

Newsletter of the Jaguar Club of Southern Arizona March - April 2023 JCSAZ.COM

JAGUARS IN THE DESERT Grace, Space, Pace





Jaguars of the feline kind are close to an endangered status. See the article on efforts in the Southwest to return them to the wild.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I want to take this opportunity to thank Jim Hart for his six years serving as our Club's Treasurer. Jim has hoped to find a replacement for himself for a couple of years now and we have asked Cliff Piequet to step up to the task. The Board recently appointed Cliff to the position and the transition is underway. A big thank you to Jim and Cliff.

I also want to apologize to those club members who attended the 2022 holiday party at Hacienda del Sol. The food at the 2021 holiday party was delicious and the party truly wonderful. However, the food at the 2022 party was sadly lacking even though the price had increased significantly. After discussions with the general manager, Hacienda del Sol offered to refund the club \$800 and the club accepted their offer. The Board met recently and after much discussion, the decision was made to put the \$800 towards the 2023 holiday party. We are working on a new location that will have a more reasonable price but still be a special gathering.

As part of the Silent Auction and other member contributions that took place during the Holiday party, the Club was able to donate \$2,000 to the Pima County Community College Automotive Program. This includes a \$200 donation from the Club itself. We are scheduling a tour of their facility on April 26. Please look in your email for further information.

In other news, our club now has 53 full members and 7 associate members. This is an increase over the past few years. We are so happy to welcome all of our new and newish members. It's terrific and we are working on activities that can be enjoyed by Jaguar and car enthusiasts, as well as social get-togethers.

Speaking of events, please mark your calendars for the 2023 JCSA Concours d'Elegance on November 11, 2023, at La Encantada. Please let your friends know so that they may decide to display their Jaguars. Our Concours is open to Jaguar owners everywhere. It would be great to have 30 or more cars for us all to enjoy and share with the public.

Keep looking for our emails for upcoming events as several are being planned. Drive safe and stay well.

Cheers, Abbe Meyer

JCSA UPCOMING EVENTS

Announcements and reminders are emailed as events are scheduled or changed. Also, check the Events calendar at jcsaz.com

March 1	First Wednesday Dinner, Firebirds
March 18	Terry Larson's Garage, Mesa, AZ
April 5	First Wednesday Dinner, North
April 26	Pima Community College Automotive Technology
	Program Tour
April TBD	Route 66, Sedona to Cloudcroft, NM
May 3	First Wednesday Dinner, Firebirds
May TBD	Wineries of Sonoita
June TBD	Mt Lemmon Drive

Saturday, March 18

Tour Terry Larson's remarkable <u>collection of cars</u> in his garage in Mesa, AZ. Club participation is limited to 12 individuals. RSVP no later than <u>March 15</u> to Colleen Kearney <u>vice-president@jcsaz.com</u> if you would like to be a part of this special event. <u>Attendance will be first come/first CONFIRMED.</u>

Wednesday, April 26

A tour of the PCC Automotive Technology and Innovation Center is on the schedule to learn about their Master Automobile Service Technology (MAST) accredited program. Lunch will follow the tour at a nearby restaurant. 1255 N. Stone Ave., Tucson. Additional details to follow.

A NOTE ABOUT CLUB MEMBERSHIP

The Jaguar Club of Southern Arizona had a great membership year in 2022. A full slate of activities and great member participation invigorated the Club and led to a very good renewal rate (only two members did not renew). We began 2022 with 43 full-time members and 7 associate members and through the year added 11 new members. An additional new member joined in January, 2023, for a total of 53 full-time members and 7 associates. An active Club is a vibrant club so get ACTIVE. Thanks to all who renewed and all the hard-working Board Members. Bob Bell, Membership Chair

A Tech Talk, An Auto Museum, and Lunch!

On Saturday, February 25, approximately 30 JCSA members and guests gathered to enjoy an informative tech talk on "Intelligent Diagnosis: What You Can Do to Help Your Mechanic Find the Fault" given by Scott Frick of <u>Scott Frick's Automotive</u>. Thank you to Scott for hosting this and to Gail Von Pinnon for assisting with the provision of refreshments. The tech talk was followed by a tour of a local hidden gem, the <u>Tucson Auto Museum</u> where everyone very much enjoyed viewing the eclectic collection of rare and exotic vehicles. The morning finished off with a delicious lunch and great camaraderie at locally owned Barrio Brewery. Colleen Kearney









CONCOURS IN THE HILLS

On February 3, 2023, Club members headed out on the first leg of an outing to the *Concours in the Hills* in Fountain Hills, AZ. The group included Clarke Harvey and guest, Troy Jones and Colleen Kearney, George and Kathy Woodring, Ted and Laura Wight, Martin and Susan Butt, and Alvin and Ilene Feingold. The first stop was at First Watch in Chandler where the group enjoyed a great lunch and camaraderie. Next stop was right next door the Basha's Gallery. Here the original group was joined by Jeff and Jeannie Beach. Everyone enjoyed this must-see collection of western art. After touring the museum at leisure members either headed home or continued on to Fountain Hills where a fabulous meal was enjoyed at Ferrarese, the Italian restaurant at the Inn at Eagle Mountain. Tom and Daria Durham joined Colleen Kearney and Troy Jones as well as Jeff and Bethanne Simpson the following day which turned out to be sunny and beautiful for the Concours. With 1,000 cars on display on the grass surrounding in Fountain Hills Park there was plenty to see and plenty of car folks to share stories with. Be sure to join us next year for this fun outing! Colleen Kearney





ALL THINGS JAGUAR

Jaguar To Preview EV Plans This Spring, First New Model Coming 2025

Jaguar's overhaul will not bring a new production model until the middle of the decade, but a preview of the EV rebirth will be given this spring. The information comes from the company's interim CEO Adrian Mardell, who took this position in November last year. Speaking to AutoExpress about Jaguar Land Rover's improved financial results in the third quarter of the 2022-2023 fiscal year, Mardell told the publication work is already well underway on the reborn Jaguar. The lengthy process of reinventing the brand is known internally as Project Panthera and is currently running on schedule. We will get to see early glimpses of the new Jaguar brand later this year. "Our intention to pivot Jaguar to full EV brand remains in place. We already have advanced models which are being tested under research in several markets and we will finalize the model lineup over the next three to six months. You will see the first Jaguar product in 2025 and then further as it does not "want to do everything ourselves." Previously, it has been reported that Magna will play a crucial role in the company's new plan. Jaguar has also announced nVidia and Wolfspeed as partners that will help with the development of the new generation of Jaguar electric vehicles.

Source: AutoExpress Online

Jaguars May Be Reintroduced to the Southwest

An environmental group has petitioned the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to help reintroduce the jaguar to the Southwest where it roamed for hundreds of thousands of years before being whittled down to just one of the big cats known to survive in the region. Jaguars are listed as Near Threatened on the International Union for Conservation of Nature.

The male jaguar, named Sombra — shadow in Spanish — has been seen in southern Arizona several times since first captured on a wildlife camera in the Dos Cabezas Mountains in 2016. There are a handful of jaguars known to be living across the border in the Mexican state of Sonora.

The Center for Biological Diversity wants the federal agency to help expand critical habitat for jaguars in remote areas and launch an experimental population in New Mexico's Gila National Forest along the border with Arizona. Failure to do something could also affect efforts to save the dwindling jaguar population in Mexico that needs the kind of genetic diversity possible through mating with a new group of big cats to the north.

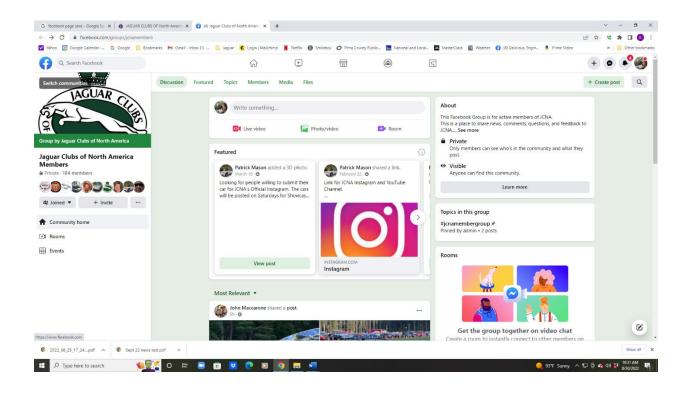
Source: Az Daily Star, Dec. 14, 2022

JCNA Social Media Sites Enrich Your Jaguar Experience

Every week you will find interesting pictures, stories, historical and technical information at Jaguar Clubs of North America's social media sites: YouTube <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCx9fFLG4NJXD-iBzSxvKj_Q/featured</u> Facebook (members only) <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/jcnamembers</u> Facebook (visible to the public) <u>https://www.facebook.com/jaguarclubs.na</u>

These links are available on our club website jcsaz.com (on the Home page, scroll down to the Links section), as well as on the JCNA Home page, jcna.com, which also has links to Twitter and Instagram. If you already have Twitter, Instagram and Facebook accounts, you can just click on the links. If you do not have accounts, this might be the time to give social media a try. And, please contribute thoughts, pictures and videos to the pages.

The JCNA Social Media Committee volunteers are scanning and posting helpful technical information, older brochures and other reference materials; posting current and historical photos and videos; JCNA-affiliated club events; pictures of member cars and other Jaguars from around the internet. The Social Media Committee encourages members to share their own items on the sites. If you have any questions or ideas, contact <u>socialmedia@icna.com</u>



JCSA Executive Board Notes, February 11, 2023

Jim Hart's resignation as treasurer was accepted and the Board appointed Cliff Piequet to fulfill his term.

Chris Brewer reviewed the successful 2022 Concours. Also, training for Concours judges will be held in October. The Board agreed that the date for the next Concours will be November 11, 2023.

Donations from club members for the Pima Community College Automotive Technology program totaled \$1800. The Board voted to add an additional \$200 for a total of \$2000.

Colleen Kearney announced planned activities for the next few months (see Events above).

Bob Bell reported that the club has 58 members as of January, 2023; only two members did not renew.

Karen Bell will again arrange orders of JCSA logo shirts and hats in April-May.

Doug Dechant shared a letter from Royal Jaguar about changes in sales and maintenance. It will be forwarded to members.

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JCSA Health & Safety Statement

As we gather at Club functions, the Board would like all of our members, friends, and sponsors to know that we intend to be as careful as possible with your health and safety. If you are not feeling well, please stay home and take care of yourself. Masks are optional. Thanks for your cooperation.

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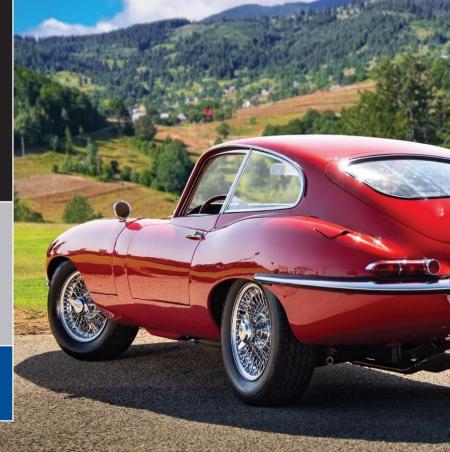
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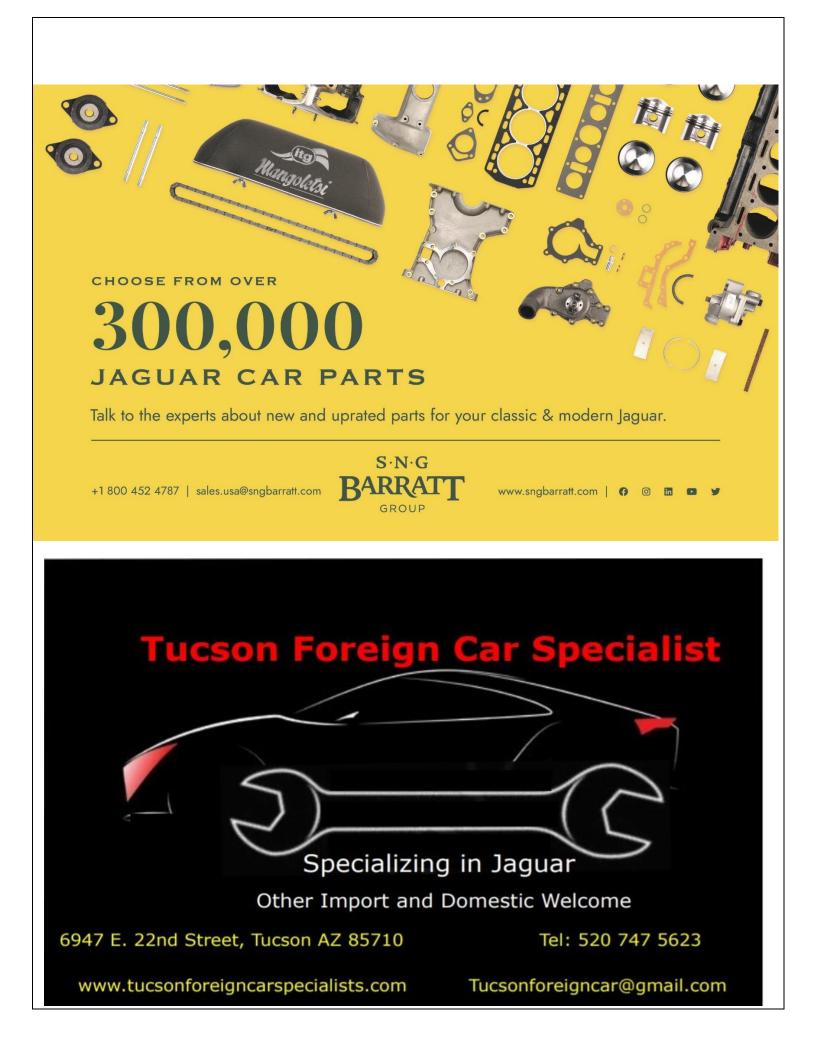
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