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# JCNA Annual General Meeting Mexico City

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## Welcome New Members

Member Name	Jaguars Owned	JAGM welcomes our newest members. Please help extend them a warm welcome.
Sean McGaughey	1967 XKE Series 1¼ 1998 XJ8L	
John Postma		
<b>Current JAGM Membership is 146</b>		



## 2026 Activities Calendar

	May	June	July
<b>Activity</b>	Dearborn Players Guild/Ford's Garage Sunday, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	The Brits Return to Fort Meigs Perrysburg, OH Sunday, 7 <sup>th</sup>	Mad Dogs Rally/Dinner/ Barn Theater/Car Show Kalamazoo & Hickory Corners Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> —Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>
	Meadowbrook Theatre Classic Car Night Rochester Hills, MI Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup>	In-person Membership Meeting Craft Brew City Farmington Hills, MI Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm	Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix International Jaguar Festival Schenley Park, Pittsburgh, PA Th 16 <sup>th</sup> —Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>
	Meadowbrook Theatre Classic Car Night Rochester Hills, MI Friday, 29 <sup>th</sup>	Bay Harbor Vintage Car & Boat Festival Petoskey, MI Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> - Sunday, 14 <sup>th</sup>	Cookout at the Hillebrands <b>Cancelled (to be rescheduled)</b>
	Drive and Dine Randy's Roadside BBQ Onsted, MI Saturday, 30 <sup>th</sup>	Motor Muster/Historic Base Ball Game Greenfield Village Dearborn, MI Saturday, 20 <sup>th</sup>	British Car Corral at Baker's of Milford Milford, MI Sunday, 21 <sup>st</sup>
	British Car Corral at Baker's of Milford Milford, MI Sunday, 31 <sup>st</sup>	British Car Corral at Baker's of Milford Milford, MI Sunday, 21 <sup>st</sup>	British Car Corral at Baker's of Milford Milford, MI Sunday, 26 <sup>th</sup>
			Lap the Lake—Lake St Clair Detroit and Windsor Saturday, 27 <sup>th</sup>

For the most up to date listing & schedule of events, go to: [www.jagm.org/events](http://www.jagm.org/events)



I mentioned working on my XK8's front strut upper mounts last month in this column. There were a couple new things I tried on this job, and since this is a fairly common wear'n'tear issue on XK8s, I'll share some details.

I replaced these same mounts in 2018. Now, only 7 years and 20,000 miles later, the lower insulator ring was totally disintegrated. I knew there was a problem when I started finding shreds and chunks of the old urethane on my garage floor. I bought those mounts from Welsh, where I've had very good experience with other parts, but the material used in these mounts was clearly not up to the job. I read many similar accounts from other XK8 owners on the Jag Forums.



My internet research on the problem led me to an excellent series of YouTube videos that first examined the various replacement parts available and then showed the entire job. To find the video comparing the six alternative mounts currently available, open the YouTube home page, then search on [Jaguar XK8 / XKR - Which Shock Mounts - 6 Choices \[Episode 3\]](#). The maker of this video (his YouTube channel is simply called "@2001JaguarXK8") chose to buy only the polyurethane isolators, reusing the 3 steel retainers

that form the structure of the mount. There are two sources for these isolator kits. Both seem to be one-man operations – one in California and one in Australia, and both get very positive reviews from XK8 owners on the Jag Forums. I chose Peter Hobman in California to minimize the shipping cost, and had my set of isolators in hand within a week, for just \$110 including shipping. By comparison, the Welsh mount assemblies (hopefully with improved isolators) currently go for about \$300 and the well-proven original equipment Jaguar parts are around \$1000, if you can find a set.

The same series of videos also helped me save some money on the disassembly and assembly of the struts. In 2018 I took my struts to a machine shop to have the coil springs compressed to allow the mounts to be removed. This time I followed the very good instructions on the videos and was able to do the job myself using a spring compressor tool kit from Autozone's tool loan program. They worked just fine, once I got the hang of it. The YouTube videos gave me the confidence I didn't have when I did the job 7 years ago.



So once again, Jaguar Forums and YouTube videos helped me with a job, this time saving some money on both parts and labor, and hopefully adding some durability as well (time will tell). Now it's time to drive and enjoy!

Speaking of that, it's Driving Season again! I hope you're all able to set aside some quality driving time with your Jaguars—this club is all about creating opportunities to get together and enjoy our cars as well as the company of the great people of JAGM. Keep an eye on the activities calendar in each month's Indicator and the Events page on our website and make your plans. Let's drive!

Gary Hillebrand

## Photo Credits

JCNA Annual General Meeting

Gary Cunningham

## Murder Mystery Theater at Genitti's

On Saturday, March 28, 2026, JAGM made its third trip to Genitti's for dinner and a play. This is a great late winter venue, and this year, 14 people made the journey to downtown Northville.

Genitti's provides an abundance of food, served family-style, starting with Italian Wedding Soup, and followed by six other courses. No one leaves hungry.

The play, *Dying for a Drink*, features Dick and Dora Charrington, who are upper-class socialites in 1940's



into dead air? You might become a suspect in this interactive/comedy murder/mystery.

While a Genitti's Mystery Theater play is not an "off-Broadway" performance, it is certainly packed with humor, songs, and laughs. The onstage performance

Northville and are well-known for their penchant to drink to excess, but on this night they have stumbled into a local dive bar and onto a murder/mystery. Will they once again put their amateur detective skills to the task, or will a live radio broadcast at the bar turn

features unique audience participation, making the experience very entertaining.

Phil Crutchfield

## JCNA 2026 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

For those who may be new to JAGM, we – as are all other local Jaguar clubs – are a subset of the parent organization JCNA (Jaguar Clubs of North America). Every year, a North American city is chosen to host the AGM (Annual General Meeting). Topics of discussion include financial reporting, proposed rule changes for Concours, and most importantly, election of officers. For 2026, the location was Mexico City, sponsored by the Jaguar Club of Mexico and held from April 14th to the 20th.

In the wee hours of the morning of April 14 three members of JAGM headed to Detroit Metro Airport

for the direct flight to MX City: Gary Cunningham, Bic Gohil, and Tim Moore. The direct flight was uneventful, not much longer than a flight to Los Angeles. We were greeted at the airport by representatives of a pre-arranged transport company and taken to our hotel, the "Grand Fiesta Americana Chapultepec" in the Polanco District, one of the city's most cultural areas. The hotel itself is beautifully appointed and online ratings from various sources range from 4.5/5.0 to 9.1/10.0, depending.

That evening we attended a welcome party at the hotel where new friends were met and old friendships

## JCNA 2026 AGM (cont'd)

renewed. In keeping with the Mexican tradition, the service was impeccable. It was here that we met our host Mr. Alexander Mena, president of the Jaguar Club of Mexico and as well, his vice president Eduardo Peralta Jr.

A number of diversions were arranged over the course of the next 3 days by the trip organizers: A city tour by bus, a walking tour to a nearby Anthropology Museum, bus trip to the Pyramids of Teotihuacan, and others. We chose to sightsee on our own so on our first full day we visited Chapultepec Castle, construction of which was begun in 1785. It was used as a royal residence, military academy, and finally in 1939 became the National Museum of History. The palace is filled with works of great art, many amazing murals, and hundreds of artifacts related to Mexican history. A tasty meal at a nearby restaurant completed the day.

The following day we made plans to visit the street known as the "Rodeo Drive" of Polanco. Shops such as Gucci, Chanel, Louis Vuitton, Hermes, and Tiffany & Co. can be found there. As we walked along we made note of the auto dealerships we passed, especially the brand we are all familiar with that has been resurrected by the Chinese, namely MG. Of very particular interest was their OTS car called the "Cyberster" which looks like it is aimed squarely at the Boxster/ Miata MX5 crowd. The MG Crossovers and SUV's were also value-packed with features found on much more expensive



vehicles. Further down the road was a BMW store, on exhibit was their "Level 3" 7-series highest-security vehicle for the princely sum of just \$900,000 USD. Fortunately, we had left our checkbooks at home!

Later that evening we toured the home of the renowned artist Frida Kahlo, whose art greatly reflects the tragedies and triumphs in her lifetime. She is also known as the wife of Diego Rivera, the artist who painted the famous murals on the walls of the DIA here in Detroit.

The AGM was held Friday at the hotel and ran smoothly, the final election outcome being that President Mark Mayuga was re-elected to a second term. Prior Secretary Nedra Rummell was elected as Vice-President. Concours Rule Book discussion was at a minimum, but judges need to be aware that 138 of 248 pages in the book must be replaced with updates.



Friday evening the Awards dinner took place as a takeover of the restaurant "Catorze" where we were treated with excellent Mexican cuisine and service, as well as election results and announcement of the past year's award winners.

On both Saturday and Sunday we travelled by luxury motorcoach to the site of the Concours d'Élégance of Mexico where we were greeted by Alex Mena and escorted to a large tent sponsored by the Jaguar Club of Mexico where we were fed breakfast before entering the vast (maybe 400 or more?) field of vehicles. Not only does the Jaguar Club hold its

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Concours here, but there are also dozens of other Mexican clubs presenting vehicles for judging. There was everything from Porsches to Peugeots, Mus-



tangs to Mercedes, Volvos to Volkswagens, Dodges to Datsuns (ever see a Datsun Bluebird???) in addition to many amazing Jaguar automobiles. In keeping with their remarkable hospitality, we were fed once again at lunchtime by the Jaguar Club, with judges still compiling results for the coveted "European vs. American" Best Of Show award to be presented at the end of the day Sunday. The show on Sunday was more of the same, being just a bit more enjoyable as the sunshine had backed off to a tolerable level. As the show came to a close, American Iron had triumphed with a 1929 Cadillac V8 claiming Best Of Show.



Most of the attendees had departed or were departing Monday but we had chosen to stay one more day and we visited the Museo Soumaya which was built by a man named Carlos Slim, at one time the richest man on earth (current worth \$125 billion!). He amassed a fortune in the telecommunications and petroleum industries. No expense was spared in the construction and subsequent purchase of art works: paintings, bronzes, marble carvings and so on. The collection includes nearly 400 casts and works by Auguste Rodin (artist of the famous sculpture "The Thinker") and many other noted masters. A visit is strongly recommended and best of all, admission is free!

Tuesday morning came sooner than wanted and we were shuttled to the MX City airport which we passed through without incident and made our way to the plane for a smooth flight home.

Tim Moore

# JAGM April Membership Meeting

Twenty three of us got together at Craft Breww City on April 8th for a casual social dinner meeting. The group was a great mix of new, old and potential members, and as always the conversations flowed freely as we all worked at shaking off the winter doldrums. Only three Jaguars graced the parking lot—that will definitely improve in our next meetings.

There were two announcements of note in the meeting. David Horne, who joined JAGM last year with the objective of finding an E-Type to purchase, announced that he has just taken delivery of a new (to him) Series 1 OTS. He was assisted in finding it by fellow member Dennis Weglarz, so it was great to see the club network paying off in the search. Congratulations, David!

The other significant announcement was the delayed

presentation of two JAGM awards to Bob Matejek. Bob missed the February 28th Awards and Auction event because of his heart surgery (as you can tell from his presence and pictures at this meeting, he's recovering nicely!), so we chose this meeting to make the presentations.

The smaller plaque is for 2nd place in the Most Active Member scoring for 2025. The larger plaque is for a special Distinguished Service Award, recognizing Bob for the extraordinary number of ways he has served JAGM over the last 30+ years. Bob has been President, Treasurer, Board member, Newsletter Editor, Concours Chair, Concours Judge, an organizer of many trips, and countless other roles and services to this club. On top of that, he's also been active in the JCNA (Jaguar Clubs of North America), the umbrella organization over all the North American Jag clubs.

Oddly, Bob has continued doing all these things while not owning a Jaguar car for most of the last 10 years! Out of sympathy, the club rectified that problem by also presenting Bob with a Jaguar he could take with him—the gorgeous, if small, blue XK

Coupe pictured here. Welcome back to Jaguar ownership, Bob! And more seriously, thanks for all you do for JAGM.

Gary Hillebrand



## Upcoming JAGM Membership Meetings

### June 10th — Craft Breww City

This will be a joint meeting with the MG Club, and we're planning a fun activity. Members can share funny, ridiculous, nannyish, etc. excerpts from product instructions, assembly and users manual information. Bring some examples you've enjoyed!

### August 12th — Yono Auto Sales, Farmington

Sam Yono spoke about his local auto consignment business at our August 2025 meeting. He has offered up his showroom and lot for our meeting and a cook-out; he's anxious to see a nice collection of Jaguars on his lot that evening. Please make sure you register on our website so we can know how many people and cars to expect!

# Mad Dogs & Englishmen British Car Faire—July 10-12

We always get a good representation of Jaguars at this popular annual show. The weekend includes a Saturday rally run by the Mad Dogs and Englishmen Car Club, and JAGM also traditionally does a Saturday evening dinner and play at the Barn Theater in Augusta, MI. The British Car Faire is Sunday at the Gilmore Museum, and typically draws over 300 British cars.

We'll arrange for a caravan of cars traveling from the Detroit metro area across to Kalamazoo on Friday, and also a caravan back on Sunday with a dinner stop at Schuler's Restaurant in Marshall.



Saturday nights at the discounted rate of \$139 plus taxes at the **Fairfield Inn & Suites Kalamazoo**, 3303 Retail Place Drive, Kalamazoo MI 49048. **Please reserve your room before July 1, 2026 to get the group discount.** See this event at [JAGM.org](http://JAGM.org) for links, addresses and other details.

**Register your car with the Mad Dogs & Englishmen car show and/or the Saturday Rally at <https://www.maddogsandenglishmen.org/auto-faire-registration/>.**

To participate in the Saturday evening dinner and play, **you must register at JAGM.org on the Events page** so that we can include you in our reservations with each venue.

We have 12 King hotel rooms blocked for Friday and

Organizers: Phil Crutchfield and Gary Hillebrand

## Classic Car Nights at Meadow Brook Theatre

Join us for a fun-filled Friday evening where you can show off your Jag (or other classic car), socialize with fellow car enthusiasts and enjoy great live theatre!

**Friday, May 15, Million Dollar Quartet.** An extraordinary twist of fate brings Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley together for one of the greatest jam sessions ever, with an irresistible tale of broken promises, secrets, betrayal and celebrations that are both poignant and funny. Relive the era with the smash-hit sensation featuring an incredible score including "Blue Suede Shoes," "Fever," "Walk the Line," "Great Balls of Fire," "Hound Dog," and more.



**Friday, May 29, Always a Bridesmaid.** On the night of their senior prom, Libby Ruth, Deedra, Monette and Charlie promise that they will be bridesmaids in one another's weddings, no matter what. Now, more than thirty



years later, these Southern gals are still making "the long walk" for each other, determined to honor that vow. 'For better or for worse' takes on a whole new meaning in this delicious comedy about old friends. From the writers of *The Golden Girls* and *Kingdom Come*.

**Classic Car arrival: 6:00pm**  
**Doors Open (for seating): 7:00pm**  
**Performance: 7:30pm**

Feel free to bring refreshments and have a picnic in the parking lot before the show! (No alcohol, please). **MBT attendants will keep an eye on the cars during the performance.**

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**SPECIAL OFFER FOR PARTICIPANTS:**  
Theatre tickets only \$32 each & get one free ticket per classic car!

**Please Register for these events on JAGM's website, then purchase your tickets by calling Lisa Marie in Group Sales at (248) 370-3316.** Let her know you're with the JAGM group so we get seated together.

**JAGM Organizer—Gary Hillebrand 313-595-5365**

## Drive and Dine—BBQ—May 30

**When:** May 30, 2026, 11:30 AM—4:00 PM

**Where:** Randy's Roadhouse BBQ  
7007 US-12, Onsted, MI

Join us for a Drive and Dine event in the Irish Hills area at **Randy's Roadhouse BBQ and Grill** at 1:00 PM. If you want to caravan from the McDonald's at 11033 Whitmore Lake Rd in Whitmore Lake, we'll leave from there at 11:30 AM. Try and leave a little room for a dessert stop after lunch at the **Irish Hills Dairy Bar** located at 7761 US-12.

Organizers: Bob Matejek, Phil Crutchfield & Gary Hillebrand



## Lap the Lake St Clair—June 27

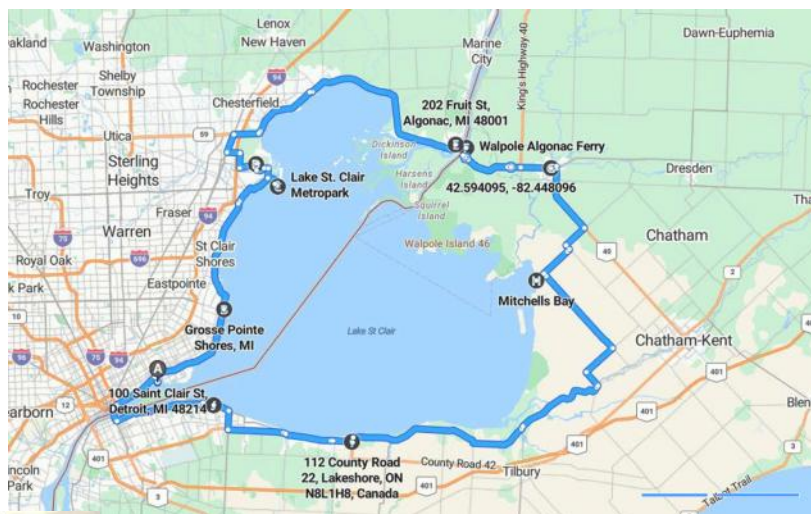
In June, we will embark on an international trip hopefully of great interest to all of us. We will circle one of the Great Lakes in just one day. That would be Lake Saint Clair.

We will meet at Sinbad's Restaurant along the Detroit River. They won't be open in the morning, we will just gather there and confirm that everyone has an Enhanced Drivers License and a full tank of gas. From there, we will travel clockwise around Lake Saint Clair.

We will stop at several interesting points along the way. We will stop for lunch somewhere around Algonac on the North end of the Lake. We will cross into Canada on the small Walpole Algonac Ferry and continue around the lake. Once we get back to Windsor, we will cross back into the US on the Gordie Howe Bridge and travel back to Sinbad's Restaurant to



complete the loop and have a group dinner together. In pure driving facts, we will cover about 170 miles in about 4 1/2 hours. With a few scenic stops along the way, it will definitely take more time. There



might be a pickup point near Chesterfield for the North Siders. They will still join us for dinner at Sinbad's and on their way home, they will complete the loop. The directions will be easy, Keep the water on your right!

Organizer: Bob Matejek

## British Car Corral/Baker's of Milford—Sunday, May 31 (first of 5, monthly)

**Where:** Baker's of Milford, 2025 S. Milford Road, Milford, MI  
**When:** Sundays—May 31<sup>st</sup>, June 21<sup>st</sup>, July 26<sup>th</sup>, August 30<sup>th</sup> and September 27<sup>th</sup> from 2 - 7 PM



Baker's is America's largest weekly car cruise, with live outside entertainment, free raffle prizes, outside grill, hundreds of great cars, and restaurant dining discounts for all cruisers.

British cars will have their own defined parking area. Mark your calendar now.

Organizer:  
Phil Crutchfield

## The British Return to Fort Meigs—June 7

**When:** Sunday, June 7, 2026 10am—3pm  
**Where:** Fort Meigs Historic Site, 29100 W River Rd, Perrysburg, OH 43551

The Lake Erie British Car Club (LEBCC) is holding its annual car show "The British Return to Fort Meigs" in Perrysburg, just south of Toledo, on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

The show is open to all British cars (and bikes). There are three classes for Jaguars: Jaguar Up To 1975, Jaguar 1976 To 2013 and Jaguar 2014 And Up. Preregistration online costs \$18 per car, or you can register at the event from 10am until noon the day of



the show for \$25. For more information and registration, go to:

[www.lebcc.org](http://www.lebcc.org), and click the "2026 Car Show Registration" button near the top of the page. This is a very enjoyable show—relaxed and informal, but with a great number (about 150) and variety of British cars. Perrysburg is an interesting and historic town, and not a very long drive for many of us. It's a good excuse to get the Jag out for a nice June drive. We

also usually hit Tony Paco's for dinner before heading home.

Gary Hillebrand

## Motor Muster and Historic Base Ball—June 20

Join other JAGM members at Greenfield Village on **Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>** to enjoy the Motor Muster along with an historic base ball match.

The Motor Muster features cars, motorcycles and bicycles from the 1930's through the 1970's. The base ball match pits the Greenfield Village Lah-de-Dahs vs. the Eclipse Base Ball Club of Northville, playing with 1867 rules and equipment.



**Saturday hours for the Motor Muster will be 9:30 am to 9 pm, and the Base Ball Match starts at 1:30 pm.** The Motor Muster and the base ball match are free with membership or admission to the Village (\$39 for adults, \$35 for seniors 62 and up and \$29.25 for youth 5-11. Children four and under are free).

Organizer: Gary Hillebrand

# JAGM's 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Concours d'Elegance—Sept 12<sup>th</sup>

The timing and location of our 2026 JAGM Concours is as follows:

**When: Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** (time is TBD, but will be similar to past years' schedules).

**Where: Bakers of Milford**  
2025 S. Milford Road  
Milford, MI 48381



you can call the hotel at 866-246-2761 and let them know you're with the Jaguar club.

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It will be another great year for this long-running event!

Concours Co-Chairs:  
Steven Myerscough and Gary Hillebrand

Registration will be opening up in the next couple weeks on the Events page at JAGM.org.

Our host hotel is the **Hampton Inn in Wixom**. (49025 Alpha Dr., Wixom, MI 48393). We have 20 rooms blocked for September 11th and 12th at a rate of \$127 +tax/night. **You must reserve your room by August 12th to get this discounted rate.**

Use the link below to reserve your room, or



## 2026 Bay Harbor Classic Car & Boat Festival—Featuring Jaguar!

The Bay Harbor Classic Car & Boat Festival showcases some of the finest classic, future classic & rare cars and boats in the country. JAGM has had a big part in this event for the past four years, and we'll have an even greater presence this year, as **Jaguar has been selected as the featured marque!**

The 2026 Festival runs from **June 11-14**. As in previous years, our club activities start on Thursday evening, June 11th, with a JAGM reception. On Friday we join with the other exhibitors on a great drive event around the area with interesting stops and a nice lunch along the way. Friday evening is the very elegant Exhibitors' Dinner at the Bay Harbor Yacht Club, then Saturday is the Car and Boat Show, including an entrance parade and an elegant fashion show and lunch



**This Just In! The Festival's Registration site is now open. To register and purchase tickets, go to:**

[REGISTER | Bay Harbor Classic C](#)

**Also: Reserve Your Room at the Apple Tree Inn Before May 11th! Call the hotel at 231-348-2900.**

for the ladies. JAGM entrants finish the day Saturday evening with a nice dinner at Vernales Steak House in Harbor Springs.

The Friday night Exhibitor's Dinner will be special, with our own Dom Federico and Bic Gohil presenting Jaguar's history and racing successes. A great weekend

always – and even greater this year. See you there!

Dom Federico and Gary Hillebrand

# International Jaguar Festival, at the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix July 16-19

This year only, we have a unique opportunity. Two premier automotive events are coming together, not too far away, in Pittsburgh! The **Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix Motorsports Festival** is a long-running, multi-week autosports extravaganza centered around a premier vintage racing event, but also including a long list of car shows, rallies, social events and charity



fundraisers. This year Jaguar was selected as the featured marque for the PVGP, as it has been every ten years since 1986. In light of that fact, the Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh worked with Jaguar Clubs of North America to incorporate JCNA's annual **International Jaguar Festival** into the festivities. Here are the IJF event details; all these activities have been opened for registration in the last couple weeks. **See the Registration section at the bottom of this article to view all the details and register for the various activities.** Jaguars of all years and models are welcome at all activities.

## Jaguar Marque Show at Schenley Park July 18/19 Weekend

Your \$100/car Entry Donation includes:

- Parking spot with the International Jaguar Festival

Display on the golf course all weekend.

- Weekend pass for driver and all passengers for the car show and vintage racing.
- Entry into the Hospitality Tent on Saturday.
- PVGP Race Program, PVGP Jaguar poster, pin and sticker
- An all-day food pass is available for purchase (\$60/person) on Saturday

## International Jaguar Festival Concours d' Elegance – Saturday, July 18

Your \$150/car Entry Donation includes:

- Entry in the IJF Concours on Saturday and Display in the Jaguar Marque Show on Sunday.
- All the other benefits shown above for the Jaguar Marque show.

When it's available, you will need to complete the registration form and send it in. Registrations may be limited by class size and the number of available judges. Registration entries will be tracked by date re-



ceived, on a "first-come, first-served" basis.

## IJF/PVGP Attendance without a Jaguar to display:

If you do not have a Jaguar to park at the show but plan to attend, you will receive a race program, pin, poster, and a weekend pass to Schenley Park for \$35/person.



# International Jaguar Festival, at the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix July 16-19

## Registration

Registration is now open, through the following link, for all activities, and the host hotel: <https://www.jaguarclubofpittsburgh.org/ijf>

This web page includes all the details for the weekend, including a registration link for the host hotel, the DoubleTree Hotel in Cranberry, at the junction of Interstate 79 and the Pennsylvania Turnpike. The discounted rate is about \$190/night, including taxes.

It will also be helpful if you register for the weekend

on our own website [www.JAGM.org/events](http://www.JAGM.org/events), just so that we know how many members will be participating and then we can coordinate travel plans and get-togethers.

JAGM Organizers: Gary Cunningham and Gary Hillebrand



## Historic Plates, Driving, and Michigan Tickets

We all love to drive our Jaguars, and other antique classic vehicles as much as possible, right? The town governments are hurting for money, right? Both are 'givens' in my book. Sometimes that can mean a traffic ticket that is 'unexpected'. How so?

Technically, per Michigan Law, with historic plates, we can only drive our 'historic' vehicles for specific reasons, like club events, tours, parades, etc. What if the average bloke just wanted to take it out for an 'impromptu' drive on a pleasant evening? Perhaps you are not quite average, and enjoy driving your 'antique' to work and errands as much as possible, because it is fun.

If, for some reason, a traffic enforcer decides to stop you for any reason, and they are looking for a reason to earn money for their town, they may decide to issue a ticket for not following the rules of driving an antique vehicle on the road, which is a hefty fine. They did this many times on vehicles driving in the Woodward Cruise, for years, until finally enough complaints were registered that forced the State to declare the month of August as exempt from Michigan rule Sec 20a., which defines the use of antique car plates. How to avoid a ticket? Try this... Buried in all of the endless statutes which is NOT not-

ed on the 'general' information pages of the Sec. of State web page, is definition Sec 20a. It states the usual limitation that we all know, such as participation only in club uses, parades, etc, but it also has the phrase, again not mentioned in the 'general information' pages, which is '**including mechanical testing**'. With our MGs, Jags, Packards, etc, mechanical testing is a way of life, and a 'given' each time I drive.

So, to avoid a potential ticket, simply place a wrench and/or screwdriver nearby in the cockpit, on the floor or seat, and, if by chance. An officer stops you for driving to work, simply pull out your registration, proof of insurance, and a copy of the definition of **257.20a 'Historic Vehicle'** which can be found at this link: [MCL - Section 257.20a - Michigan Legislature](#) with '**including mechanical testing**' highlighted. Show the officer your tools and request that he read the definition. Nine times out of ten the officer will let you off with a warning. On the tenth, go to court and state your case. You will win and the case will be dismissed. Been there, done that.

Cheers, Lee Jacobsen - Tech Advisor



# Classified Ads

**For Sale:** Chrome headlamp glass trim (BD16790) for left side headlamp on Series 1 E-Type. Brand new in unopened box from SNG Barratt. Paid \$354.08 plus S&H. **Will sell for \$250.**

**Contact Al Jacobson at 248-622-3300.**

**For Sale: 1984 Jaguar XJ6 Series III Vanden Plas.** This is a very nice car, Cranberry Red with Crème Connolly Hide interior, sun roof, and all the luxuries you would expect. I bought the car from Gary Cunningham's collection in 2013 with 37639 miles on the odometer, and it now has 71322 miles. This car truly has Jaguar's Grace, Space, and Pace.



**Offers around \$12,500, or best offer.**

**Call: Chris 231- 972-1947**

**For Sale: 1967 Jaguar, E Type Coupe,** British Racing Green w/ Light Tan Interior. 81,216 miles. Owned since 1990. 4.2 Litre Engine, 4 speed Transmission. Body & Interior re-done in 2009-10. Paint is excellent, Interior only shows minor wear on driver's side. 2" SSTL exhaust from headers back, 6" tubeless wire wheels, includes 5" wheels as well. Gaz adjustable shocks, heavy duty front sway bar. Excellent back roads driver. No rust on car when restored and none now.



**Please call or email for any further information.**

**Tom Hudak**

[tjhudak@tir.com](mailto:tjhudak@tir.com) or 989-695-6141 Landline

**For Sale: 1965 E-Type 4.2 Coupe.** Beautifully maintained Carmine Red/Black interior coupe. Excellent paint, chrome, interior and mechanics. Straight body panels, no rust. Top notch mechanically. Quick in-line 6 engine, fun to drive. Heritage certificate.



**Text Tom at**

**313-205-1105 or email [BLY12770@gmail.com](mailto:BLY12770@gmail.com).**

**For Sale: Jaguar XK Radiator Hoses with Stockinette Finish.** The XK120, XK140, E-Type, and various Sedans came with hoses with this finish; it has not been available for a number of years. They are making a reappearance now – I am making them. A comprehensive range for various cars – XK Sports and Sedans like the Mk4, Mk5, etc. Please contact me for the complete range and pricing.



**Call Karl @ 248-766-9141**

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**\$35 each.**

**Call Karl @ 248-766-9141**

**For Sale: 1971 Jaguar XJ6,** 4.2 liter, auto transmission. Extensively restored by my engineer/machinist Jaguar buddies in Grand Rapids. Quality of the work is excellent. Presents as new with the addition of an E-Type's triple SU carbs. Only 400 miles since restoration. Owner passed away and family is selling his cars and parts. Located at Garage Kept Cars in Grand Rapids, stock number 25335. See pictures and details at [www.garagekeptmotors.com/](http://www.garagekeptmotors.com/). If interested, I can provide contact for one of the restorers.

**Dennis Weglarz 517-599-4007**



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