

### **Rich & Rita's much travelled E-Type**

From Rich......I left Plymouth England in 1664 -mission - to kick the Dutch out of Manhattan. That accomplished I stayed in the colonies and arrived in California in 1950 where I met Rita. Apparently British vehicles are part of my DNA as in the mid 60s while in the Navy we ordered a TR4A from England to be delivered to Portland. Valve problems caused me to trade it for a new 67ETYPE 2+2. Rita took it over so DEC 70 we purchased the present 67E roadster. Old 1E14775 now has about 250k miles on it. In the late 80s I completely took it apart and restored it to be a driver. I kept it all original except for the cruise control which is great for long distance driving. Other Jags that are being restored:- a 53MK7 that has a Jag V12 plus overdrive in it - rest is original. A 73XJ12L being restored is original. A 59mk9 is a parts car. We love road trips and I love car shows where I can reiterate our jag adventures to who ever comes close to me.



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It is July and Shirley and I are getting ready to travel to Germany to celebrate our 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Shirley has never been to Europe, but I lived in Germany for five years, three with

my parents (USAF) and two on my own (US Army) over 40 years ago. I am excited to be going back as my grandfather on my dad's side came from Germany.

Unfortunately since Jaguar is no longer owned by Ford it no longer allows Hertz, or any other car rental to offer their

cars for rental. This is a shame as the ability to experience an exciting and guality automobile like a Jaguar for a few days would have to help their overall sales targets.

Ric's Café was closed for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and thanks to the efforts of Marianne Fortunato we celebrated at Azul's in the La Palmona Resort. Another great event organized by Marianne was on July 28<sup>th</sup>

where there was a drive on Spanish Trail to Hacienda del Lago in Vail. A report on this will be in the September newsletter.

Fred, even though he is in the UK, is waiting for your e-mails to our new initiative

"Members Input". This is where we hear from you to tell us what we are doing right and what you would like to have us do. Please let us know your thoughts so we can do a better job for you.

In August, please don't forget to RSVP for our first Wednesday dinner at Ric's - 520 577 7272. As we tend to have from 15 to over 30 members at these dinners, they have asked us to do this. It is not a lot to ask and it should help them schedule their servers to provide us with better service. Thank you for belonging to the Jaguar family. Have fun and be safe. Doua

A very Warm Welcome to our Newest Members Joseph & Diane Shrager 2007 Jaguar X-Type

# 2012 Calendar

Sept 29/30	Jaguars in Jerome.
Oct 14	High Performance Driver Education at Pinal Airpark.
Oct 26/27	Concours D'Elegance at St. Philip's Plaza.
Nov 18	Slalom.
November	Drive to Gammon's Gulch followed by Lunch. Date TBA.
December 8	Holiday Party at Al and Linda's Place

We meet for social dining at Ric's Café on the First Wednesday of each month. Call Ric's on 520 577 7272 to tell them you will be there.

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### XK Jaguars to Corsica

May 12-31, 2012

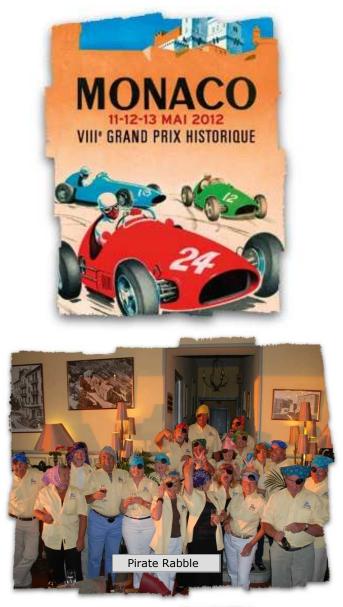
EQUIPE XKLUSIVE TOUR 2012 Once upon a time a group of XK travelers decided to sally forth each year to some exotic destination. So it came to pass that in May 2012 they journeyed to the



Mediteranean island of Corsica, birthplace of Napolean Boneparte and infamous stronghold of pirates and brigands.

Our rendezvous was the principality of Monaco, there to attend the Historique Grand Prix held each year around that famous street circuit. Eleven Classic XK Jaguars gathered at the Royal Riviera Hotel - very convenient for a day at the races followed by dinner at the Café de Paris in Casino Square.

Next day we embarked on the Corsica ferry for an overnight cruise to our adventure island, which we were to tour for the next nine days. And what a great time we had in this remote province of France where we were all entranced by the beauty of the place. We had of course come for a driving holiday so we were pleased to find how spectacular the roads were, some running precariously along cliff tops and others over mountain passes. Indeed the island is very mountainous and with the sea never very far away the scenery was invariably jaw-dropping, especially as spring flowers were in bloom everywhere. Our hotels varied from the quirky to the luxurious and provided the variety that is so important on these long tours. Each day we would board our trusty Jaguars and drive up into the mountains or along the seashore or perhaps visit a historic site always ending up in the evening for a group dinner where tales of the day's events were swapped. Too soon our time on Corsica was over and we took the ferry back to mainland France landing at Toulon where we started the next phase of our holiday. We knew that Provence was the gem of France but even so we were impressed with the scenery and the laidback lifestyle. The roads in France are a sheer delight to drive as they are so free of traffic and wander through sublime countryside dotted with fields of wild flowers overlooked by medieval hill towns.





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This area is soaked in history and nowhere more so than in the city of Avignon. Here we drove our cars along cobbled streets into the heart of the town to the Hotel D'Europe, converted from a one-time private mansion. Of course we had to dance 'sur le pont D'Avignon' but the real attraction was the massive Papal Palace where the Catholic Popes lived for 300 years.

The Romans were very much in evidence here 2,000 years ago and left their mark in no uncertain manner so from Avignon we drove into the country to view the Pont du Gard - the largest aquaduct in the Roman Empire and still very much intact. There is no better place to marvel at the engineering skills of the ancient Romans. The water from the aquaduct fed the nearby city of Nimes and this was our next port of call to join in the annual Pentecost Festival - a huge street party with bull fighting in the coliseum and water jousting on the canal. Brass bands wandered the streets and huge paellas were cooking on every corner.

Next day was a wonderful driving day as we moved west into the Gorge du Tarn to view another marvel of engineering - the Millau Viaduct. Designed by British architect Sir Norman Foster it is presently the highest road bridge in the world and possibly the most elegant. So in a space of two days we viewed the tallest aqueduct of the ancient world and the tallest bridge of the modern era. Separated by 2,000 years.

Now it was time to turn north and drive through the Dordogne and Brittainy along yet more of those wonderful French country roads to the English Channel and the ferry port of Caen. This town was the strategic first objective of the Normandy Invasion in WW2 and we visited the seaside town of Arromanche which was at the centre of the allied landings. There is an excellent museum there. This town is now a delightful resort with little sign of the heroic battle that took place sixty eight years ago. After having our last helping of moules marinier at sundown we boarded the ferry to Portsmouth and the end of another memorable XK Jaguar Tour. Next year we venture north through Norway to the Arctic Circle.









# Jaguar Expands Its Performance Driving School



MAHWAH, NJ, (May 7, 2012) – As Jaguar expands its line of high performance models, the British luxury brand is growing its driving school program with the launch of the Jaguar Performance Driving Academy.

The Jaguar Performance Driving Academy takes the successful Jaguar R Performance Academy, launched in 2009 as complimentary for buyers of new Jaguar XFR and XKR models, and builds upon it to offer a second, non-complimentary, advanced course and welcomes in driving enthusiasts interested in purchasing a Jaguar training session. Jaguar Performance Driving Academy courses offer a full-day driving curriculum with the brand's high performance models – the XFR, XKR and XJ Supersport - that allows customers to satisfy their need for speed, learn more about Jaguar cars, and

sharpen their driving skills.

The XFR, XKR and XJ Supersport are powered by a supercharged, 510-hp V8 engine, and boast accelerations from 0 – 60 in 4.7 and 4.6 seconds, respectively. The Jaguar Performance Driving Academy is designed to help drivers explore the capabilities of these special automobiles and develop the skills and techniques needed to safely experience their high performance dynamics.

The basic course is complimentary with the purchase of a new XFR, XKR, XKR-S or XJ Supersport, and costs \$1850 for non-owners. The cost of the advanced course is \$2495 for all participants.

The Jaguar Performance Driving Academy will be available October 11 to 14 at the Las Vegas Motor Speedway



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## Member Information

The Member Information Page will appear in all future issues of our newsletter and will be dedicated to input from our members and information which you might find useful.

#### Letter to the Editor:

Sir,

I would like to say how much we enjoy the club monthly dinner at Ric's Café. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet and chat with Jaguar Club members. There is however a small improvement I would request - could you approach the chef with a view to changing the early-bird menu choices as they have been the same for some time? Bill and Janice Green

#### Invitation from Southern Colorado:

As the President of the Jaguar Club of Southern Colorado, I want to invite your club to participate in the 4th Annual Pikes Peak Concours d 'Elegance and British Motoring Festival on Saturday, September 29th in Colorado Springs. This concours event is sanctioned by Jaguar Clubs of North America and typically draws competitors from the Front Range area and surrounding states. We are expecting 25 to 30 Jaguar cars to register for the judging and a host of British cars, motorcycles and sport utility vehicles to attend the Festival.

Please contact me at (719) 930-4801 or <u>jagluver2@cs.com</u> if you want additional information. Jack Humphrey, President, JCSC

#### Car Events in Tucson:

	Annual
Late January	Santa Cruz Valley Car Nuts at Tubac Country Club.
Mid February	Classic Car, BBQ & Blues - Family Festival in Oro Valley.
Early March	DM50 Car Show at Davis Monthan Airbase
Sep 29,2012	Oro Valley Classic Car Show www.ovcarshow.org
Oct 13,2012	Tucson Classics Car Show at St Gregory School. www.tucsonclassicscarshow.com
Oct 20, 2012	Project Grad Xtreme Car Show - Oro Valley <u>www.pgxcarshow.com</u>
Oct 29, 2012	Jaguar Club of S Arizona Concours at St Philips Plaza, Cambell & River www.jcsaz.com
Nov 3, 2012	Cops & Rodders Car Show <u>www.copsandrodderstucson.org</u>
	Monthly
2nd Saturday	La Encantada - Cars & Coffee - Saturday morning. All types of interesting cars.

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## Fourth of July Treat

As you all know, the Fourth of July this year fell on our club's First Wednesday. And since Ric's Café was not open, it looked like the club would not have a dinner get together this month. For many of those JCSA members that distain moving to cooler climes during the Tucson Summer, our monthly dinner gatherings are looked forward to, for breaking up the summer doldrums. But thanks to Marianne Fortunato stepping in and arranging a dinner at Westin La Paloma's Azul restaurant, for dinner and to watch the fireworks. Unfortunately, due to the dryness of the season to that point, the fireworks were cancelled.

About twenty club members joined together in the La Paloma's bar for a cocktail before dinner, where I talked to the Klapsteins, and Julie told me that she was in town for only three weeks. She & Doug are in the process of moving to Tucson from Florida, and she had to go back to take care of some unfinished business. I also talked to Skip and Lori Bailey, a couple of new members that I last saw at the HPDE. Also joining us was Richard and Randy Druitt, members we seldom get a chance to see, with Randy's mom Harriet, whom we have met once or twice at First Wednesday. It turns out that it was the Druitt's wedding anniversary. Congratulations from the rest of us.

After cocktails we proceeded to dinner in the Azul Restaurant, where one could order off the menu or take advantage of the special "Fourth of July" buffet. The buffet consisted of all American dishes, like burgers, hot dog, potato salad, macaroni and cheese and the like. About five of us elected to do the buffet, which I quite enjoyed. But many, including Ed Kokot and his girlfriend, Patty, Don and Cathie Zipfel ordered from the menu. The meal was very enjoyable and after a couple hours of dining (unfortunately the kitchen was very slow), but fortunately, the company very interesting, Claire and I said our good-bys and departed with Rich and Marianne, leaving Fred Kaefer, Ken Stewart, Joan and Jerry Brinton and the rest of the group still chatting after their late meals.

Herbie Hampton

*Next month's First Wednesday Dinner will be at Ric's Café as will all future First Wednesday's. See you at Ric's on Wednesday August 1st. Ed.* 



Fourth of July & 1st Wednesday Dinner at Azul Restaurant at La Paloma.















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