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Newsletter of the Jaguar Club of Southern Arizona



F-type  
Tucson Launch Party

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### Video of the Month

An Evocative Look at the Jaguar D-type  
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## President's Message

Okay, it's just plain hot here and we're anxiously awaiting the monsoons to give us some relief and "green" up the place a bit. One of the enjoyable tasks of being the JCSA president is scouting around for some trips for the club. Summer is a slower time for these activities, but we are busy getting some things lined up for the fall and winter. We had to cancel the Patagonia Picnic in June due to lack of participants--maybe Fathers' Day wasn't such a good idea for that event! We've changed the Mt Lemmon drive to a brunch at Saguaro Corners for July 21<sup>st</sup>. There will be a drive planned (weather permitting), so watch your e-mails for more information soon.



a "mini mall" for these youths to shop for basic needs of food and clothing. None of the benefits provided by YOTO are "freebies" for the youth in the program. They have to earn everything through their hard efforts in school and maintaining their grades.

Faith and I discussed some possible events that we, as a club, could get involved in and I'll be researching this farther. She has extended an invitation to our club for an open house tour of their new facility. I think you will find it very interesting to see just what this organization does for these youths. These young people have fallen on hard times through no fault of their own, and YOTO enables them to stay in school and move toward adulthood with the skills to become productive citizens of our future.

Safe Travels,  
Diana Raymond

**Editors note:** Check out the monthly video feature on the front page. Each month there will be a clickable link to a fascinating video.

## 50/50 Raffle

Well, the big winner of our 50/50 raffle in June was Bill Badger. A whopping \$30 that I believe he's going to use for a down payment for a new car for Sally. Sally, did you know?



Okay, so I'm kidding about the F-type (sorry Sally), but Bill was the winner for our raffle at Firebirds on June 5th.

## Our Up Coming Events

July 21	Cucumber & Basil Gimlet Anyone? - Marianne & Richard.
August 17	Presidents Breakfast - Diana
September 7	Board Meeting.
Sept 20/21	Overnighter - location to be decided.
October 26	Concours D'Elegance - Dan Eklund
November	TBA
December 7	Holiday Party at Doug & Julie's Place
January 2014	Mystery Drive

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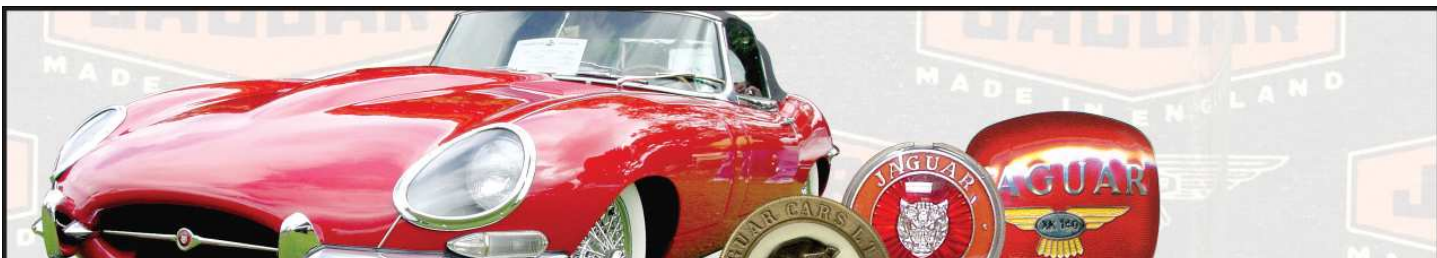
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## F-type Launch Party

What an event! Royal Jaguar Tucson pulled out all the stops for the launch of Jaguar's F-type on Thursday, June 13th. Sharing the spotlight were 3 models, one in White, one a sassy Salsa Red and one a sensuous Ultimate Black. As of this writing, the dealership has the white and black F-types on the showroom floor, both with V-8 Supercharged 5.0L engines. At 495HP, these cars are rockets! The Salsa Red F-type is a V-6 Supercharged 3.0L engine turning out 380HP and is no slouch.

The WOW factor of viewing this magnificent new addition to the Jaguar line was boosted as Royal wined and dined us and gave us courtesy rides in this new Cat. When this car is in the dynamic mode with the exhaust open, it roars. It demonstrates the prowess of its namesake in all of its movements--I was especially impressed that this car even had a monitor to display your G-forces. I think the moment that said it all was when Bob

Zipfel came inside after his test ride with a grin on his face that eliminated the need for words.

Tim Taylor, one of Royal's Sales Consultants, put on his driving hat and gave test drives throughout the evening. Yeah, tough job Tim, but somebody had to do it.

Lori Bailey, accompanied by a Yamaha Disklavier Mark IV Digital Piano from Hachenberg Pianos, provided entertainment for the event. This piano is a Wi-Fi--enabled piano that can play itself. It's capable of downloading Internet radio songs, and playing those songs live with the piano keys and pedals moving. And yes, it can still be played the old fashioned way.

It was a great evening. If you haven't had a chance to see the latest edition to the Jaguar line, stop in one day and take a look. It's well worth your time.

Diana Raymond



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# More scenes from the F-type Launch Party



## Mediterranean Cruise and Monaco Grand Prix

By Doug and Julie Klapstein

The impetus for our trip to Barcelona this spring was the Formula One - Spanish Grand Prix at the Catalunya track but on the way Julie found a cruise departing out of Barcelona in advance so, VOILA. Tucson to Atlanta to Barcelona, and several days visiting the largest metropolis on the Mediterranean, founded by the Romans and what a beautiful city to visit with a rich cultural heritage.

After wrenching up the anchor we sail to Marseille, France, and remember "The Count of Monte Cristo"? The Chateau d'IF made famous by the Dumas novel is still sitting out on a big rock in the Bay of Marseille! We head inland to Aix de Provence, historically the first Roman Provence beyond the Alps, long ruled by the Counts of Provence until 1481 when it became part of France. The coast has some of the earliest known sites of human habitation in Europe, not counting me!

Off to Genoa, Italy and a short boat trip to Santa Margherita, a beautiful tourist destination site. Rod Stewart lives there with his newest model wife and drives his son to school in his Ferrari or Rolls according to the local papers. Then by small craft to Portofino, a small fishing village, founded again by the Romans is also now an upscale resort, famous for its picturesque harbor and visiting celebrities - it is becoming a favorite spot of ours. It just happened to pour rain while we were there but Julie managed to score an umbrella and just kept shopping.

Next we sail to Naples and drive to Pompeii, the ancient Roman city, in the shadow of Mount Vesuvius. The archeological digs offer a snapshot of Roman life, some of it frozen at the moment it was buried on 24 August, AD 79, a must see. We continue on with a scenic, beautiful drive to Sorrento, over looking the Bay of Naples. An incredibly romantic small town reached via a narrow road that threads along the high cliffs above the Tyrrhenian Sea from Naples. They have lots of great leather goods and massive lemons that they use to make Lemoncello - a fabulous liquor in Italy. We sail to Messina, Sicily, still proud of their independent Greek Sicilian culture and we drive south to Taormina, one of the most remarkable ancient resort towns, discovered by Julie and I several years ago and favored for their fabulous cannelloni! The ancient Roman theatre stands above the town today in remarkably original condition.

Tunis, Tunisia (N. Africa), home of ancient Carthage, founded in 814BC is an amazing tour and modern day Tunis is a robust Sunni, Muslim dominated city and if you like shopping in a dense agglomeration of alleys and covered passages you will love Medina. The answer is YES...more rugs and jewelry! And

with the boat riding much lower in the water now we head back to our hotel in Barcelona. We also saw where the Arab Spring started and learned a lot about culture there. We did not ride the camels but Doug has a great picture of a hawk on his shoulder. By now, we are getting really excited for the Spanish Grand Prix. Our tour group was Grand Prix Tours and they were fabulous, 30 years supporting Formula One races. There were lots of Brits and a few Americans. The evening before a top mechanic from McLaren came - he told us the inside scoop on the race teams. He was really good friends with Kimi Raikkonen, the driver from the Lotus team (he came in 2<sup>nd</sup> at the race). We have been watching Formula One on the Speed Channel and are Mercedes team fans so we rooted for Lewis Hamilton. Sorry, Jaguar doesn't have a team yet... The next morning we headed to the qualifying races and found our seats - way, way out in the hinterlands but as it turned out, the grandstand was between two turns of the raceway and was the perfect spot. The main grandstand with the "pits" would have cost over \$8k so we decided we would rough it - great idea and so many people bring picnics and sit on the ground between all the stands. The qualifying races are incredibly exciting and it was a good test of our ear plugs. The Mercedes team came in first/2<sup>nd</sup> in the qualifying round. They have fast cars but also have tire issues. They are all using Pirelli tires now and a lot of the finishing depends on how long they can make them last. They have to change them at least once. The next day was another beautiful day in the high 70's and we learned not to eat hot dogs and drink beer but to eat Paella and drink beer. The Paella was cooked in big vats in the fields. Everyone wears shirts from their favorite team so Ferrari was well represented. It was a sea of red. Fernando Alonso from Ferrari, hometown boy won the race. The course was beautiful and it was a fantastic day. The following few days found us as tourists in Barcelona and we drank plenty of red wine (which is delicious and inexpensive there) and lots of tapas. They have dinner starting at 9pm so we are usually in bed by then but we snuck out occasionally to find gelato. The architecture in Barcelona is amazing and the area is very populated with tourists from around the world. We visited a couple of museums but mostly loved the medieval part of town with its great cathedrals dating back centuries. Although Delta cancelled our flights back and we were delayed another day leaving, it was a fabulous trip. We highly recommend getting a pass to go through the immigration lines faster back in the states but we finally made it back to Tucson in one piece.



# Doug & Julie at the Monaco Grand Prix



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It is with great sadness that I have to tell you that Sally Eisenberg passed away on Friday 21st June. Sally was an enthusiastic Jaguar owner and along with husband Mel was a long time member of our club. Our sincere condolences go to Mel at this very sad time.



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