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52nd Jaguar Concours d'Elegance

Saturday, April 4, 2026

La Encantada Plaza
2905 E Skyline Drive, Tucson

Organized by the Jaguar Club of Southern Arizona and
sanctioned by the Jaguar Clubs of North America.

Participants from throughout the southwest will compete for awards
and points nationally in their Jaguar's class.

More information and online registration at
<https://jcsaz.com/concours-registration/>

President's Message

Hello all,

We're in the height of our season here in Tucson. Beautiful weather deserves beautiful cars! As you all know by now, the opportunity to show off your beautiful Jaguar is coming up soon. JCSA's Concours d'Elegance is set for Saturday, April 4, at La Encantada. Please look on the website to register your vehicle for it to be judged or displayed. We already have some registrations and it looks to be a great turnout. A huge thank you in advance to our chief judge, Jeff Simpson; our Concours chair, Carolyn Arnquist; all of our judges and our volunteers. Our awards dinner after the event will take place at El Corral at 6pm on the same day. (This will replace our first Wednesday dinner for April). Please look for announcements.

The trip to Santa Fe is set for April 7-10. We will drive to Las Cruces for lunch and then drive on to Inn of the Mountain Gods near Ruidoso. The next day we will drive to Santa Fe with free time prior to dinner at a very good local steakhouse. Plans for the next day are currently being considered including either a drive to national parks or to Ghost Ranch, the home of Georgia O'Keefe. So far, we have 13 couples signed up. If you are still considering coming, please call the hotels asap and contact me as well.

Keep a lookout for notices about our visit to the newest auto museum in Tucson. We will be visiting on March 12 with a lunch at the Barnyard afterwards.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for participating in the Holiday Silent Auction. The auction and other donations totaled \$2,000 which was sent to the Flowing Wells School District. Letters of thanks appreciation were sent out to those that issued checks to the school district.

Lastly, as the minutes of the last Board meeting show, there was much discussion on the subject of the Club's bank balance. There was also input from some of you which was greatly appreciated. Although a specific plan was not agreed upon, a general goal of reducing the balance through the subsidization of club membership dues, Concours costs, and holiday dinner costs was supported by most contributing to the discussion. Subsidization of other event costs was discussed and may be considered in the future. We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events. Drive safely while you enjoy your beautiful jags.

Cheers,
Abbe

**52nd Concours d'Elegance
April 4, 2026**

It's time to register for the Concours. Join us for a great day and a great evening.

The Jaguar Club of Southern Arizona's 52nd Concours d'Elegance is scheduled for Saturday, April 4, 2026, at La Encantada Shopping Plaza in Tucson. Our Concours is sanctioned by the Jaguar Clubs of North America which means you can compete for awards nationally in the class of your Jaguar. Or, you can just put your beauty on display for our usual crowd of visitors to admire.

The registration form and other details are at <https://icsaz.com/concours-registration/> Your JCNA membership number is required to register. It appears on your membership card that is the white mailer for the *Jaguar Journal*. If you do not have it, contact Karen Bell comunications@icsaz.com

You do not have to register a car to attend the Awards Dinner on Saturday evening at El Corral Restaurant. If this is your choice, please send an email to Abbe Meyer president@icsaz.com with your name(s) and the number attending. The full menu will be available and individuals will pay that evening.

Carolyn Arnquist, concourschair@icsaz.com Jeff Simpson, chiefjudge@icsaz.com

**Tour of [Tucson Auto Museum](#) / Lunch at Barnyard Café
Thursday, March 12**

Join your fellow club members for a tour of the Tucson Auto Museum at its new location at 4825 N Sabino Canyon Rd. Tucson Auto Museum offers a unique collection of vehicles that is sure to impress everyone. Please meet at the museum at 10:00 AM. Admission: Seniors (65+), Active-Duty/Veterans/1st Responders: \$12, Adults \$15

It is suggested to allow 1 hour to thoroughly enjoy the museum. Following our self-guided tour, we will drive approximately 30 minutes to Barnyard Cafe, located at 11011 E Tanque Verde Rd to enjoy a delicious lunch. By March 8, please reply to Colleen Kearney vice-president@icsaz.com if you will attend both the museum and/or lunch.

PRESIDENT'S BRUNCH
January 18, 2026

Many years ago, the Club started having a President's Brunch. It started with the club president grilling in a park. It then became a brunch at the Tanque Verde Ranch. This year I decided to move it to Loew's Ventana Canyon Grille. Oh my! What a spread! It was ten dollars more than the prior venue but it had shrimp, oysters, and mussels. It also had the usual fresh omelets, fruit, charcuterie, and waffles and then outside there were all kinds of BBQ and sides. Desserts were also pretty yummy. The admission included a mimosa with additional available for a very reasonable price. We had a group of 18 and everyone thought it was delicious with good service and a beautiful venue. I think we'll consider this again next year. Hope to see you there!



MEET NEW MEMBER

George (Chris) Stavrou

1997 Jaguar XJ6, 72000 miles. Bought her in 2024 in Tucson. I don't have a commute but she is a daily driver. I've owned two other Jaguars: a 2004 X-Type and a 2015 F-Type R. I grew up in Southern AZ and left for a government career back east. Moved back to Tucson last year. I love being back! I am a retired federal government employee and reserve USAF officer. Unusual thing about my Jaguar: she has the factory option of the mobile phone! As I understand it's pretty rare. It doesn't function now as it's analog but looks nice!



ALL THINGS JAGUAR

Monterey British Car Show

Monday, August 10, Carmel Valley, CA

Registration is now open and information can be found at montereybritish.com

Jaguar explores part-petrol car after pledging to go 'all electric'

Jaguar is exploring the development of a part-petrol car in what could be seen as a major reversal of plans for an all-electric reboot of the British brand. Under a secret initiative to soothe drivers' concerns about running out of power on long journeys, engineers have been asked to build a hybrid engine. This would extend the range of new Jaguar models from 700km to 1,100km. Sources close to JLR insisted that new Jaguar cars due to be unveiled later this year would be all-electric. But they added that a range of other engine options were in the early stages of development. JLR declined to comment.

Source: The Sunday Times, Jan. 24, 2026

Jaguar I-Pace EV Hit with 'Fire Risk' Recall After Battery Overheating Issue

Documents filed with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration claim that the risk of fire is high, and that affected Jaguar I-Pace owners should park their electric SUVs outside and away from structures. Additionally, a state of charge cap at 90 percent is now insisted up, too. Jaguar says the root of the overheating recall, initially filed on February 5, 2026, is an anode tab folding prone to short circuiting. However, the automaker has yet to publicly identify a secondary cause for the fire condition, which the automaker believes is ultimately responsible for the combustion issue.

Source: Road & Track, Feb. 10, 2026

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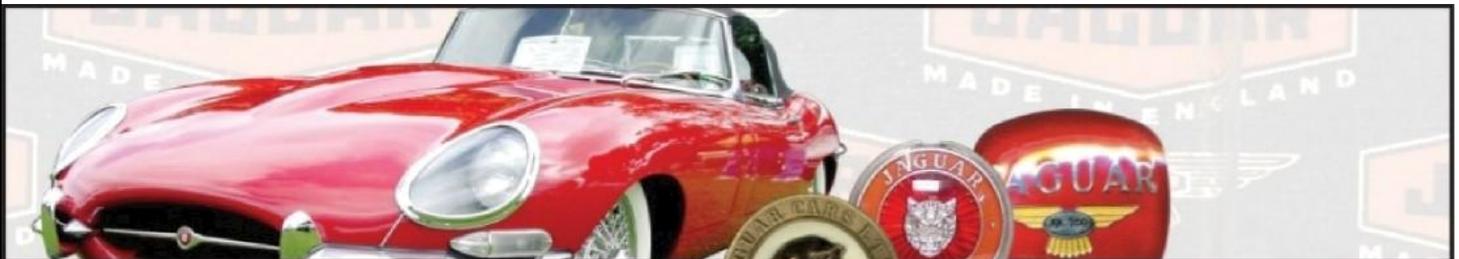
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