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Monthly Newsletter of the Jaguar Club of Southern Arizona

## 2017



**Wishing All Club Members a Happy and Healthy New Year**

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# The Ex-Prez Sez

Recovered from the Holidays yet? Well whatever state you are in now I hope you had a wonderful time with family and friends. 2017 is here and may it be a happy and healthy year for one and all. It will be a momentous year for me and Maggie as it will mark the end of an era. We will no longer be coming to Tucson for the winter sun, no longer enjoying the wonderful USA and no longer sharing fun times and experiences with the huge number of terrific friends we have made. So, you ask, why the heck are we leaving? I wonder that myself sometimes but we feel that it is time to move on to different pastures as we have been migrating to Tucson for the past 20 years and would now like to do something new. There are other fun things to see and do out there and we want the flexibility to try different winter venues. Our departure from this club will be one of the hardest parts as it has been part of our lives since we first started coming to Tucson and I am very proud to have been an officer in such a successful club. You will now have a new president, a new editor and a new webmaster so I hope you will give them the support and friendship you have all given Maggie and me in the past. You will see below the list of officers for 2017 which is entirely new except for our very excellent secretary Carroll Lam who will provide invaluable continuity. You are not quite rid of us yet as we will not be leaving Tucson until



April and we look forward to taking part in all the JCSA events until then and will even be organizing the St Valentine's Day picnic at Patagonia Lake.

The JCSA Holiday Party was held at Tanque Verde Ranch and was a great success. We started at the rustic Dog House Saloon and then descended on the dining room for a slap up meal. If you click the link below you will be treated to a musical slide show of our party.

At the party we made a collection for Toys for Tots and here I am presenting the toys to the Rural Metro Fire Station for distribution.



Best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

*Fred Secker* Ex-President

## Holiday Party Video Link

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### Events

January	15	Mystery Drive
February	14	St Valentines Day Run to Patagonia Lake
March	10	Texas Canyon Picnic & Amerind Museum
April	6,7 & 8	Silver City Double overnight
May	11	Titan Missile Drive & Lunch
June	10	President's Breakfast at Agua Caliente
July	13	Summer Drive to Mt Lemmon

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## Mystery Drive & Lunch

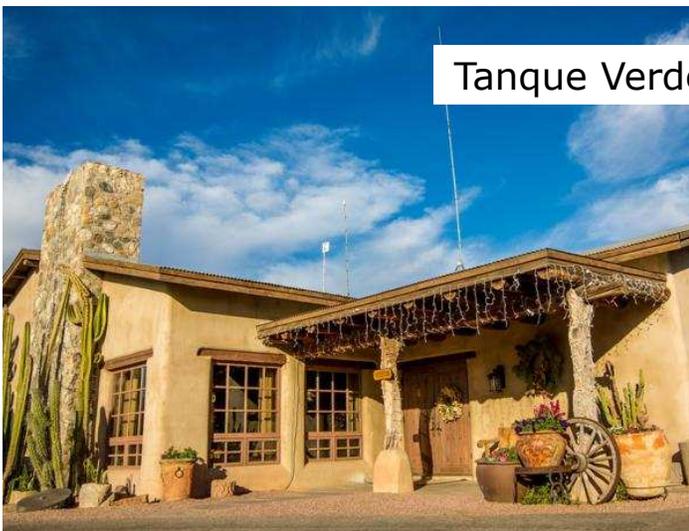
**Sunday January 15**

Our first driving event of 2017 will be the ever popular Mystery Drive ending at Tanque Verde Guest Ranch for their unbelievable Sunday Brunch. All you can eat Prime Rib, Shrimp, Oysters, Smoked Salmon, salad and vegetables followed by a great selection of cheese and chocolates. Claire Hampton has done the lunch organization and our club will subsidize the event such that the cost will be reduced from \$37.14 to \$25 per person. This is truly amazing value for the wonderful buffet spread that Tanque Verde always provides.

**If you wish to join us  
Send a check for \$25 per person made out to JCSA to  
Claire Hampton, 11460 E Placito Rancho Grande, Tucson AZ 85730**

Cameron Sheahan has organized the driving event and wants everyone to bring their Golden Age Passport as we will be going through a National Park. Copies of the mystery route will be distributed.

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Meet at 9:30am, first car out at 10:00am**



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## Silver City Revisited

### WE ARE GOING TO SILVER CITY, NEW MEXICO AGAIN!

We have reserved the **Bear Mountain Lodge** for Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. There are 11 rooms and all but two were spoken for at the monthly Jaguar Club dinner at Firebirds. Everyone who went in November, 2015 wanted to go again. Fortunately, several people already had plans for the April dates so there are still two rooms available. I will also keep a waiting list, because things always happen.

Last time the Trail of the Mountain Spirits and a visit to the Gila Cliff Dwellings were promoted as highlights of the trip. (As it turned out, the drive and visit to the ancient ruins were a highlight but the fellowship we all experienced at the Lodge was, in my mind the winner.) This time I plan to offer a visit to the City of Rocks as an alternative for those who do not wish to race along the twists and turns of the drive to the cliff dwellings.

Our dining will be special. Thursday lunch will be at **Burgers and Brownies by Shevek Oh My**. Colleen and I were sorry we couldn't include dining with him last time. Thursday evening we will dine at the **Bear Mountain Lodge** and Friday evening we will dine at **1zero6**. All diets are suspended for the trip so you can enjoy the fare.

Because many of us were disappointed we didn't have time to really enjoy the shops in Silver City, I have scheduled Thursday after lunch for shopping. Of course, those who don't get their fill on Thursday can hit the shops again Saturday.

If you are interested in joining us, call the **Bear Mountain Lodge** at **575.538.2538** and reserve your room with a credit card. Lori and Jeff will be pleased to help you. Your card will not be charged until you leave the lodge April 8<sup>th</sup>. If all of the rooms are reserved, let me put you on the waiting list. My e-mail is [andycarol@comcast.net](mailto:andycarol@comcast.net).

I will include more information about the trip in future newsletters and will contact those of you who are joining us by e-mail to get your menu choices, dietary restrictions, etc.

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# Comparison

## Corvette Grand Sport v F-Type SVR



So which is better? The mighty all-American naturally aspirated 460 horsepower Corvette Grand Sport or the Jaguar F-Type SVR, a supercharged loud noise machine with 575 horses.

The F-Type, despite being a two-seater, has always erred more on the side of being a grand tourer than a sports car and most of the time, everything it can do, a Corvette Stingray can do better and for less money. However.... there' exists an F-Type that can take down the Corvette. It is the top-shelf, extra loud, extra powerful SVR. On test it comes out on top, despite its extra weight, bigger price tag and inferior handling dynamics on track.

Most testers agree the SVR is the more "special" one to have. And it should be, considering the base price is \$125,000 and a Grand Sport starts at almost half of that.

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# Concours Results

November 12, 2016

Class	Entrant Name	Model	Score
C3	Bob and Diane Detro	1955 XK140 SE	99.88000
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C10	Charles Hallums	1996 XJ6 VDP	99.94000
C14	Joseph and Carol Capano	2001 XK8	99.54000
C15	Doug and Julie Klapstein	2007 XKR	99.91000
C19	Claire Hampton	2016 XF-S	99.94000
C19	Larry and Vicki Currie	2012 XJ12	99.89000
C20	Jim and Faria Dretler	2016 Project 7	99.71000
C20	Cameron Sheahan & Carolyn Arnquist	2015 F Type Coupe	99.82000
C20	Robert and Lynn Brown	2014 F Type Conv	99.94000
D2	Cameron Sheahan & Carolyn Arnquist	1965 E OTS	9.96900
D5	David and Patricia Reilly	1967 3.8S	9.93700
D8	Ken and Mary Struck	1990 XJS	9.79100
D9	David and Jocelyn Kelley	1995 XJS Conv	10.00000
D10	Betsy Toll	1997 XK8	9.97500
D13	Marvin and Rosemary Price	2000 S Type	9.96800
S2	Kenneth and Glenda Roberts	1967 E Type	9.97500
S2	Cameron Sheahan & Carolyn Arnquist	1970 E FHC	9.94700
S2	Larry and Marjorie Schafer	1968 E FHC	9.99600

# For Sale - 1969 XKE



1969 S2 E-Type two seater coupe. Primrose yellow. Very reliable and used for occasional long distance trips. Matching numbers with Jaguar Heritage Certificate. Present owner for 8 years. Clean Arizona title. Well maintained and in regular use in the dry Arizona winter. Not used in the wet summer. No rust. Soft storage cover. Always garaged. Some stone chips and some other small paint imperfections. New carpets. Seats in good condition. Console leather not perfect. All instruments work including clock. All panel switches work. Original radio works. All 5 wire wheels perfect with knock-off wheel nuts. Plenty of tread on tires. Rear end changed to 2.88 ratio giving comfortable cruising at 2,500 rpm at 75 mph. Recent new clutch. Standby SU fuel pump fitted. Stainless exhaust. Triple SU carbs. Oil pressure 60 psi. No work required to enjoy driving this wonderful machine. Not 100 point concours but a good honest example and a sheer joy to drive. 86,500 miles. Reason for sale - returning to the UK permanently.

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