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Newsletter of the Jaguar Club of Southern Arizona

A Tail of Two Cities



Diana Raymond - 1st Place Driven



Bob & Lynn Brown - 1st Place Driven



David Reilly - 1st Place Championship



Doug Dechant - 1st Place - Driven



Larry and Vickie Currie - 2nd Place Championship



Doug Klapstein - 1st Place Championship

Not really a Tail of Two Cities, more like a Tale of Four Cities and Six Tails. Phoenix is where the Jaguar Club of Central Arizona held it's annual Concours D'Elegance on March 9th and Tucson, Sedona and Gold Canyon are where the above six stylish tails originated from. All six tails belong to members of the Jaguar Club of Southern Arizona so it is with great pride that we feature their cars here. Their haul of trophies is quite amazing and will be a hard act to follow in future years. Well done JCSA!

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President's Message

Neither rain, nor hail, nor sleet or snow can keep dedicated Jaguar owners away from making the rounds of the Concours d'Elegance circuit! Okay, maybe there wasn't any sleet or snow, but some of our members did encounter rain and hail on the way to the JCCA "Saloons in the Old West" Concours in Chandler, Arizona.



six of us brought home trophies! Doug Klapstein and David Reilly were *First-place winners* in the *Championship Division* in their class. Larry Currie took *Second-place* in the *Championship Division* in his class. Doug Dechant, Bob Brown and yours truly, took *First-place* in their classes in the *Driven Division*.

The event was held on Saturday, March 9th at the San Marcos Golf Resort. With the street being closed for the event, it made a great place to display the 41 beauties that were entered in the Concours. There were some great classics out there. Saturday turned out to be a pretty good day, weather wise, with overcast clouds and just light drizzle for a very short period of time. There are shops that surround the street, which helped bring in more people to look around and enjoy the event.

The really great news is that we had six members from our club that made it to the Concours and all

The awards dinner was held at the resort that evening. It was great to be able to fill an entire table with the Tucson group and the challenge now is for the JCCA to bring at least seven cars to Tucson for our Concours in the fall. A big thank you to JCCA officers—President Phil Parker, Vice President and Concours Chair Neil Cooper, Activities Coordinator Mark Stephenson, and Chief Judge David Walls--and those that helped "behind the scenes" for putting on a wonderful Concours event. We hope to see you at our Concours, "Art of the Jaguars" on October 26th. Mark your calendars now!

Diana Raymond

2013 Events Calendar

April 6	Davis Monthan Air Force Base Car Show.
May 11	TBCR invitation to wine tour at Kief Joshua.
May 19	Mt Graham Telescope & Picnic – Dan Eklund.
June 16	Patagonia Lake Picnic – Marianne & Richard.
July 21	Mt Lemon Drive & Lunch – Marianne & Richard.
August 17	Presidents Breakfast – Diana to decide location in Dove Mountain.
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

Venue for 1st Wednesday Dinner

On Wednesday April 3rd our monthly social dinner will be at the
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And the Winner Is . . . ?

Our second 50/50 drawing was held at *Firebirds Wood Fired Grill* on March 6. The pot grew to \$92.00 before the lucky ticket was drawn. Marianne Fortunato drew the ticket and the winner was . . . Yours Truly! I was happy to turn around and donate my winnings to YOTO.

Be sure and get your ticket(s) at the next "First Wednesday" dinner for your chance to be the winner of the 50/50 drawing. Don't worry--I couldn't get that lucky again if I tried. And if I do, I'm headed to Las Vegas soon afterwards! Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for 6 tickets and you can buy as many as you like. The drawing is held after everyone is seated for dinner.

Diana

Poker Run & Franklin Museum

Saturday, March 16

GOOD TURN OUT FOR OUR MARCH EVENT

I want to thank all of you that participated in our March Event, the Poker Rally and visit to the Franklin Museum. We had a total for fourteen cars and the start of the rally and more people joined in at the museum and more again at the lunch. I hope you all enjoyed it as much as Claire and I did. I wish to give a special thanks to Fred Kaefer and my friends Terry and Dan for passing out cards for the poker hands. It is hard to believe that with cards drawn from four different decks the best hand ended up to be just three of a kind.

And speaking of the winning hand, it was three kings and was held by our president, Diana (now nicknamed **LUCKY**) Raymond and her friend and navigator, Whit. This is the second consecutive time that she has won a club prize. The first was the 50/50 raffle, at the last First Wednesday Dinner, but she was kind enough to donate those winnings to the "Y.O.T.O." charity that the raffle was set up to help. And so I hope she enjoys the bottle of sparkling wine she and Whit won on the poker rally.



Claire Presents Poker Prize

The museum tour was very interesting and our tour guide, Sparky, was a fountain of information and anecdotes. I thought the Franklin Museum was the largest collection of Franklin Automobiles in the world, but I found out that it is the only Museum dedicated to the Franklin Cars. They really have some beautiful and rare vehicles. If you didn't get the chance to view them with the club, be sure and take the time to check out the museum on your own. It is well worth the \$5.00 admission fee, which the club picked up for the members at the event.

Most everyone seemed to enjoy the food at the Union Public House. Maggie Secker, advised me that their fish and chips were the best she has had here in the USA. And as a Brit, she certainly is qualified to know about fish and chips. The only thing that wasn't spot on was the Cuban P sandwich, which both Fred Kaefer and I had. It wasn't bad, but I wouldn't bother to order it again. The Union Public House also has a large selection of beers on draft as well as a full bar, so in my mind it made up for a so-so sandwich. All in all it was an enjoyable outing.

Herbie Hampton





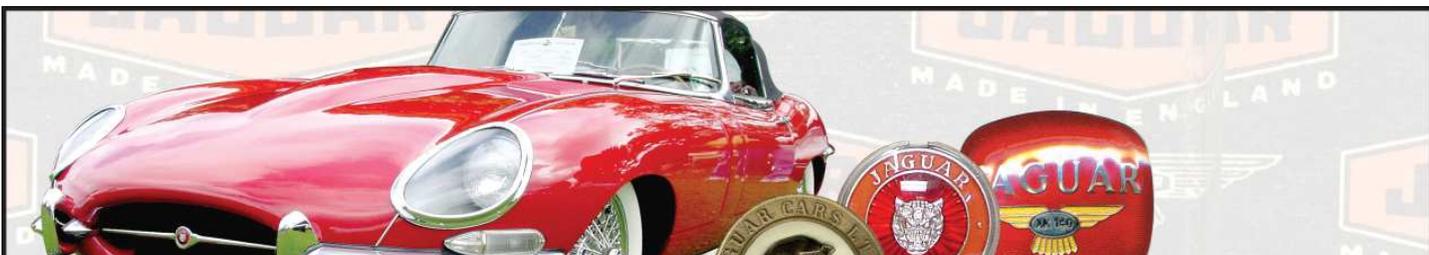
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5th Annual Classic Car Show - Davis Monthan AFB

Saturday April 6 - 11 am to 3 pm



A Special Invitation to the Jaguar Club of Southern Arizon!

This event is the March outing for our club. By attending the event and paying the entrance fee you will be supporting a very worth while military cause so please come along and join our group. The entire proceeds benefit The Kachina Fund (501(c) 3) supporting young families at Davis Monthan Air Force Base.

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Cutting Edge Body Shop

We attended a different and educational event.



Have you ever wondered what happens when you take your baby to a body shop after an accident? Well on February 23rd we were shown how a high end, professional shop returns current and classic cars to like new condition. Cutting Edge has been in business for 5 years offering mobile repairs at dealerships or residential locations. They also offer a fully self contained mobile body shop complete with all necessary body tools so you are not limited to bringing your car to the Cutting Edge shop.

We met at their 1701 South 4th Ave location at 11:00AM and were greeted by Gary and his wife Monique. Gary then took us from room to room explaining the equipment he and his employees use to make his customers cars look new again. These included, among others, two types of welders, a frame straightening machine, the ability to professionally apply epoxy and his paint booth. Gary also showed us his custom motorcycle that is still in development and the expert graphics he applied to his beautiful Jaguar XFR. In addition to repairing and modifying modern cars he had a number of older cars that were in several stages of restoration.



After our tour of his shop, Gary and Monique put together a terrific luncheon spread consisting of BBQ beef and chicken cooked in a large BBQ right on the premises. They provided two kinds of rice, refried beans, tortillas and much more. It was absolutely fantastic and a great ending to a very interesting, educational and fun event.

At the beginning of April he and his staff will be moving to a new and larger location complete with a new state-of-the-art paint booth. Please put Gary and the Cutting Edge on your short list if you want to update your car, customize it or should anything (heaven forbid) happen and you need an expert and professional repair.

Doug Dechant

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Minutes of Board Meeting - March 2, 2013

The meeting took place at the Royal Jaguar conference room kindly supplied by the Royal Jaguar dealership.

Called to order at 1pm.

Present were:

Diana Raymond – President
 Herbie Hampton – Treasurer
 Richard Mandziak – VP
 Fred Secker- VP & Editor
 Darrell Anderson – Marketing
 Dan Eklund – Concours Chair
 Doug Dechant – Membership Chair
 Bill Badger- Advisor
 Claire Hampton – Member

Pizza slices were provided by the club and sodas and coffee by Royal Jaguar.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved. Treasurers report was submitted showing a February start balance of \$4,035.14 and an end balance of \$4,229.79 Report was approved.

Past events:-

The Mystery Drive was deemed a success and it was proposed that it would be repeated in January 2014.

The Sonoita Wine Tour was also deemed a success with 14 cars taking place. The lunch at the Steak Out Saloon received mixed reviews. A future wine tour would find a different lunch place. It would not be at the winery itself.

The visit to the Cutting Edge body shop was a rare technical event. No plans to have another at present.

Future events:-

March 16, Poker Run & Franklin Museum – Fred to check method of payment at Franklin.

April 6, Davis Monthan Car Show – no organization by club. Members must notify Ron Sable and Doug if attending. We'll plan to meet up and drive in together if enough participants.

May 11, TBCR has invited us to wine tour at Kief Joshua.

May 19, Mt Graham Telescope & Picnic – Director of the facility has confirmed tour. Will conduct the tour himself. Dan Eklund to coordinate.

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September 7 – Board Meeting

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October 26, Concours – Rooms to be booked were discussed. Northern Jaguar 50/50 raffle confirmed. Arts theme confirmed. Nova Financial Services to sponsor cocktail party. Sponsor for trophies will be sought. Possible follow-on event at Inde Motorsport discussed.

November Event – to be announced.

December 7, Holiday Party – Julie & Doug Klapstein have generously offered their home. To include 50/50 raffle for Jaguar painting by Marty Plevel as part of membership renewal drive.

January 2014, 3rd weekend – Mystery Tour organized by Claire & Herbie Hampton.

Other business:-

The clubs support for Youth On Their Own charity to be developed.

Agreed to send get well gift basket to Jake.

Meeting adjourned at 3.30pm.



Hooray! Meeting adjourned!

Police Jaguars in UK



The XF Diesel S - the latest British Police Jaguar

The police forces of UK have a well established history of using Jaguars as high speed pursuit vehicles and during the 1960s the MK2 gained a reputation as a capable car among criminals and law enforcement alike. Popular as getaway cars, they were also employed by the police to patrol British motorways. The 3.8 Litre model being particularly fast with its 220 bhp (164 kW) engine driving the car from 0-60 mph in 8.5 seconds and to a top speed of 125 mph (201 km/h) with enough room for five adults.

Here in the U.S., police generally make do with high-volume, low-tech fleet vehicles like the long-lived Ford Crown Victoria or the more recent Chevrolet Impala or Dodge Charger - all perfectly capable of the job, but not particularly luxurious or sporting. In the UK, however, things are apparently quite different. Jaguar has just unveiled a Police pursuit variant of the XF, and it's shopping the car to forces across the Kingdom.

Based on the standard 2010 Jaguar XF Diesel S model, which isn't sold in the U.S., the Police pursuit XF gets the usual police-car package - flashing LED lights, paintwork, upgraded 'police pack' electronics - while keeping the standard 3.0-liter V-6 diesel engine rated at 271 horsepower and 440 pound-feet of torque.

"Police forces are looking for vehicles that represent value for money, have good environmental

credentials and deliver the power and performance required of a pursuit vehicle," said Geoff Cousins, UK Managing Director for Jaguar Cars.

The Police-spec Jaguar XF manages a thrifty 35 mpg (U.S.) and carbon emissions of 179 g per kilometer - not too bad by any standards. But it's also got to be quick to keep up with the likes of Jason Statham's on-screen alter-egos.

"We hope that with this amount of torque on tap - and a 0-60mph time of 5.9 seconds, we will meet and exceed the exacting standards of any Police Officer driving this car," said Cousins.

Retail pricing in the UK starts at £36,900 (\$58,925) for the Jaguar XF Diesel S, but the pricing of the Police model is still a secret. Here in the U.S., where only V-8 versions of the 2010 Jaguar XF are available, the car starts at \$49,975.

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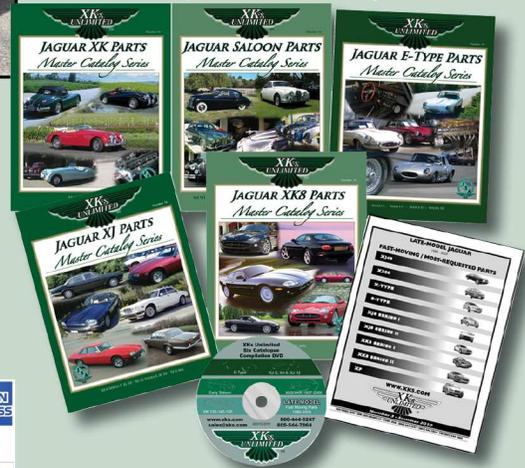
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