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Next Up on the JCOP Calendar: Veterans Car Show on Saturday, June 28

The Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh and the Steel Town Corvette Club will sponsor the 2025 Veterans Car Show at the Southwestern Veterans Center (located at 7060 Highland Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15206) on Saturday, June 28, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

"Let us gather to show our appreciation to Veterans for their service to America," said JCOP event organizer Tom Nuhfer. "Display your stunning automobile, make new friends, share stories, smiles, and fun!"

Tom said there is no cost for this event and coffee and donuts will be provided. "Those that sign up will be notified in advance if it should become necessary to invoke a rain date," he added.

or contact Tom Nuhfer at 412-999-6616 or tnoel06@gmail.com. (See page 7 for more info)



JCOP Treasurer Stu Benson brought his 1968 Jaguar Register at jaguarclubofpittsburgh.org/veterans E-Type OTS to last year's Veterans Car Show. Very Patriotic!



THE JCOP PICNIC WAS – AGAIN - ENJOYED BY ALL

By Stu Benson

The Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh members who attended the wonderful JCOP Picnic on May 18

enjoyed a nice day of weather (a breezy, but pleasant, day in the spring of 2025 that otherwise seemed like it rained almost every day with below normal temperatures) and the opportunity to enjoy the camaraderie that came with a passel of great cars, great food, new members attending, and the always topnotch JCOP Dessert Table.

We also recognized our beloved past member, Dave Gestler, in a very special way when his son, Craig, brought many Jaguarthemed books and other printed material that Dave owned (in photo at right) and conducted a Dave Gestler Memorial Silent Book Auction, with the proceeds donated to JCOP.

A special day all around.

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By Stu Benson

With over forty people in attendance, the Roose-velt Shelter was decked out with racing themed start/finish flags and a number of Jaguar flags and banners supplied and erected by Stu Benson and Ken Como. Anyone driving by the picnic certainly saw, from all three directions, that "Jaguar" was the theme of the gathering even if they somehow failed to note the many gorgeous Jaguars in the adjacent parking lot.

Many thanks go out to all of those who brought such a wonderful assortment of desserts which were displayed on a "Red Carpet" table befitting the quality of the confections and baked goods. A lot of work, and ingenuity, went into the making of so many of the desserts where some were baked in a Jaguar theme or displayed on a serving dish like the one with a stick shift coming out of the middle of the display.



Photo by Stu Benson

Given the pleasant weather, most everyone drove a Jaguar and the attendees spent a lot of time out in the parking lot viewing the cars, where many of the bonnets were raised to display the engine compartments. JCOP is blessed to have so many members who brought such beautiful cars. A 50/50 drawing was conducted with JCOP benefitting from 50% of the proceeds. Thanks go to the "Cindys", Cindy



Photo by Stu Benson

Book and Cindy Bailey who went around and sold the tickets and nobody could turn *them* down.

Everyone shared they had a great time including new members Jim and Jennifer Wood (who drove in from Cambridge, OH), and we also welcomed Harry and Pam Fuchs joining with us along with David Condliffe and we hope they got to meet a lot of people and make new Jaguar friends.

Rick and Becka Caufman had car trouble coming from Erie County and had to turn around part way and limp back home (about which it is understood that President Rich Aronson will be elaborating in his President's Perspective column in this June edition of Jaguar Jargon) and they were missed but we are happy to hear they ended up OK, albeit going home with their dessert that they had to likely spend days eating.

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Photo by Ken Como

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By Stu Benson

Consideration is being given to moving the picnic to be two weeks later in time to Sunday, May 31, 2026 so if any one objects to our doing so, please let me know soon. Over the years as the calendar moves forward, the date gets earlier and earlier by a day every year and since we cannot push the picnic back just one week because of Memorial Day weekend, we need to go two weeks later. This will presumably benefit us with a chance of warmer weather and also remove conflicts of vintage car racing at Summit Point that leaves Mike Zappa out of town and a neighborhood concours with food trucks that member Peter Hutchinson puts on every year to which he invites JCOP members.

Hopefully everyone enjoyed the Zoom, Zoom, GRRROWWWLL of their Jaguars on the way home, reveling in their interaction with really nice people and having fully satiated their appetites as well as looking forward to all the treats for which take-home containers were provided for that coming week's enjoyment at home or work.

More picnic photos are at jaguarclubofpittsburgh.org/photo-gallery



Photo by Ken Como



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Photo by Stu Benson



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Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh **2025 Events Calendar**



June 28 Veterans Car Show at Southwestern Veterans Center with Steel Town Corvette Club

(Tom Nuhfer - 412-999-6616 or tnoel06@gmail.com)

August 9 Sewickley Car Show for Exceptional Cars (Chuck Pipich)

August 23 Jaguars at Jacksons (Hosted by Dave and Karen Gamret)

September 20 Pittsburgh Concours d'Elegance at Fox Chapel Yacht Club (Bryan Williams)

September 28 British Cars at Hartwood (Coordinated by Jack Terrick, Stu Benson, Mike Zappa)

Jaguar Clubs of North America Upcoming Events

September 26-29, 2025 The North Georgia Jaguar Club will be hosting the 2025 JCNA

International Jaguar Festival primarily on the premises of the Savoy

Automobile Museum, located off I-75, in Cartersville Georgia with lodging

and parking nearby. https://www.ngjc.us/IJF/registration.html

Other Events of Interest to JCOP Members

July 11-20, 2025 Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix

10 days of races, car shows and motorsport events.

Website: pvgp.org



"Double Clutching and Rev Matching" President's Perspective Rich Aronson



Trouble with the "Prince of Darkness" and other Misfortunes

Rick and Becca Caufman were happily motoring from their home in Corry, PA in their mid-nineties Vanden Plas Saloon when their trip to our May 18 picnic was rudely interrupted as Rick explains...

Well, I thought the replacement of Lucas (the inventors of electrical darkness) with Nippondenso would insure more carefree motoring. Alas, at a mere 106,xxx miles our alternator decided English weather was not to its liking. About 30 miles into the journey, what looked like another instrument panel bit of erratic behaviour (British spelling) was an actual low voltage condition. We made it to a car parts store where it was determined to be a failed alternator. Even if there had been one in stock, roadside replacement with an imitation Leatherman tool would have been impossible. So, after a 1 hour recharge we started home. After about 15 miles, the battery was down, so I connected my starter/booster for a 3 volt gain and made another 9 miles to the next car parts store, recharged both battery and booster, attached the booster to the recharged battery, started the car on the booster and drove the remaining 7 or so miles home. Most of the Jaguar-themed cupcakes survived the trip, though some were given to store staff in appreciation of their assistance, and others consumed as substitutes for lunch.

Now, to order an alternator, compare various options for R&R of the device, and prepare to rejuvenate our 30 year Car in preparation for the June Soiree with Rolls, Corvettes, et.al.. Failing that, maybe the STS will be ok for the Cad part of the group.

Rick and Becca

No doubt, all of us have a story along the same theme when one way or the other, an unexpected trip in one of our cats went wrong, perhaps sufficiently to deter our arrival and creating "unexpected" issues as occurred here. What's yours? If you wish to share it, please reply, we can certainly run your adventure(s) accordingly.

Rick spins his tale delightfully with the humor, patience and resourcefulness that accompanies the ownership of our vintage Jags- (and to be fair, other marques) that send us back to our garages!

This story reminds me of two examples with my XK -120 soon after my original restoration albeit having run a number of test miles successfully.

The first was a trip from home in the South Hills to our Hartwood show where smooth operation turned to engine missing and stalling. Once I managed to pull over, my buddy just behind me in his rumbling TR 8 and I traced the problem to the distributer points that "suddenly" required cleaning and regapping – we did that makeshift adjustment and then on to Hartwood smooth as silk.

The second was a bit more scary. Driving back from a trip downtown including through the Fort Pitt Tunnels safely and running perfectly into town and largely back on the round trip, the car gasped and stalled – seeming to lack of fuel – but how could the car be out of gas with the fuel gauge still showing almost ½ tank to spare?

Stuck on busy Banksville Road south, a Pittsburgh policeman stopped for "help" and though admiring the car, told me I'd have one more turn to start it, move it off the road (no shoulder) into a parking lot nearby before he'd have to push the car with his cruiser off the road by the Jag's tiny freshly restored twin rear bumperettes! *(Continued on next page)*



"Double Clutching and Rev Matching" President's Perspective Rich Aronson



I gasped and crossed my fingers, hit the starter and somehow by fumes/vapor the car started and just made it into Eat 'n Park's nearby lot where I could call my flatbed. Whew!!

The discovery? Upon disassembly of the fuel tank-located gauge sending unit, we realized the assembly arm was getting hung up on a piece of gasket seal at tank top that was not trimmed quite close enough to permit reliable clearance — so once shaved, fuel gauge has been accurate for 30 years of running perfectly!!

Jaguar Cars News of Interest

Our JCNA regional director, Mark Smith, recently shared these articles to update local clubs on recent news in the motoring press about Jaguar Cars' production and electric rebranding strategies. https://www.msn.com/en-us/autos/other/jaguar-admits-it-made-some-bad-choices/ar-AA1EI86J? ocid=BingNewsVerp

https://www.premiershipfixtures.uk/2025/05/14/jaguar-land-rover-to-rethink-electric-vehicle-transition-plans/

The first article in **AutoGuide** by Jeremy Korzeniewski discusses the controversial very contemporary tone the electric car roll-out established to introduce the new Model 00 premium electric coupe. The main points cited below suggest Jaguar may be rethinking the approach taken but it is very interesting reading.

The main points cited are that the unusual colors of the cars depicted and the actors in the ad were not as positively received as hoped making the rebranding efforts controversial

The article also refers to Jaguar management's strategies being subject to change including a review of the ad agency with whom they've been working when their contract expires in 2026.

No other specific comments on the subject from

No other specific comments on the subject from management were given.

The second article on line in **AdMix** addresses possible conversations within the company of how quickly their timeline to "pure electrification" will be practical given the state of world markets and the pace of international regulations that are evolving. This suggests that the evolution of their full electric transition may be more gradual than originally broadcast in 2024.

This piece is worth reading but the bottom line is that once again, JLR is recognizing that some adjustments may make sense as they weigh their options and assess their markets affected by international trade and economic considerations.

Happy Jaguar Motoring and looking forward to seeing you at our upcoming, exciting summer events!

The Veterans Car Show for 2025

By Tom Nuhfer

The Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh and the Steel Town Corvette Club will sponsor the Veterans Car Show for the Southwestern Veterans Center for disabled veterans on Saturday, June 28, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Last year the turnout for the show was the best so far for the Veterans Car Show with a little over fifty cars. The STCC made a major contribution to the show with some twenty Corvette owners participating in the show. The Veterans Show also had participation for the Rolls Royce and the Bentley club and Triumph club.

The Veterans Car Show provides a day for the disabled veterans and their families that come to the show to aid the veterans to view the show. This one-day event provides the disabled veterans a view of a range of remarkable cars and an opportunity to meet and talk with the car owners. Many of the veterans are in wheelchairs and require volunteers to help them navigate and view the show. The veterans appreciate the span of years represented by the production of the cars, and many of them fondly remember and talk about the cars that they have owned throughout those years. This Veterans Car Show gives the two clubs an opportunity to show the disabled veterans that they are not forgotten and for us to show our support for their service.







To encourage the club members to bring their cars and attend the show will not require any fees. In turn, the JCOP will provide donuts and coffee for the show participants for when they arrive in the morning for the Veterans Show. Visit the Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh website for the Veterans Show to RSVP, sign-up for all members that plan to attend. Go to jaguarclubofpittsburgh.org. Under EVENTS, Veterans Car Show, there is an RSVP.

The sign-up and registration for STCC is through Stu Benson and the contact information is: stubenson3@gmail.com and 412-491-1586.

All car owners who want to attend the Veterans Car Show and require any additional information, please feel free to contact me, Tom Nuhfer tnoel06@gmail.com phone 412-999-6616. The car owners and veterans who want to make a donation for the support of the Veterans Car Show can send checks made out to the Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh to: Tom Nuhfer, 216 Falconhurst Drive North, Fox Chapel, PA 15238.

Veterans Car Show: Saturday June 28th at the Southwestern Veterans Center, located near Highland Park area, 7060 Highland Drive, Pittsburgh Pa. 15206. Please come and show your support for the Veterans.

Registrations now Open for the Annual:



JCOP SEWICKLEY SHOW

a "Display of Exceptional Automobiles"
Sat August 9, 2025 on Broad Street in Sewickley



As one of our club's highlight events of the year, the long standing tradition of the Sewickley Show is coming up again for another good show in 2025. (Note, its "roots" go back to roughly 1982). We will again be in the usual **BROAD STREET BESIDE ALL THE SPECIAL SHOPS** that we have grown accustomed to in years past. This is a very quiet but elegant venue for our annual Sewickley Show, also known as "The Annual Display of Exceptional Automobiles". As in past years, the Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh will again share this event with 2 other fellow local Car Clubs invited as guests: Rolls Royce Owners Club, and the Ferrari Club (i.e., local Pgh chapter of the Ferrari Club of America). We will again have an exciting grouping, that will represent a breathtaking array of interesting cars, both modern and classics: Jaguars, Rolls Royces, Bentleys, Ferraris, and other marques! Cars are parked with generous space in between, sufficient for everyone to get a close look of each, while "shoot-the-breeze" talking about all the things that car junkies among us love to share! Plus there are plenty of appreciative passersby and People's Choice trophies to be awarded.

Register now - An annually great event, not be missed! There will be 6 categories of awards in the traditional People's Choice voting (See below). Each entrant (1 per car), will receive the traditional commemorative Dash Plaque. See pictures from last year on page 2, and the Registration form on the page 3.

- FIELD IS <u>STRICTLY LIMITED TO 50 CARS</u>, LAST YEAR we were just a couple cars below reaching the max capacity. This show is very popular and we probably have as many cars, if not more, ... So....

 <u>PRE-REGISTER NOW TO ASSURE YOUR SPOT</u>, and TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE LOWER FEE.
 Upon registration, you'll receive an email confirmation and full info packet.
- 2. Otherwise, DAY OF SHOW DRIVE UP REGISTRATIONS (\$10 more) WILL <u>ONLY</u> BE ACCEPTED UNTIL THE <u>50 CAR LIMIT HAS BEEN REACHED</u>. ** Please ** Pre-Register, it DOES help and <u>makes a huge difference</u>, ... MUCH appreciated!
- 3. ALL ENTRANTS MUST BE A MEMBER OF AT LEAST ONE OF 3 CLUBS NOTED ABOVE.

WHEN: Saturday, August 9th, 2025 rain or shine.

TIME: Check in 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM at the registration table.

(Please do not arrive before 9:30 AM) People's Choice Awards around 3:15 PM

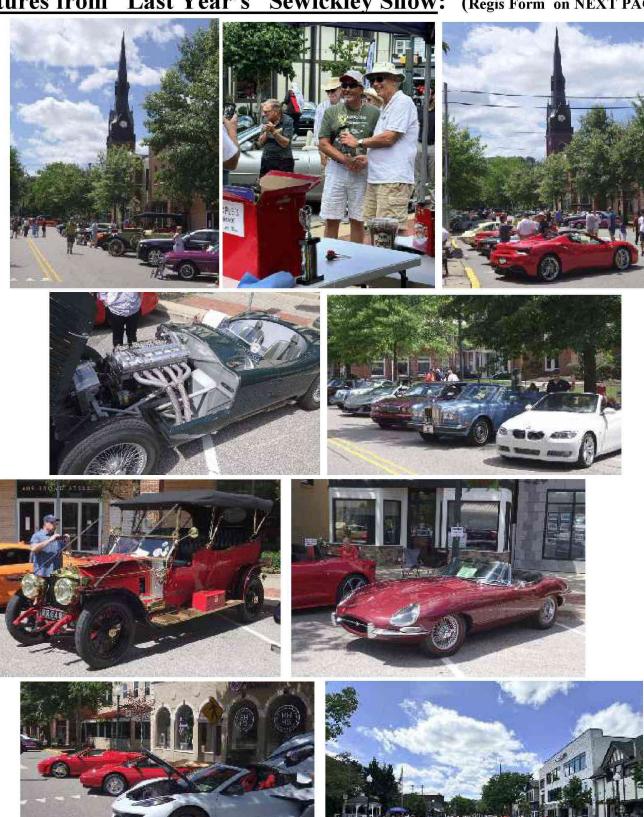
PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS: 6 winners will be determined, according to public's voting, in the following categories: Best Jaguar, Best Rolls Royce/Bentley, Best of Italy, Best of USA, Best in Class (i.e., Best of all other Marques), * PLUS the *Grand Honor* of "Best of Show" (Overall) *. Winners of these categories will be according to votes cast by the admiring public. All entries are eligible. Awards will be presented around 3:15 PM.

LUNCH: Suggested Eateries: Rosa's Cantina, (formerly the Sewickley Hotel /restaurant) at 509 Beaver St., Mediterra Café (take out or café seating) at 430 Beaver St., Caliente Pizza at 510 Beaver Street Rear, plus others. All nearby the show area.

REGISTRATION: Complete the attached Registration Form (next page), sign the waiver, and mail in as early as possible. Registration is complete once your check & application are received in the mail.

----- Con't... Registration Form follows, after these 2024 pictures: -----

Pictures from Last Year's Sewickley Show: (Regis Form on NEXT PAGE)



(FYI – and yes, those *clouds are real*, and are shown AS THEY WERE, (NOT photo-shopped!) See MANY, MANY, MORE PICTURES at



Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh, Inc.

Sewickley Show, Sat August 9, 2025

"Annual Display of Exceptional Automobiles"



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Have You Joined JCOP's Facebook Page Yet?

JCOP member Ken Como reports that a growing number of Jaguar enthusiasts (nearly 100) have joined the Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh Facebook page, designed for members to post favorite car photos and provide details about upcoming events and club news.

"Old Jaguar, new Jaguar, or no Jaguar, we welcome all with an enthusiasm for the marque and an interest in getting to know others with a passion for the Jaguar brand," Ken says.

Find out more and join by searching for "Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh" on Facebook or by clicking on the QR Code at right. Thanks to Ken for creating the page and maintaining it for our members.



Check it out!

ALL-ELECTRIC JAGUAR I-PACE

WHAT WE LEARN ON THE TRACK, WE BRING TO THE ROAD



JAGUAR MONROEVILLE-SINCE 1970



Please contact us for J C O P Specials - Sales / Parts / Service

The first generation of electric road vehicles from Jaguar drew inspiration from our racing team activities. Taking what we learn on the track and adapting those technologies to deliver electrifying performance on the road has been our promise from the start. With our entry into the ABB FIA Formula E Championship—and now with the Jaguar I-PACE eTROPHY Championship—we're bringing that promise to life.



Up To 234 miles1 Estimated range



40 Minutes Rapid Charging Time taken to charge from 0-80% (100kW DC)

> 4G WI-FI Hotspot For up to eight devices



Smart Charging Pre-set home charging times to match the best rates for electricity

0-60 mph In 4.5 seconds³

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JAGUAR SERVICE PROVIDER DIRECTORY

Did you have some work done on your Jaguar over the winter months and you're really happy with the result? Did you locate some parts for your car that were hard to find? It's time to share your knowledge with your fellow club members. Everyone needs a little help once in a while finding that elusive component or skilled technician. We have a comprehensive Service Directory on our website for just this purpose. Check it out under the "More" tab at: http://www.jaguarclubofpittsburgh.com/

Entries are grouped in categories such as General Parts, General Service, Engine, Body Exterior and Trim, Electrical, etc. as seen above. In order to be included, the supplier must be recommended by a club member who has had a positive experience with that supplier.

To add a supplier to the list, send me the following:

Name, address, phone number, website (if applicable) and contact person (if applicable)

Discounts available to club members, if any

Date the service or parts were received

Member comments

Member name

I'll add it to the directory in the above format so other club members can find the supplier, ask for any discounts available, know how old the recommendation is, see specific comments and have a fellow member's name to contact with any further questions. We've had a number of recent entries from members servicing their cars so check it out and add your successful results to our directory. This can be a great resource if we all share our experiences. I look forward to hearing from you to enhance our collective wealth of recommended suppliers.

Dave Gamret dgamret@comcast.net 734-645-5864



JAGUAR CLUB OF PITTSBURGH JAGUAR CLUBS OF NORTH AMERICA

2025 Membership Form

Name					
Address					
City			State	Zip	
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Occupation					
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Occupation					
Please list Jaguars owned* (not required for membership)					
Year	Model	Body Style (OTS, FHC, DHC, Sedan, Coupe, Conv, SUV)			

^{*}Include additional Jaguars on a separate sheet.

Dues (check one)			
	\$90.00	New Membership for 2025 (JCOP \$35, JCNA \$55)	
	\$90.00	Renew Membership for 2025 (JCOP \$35, JCNA \$55)	
	\$35.00	JCNA Affiliate Club Membership ¹ New or Renew for 2025 (JCOP \$35, JCNA \$0)	JCNA#:

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¹You have a current JCNA membership through another club. ²If you have any questions, contact Stu at 412-491-1586.