia
- Morning short tour with stops in Rosseau, Port Carling
 - Drive ends in Gravenhurst
 - 1 hr 54 min, 119 km, 3 stops
 - Afternoon steamboat cruise on Lake Muskoka
 - Post cruise 40 km drive to Orillia hotel

Day 1 – Arnprior to Huntsville

- Stops at Chutes Coulonge, Barry's Bay, Algonquin Park East Gate, Opeongo Lake, Visitor Centre, possibly Art Gallery
- Link up with OJOA @ Chutes Coulonge Car Park
- Overnight in Huntsville BW Muskoka inn
- 4 hr 55 min, 374 km (6-7 stops)

Day 3 – Orillia to Arnprior

- Stops at Kawartha Settler's Village, Kawartha Country Wines??, lunch in Buckhorn, Bancroft Mineral Museum
- Tour ends @ Arnprior
- 4hr 23 min, 355 km (4-5 stops)



Beyond 2024

In future years it is likely that more drives to join the OJOA Concours will be organized. In addition it may be possible to organize trips or tours involving other clubs, especially if these are organized in collaboration with OJOA and/or those other clubs. One "for instance" tour might be a four day circumnavigation of Lake Ontario or, staying in Canada, a 4 day circumnavigation of Georgian Bay possibly in conjunction with British car clubs in the Ottawa and/or Toronto areas. We may also want to head back to the beauty of southern Quebec. In addition, should the opportunity arise we can organize drives to British Car Shows outside of our area. Stowe or Bronte anyone??? Ideas are welcome.....what would get YOU to spend 2, 3 or 4 days with your Jag??

Al Graves

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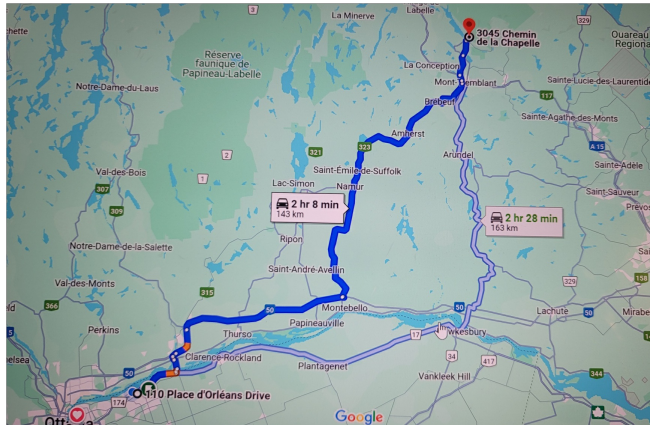


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June 8th Drive to Mont Tremblant & Lunch at the Fairmont Hotel

by Kester Hamilton

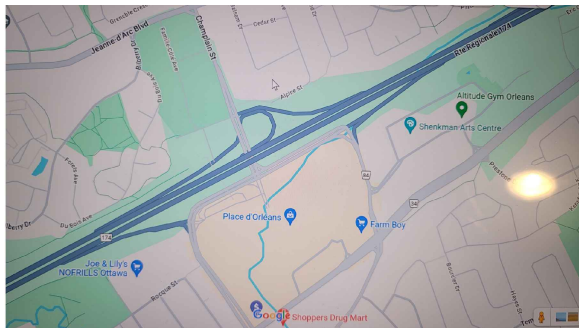


A very scenic drive. There are washrooms in Orleans shopping center close to the staging area. I can provide directions to them. My plan is for this to be a rain or shine drive.

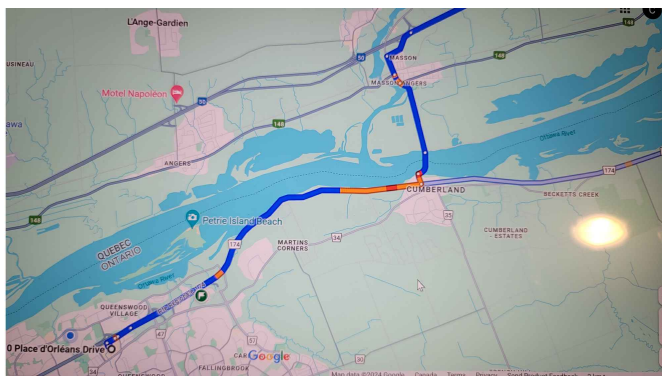
1 **ARRIVAL:** 09:15 to 09:30 AM

2. **Start** Place D'Orleans (110 place de Orleans Drive K1C 2L9) near Marks at east end of shopping center **10:00AM** sharp.

3. **DESTINATION:** Fairmont Hotel Mont Tremblant (3045 Chem de La Chapelle Mont Tremblant).

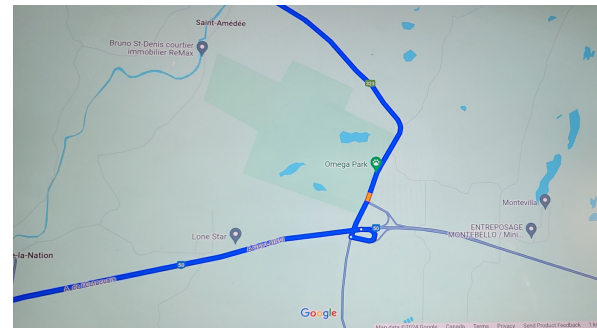


Place D'Orleans starting Point

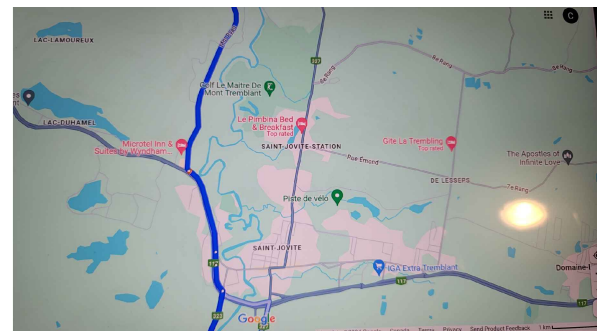


From Place D'Orleans to the Ferry

4. **DRIVE:** The drive will start right in front of Marks at the east end of the Place D'Orleans shopping center. Drive 10 km to Cumberland. Take the ferry to Quebec and proceed about 3 km to Hwy 50. Proceed for 45 km to exit 210 Montebello exit and turn left go north on 323 for 82 km to Mont Tremblant. I am working on getting free parking right in front of the hotel. This is usually provided for those who have lunch and obtain a valid receipt right in front of the hotel (I will confirm this after my visit). After the lunch, the plan is to tour the village for about 90 minutes. There is lots of shopping and things to do and see in this wonderful village.



Highway 50 to the 323

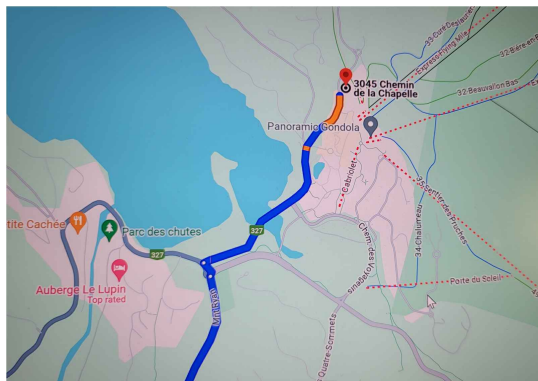


323 to Mont Tremblant

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June 8th Drive to Mont Tremblant & Lunch at the Fairmont Hotel

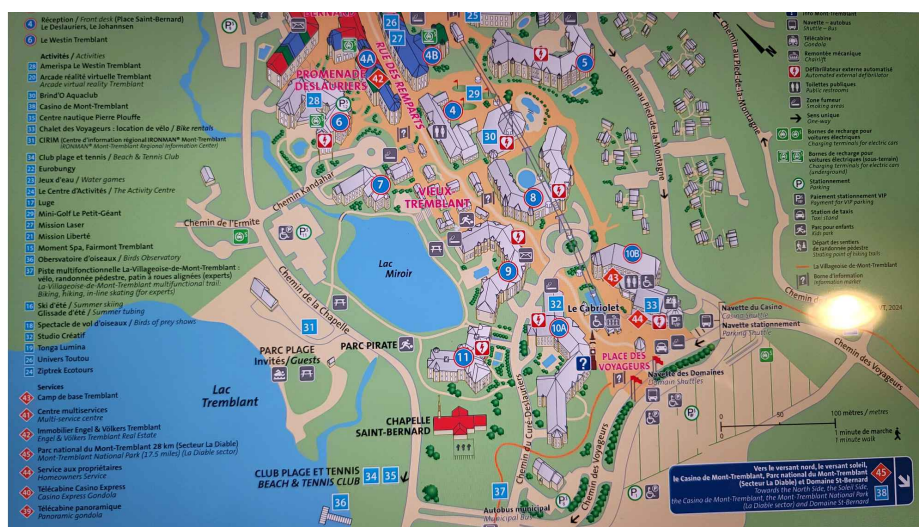
by Kester Hamilton



Coming into the Village



Village Overview



The Village of Mont Tremblant

5. **Departure:** 3.00 pm from the Fairmont Hotel. How you plan the return trip is optional, that is individual, or as a group with no group leader.

6. In terms of the ferry, expect those who live in Ottawa, can return to Ottawa all the way via HWY 50 to Ottawa and not take the ferry. Those who live in the east may wish to go back by ferry or go through Gatineau to Ottawa.

7. I have already printed out the liability forms as a hand out.

8. A reminder to have a full tank of fuel before you set out.

9. I also have turn by turn directions and maps already printed out and ready.

10. We will of course have a car at the end of the

convoy with communication at all times to keep track with lead driver **Kester and Helen** in the blue **2009 Jaguar XKR** car. Of course, we will follow the speed limit and always keep track of all cars in the convoy.

11. Plan to take some pictures, do more research of key things to see and do. I will put together a one or two page promotional package that I will send to folks via email when they confirm plus handouts on departure.

By the way this drive is very scenic all the way. We are sure all will love the view and scenery. Anything else that you can think of let me know, my contacts are below.

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D.I.Y. Garage - A Review

by Mark Christopher

Long time OJC members may remember DIY Garage being mentioned in the September 2017 issue of the Jottings. The rates posted in 2017 were the same rates that I was charged in May 2023. However, the rates have increased and, as of April 2024, are \$40/hr and \$320/day (9 hrs) for the lift bay rental.

If you are ever in need of garage space, or a hoist, and you are not lucky enough to have that yourself, then you need to find one to rent. That can be a very challenging task, but fortunately we have one available in Ottawa called D.I.Y. Garage. D.I.Y. Garage is located at 2678 Mac St, which is near South Keys -- just east of the Airport Parkway and south of Hunt Club (see page 13 for map). The phone number is 343-999-DIYG (3494), and the website is diygarageottawa.ca.

I was looking for a garage with a lift bay so my brother-in-law and I could do an engine swap on my 1966 3.8S. As you need to call in advance to book, I called and paid a deposit to book a lift bay for three days which we thought would be enough time. Just in case, I asked if I could extend the rental if needed and the answer was, "yes, if it's not booked".

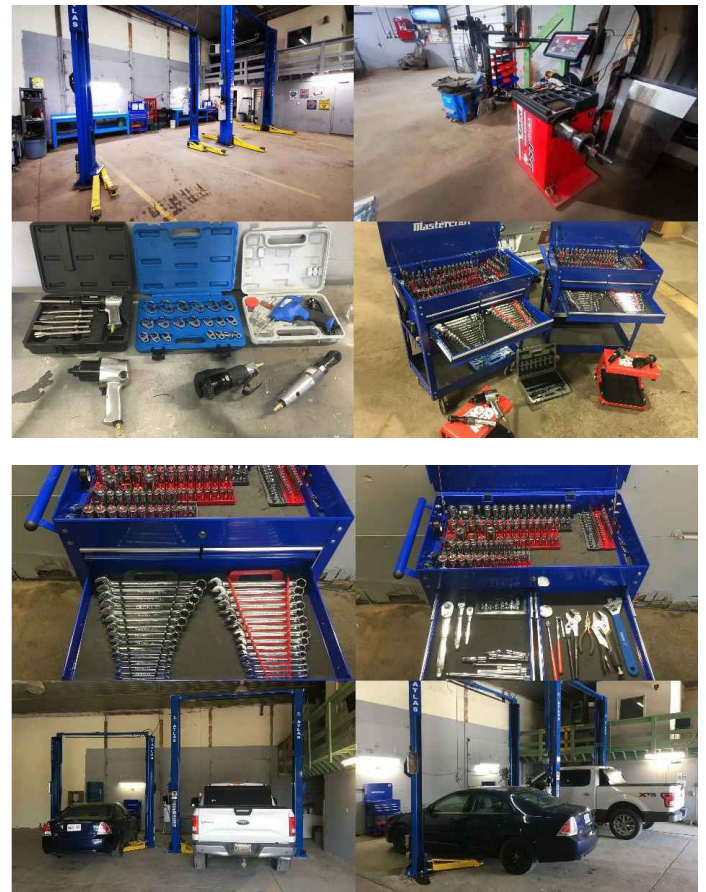
The photos on the D.I.Y. Garage website, everything looks new and clean. These photos must have been taken just before the shop opened because it isn't quite as pristine now. The website advertises two lift bays and one regular shop bay, but there are actually only two lift bays which are rented for an hour or a day. The shop is open for nine hours a day, and the daily rate is equivalent to 8 hours, so you get one "free" hour.

The shop manager, John, is the only person who is permitted to raise or lower vehicles on the lift. Fortunately, John is always around and is friendly and approachable. John is a licensed mechanic and one of his responsibilities is maintaining equipment that belongs to the company that owns D.I.Y. garage. This means that John is sometimes outside working on a vehicle but he is always nearby. The website says that you can hire John to assist with something for a permitted rate.

Since the tools are all used by various people, who don't own them, it is not surprising that there are some gaps in the socket or wrench sets. However, John had spares tucked away in a back room.

Be prepared to bring any specialty tools you required beyond the basic socket, wrench, pliers and screwdrivers. For example, although an engine lift and engine stand is available, there is no engine leveller. "Just use chains" does not work for removing an engine from a Jaguar saloon. The shop does have an engine stand and an engine lift if you need that (and we did). In addition, air tools, cutting tools, press and tire tools are available.

The website states "You can leave your car inside for a \$20.00 fee per night or you can roll it outside to the parking lot for free." I was not charged this fee, perhaps because I had booked for three consecutive days. However, at the end of the third day, both lift bays were booked for the next day so we had to push the car out to the parking lot.



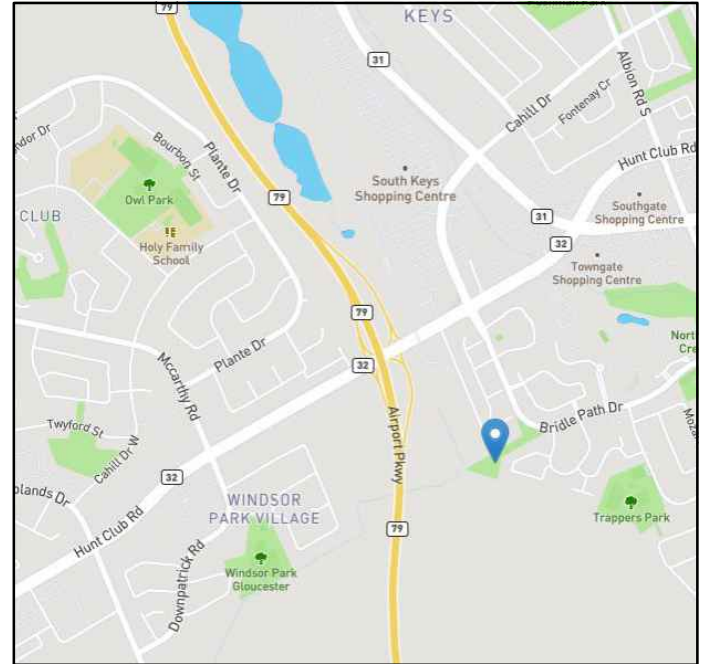
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The three days that I had booked seemed like loads of time. However, by the end of the three days, due to recalcitrant fasteners and similar issues, we were rushing to get things buttoned up so we could transport the car home to finish the connections. If you want more time than you had booked, it might not be possible due to other bookings and this was the situation in my case. We didn't really want to spend another day at the shop, but - even if we did - it wasn't available due to other bookings.

The garage also does full service mechanic work we saw John do a number of repairs including brake jobs, oil changes, and replacing an oil pan on a Honda Civic. This is now posted on the website at \$100/hr. However, this is likely not applicable to older or more esoteric vehicles.

D.I.Y. car repair did not appear to be very popular judging by the number of no-shows, and the number of people we saw drive into the shop, get the vehicle on the lift, poke around a bit, shake their heads and then drive off a few minutes later after paying the minimum one hour rental. This may be the reason that D.I.Y. Garage is considering hiring another mechanic and changing to a full-service garage.

D.I.Y. Garage is a good alternative if you need a lift. The shop is reasonably equipped with tools for current vehicle models, less so for classic vehicles. However, it does get expensive if you rent for multiple days. If you are considering renting a lift at at D.I.Y. Garage, I recommend you contact them to confirm availability, in case they have changed to a full service model.



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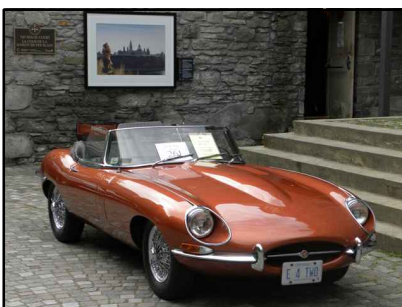
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