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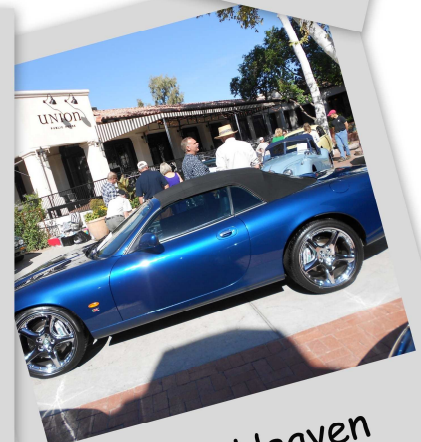
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## President's Message

It is December and it is time to have our annual Holiday Party. This year it is at Linda and Al's house in the beautiful Tucson foothills. As is our practice we will vote for the 2013 Executive Board. As many of you already know, Diana Raymond has graciously accepted a nomination to be the 2013 President. Please join me in thanking her for stepping up and helping out.

As this is my last message to you, there are couple of issues I would like to cover. I personally believe that the Board and the committee chairs have a responsibility to put together events that attract the majority of its members. I have a concern regarding this as too many times this year we have sponsored events and only the same five or six cars participate. That clearly indicates to me that 90% of you are not interested in these events.

As a result I am making several recommendations to the 2013 Board. I am sharing two with you in this letter. The first of which has already been approved at our November meeting.

**Establish a Social Committee:** The Board approved this at our November meeting. For 2013 Marianne Fortunato has graciously agreed to Chair this committee. Her charter is to provide you with one restaurant event (other than Ric's) per quarter. She was my first choice as her past record on organizing these type of events is stellar. However your participation will determine if this continues to be offered in 2014. Therefore if you like this type of event, please attend and help her make it a success.

**Driving Events:** Many other Jaguar Clubs have stopped all driving events that require a deposit. They have determined that these events are not well attended enough to recover their costs. Given the lack of our



membership turnout for similar events, I too feel they are overly expensive. Therefore I strongly recommend this Board review any driving event that requires an upfront deposit. If there has been little interest, then provide something else.

### **Get involved (yes I mean you):**

The JCSA is what you make it. Right now a small group of very dedicated members do 99% of the work to provide events for you. They need your help and participation. Your input is critical to

the success of this club so please get involved. Recently I have been accused of being strongly against JCSA providing free liquor at some of our events. This is absolutely correct. If there is a car accident and it is discovered the member or guest was at a Jaguar party with free liquor, the Board could be sued. Remember, Jaguar owners are considered to have very deep pockets and unlike some governing Boards or Corporations, our Board is not indemnified by JCNA's insurance. In addition homeowners or umbrella type insurance will not cover this type of lawsuit. The personal liability to each board member is just too great. It has been an honor being your President for 2012. My participation in JCSA and JCNA will continue to be strong in 2013. I have asked to be the JCSA Membership Chairperson and Concours Vice Chair. I expect to be an active member of the Advisory Committee in which I will work closely with our new President. In addition I have been accepted on the new JCNA Membership Committee representing our SW Region.

Lastly, we have had several members suffer health setbacks this year. My best wishes for a full recovery to each one and please everyone take care this coming year.

Please have a fun and healthy 2013.

Doug

## JCSA Calendar of Events

December 8	Holiday Party at Al and Linda's Place
January 20	Mystery Drive and Lunch at Tangua Verde Guest Ranch
February 17	Sonoita Wine Tasting Drive

**We meet for social dining at Ric's Café on 1st Wednesday of each month. Call Ric's on 520 577 7272 to tell them you will be there.**



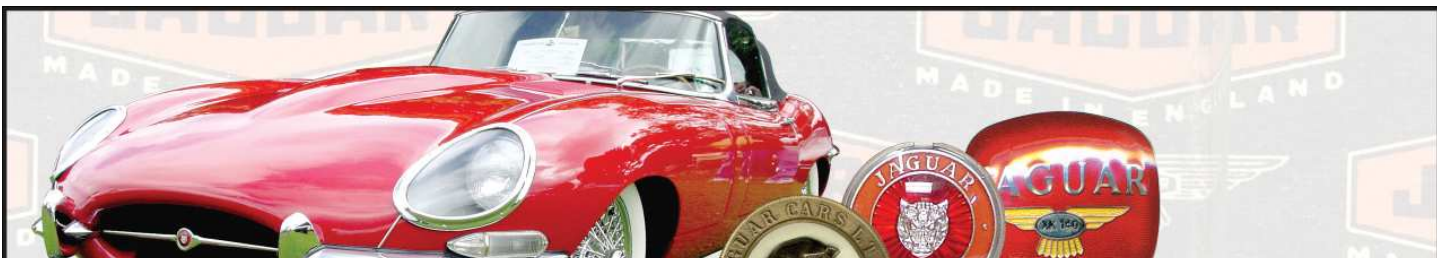
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## JCSA Concours D'Elegance 2012

On Saturday October 27 2012 at St Philips Plaza we held the 40th JCSA Concours D'Elegance. The weather was perfect, the venue unbeatable and the line up of cars was superb.

Thirty three Jaguars of all ages ranged around the plaza gave an eye catching spectacle and provided onlookers with a tableau of sixty five years of quality performance car production.

There was a good mix of classic and modern Jaguars and all were beautifully prepared by their proud owners who put in a great amount of time and effort to present their cars in tip top condition. Many owners brought cars from as far afield as San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Phoenix to be judged for national JCNA points. We even had two cars achieving the maximum score of 100 points.

The Tucson Jaguar dealership, Royal Automotive Group, brought three of the very latest models. An XJ, an XF and an XK were prominently displayed for the admiration of all. To see the finish and read the specs on these three models was to marvel at what Jaguar have achieved in recent years. Royal are the main sponsors of our Concours and we are most grateful for their help over the past several years.

Also present this year was a display by the Northern Jaguar Project showing the work they are doing to preserve this magnificent animal. They have purchased land in Northern Mexico and now have a large reserve which is now the northern most habitat of this sleek and powerful beast. We in the JCSA are proud to support their efforts in our own small way.

At 9am the judges briefing was complete and the judging teams set to work. The preparation by the owners was over and they could do no more than wait for their car to be inspected. Strict attention to detail is the order of the day with points being

deducted for items that are not up to scratch. Eventually all cars had been scrutinized and the score sheets collected. Now it was time to relax with a drink and a leisurely lunch on the nearby Vivace Restaurant patio overlooking the plaza and the array of wonderful cars.

A Cocktail Party with Halloween theme had been held the previous evening at the Windmill Inn. Ghostly lights and grinning pumpkins greeted the many wizards, witches and ghouls who attended. Everyone was in great spirits and a devilish good time was had by all.

The culmination of our concours event was the Gala Awards Dinner held at the Westward Look Resort. Forty eight people gathered for pre-dinner drinks on the terrace overlooking the city lights before sitting down to an excellent meal. After a few words from the JCSA President and the Concours Chair the awards were presented to the lucky winners who are too numerous to be mentioned here. Suffice it to say that Bill & Lynn Brown's primrose yellow MK2 won the Peoples Choice and Ann & Ken Smith's XK150 DHC won Judges Choice. Congratulations to both. After dinner we were given an excellent talk by Diana Hadley of the Northern Jaguar Project which was much enjoyed by everyone.

Our 40th Concours can most certainly be deemed a success. The most pleasing aspect was the wide variety of Jaguars, all in pristine condition.

A great number of people contributed to the success of this event and a huge vote of thanks goes out to them all.

See you next year, same time, same place.

Fred Secker, Concours Chair

Bill & Sallie Badger

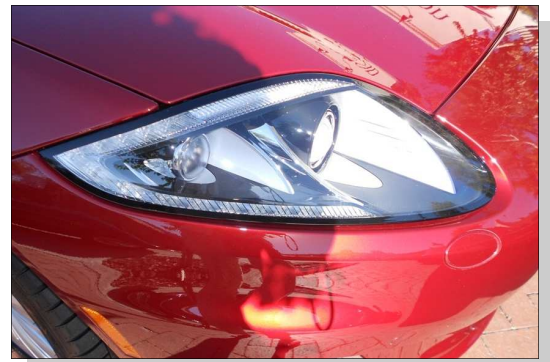


Chief Judge Bill Badger was ably assisted by Co-Chief Judge Chan Dayton

Chan & Jude Dayton



# More Photos from our Concours 2012





## Holiday Party

December  
8



Last year we departed from the norm for our club, by having the dinner at a restaurant, but thanks to Linda Bales Deane and Al Turek we are once again returning to the norm of having the party at a member's home. But there is still a difference, in that, in the past it was a potluck dinner and the club supplied the beer and wine.

This year, it will be a catered buffet dinner (by Ric's Café) and there is a price per person of \$35.00. That is the same as the dinner at the restaurant last year. The menu will consist of

1. Appetizers (Shrimp Remoulade, Sausage Puff and Mushroom sandwiches.)
2. Buffet will include salad, Beef Stroganoff, Chicken Picatta, noodles, green beans and rolls.

**We are asking that you bring a small dessert to share with other members.**

Non-alcoholic beverages (water, soda, tea & coffee) will be provided by the club. The club's President is strongly against the club providing the wine and beer, as in the past, because of liability laws. So if you

would like to imbibe an alcoholic beverage, please bring your beverage of choice with you and the club will have an area set up to fix your drinks.

So to recap the things you need to know:

1. The party will be on **Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>**. From **5:00 PM to 10:00Pm**
2. The location will be Linda and Al's home at **4162 E. Coronado Drive** (North on Swan to near the top end of the street. West onto Coronado (about a mile of curves.) The house will be on the left side of the street (with a gabled tin roof and have holiday lights and decorations.) Car pooling is encouraged as parking is limited.
3. The cost is **\$35.00 per person** be paid to the club no later than **November 24<sup>th</sup>**, so that we can have an accurate count for the caterer. Make your checks out to JCSA and send them to either Linda Bales Deane at 4162 E. Coronado Dr. Tucson, Az. 85718 or Herbie Hampton at 11460 E. Placita Rancho Grande. Tucson, Az. 85730.
4. Please bring a new **unwrapped gift** to be donated to the Rural Metro Fire Dept. to be given to Toys for Tots.

# Happy Holidays

## Minutes of Board Meeting held on 10 November 2012

The meeting was called to order at Noon. Attendees were Doug Dechant, Rich Mandziak, Herbie & Claire Hampton, Jake Jacob, Fred Secker, Andy Anderson and Diana Raymond.

### Treasurer's Report

The full report had not been completed as of the meeting time. Herbie estimated the closing balance at \$3,389.89. All bills for the Concours, except for last minute trophies, have been paid; we should come close to breaking even on the Concours (sponsor donations included). The Christmas Party was discussed.

### Old Business

The Constitution was signed.

Advertising policy was discussed. It was decided to make no changes (no rate increase, no discount for paying in full for whole year).

### New Business

Newsletter distribution: Royal Automotive will reduce number of printed copies to 15; no other changes in distribution.

Establish a Social Committee: Marianne Fortunato to preside, and plan 4 dinners per year.

Establish a liaison position for Ric's Café: Linda Bales-Deane knows owner Jack Ahern well. She will contact him regarding more varied menu choices. We discussed the slow service there the previous Wednesday.

Board Member Election Procedures: Ballots will be emailed to all members; returned via email, or hand carried to X-Mas Party.

### Other Business

Offer from Cutting Edge Refinishing: Free hors d'oeuvres and drinks during a tour/promotion of their business. We will try to add as an event on our activity calendar. Proposed dates for upcoming event are: Sun. Jan 20<sup>th</sup> for Mystery Drive; Sun. Feb 17<sup>th</sup> for Wine Tour.

Concours Chairman: Searching for a new volunteer to fill this position; also need a new Chief Judge and Driving Chairman.

A proposal to establish a phone notification committee was put on hold.

Diana Raymond agreed to run for Club President.

Discussed ways we could support Royal Jaguar's sales and business. Discussed other future events, including a possible "F"-Type Introduction gathering.

Meeting closed at 3pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jake Jacob  
JCSA Secretary

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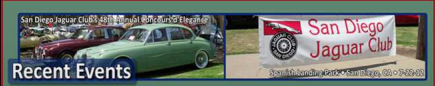
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