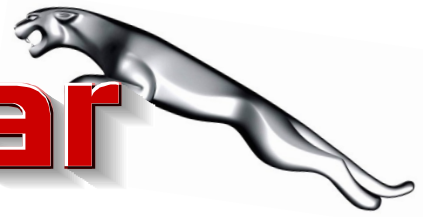


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Newsletter of the Jaguar Club of Southern Arizona



Jaguar XK 120 at IJF Concours

Photo by Chauncey Dayton

Coming Events

- Nov 1** **First Wednesday Dinner**
- Nov 3** **Concours d' Elegance Welcome Night**
- Nov 4** **Concours d' Elegance and Awards Dinner**
- Dec 3** **JCSA Holiday Party** (Doug Dechant)

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The Prez Sez



JCSA November Prez

We ventured from Harrisonburg, VA down to Buford, GA in the XF for the International Jaguar Festival (IJF) in the middle of October. Despite some construction delays, we enjoyed the drive in clear weather. The concours was staged on the shores of Lake Lanier with the Legacy Lodge serving as headquarters. Events included a slalom, rally, scenic drive and sunset dinner boat ride on the lake. I estimate that 100-120 Jags were present with some beautiful XK120/140/150, XKEs, older sedans and one 220 along with an XKSS replica. A crowd favorite was a beautifully restored Mark IV. Weather was overcast but we avoided any real rain. The scenic drive included a tour of the nearby Panoz museum with a nice display of their current models and race cars.



The banquet speaker on Saturday night was Brian Redman who is well-known to racing fans, especially to Jag owners for his races with Group 44 in the 1980s. Still competing in vintage car races at age 80, he is an inspiration to many of us. The drive back on interstates was equally as enchanting as the journey down.

Earlier in the month, we attended the annual concours put on by the Shenandoah Valley British Car Club. It was a large event with over 100 cars including about 15 Jags and a variety of British and partial-British marques including an older HRG. Like the IJF, they had a beautiful location in a large park with lots of facilities.

On the 10th of November we leave to start a boat ride on the Rhine from Basel, Switzerland to Trier, Germany followed by a sojourn in Paris for a few days. After the holidays, we plan to be back in Tucson starting on February 15 for a couple of months and we look forward to a reunion with our many Jaguar friends.

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Mark your calendar for the
Jaguar Club of Southern Arizona's Holiday Party

Sunday, December 3, 2017

Sullivan's Steak House

1785 E River Rd, Tucson, AZ 85718



Cash bar starts at 4:30PM with Dinner at 5:30PM.

Fare is \$77/pp inclusive of tax and tip.

Please contact Doug Dechant at dougdechant@gmail.com for more details

October JCSA Potluck

The 2nd JCSA Potluck Social Fundraiser was held at Ron and Abbe Meyer's home on Sunday, October 22nd.

The temperature was typical winter season which allowed everyone to enjoy the evening outside. Those in attendance other than the hosts were Dan Eklund & Colleen Jacob, Andy & Carol Anderson and Dan & Toni Veenstra. As with the previous event hosted by Dan & Colleen, the event proved to be 180 degrees from the Firebirds get together in that members were able to get to know the hosts and the other members within a more intimate setting.

There are no Potluck Socials scheduled for either November or December because Thanksgiving and Christmas will be on everyone's mind. The event will continue beginning January of next year. If you wish to host this event January, February or March, please let Dan Veenstra know. Dan's email is Dan@TucsonArizona.town.



Concours d'Elegance

JCSA's 45th annual **Concours d'Elegance** is coming up soon at St Philips Plaza in Tucson.

November 3 - A Welcome Friday Night Appetizer Buffet will begin at 6 PM

November 4 - The Concours D'Elegance will take place at St Philips Plaza

Participating Cars should arrive between 8 & 9 AM

A Gala Dinner and Awards Ceremony will take place at Vivace Restaurant beginning at 6 PM

2017 International Jaguar Festival, Lake Lanier Islands, GA

Photos by David Weaver



First Wednesday Dinner– November 1

Join us for our monthly social dinner at Firebirds Grill at La Encantada on Campbell and Skyline. This is an informal fun-filled evening spent with other Jaguar lovers, a perfect spot to socialize and meet new members. Order from the Special Mountain Time menu before 6pm.

Half Price Drink Specials between 3pm & 7pm

Get there between 5 & 6 for mix and mingle

Preparing for The November 4th Concours

(Exerpts from Guide to Concours d' Elegance by James Brackenrig)

The following is a list of things you can do several weeks before an event:

- Paint work preparation – claying, polishing, waxing etc.
- Initial engine clean (not required in W&S)
- Full clean of leather – again you don't want to be looking at 5 years of neglect the day before the event! Getting dirty leather concours clean may take several goes and the need for using different products. This is best done several weeks before an event.
- Interior clean and dressing of plastics/vinyl
- Cleaning of battery and adjacent area (not required in W&S)
- Restoration of cabrio top plastic window
- Initial clean of Storage Areas (trunks) – these are typically neglected and although they will need to be cleaned again before the event, it's best to get a head start of them.
- Restoration of rubber trim – full cleaning with rubber cleaner, followed by dressing
- Cleaning of door jams including polishing and waxing them. This may sound like an over kill, but door jams are key areas where judges look. They have to be immaculate. The best way I have found to ensure they are, is to fully clean, polish and wax (or sealant) them several weeks in advance. This way the final prep is just a simply wipe down.
- Alloy wheels also need to be immaculate. The same applies to these as door jams. Get them really clean, then use a wax or sealant on them. This will make prep the day before and on the day, much easier.
- Clean all the strange places in the interior....under the seats, seat belt recesses, under the dash, in the air vents etc. These are areas that are unlikely to get dirty quickly, but they do collect a surprising amount of dirt over the long term.
- CLEAN THE THINGS YOU DON'T NORMALLY CLEAN - The things that matter are the things we don't normally clean!

Short Range Preparation The preparation one to two days before the event is critical. At this stage you want to be taking a basically clean car and putting the final touches on it. The only exception to this is engine cleaning.

- I like to leave engine cleaning relatively late in my preparation cycle. Cleaning the engine can be difficult. Once clean, any miles I drive tend to add dirt/dust to strange areas in the engine. For this reason, cleaning 4 weeks in advance and then driving the car for a month is not going to work. Therefore I clean the engine 1-2 days before an event .
- Also depending on how much I will be driving my car, I may choose to clean the interior the week before as well.

So in theory the actual day before the event, I do the following:

- Wash the car
- Clean the windows
- Dress external rubber and vinyl
- Vacuum the interior and inspect storage areas (not required for W&S)
- Wipe down the engine (not required for W&S)

....and that's about it! Good Luck

Jaguar Club Trip to Winslow 2017

On October 13, Friday morning, a line of gorgeous Jaguars accompanied by 16 enthusiastic club members and one guest met at North Oracle Road for the drive to Winslow in Northern Arizona. We motored through the dramatic Salt River Canyon with photo opps along the way and a lunch stop at Cattlemen's Steak House in downtown Showlow.



After a good lunch, it was on to La Posada Hotel for relaxing and exploring the treasures of this historic railroad hotel. We found a surprisingly good dinner at the Brewery across the street from the iconic Standin' on the Corner Park.



Saturday morning after breakfast, there was another photo opp and a stroll to Standin' on the Corner for more photos. We returned to the hotel for the drive to Painted Desert for more photos at the entrance. After visiting the gift shop, we started the colorful scenic drive with a number of viewing stops, including the Painted Desert Inn. Then we drove across I-40 and through the Petrified Forest with many more



views and photos. Some adventurous members struck out on hikes through the ancient geologic wonders. A gourmet picnic lunch prepared by La Posada was enjoyed at the end of the trail at the museum. We then returned for late afternoon relaxing at the hotel's lovely sunken gardens.

Happy hour at 5 pm was followed by an excellent dinner at the Turquoise Dining Room which featured menu items from the original Fred Harvey restaurants. There were toasts and enjoyment by all members.

Sunday morning we returned to Tucson through Payson, descending down the Mogollon Rim.



A good trip was had by all.

Thank you for joining us.

Linda Willmore and Sam Logan



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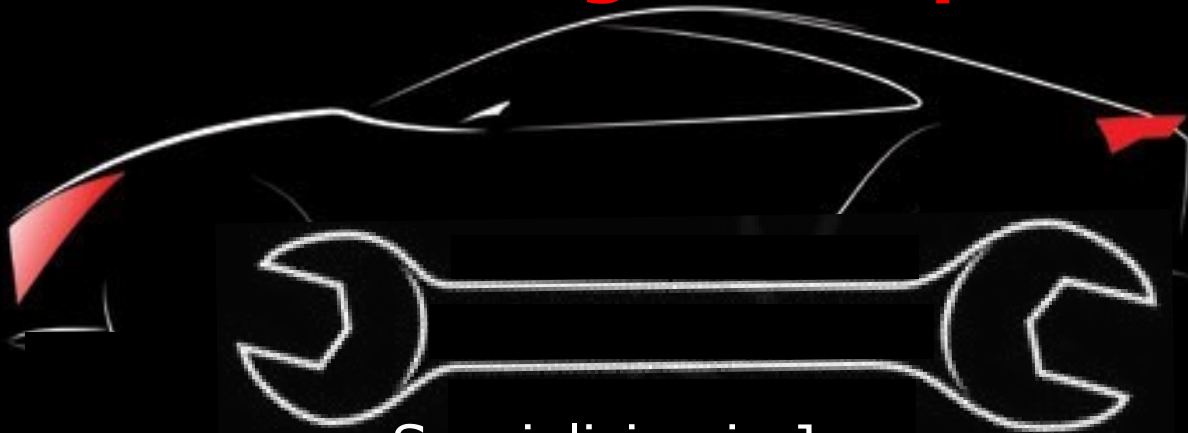
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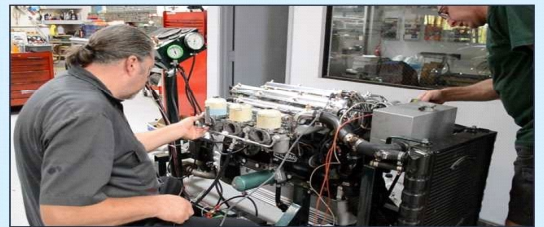
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