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Masterson's WORDS

By Colin Masterson

Attending many car events in Florida in the Winter months it is interesting to note that there are not so many E Types to be seen in car shows. Of course a lot were sold here over the years as it was, and is, a major market for Jaguar but many are kept in private collections, and tend to be treated more with cotton wool gloves whereas, of course, plenty are driven, like any other classic car, in the UK.

Whilst I occasionally see an E Type with a small block Chevy, or some such, there are a few really good jaguar restoration businesses over here. One I have only heard of this month is Classic Jaguar in Austin Texas. Jay Leno has just road tested a 1963 E Type rebuilt by them as a homage to the lightweight E Types with a Polish aluminium body (made in Poland, where it seems there are some very skilled workers). Well worth a view at: www.youtube.com/watch?v=gRfT40efYJw



Classic Car magazine has reported on recent American sales that suggest that demand is weaker now than it was a year ago. All four of the E-type roadsters offered at the Scottsdale, Arizona auctions sold for below their realistic estimates, by as much as 31%, suggesting the beginning of a price correction. They've already reported the most collectable flat floor E-types, built up to January 1962, down 4.5% from their heights. That takes rough examples down to £72.5k, usable cars to £108k and the best falling into the £155-200k range, depending on levels of perfection. It's too early to tell whether the UK market will follow but this is now a World market, so watch this space.

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REGIONAL NEWS

By Colin Manconi

Hello everyone.

At last the season is starting. Let's hope we have some nice weather this summer.

It is with great sadness that I have to advise that one of our old members Chris Juniper has passed away. Chris was a great friend of our Chairman Harry Kuehling. He has not been to many club meetings since Harry moved to Torquay, but was often to be seen at many of the car shows rummaging through boxes of spare parts. I attended his funeral on Friday to represent the club.

JLR NEWS

The following are some interesting figures concerning Jaguar Land Rover. Retail sales in Fiscal 2018/19 were 578,915 vehicles, down 5.8% compared to Fiscal 2017/18.

	Fiscal 2018/19	Change year-on- year	Q4 Fiscal 2018/19	Change year-on- year	March 2019	Change year-on- year
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Land Rover	578,915	(5.8)%	158,916	(8.0)%	76,895	(8.2)%
Jaguar	180,198	3.2%	49,296	(1.3)%	24,262	(0.2)%
Land Rover	398,717	(9.3)%	109,620	(10.7)%	52,633	(11.4)%

During the year, the all-electric Jaguar I-PACE was introduced and sales of the Jaguar E-PACE, Range Rover Velar and the refreshed Range Rover and Range Rover Sport ramped up, however this was offset by continuing weakness in China and the run out of the first generation Range Rover Evoque.

Retail sales were up significantly in North America (up 8.1%), which marked its best ever full fiscal year and ninth consecutive year of growth. Volumes were also up in the UK (up 8.4%) and in overseas markets (up 2.4%). However, overall performance was impacted by weaker sales in China (down 34.1%) reflecting weaker market conditions. The company is taking decisive steps to address these, including working with its local retailers to improve customer experience and create a sustainable model. Sales in Europe were lower (down 4.5%) because of diesel uncertainty as well as the regulatory changes due to WLTP.

Jaguar retail sales in Fiscal 2018/19 were 180,198 vehicles, up 3.2% year-on-year. This marked



a record full fiscal year for the brand, reflecting increased sales of the Jaguar E-PACE and the all-electric I-PACE, which was named European Car of the Year in March, the first time a Jaguar has won the coveted prize.

Land Rover retailed 398,717 vehicles in Fiscal 2018/19, down 9.3% year-on-year reflecting the weaker China performance and run out of the first generation Evoque, although strong sales of the Range Rover Velar as well as the refreshed Range Rover and Range Rover Sport were encouraging.

Jaguar is going from strength to strength, achieving its best ever full year of sales. Records for the brand in Europe and Overseas were driven by strong retails of the award winning all-electric I-PACE and the sporty, compact E-PACE, which has been well-received across all regions.

Jaguar Land Rover total retail sales for the fourth quarter were 158,916 vehicles, down 8.0% compared to the same period last year, and sales in March 2019 were 76,895 vehicles, down 8.2% compared to March 2018.

JAGUAR SPARES DAY

Many of our members attended the International Jaguar Spares Day at Stoneleigh taking in the varying stands and automobilia at the show. The new JEC raffle car was there and lots of tickets were sold. This was a great opportunity to catch up with fellow club members across the UK as well as pick up the odd spare part bargain ready to fit before the show season. Unfortunately I was away so I could not attend and so I cannot do a write up on the show.

PRACTICAL CLASSICS RESTO SHOW

We also helped on the JEC stand at the Practical Classic Restoration Show in the NEC at Birmingham. We had four cars on the JEC stand.

Our lovely F-Type Coupe charity car, Nigel Webb had kindly let us display 1628 VC, probably the earliest known MK2 and one with a fascinating story and race pedigree, Chris Robinson (JEC Racing) was there all weekend to answer questions. We also had a stunning E-Type part way through a restoration by Peter Shrubsall, who was on hand to answer questions for the whole weekend. Neil Blaxill kindly lent us his impressive MK2 which he has built using a modern XJR supercharged running gear.

The show was very successful with us signing up many new members and selling a considerable numbers of tickets for the charity car.

See a full report on page 28.

SWALLOWS INDEPENDENT JAGUAR OPEN DAY

What started out as the idea for a simple cars and coffee morning for our Somerset regional members soon grew into something quite considerably larger.

Significant work took place behind the scenes and both partners for Swallows and for the JEC were brought on board to support the event. These included Castrol Oil, Exquisite Car Care, and Wortec Brakes. As the first cars arrived guests were greeted with tea, coffee and bacon rolls supplied by Swallows and a team of volunteers. They were also treated to goody bags, with a selection of items from sponsors and Swallows Racing.

By the official start time of 10.30am, the numbers were telling us that something special had already been achieved; 120+ cars, over 160 guests, and well in excess of £3 million worth of cars on display.

We would like to thank all of those who made it possible, not least Swallows Jaguar team who put in a huge amount of man hours.

See a full report on page 20.



OUR NEXT EVENTS ARE:

COLEFORD CARNIVAL of TRANSPORT

We always attend this show every year with a club stand. Over 14 of our members have already entered. Coleford close the town centre and the classic cars are parked throughout the town including all the car parks. The event is always held on Easter Monday. This year Easter Monday is on the 22nd of April. We always have different extremes of weather at Coleford, either is it is warm and sunny, cloudy and wet or as five years ago extremely cold. Easter is later this year so let's hope for a warm sunny day. We will be meeting in the car park at Monmouth at 8.00 am for an 8.15 start. We have to be at Kaplans Café early for breakfast!

SOUTH WALES REGION ANNUAL DRIVE IT DAY

We have booked the Priory Hotel Caerleon for our South Wales Region Annual Drive it Day on the 28th of April. This is the same hotel as last year. We had a lot of compliments about the hotel from members who attended last year.

The day will start with coffee and bacon rolls at the Priory from 10am with a prompt start at 11.00am Colin Masterson has again this year mapped an interesting run up through Wales with a stop for tea and coffee on the way. We will then take a spectacular run back to the Priory for lunch at approximately 3.30pm. The menu can be found on page 8.

Will all members who wish to go on this run

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Menu choices for Lunch are in the magazine. The cost of £22.00 per person includes the bacon sandwiches, coffee or tea in the morning.

MONMOUTH STEAM & VINTAGE SHOW

This is held on the 6th of May and I have forms available so please see me to fill one in.



The JEC JAGUAR FESTIVAL at BLENHEIM PALACE

This is a 3 day event from the 3-5th of May.

FRIDAY

Everything starts with the bang of a gavel as the Heythrop Park Resort welcomes Silverstone Auctions for a Friday afternoon viewing of British cars to be auctioned. Enjoy the auction car display or the grounds of this country estate and the Spa in the afternoon before going to the SNG Barratt marquee for the evening BBQ and entertainment.

You can also join motorist journalist Wayne Scott who will be joined by the ex-TWR team Manager Paul Davis, designer Tony Southgate plus 1988 winner Andy Wallace who we will be reuniting with the very car he won Le Mans in. Get the low down on Jaguars Le Mans years and learn more about the team from the people who were on the inside.

SATURDAY

Saturday gives members the opportunity to enjoy some of the recommended drives around the

Run". The SNG Barratt Marquee will host the Silverstone Auction for Jaguars in the afternoon before the evenings Gala Dinner, with guest speakers, entertainment, and of course a chance to socialise before hitting the dance floor.

SUNDAY

Blenheim Palace will be invaded by Jaguars, possibly the biggest gathering of Jaguars the JEC has ever seen! The price of entry for Club members is outstanding value as allows access to the event as well as the spectacular Palace and gardens. The normal cost per person to enter Blenheim Palace is £27.50 per person. We have arranged a special price of £32 per car, which can contain up to 5 people.

On the day we will be running some of your favourites, such as Meguiars Pride & Joy & Concours competition, a long parade on the Palace's private roads of iconic Jaguars from all era's, plus live entertainment. The courtyard will host a themed display of 'Jaguars on Film' as well as some specially selected cars from Jaguar collections nationwide that have not been seen for decades! Also there will be a display of rare TWR race cars arranged in the courtyard with personal from TWR racing days. David Marks will also be hosting a seminar on Jaguar MK2's.

SWCCC ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR SHOW

This is being held at Cardiff City Football Ground on the 19th of May. It is always a good event and we have our own stand in the ground. If any members need entry forms please contact me.



VALE OF GLAMORGAN SHOW

This is held on the 27th of May at the Sully Sports and Leisure Club. We have attended this event for the last few years it has been held and it has gone from strength to strength. It is a great venue with views over the sea and is a small but good show. We will be meeting in the Sully Arms car park at 8.00am.

BERKELEY CLASSIC CAR SHOW

This year the organisers have moved the show to the 2nd of June so it does not clash with any

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other of our events as last year. I have application forms if you need them.

BARRY FESTIVAL OF TRANSPORT

This is the 7th year this event has been held at Barry Island. It is being held on Sunday the 9th of June. We have to arrive early and all together to get a space on the promenade overlooking the sea. We will be meeting at the Calcot Arms, Calcot Road, Barry, CF62 8UJ to leave at 8.00 am.



SILVERSTONE CLASSIC

It is being held on the 26-28 of July. This is billed as the "Biggest Classic Motor Racing Festival in the World". There are 20 classic races over the week-end with over 1000 entries and over to 10000 classic cars. There is entertainment in the evenings and racing all day long. If you have not been before this really is one event you must go to.

We have attended this meeting for many years and have really enjoyed it. Fourteen of our members are going on the Friday and returning on Sunday evening. You really need more than one day to see it all. We have booked to stay the Friday and Saturday nights in a hotel not far away from Silverstone and I have booked an evening meal at our favourite restaurant "The Cromwell Cottage" for both Friday and Saturday nights. I still have a few rooms available. Please contact me for details.

The tickets for the event have to be booked over the internet on the Silverstone Classic site. The cost for 2 entry tickets plus the important car pass ticket which allows you to park on the JEC stand on the infield. You must enter under the Club Display Package and use the JEC code of CCD0052019.

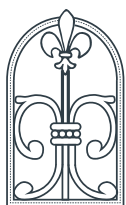


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Roast vine tomato soup, sourdough

Chicken liver pate, spiced pear and grape chutney

Marinated anchovy and red pepper salad

Feta and vegetable salad, garlic and tarragon dressing

Beef and chorizo hotpot, sourdough

Mains

Roast rib of aged Welsh beef

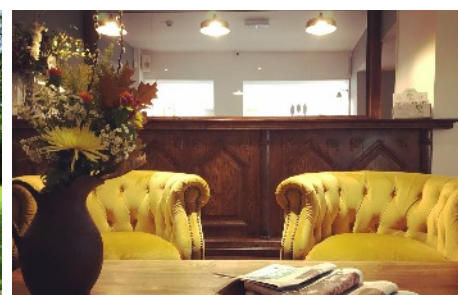
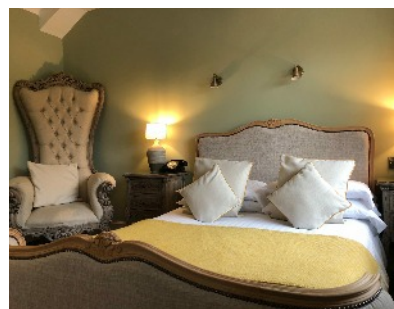
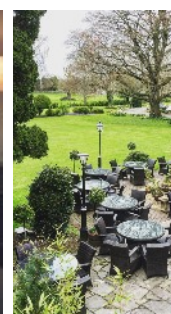
Salt baked belly pork

Roast leg of Monmouthshire lamb

Roast breast of chicken, roasting juices

Baked salmon, paprika aioli

All main courses are served with a selection of seasonal vegetables





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South Wales Region Drive It Day



South Wales Region

**April
28**

Drive It Day

The South Wales Region will once again be holding a Drive it Day event on the **28th of April**. Open to members of all regions of the JEC, but please try and turn up in a Jaguar!

We will meet at the Priory Hotel, High Street Caerleon, Newport, NP18 1AG, from 10am for coffee/tea and bacon rolls and will leave at 11am sharp.

Colin Masterson has again this year mapped an interesting run up through Wales, with comfort and coffee stops.

We will then take a spectacular run back to the Priory for lunch at 3.30pm.

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THE TORBAY FLYER

By Harry Kuehling

Greetings from the English Riviera



Greetings from South Devon.

It's been a busy month classic car wise - quite apart from personal activities like having a garden wall rebuilt, dragged to shows at Exeter Race Course and the West Point Arena and taking part in the Rowcroft "Male Trail" charity walk!

PRACTICAL CLASSICS "BEST LOCAL CLASSIC CAR CLUB"

The brilliant news for the Torbay Old Wheels Club is in respect of the Practical Classics magazine's search for the best local classic car club. We (along with South Wales Classic Car Club) have made it into the top ten! The following report was placed on the club's Facebook page:

"Well, we've made it through to the final shortlist of 10 clubs! It's time for a huge thank

you to everyone who took the trouble to vote for us, including but not only our friends in other local clubs. We appreciate the support from Devon Vintage, the Crashbox Club, the Westcountry Classic Vehicle Club, and the Kickstart Club amongst others. Apologies if we've left anyone else out. Voting's now over and the next stage will be a visit by the judges in a few months' time."

Thanks also to any JEC South Wales Region members who voted for us. We have since heard that the visit at the Blagdon Inn has been arranged for Wednesday 26th June between 4.00pm and 8.00pm. I have been told to get polishing the Daimler!

CLUB TREASURE HUNT RUN - 24th MARCH 2019

We didn't actually take part in the run as I had a dash up

to Cardiff and back the previous day. I had enough of driving! Natalie and I just joined club members for the carvery lunch at the end of the Treasure Hunt in the Wellington Inn at Ipplepen. Julian (our chairman) & Sue are well experienced in treasure hunts (their names having been drawn out of the hat so many times!) and organised the run. I believe everyone had a good time and didn't get lost this time! It shows that many eyes are beneficial on treasure hunts as the winning team had four people in their car!

CLUB MEETING - 28th MARCH 2019

For our March meeting we once again had our annual "Auction Night" ably conducted by Rex with his helpers Dave and Ian. The idea is that members donate items for the auction and bid, as



appropriate, for items required. We had a very good turnout with our meeting room full of at least 45 members. I donated a pair of axle stands, some Haynes manuals, a Land Rover clock, AA badge and playing cards & two camping lamps. All sold apart from some of the Haynes manuals - can't think why there were no takers for the Haynes manual for a "classic" Lada Samara!

At the auction held a couple of years ago Dave accidentally dropped & smashed some pottery. We joked it was valuable "Clarice Cliff" pottery - it wasn't! For our latest auction Dave once again purposely dropped some nondescript pottery as a joke. Ironically it didn't break! Rex took over and threw it down with more force and succeeded!

At the end of the evening the total raised for club funds was over £200.

Prior to the auction we had the brief formal part of our monthly meeting with various updates on events. Julian reminded us that entry forms for our show on Paignton Green were available to download from our website (www.towc.club). We have space for approx. 350 vehicles on the site and had already received 295 applications by the end of March! Get in quick if you want enjoy a break with classic cars on the English Riviera!



OUR CLASSIC VEHICLES

It's been a surprisingly long time since I last used the 1969 Daimler V8 250 - nearly five months! I finally took it for a spin recently & thankfully it ran perfectly after its long slumber. The 1984 VW Camper also went for its annual MOT during the month and went straight through with just a couple of advisories!

ROWCROFT "MALE TRAIL" WALK - 16th MARCH 2019

As you may remember I signed up to take part in the "Male Trail" walk in order to raise funds for this well deserving local charity. The total distance of the walk was just over 8 miles and 411 men took part. Some of the participants wore "fancy dress"! We started and finished at the Torquay ARFC grounds. Our warm up included doing a couple performances (?) of the New Zealand "Haka"! Great fun! I specifically wore a New Zealand T shirt for this - as well as my "Welsh Rugby" hat! I received a bit of light hearted banter over the hat! The biased announcer said that England were going to win the "Six Nations" rugby trophy and that Ireland were going to thrash Wales! I'm very happy to say that he was 100% wrong on both counts!

I actually completed the walk in 2 ½ hours and was about



the 50th person to finish. It was extremely windy on the day & I'm sure that the marshals suffered somewhat standing in the cold conditions. I believe a few only went as far as the pubs in Torquay harbour about a mile away! We were rewarded with a pasty and pint in the marquee at the end of the walk. In total I raised £125 in sponsorship with £80 from the Torbay Nordic Walkers and £45 from Torbay Old Wheels Club members. I certainly wouldn't have contemplated doing this without having walked twice a week with the TNW for the last three or so years! Incidentally we have a guest speaker from Rowcroft for our TOWC meeting in May.

FUTURE EVENTS

The two main events organised for April are "Drive it Day" meeting up with the Crashbox Club at Dawlish on 28th April followed by cream teas and a Quiz Night during our club night on 25th April. Should be fun!

...and finally

GIRLS NIGHT OUT

The other night I was invited out for a night with the "girls." I told my husband that I would be home by midnight, "I promise!" Well, the hours passed and the margaritas went down way too easily. Around 3.00 am, a bit loaded, I headed for home. Just as I got in the door, the cuckoo clock in the hallway started up and cuckooed 3 times.

Quickly, realising my husband would probably wake up, I cuckooed another 9 times. I was really proud of myself for coming up with such a quick-witted solution, in order to escape a possible conflict with him. (Even when totally smashed... 3 cuckoos plus 9 cuckoos totals 12 cuckoos = MID-NIGHT !)

The next morning my husband asked me what time I got in, I told him "MIDNIGHT"... he didn't seem pissed off in the least. Whew, I got away with that one! Then he said "We need a new cuckoo clock." When I asked him why, he said, "Well, last night our clock cuckooed three times, then said "oh shit" Cuckooed 4 more times, giggled, cuckooed another three times, giggled, cuckooed twice more, and then tripped over the coffee table and farted.



By Colin Masterson

Letter from America

We have recently had local elections for councillors, the Mayor and Chief of Police of our local town Groveland and we now have a lady mayor who is making changes to develop the town. There have been considerable moves to replace the old mayor who was absolutely useless and whenever anyone opposed him he played the race card insisting he was being discriminated against. He even took a number of people to court, lost every case despite numerous lengthy appeals all paid for by guess who? Yes me via the property tax I pay! It transpires he lied about his war record claiming to have been wounded when nothing of the sort happened; in fact there is a crime here of "False Valour". He lied about many other things to and at last he has been found out.

The new lady mayor would certainly have got my vote,

if I had one, as one of her first acts has been to introduce various events at our downtown Festival Park, the first of which was a car show. I organised a gathering of Corvettes to meet at our clubhouse to convoy over together and three of us were available to go to the show and five others, not from our community also turned up. In total there were some 70 cars, a pretty good turnout for a first car show in such a small community.

As usual at this sort of local show there was a considerable variety of different cars, mainly from the 50s and 60s. One of the oldest was a very late model T from 1927 which the owner had had for just over 50 years. Unfortunately he had ripped out the engine transmission and replaced it with parts from a Mustang he also owned. That created a pretty odd combination but he justified it by saying that at least it was still all

Ford. One of the most unusual cars was a pretty 1961 Studebaker Lark Daytona convertible. There was also a Chrysler cruiser which had the most amazing paint job. One of the most unusual cars there was a dragster that, unbelievably, was completely road legal; You can see the number plate attached to the back of it. As long as it has lights on the front and back, pretty much anything goes over here. The guy drives it regularly in the local area and hasn't yet been beaten up at the traffic lights. He didn't tell me if he had been stopped by the local boys in black!

The registration and organisation of the show was left to my favourite DJ, who runs the Daytona car show and he provided music during the day and organised the presentation of trophies for the best two cars (they always go, quite rightly, to one of the older cars) and for



distributed \$300 in door prizes given by the City. I should point out that what I call the town of Groveland is in fact called a city. None of the requirement to have a cathedral over here to qualify a place from being a city. In fact you can be out in the boondocks with a community of three people (or less!) and call you place a City.

I was delighted to see that

opinion) so couldn't get the air cleaner off to check.

Of course the biggest change in the series 2 cars were the bumpers, which had to be made bigger and lower to meet USA specs and the engine emission equipment which every year got more strict. The three SU carburetors which had powered the e-type since 1961 were replaced with two "smogged" Stromberg

requirements. Many of these changes to the e-type were made simply to make them compliant for USA importation and not a desire on Jaguar to fix something that was broken. Quite the contrary things that work just fine on series 1 cars (such as the toggle switches) were now being replaced with less reliable (junk to you and I), but compliant, components in



Jaguar was represented with a nice Series 2 E-type, which the owner had had for over 25 years it was in bright red but had a not too tidy tan interior. I also pointed out a fule leek from one of the triple SU's that hed had fitted, probably a faulty float in the float chamber but he didn't have any tools with him (very brave in my

carbs. This had the effect of loosening a significant amount of horsepower, and thus performance. Also was the removal of the glass over the headlights; this necessitated the redesign of the headlight openings.

The series 2 cars saw the continuation of changes legislated by USA emissions and safety

an attempt to minimize injury from "pointy" switches during an accident.

Around lunchtime we were feeling a little package and I went off with a couple of the wives to Krispies fried chicken, which although a bit on the

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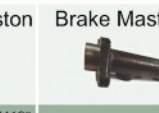
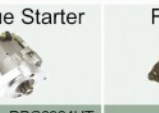
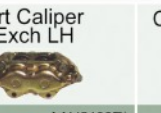
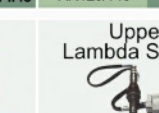
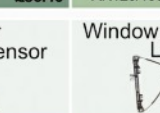
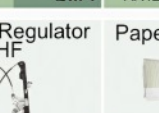
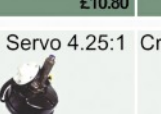
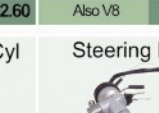
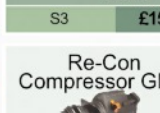
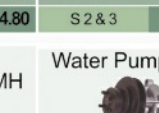
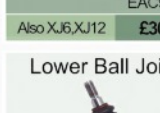
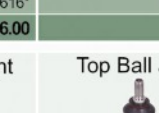
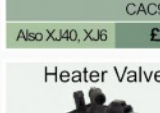
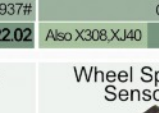
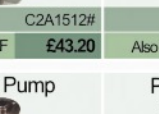


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transport cafe side, did produce some delicious chicken: very much and a delicacy and these parts but probably not something you want to eat too often if you want to keep your waistline.

In the afternoon a group of people came over from Trilogy, our community, and gave a demonstration of line dancing to the music of the DJ. Not one of the activities I will be participating in in the near future, but they seem to enjoy themselves.

Once again it was time for the Lakeland and Winter AutoFest which combines the National Corvette Restorers Society concours awards, a Winter Regional Meet of Corvette car show and a Ford Mustang show and a general car show with lots of traders for both models plus general automotive traders and also a major auction with over 400 consignments held at a local airport, which provided plenty of space for everyone.

There were quite a few British cars in the auction including a 1972 "XKE" which unfortunately had been bastardised with a Chevy 350bhp motor with Edelbrock carburetors and (of course!) an automatic transmission; next up was a white stock 2010 XKR, which was quite nice and a 1987 XJ-SC. A 2001 and a 2003 XK8; a 1997 Bentley Azure, one of the most beautiful recent convertibles with only 27k miles, but it was in black with rather garish chrome wheels. If I had one it would be in royal blue, which really suits the car; and a

1993 Bentley Turbo R which, in white, was similarly in a rather tasteless.

Tucked away in a corner was a 1974 SAAB Sonnet - ever heard of it? Nor me. It had a 2-stroke motor mounted forward of the front wheels with the transmission behind driving the front wheels, an odd arrangement almost certainly promoting under steer. The overall effect of the Italian-designed body was inevitably ruined by the adoption of large rubber bumpers, typical of the period.

Another treat for the purists (not!) was a 1974 MGB GT fitted with a 215 c.i. aluminium headed and blocked Oldsmobile V8, a manual Camaro transmission. Actually, now I come to think of it this was actually a nice car and would make a good daily driver.

What if your Corvette is not completely stock? newest award is for those that are not factory original. Even "restomods" with or without body modifications may be entered in the Concours classes where items are judged solely on their condition, not whether Chevrolet installed them during that model year. Points are earned at each event toward an NCRS Concours Award.

My friend Lowell always holds a car show in Apopka to raise funds for the local Rotary Club that supports good causes and it is always a nice drive over to see him. We used to meet more frequently when I had the

Eldorado Convertible as he organised the Christmas Parade and a number of shows held at old peoples homes (or whatever the PC term is for them) which were always fun, particularly when listening to the stories some of the residents had about cars they had owned, sometimes as long as 70 years ago. Motoring life was a little different then.

The owners of the first 100 cars to register got donuts and coffee, a great incentive to get there in good time! There was a draw for door prizes and the holders of tickets each number next to mine won.

The show attracted mainly older cars with a sprinkling of what are described as modern "cars of interest", the Corvette falling into that category. I parked next to an almost identical Corvette of the same colour and had an interesting chat with the owner and his brother - they had ten Corvettes between them! It is fun when you meet an American with the same sense of humour and on the same wavelength as you, which is not always the case.

The following weekend the Trilogy Corvette Group organised a mystery drive. Nine Corvettes, mostly fairly recent cars, and a Cadillac XLR. The Cadillac XLR was Cadillac's flagship sports car and was based on remaining Chevrolet Corvette C5 platform due to GM's transition to the C6. Introduced at the 2003 Detroit Motor Show it featured

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its own unique styling, interior, and suspension settings, and power-retractable aluminium hardtop, along with the Cadillac Northstar engine. The XLR ended production after the 2009 model year.

With cars mostly two up, with husbands and wives, we met at our community clubhouse and took a 3-hour trip mainly through winding country roads to our lunch-stop destination with a couple of fuel/coffee/ comfort stops on the way. Most people don't venture onto these country roads but it is a good chance to see much more of the country than many visitors and even some local see. Of course, before the advent of theme parks, tourism and the attraction the area has for retirees, this was farming country with a large amount of cattle, the state was second only to Texas for its cattle population at one time, and citrus fruit growing with a number of other niche business like orchid growing. At this time of year with trees putting out a lot of fresh green leaves the general countryside has an almost English look about it

We were not given maps or tulip books or any directions so we had to keep up with the brisk running of the pace car. There was a sweeper at the back who

also knew the route in case any one was caught by traffic but all went well and we arrived at Peck's Old Port Cove at Crystal River, around 80 miles from home, just inland from the Gulf of Mexico. In fact I had been there only a few weeks ago to go snorkelling with manatees, the only place in Florida where it is possible to do this and an experience not to be missed.

The restaurant was quite old worldly a scaled up version of the crab shacks you get in and around the waterways with a varied menu majoring in fish dishes like grouper, clams, oysters, shrimp etc cooked anyway you wanted: grilled, fried, blackened, Cajun, coconut fried and so on, all with fixings (eg sides of fries and coleslaw) - have I made your mouth water? It was delicious. Some members went on to a car show and some stopped at an ice-cream parlour but we made our way home as we didn't want to leave our dog Harry for too long. More trips are planned for the Summer, whilst I am away, but I'm looking forward to them on my return in the Autumn.

This will be the last Letter from America until I return in the Autumn.



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The Xclusively Jaguar Mark 2 Diamond Jubilee Concours d'Elegance Class.

If you own a Jaguar Mark 2 which is of a 'Concours d'Elegance' standard and would like to enter it into the Xclusively Jaguar Mark 2 Jubilee Concours d'Elegance Class at the Great North Classic Car Show on 6th July 2019, please email Letitia@xclusively-jaguar.co.uk without delay.

Strictly limited to 10 entries ONLY. Entry is £10 per car.

X300 XJR

Jaguar X300 XJR Manual Day will be held on Sunday 18th August 2019.

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The event is open to ALL Jaguar X300 XJR Manual cars (concours, racing, modified, daily drivers, in restoration etc).

Mark 1

Jaguar Mark 1 Day 2019 will be held on Sunday 22nd September 2019.

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The event is open to ALL Jaguar Mark 1 cars (concours, racing, modified, daily drivers, in restoration etc).





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Swallows Independent Jaguar Specialists Open Day

Swallows Independent Jaguar Specialists and the new Somerset region organised a fantastic open day at Swallows in Rooksbri-
dge. What started out as the idea for a simple cars and coffee morning for our Somerset regional members soon grew into something quite considerably larger. A committee for the event was formed to manage this and a date was set in the diary for 30th March 2019 with the plan of inviting neighbouring regions, Wales, Dorset, Devon, Wiltshire &

Avon, Swallows customers and contacts from other car clubs.

Significant work took place behind the scenes and both partners for Swallows and for the JEC were brought on board to support the event. These included Castrol Oil, Exquisite Car Care, and Wortec Brakes. The final committee meeting to thrash out the details for the event took place at JEC HQ in mid-February.

With everything planned and all the details in place the only thing that could not be arranged was the weather. When the day came, we were all incredibly relieved that the early morning mist eventually gave way to sunshine and it was fair and dry. As the first cars arrived guests were greeted with tea, coffee and bacon rolls supplied by Swallows and a team of volunteers. They were also treated to goody bags, with a selection of items from sponsors and Swallows Racing.

Swallows, based at Acacia Farm on the A38 just south of Bristol, proved to be a perfect venue having significant parking

facilities on their own campsite. Cars were directed by volunteers from the Somerset region supported by Swallows staff, on to the parking area, or cars of significant interest were allotted spaces in the main display area in front of the Swallows workshop and showrooms. This soon built into a very exciting and eclectic selection of exotic Jaguars, Aston Martins and a beautiful Bentley. On display were a number of recreations and original cars which included three Swallow SS100's, a C-Type, D-Type, several E-Type's a MK VII with original fitted luggage, as well as an Aston Martin DB6 and a stunning





new Vantage. Swallows had on display some impressive cars of their own including six out of only ten built Palmersport Jaguar XKRS track cars and the car that has been christened the 'Batmobile'; their stunning Palmer Jaguar Cosworth JP1 plus their two XJR race cars. They were also kindly supported by their clients with some tuned cars of note including a stage 3 F-Type that has gained significant horsepower thanks to Swallows unique tuning package, and now has in excess of 600 bhp on tap. There was also a very lovely white XKRS GT, and Chris Jeffery's beautiful blue XFRS Sport-brake.

By the official start time of 10.30am, the numbers were telling us that something special had already been achieved; 120+ cars, over 160 guests, and well in excess of £3 million worth of cars on display. Somerset Region chairman Barrie March welcomed everyone on behalf of The Somerset region and gave the all-important safety and house-keeping brief followed by addresses from Colin Porter and Andy Webber.

Guests then split into groups for workshop demonstrations and talks.

Johnathan from Exquisite Car Care provided an interesting insight on Detailing and how to

clean both the paintwork and the leather interior, and had some interesting slides showing areas often forgotten when cleaning a car.

A number of members had the opportunity to have their cars on the ramp for a vehicle health check by Richard Thomson of Swallows, and were provided with a commentary and written details of areas of concern.

Bruce Smith put his car in for the vehicle diagnostic demonstration by John Odam of Swallows, and an interesting insight of the wonders of computer technology.

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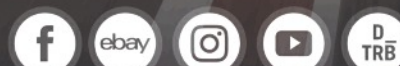
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Ian Kerr put his XJS (Ex Andy Webber car so perfect!) in for the Laser Alignment which most people were amazed at the capabilities of the equipment and the Swallows engineer, Ben Knight. We also had a brief

requirements for the new electric car market.

In the showroom Tom Robinson from Swallows gave a talk on the Jaguar Enthusiasts Club Toyo Tires & Watchdogapp.com GT & Saloon Car Championship with

photograph the cars on display. Swallows chief Gary Robinson must have cloned himself as he seemed to be everywhere as guests tapped into his encyclopaedic knowledge of Jaguars gained from over 35 years in the business. The event concluded at 1.30 pm with regions heading out on organised runs, including our own Somerset region that made for our monthly HQ at The Ashcott Inn via a spectacular route through the Mendips driving up through the stunning Burrington Coombe, down through the amazing Cheddar Gorge and along the scenic Somerset Levels. We had a great lunch and the chance to reflect on a very significant day that will live long in the memory, and



discussion on the various adjustments the cars now have as prior to 2004 it was more complex with having to drop half shafts and change shims.

Paul Spinks from Wortec Brakes had an array of specialist discs and callipers on show and explained the benefits of the various types.

Paul Pashmore from Performance Oils by Castrol had an interesting pitch on the correct oil for the different engine types and we also had a discussion on the oil

some exciting onboard footage that put you right in the seat of his 1995 XJR. All the talks were supported with audio visual equipment kindly supplied by our own regional manager Patch Jobson.

The new JEC raffle car was also in attendance and proved to be very popular with £540 raised on the day for our Invictus Games Racing charity.

As we moved into the afternoon guests were able to freely engage with the Swallows team, ask for advice, network and

pride for the very first Somerset Region major event.

We would like to thank all of those who made it possible, not least Swallows Jaguar team who put in a huge amount of man hours; Sharon, Gary, Tom & Jack Robinson for allowing us to invade their home and business, Patch Jobson and Andy Webber from JEC for their support, our sponsors and partners, our neighbouring regions and the Aston Martin Club, and not least the volunteers and committee of JEC Somerset.

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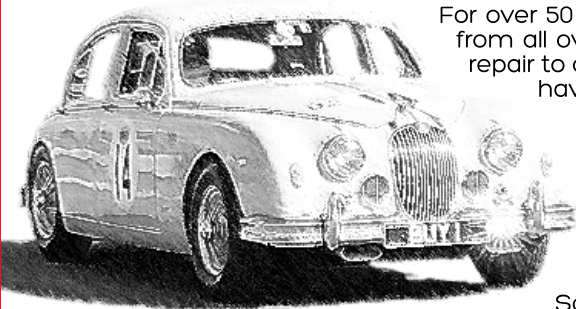
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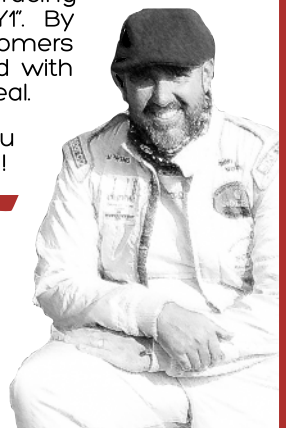
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My F Type Sub Frame Corrosion - Final Outcome by Mike Hayes

As you may recall from earlier articles I have battled with Jaguar to have the corrosion on the sub frame of my F Type Jaguar properly addressed and rectified. I am very pleased to report that after a 18 month battle Jaguar has delivered and replaced both the rear sub frame in toto and in addition a front frame that was also corroded. All of this work has been completed at no personal financial cost to myself apart from loss of use of the car and some hours writing to Jaguar etc.

Briefly, the story started at the Car's first MOT (November 2017) when following an article in the JEC F Type Forum I had a look at the sub frame whilst it was on jacks in the MOT Station. Sure enough there was quite a lot of corrosion on the sub-frame. I reported this to my local dealer (Stratstones of Swansea) who agreed to look into the issue. After much chasing Stratstones informed me there was no issue it was light surface corrosion and not covered by the corrosion warranty. I persevered through both Stratstones and Jaguar Service and was eventually informed that Stratstones would treat the corrosion with Waxoil as a gesture of good will. This work was carried out during December 2017.

At the following July I once again checked the sub frame to find that the corrosion had returned (it was always there), and was coming through the Waxoil treatment. So I raised the issue again via Stratstones. This time the new customer After Sales Leader, Darren Bystram agreed to take up my case. After several discussions- mostly disappointing but with the support of the JEC Magazine information about Jaguar now supporting the changing of some of the corroded frames, Darren finally contacted me on the 11th of January this year to say that Jaguar had agreed to replace the complete sub frame. This work was carried out at Evans-Halshaw

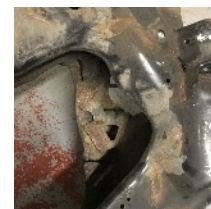
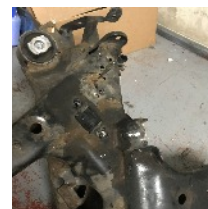
body shop at Merthyr Tydfil. Terry Sheehan led the body shop team who were superb. However, Jaguar had supplied an incorrect frame as part of the material provision. Further inspection found that this was an A frame that fits under the front of the car - strangely enough this was also corroded as well! I contacted Darren and explained the issues and took the car back until the correct parts were available. The car was returned last week for final repairs, which have now been completed including the front frame. As a final fix all components were coated in Waxoil before fitment as a final protection for the future.

So finally after a 18 months of hassle etc I have finally received the customer service that I feel I deserved. No Marque that positions themselves at the higher end of the market should sell cars that corrode and then deny it is their responsibility to rectify the issues - this is simply not acceptable; look at the story of Lancia and the corrosion that led to engines detaching themselves from the chassis.

Sadly it seems some owners still have to finance the all or part of the repairs themselves as different Jaguar Dealers take different stances on the corrosion issue. My only advice would be to preserve and use my experience as further evidence that Jaguar should take responsibility and has done in my case.

I would like to thank Val Rossitor for his support through the JEC, Darren Bystram at Stratstones Swansea and finally Terry Sheehan at Evans-Halshaw at Merthyr Tydfil in enabling a successful outcome.

Driving my F Type over the last couple of days has been an absolute joy as I can focus on the performance and driving experience and not be worrying about what is going on underneath, with my faith totally restored in the car.





Article by Colin Manconi



Over 1,300 stunning classic cars, from barn finds to concours quality were on display at the Practical Classics Classic Car & Restoration Show, with Discovery, 2019. Ranging from Austin's and Fords, to Porsches, Jaguars and Ferraris with everything in between, visitors were taken on a trip down their classic motoring memory lane.

Over 170 Classic Vehicle Clubs

Classic vehicle clubs remain the life and soul of the classic vehicle community, and it is the same for the show. It is club members that work tirelessly to ensure all the fantastic marques are not forgotten and remain on our roads as long as possible, so enthusiasts of all ages can enjoy our motoring heritage.

2019 saw 170+ clubs showcasing vehicles, many of which were working on their own live demonstrations actively working on restoring or servicing vehicles on

their stand during the show including brake systems going under full overhauls, new front wings being fitted, head gaskets replaced and lots more.

Restorer of the Year

Practical Classics' Restorer of the Year competition was back for 2019 and blimey was it a sparkling display across the weekend! Over 12 months, from January 2018, Editor Danny Hopkins and his brilliant team were reviewing readers' restorations with fine toothcombs and collated lovely list of 16 finished projects for the public to vote for their favorite. The competition was tough and all 16 showed great workmanship, but only one could come out on top.

Congratulations to Paul Henley, owner of the Datsun 240, a very deserving winner.

Carole Nash Barn Find

The show is home to the UK's biggest Barn Find display with around 20 barn finds in various states of rust all bidding for visitors votes to be crowned the winner.

How do you define 'barn find'? To some, it has to be a vehicle

covered in four decades worth of dust but to others, it is a car that has lain dormant for many years. The cars displayed in this year's Carole Nash Barn Find display were unearthed from garages, sheds, and the bottom of people's gardens hidden by years of weeds. Some have had to be rescued with the plan on restoring them back to their former glory, while others should be left to 'rust in peace.'

Lancaster Insurance Pride of Ownership

The Lancaster Insurance Pride of Ownership celebrates classic cars and their owners, gathering together those enthusiasts with heart-warming stories behind their vehicle that show they are some of the rarest, most unusual and most cherished cars in the UK. Cars up to the year 2000 are considered. The standard of the car is obviously important, but the passion of the owner and the journey the car has gone on is equally, if not more important.

This years' competition had 20 well deserving finalists who collectively put on a fantastic display.

With the first five finalists

announced earlier in the year - John Smith's 1964 Volkswagen Type 2 'Splittie', Annie Lloyd's 1961 Bond Minicar Model G, Paul White's 1990 Eunos Roadster, Robert Nauer's 1970 Dodge Challenger RT, and a 1992 Toyota Starlet GT Turbo owned by Sammie-Jo Webster - the remainder did not disappoint in keeping the competition as diverse as possible.

Andrew Evanson, Senior Operations Manager at Lancaster Insurance, said: "The Pride of Ownership display is a must see for anyone visiting the show, the standard of cars is simply

show. Last year wasn't the year to finish the project in time but in 2019 the team worked their hardest and luckily drove the car off the stage and out of the NEC halls.

A host of TV motoring celebrities were in the pipeline for the show this year including Wheeler Dealers' Mike Brewer, Car SOS' Fuzz Townshend joined Carole Nash and Salvage Hunters Classic Cars' Paul Cowland, and Drew Pritchard as well as The Car Years' Vicki Butler Henderson and Alex Riley making an appearance on the Friday. With so many experts, the stage

year's show was no different. The workshop attracts big crowds with many sessions having standing room only, and for good reason. Mike Coman and his expert team from Gilbert Michaelson ran various sessions throughout the day covering topics focusing on lead loading, panel work, and paint polishing and how to remove defects. Vital skills for anyone working on their own restoration project or own a classic.

Trader Village and Autojumble

A haven of parts and spares filled with anything and everything



outstanding! As always there's a great mix of marques and years being celebrated which truly means there is something for everyone."

The winner - Volkswagen Type 2 Deluxe Microbus.

The Practical Classics Live Stage with Discovery

The Practical Classics Live Stage saw even more action in 2019! Practical Classics and its team brought along their live project - a TR6 from across the pond - with the hope to drive it off stage on the Sunday of the

provides the perfect place to go get tips and advice from the best in the industry for anything motoring related. The valuable advice given by the experts was designed to help with whatever project you are working on, any issues you are currently experiencing with your classic and advice on what's the best classic for you.

The Workshop, sponsored by Skill Shack

A hub of activity at the show is always The Workshop, sponsored by Skill Shack, and this

you could possibly need. If you were looking to purchase that one motoring part you can't find anywhere, accessories, automobilia, literature, tools or clothing then the Autojumble area was the place to go. There is something for everyone and you'll be guaranteed to pick up a bargain amongst the 100s of stands making up this must visit feature of the show.

Classic Car Auctions

The CCA auction at the Practical Classics Classic Car and

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Restoration Show at the weekend had a fantastic sale rate of 79% of cars sold with a number of key cars selling over their top estimate and achieving a total sale of £2.4 million.

Saturday, With 97 lots up for auction, proceedings kicked off well with some enthusiastic bidding. It wasn't long before there were huge cheers as Lot 108 a 1990 Mercedes 420 SEC went for more than double its original estimate, selling at £21,645.

Lots of enthusiastic bidding led to the 1977 Ford Escort Mk2 RS2000 X-Pack achieving £39,960, a 1986 Renault Alpine GTA V6 Turbo went for £16,095 and the beautiful 1970 Jaguar E-Type 4.2 Series 2 Roadster achieved £62,160. A 1964 Land Rover 88" SII A received a round of applause for selling at £26,640 and a cracking little VW Golf from 1976 went for £10,101!

There were also some other notable sales; the very rare, right-hand drive 1982 DeLorean DMC-12 which went for £40,515 after an engaging bidding war as well as the 1988 BMW M635 CSI that attracted a lot of attention and after fierce bidding went for £23,865.

Sunday was another full day at auction saw 91 cars being

presented for sale; the star lot being the stunning 1969 Fiat Dino 2.4 Coupe which attracted a lot of interest, including a number of bidders from around the world. Bidding was very strong with the car selling for £62,160 and eventually staying in the UK.

The beautiful 1967 Mercedes 250 SL Pagoda sold at £53,280 and the barn find Ferrari Testarossa which had been the subject of interest all weekend, sold well at £29,415. The remarkable time warp Ford Escort 1.6i Cabriolet with less than 3,000 miles on the clock sold for £23,310 and the 1989 BMW 325i Sport sold well at £29,082.

The Jaguars started well from the off with the 1968 340 getting bidders fired up and settling at £11,100. Following a few lots later and after some fierce bidding the 1990 XJS V12 Convertible in breath-taking condition sold well above its estimate for £28,305. Other Jaguars fared very well, with the E-Types again proving very desirable.

A 1960 Daimler Dart SP250 which was offered for no reserve did very well achieving £16,095 whilst a 1936 Douglas Endeavour, a motorcycle in need of a full restoration was offered at no

reserve sold for £9,990.

Gary Dunne, Classic Car Auctions auction manager commented "This was CCA's third year at the Practical Classics Classic Car and Restoration Show and yet again a fantastic start to our year. Well over £2 million worth of cars sold and a sales rate of 79% is a testament to our vendors and buyers alike. See you there next year!"

Sporting Bear's Dream Rides Garage

The Practical Classics Classic Car & Restoration Show, is always thrilled to work with Sporting Bears Dream Rides Garage. What better way is there to raise money for charity than by taking a ten mile passenger ride in the car of your dreams?

'Dream Rides', run by charity organization The Sporting Bears Motor Club, offers visitors the opportunity to jump into and experience some of the most spectacular cars in the world, and all you have to do is donate to a wonderful cause. In exchange for a charitable donation, you can pick from the cars in the 'Dream Rides' garage which car you would like to take a ten-mile passenger ride in - the size of the donation

depends on the car you choose.

The Show

With the show being held over the weekend of Friday the 22nd to Sunday the 24th of March, meant Michael and I driving up on Thursday to join Patch and Tom to help build up the stand ready for the opening on Friday morning. As this years charity raffle car, a lovely white F-Type coupe, was in Newport, Michael had to take it up to the show. A hardship no doubt, but someone had to do it!

Upon arriving we got to work unloading the van and building

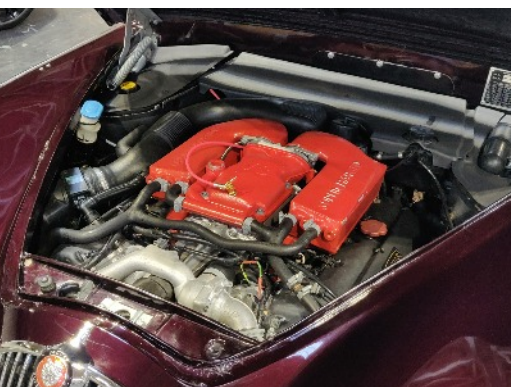
charity car, Nigel Webb had kindly let us display 1628 VC, probably the earliest known MK2 and one with a fascinating story and race pedigree. Chris Robinson (JEC Racing) was there all weekend to answer questions about the car. We also had a stunning E-Type part way through a restoration by Peter Shrubsall, who was on hand to answer questions for the whole weekend. And to keep with the MK2 60th Anniversary, Neil Blaxill Supercharged Mk2!

Peter had last minute problems getting his part restored E-Type transported to the show,

a good rate from our new shop set up. New membership was also busy, it is quite astonishing just how much we get for our £45 a year - take a look at the Members Benefits section on the website to see what I mean!

Saturday is always the busiest of the two days and we were all kept busy talking to members serving coffee and discussing the cars on the stand. Unfortunately I had to leave late on Saturday to be home on Sunday for a family commitment, but Andy came up early on Saturday to take my place.

Saturday evening, tired and



up the back drops and modular store room (also known as Tom's office, or more likely nap room!).

Tom had done a good job of merchandising the shop displays, and set to work assisting us with all the backdrops and cafe barriers.

With the bulk of the stand up and just awaiting some 'beatification', Neil Blaxill arrived in his superb Supercharged Mark 2, while Chris Robinson (JEC Racing) started started manoeuvring cars into place.

We had four cars on the stand. Our lovely F-Type Coupe

quite literally late Wednesday night Patch was on the phone trying to arrange a solution. Swallows Independent Jaguar Specialist came to the rescue very late Wednesday night and offered to collect the car Thursday morning and return it Sunday night. A massive thank you from us all to Swallows!

After a late finish we headed to the hotel ready for a quick bite to eat and bed!

Friday morning we were busy selling lots of raffle tickets for the beautiful F-Type charity car and merchandise was selling at

hungry we retreated to the hotel for a slap up meal and a drink or two. Something amazing happened that evening, something which most likely will never happen again... Andy bought a round of drinks! I know we were amazed too!

Sunday was much quieter, a trend over the last few years.

The show on the whole was a success with us signing up many new members and selling a considerable number of tickets for the charity car and our new Retail/ Shop offering generating a lot of merchandise sales.

THE HISTORY OF JAGUAR

BY BROCHURE
Supplied by Colin Masterson

No. 48
1996 | XJS 4.0Ltr



*S*ince the first SS Jaguar 1½ and 2½ litre sports saloons of 1935, a host of famous sporting Jaguars have been introduced, all of them now world famous classics.

30/30 (1936), 36/32 (1940), Coupe (1951), XK 140 (1954), Daimler (1956), XK 150 (1957), 360S (1957), 4.2 (1960), 412 (1961), 412E (1961).

Yet despite the justified fame of these wonderful models, the most popular and successful of all Jaguar sporting cars has proved to be the XJS.

Right from the beginning, the philosophy of Jaguar founder Sir William Lyons was to offer cars for "discriminating purchasers who wish to have in their possession something really exclusive in modern design at a very reasonable figure". Nothing could more perfectly describe the latest XJS, which is more attractive and more generally equipped than ever.

To commemorate 60 glorious years of sports car prowess, Jaguar are pleased to announce two 'celebration' models offering more excitement, distinction and value for money than ever before.

No other cars – at any price – possess the unique combination of Jaguar style, prestige, performance, engineering perfection and luxury.

The latest 4.0 litre XJS Coupés and Convertibles have the brilliant new AJ16 double-overhead camshaft 6-cylinder engine that has been the subject of such acclaim in the new XJ Series Jaguar saloons. Offering a smooth and silky power delivery, this engine provides a unique combination of virtues.

The standard specification of XJS 4.0 litre models is now even more luxurious. Both coupé and convertible models now feature automatic transmission, cruise control and a walnut and leather interior, reaffirming Jaguar's reputation for affordable luxury.

The two new XJS models, surprisingly sporting, astonishingly attainable and beautiful in every way from Jaguar's 60 years' experience of producing outstanding motor cars.



*T*he Jaguar 4.0 litre Coupé looks just what it is – the ultimate modern Grand Tourer. Its sleek and purposeful styling reflects a blend of luxury and performance.

The coupé can achieve 147 mph (237 km/h) where conditions and legislation allow. Steering, braking and roadholding, honed by years of motorsport success, handle this performance perfectly.

The coupé and convertible feature new distinctive 'Aerospot' diamond-turned alloy wheels as standard with 5-spoke chrome wheels available as an optional extra.

Both models have black bonnet grilles, chrome exterior mirrors and rear number plate surrounds, twin patterned coachlines and new assembled bonnet badges.

To complement the 17 exterior paint finishes, the convertible has a range of 5 head colours for the perfect combination.



*T*he coupé interior continues the XJS theme of sporting character combined with exceptional comfort and luxury.

Both 'celebration' XJS models have a 2+2 layout and now have sumptuous leather seats with contrast piping (dash inserts can be specified at no extra cost). The console lid is trimmed in leather and the head restraints have a distinctive embossed Jaguar 'leaper'. Both front seats are electronically adjustable for recline angle and fore and aft movement, heated seats, electric lumbar support and memory control are optional at extra cost.

Jaguar's traditional hand-crafted wood is featured on both 'celebration' XJS models, using figured sycamore wood veneers and a solid wooden gearknob.



The joys of open air motoring and the civilized comforts of a closed luxury car; the XJS Convertible fully provides both.

The convertible has both the traditional and the new features of its coupe counterpart, plus, of course, the replication of a power-operated hard top. In open form, this can be neatly stowed beneath a tailored cover.

At the touch of a button, the hood and pillarless rear windows close, providing the comfort of a hard head coupe, with even a heated glass rear window.

Very sturdy cross-bracing struts provide exceptional rigidity, so that the convertible has all the dynamic qualities and refinement of the coupe.




For both driver and passengers, XJS models provide exceptional comfort, convenience and efficiency.

4-speed electronically controlled automatic gearboxes are fitted as standard and feature easy switching from 'Normal' to 'Sport' modes. A 5-speed manual gearbox is available at no extra cost, cruise control is standard on both models.

Above the six analogue instrument dials is a line of 'secret' and 'TV' warning and advisory lamps. Below the analogue clock, either side of the audio unit, are the extremely simple controls for the standard air conditioning unit, which uses CFC-free refrigerant and has an air recirculating facility.

The standard audio unit incorporates RDS facilities, which include automatic station retuning and the ability to select programmes of a particular type, such as music, speech or news.





Engineers excel in both primary and secondary safety. Exceptional crash-testing ability, accurate power-assisted steering and advanced anti-lock braking play a major part in this. The braking system in particular, has been further enhanced. System refinement is improved as is the 'feel' provided by the brake pedal itself - accurate, sensitive and eminently controllable.

The XJS body is an immensely strong steel cage with front and rear energy-absorbing members, anti-intrusion door beams and a steel bulkhead isolating the fuel tank. An inertia switch shuts off the fuel supply in the event of a collision.

Most importantly, SRS airbags inflate automatically in a fraction of a second to protect the driver and front passenger in the event of a severe frontal impact.



Pip computer and front leg lamps shown are optional at extra cost.

NEW JAGUAR OWNER

A woman bought a new £100,000 Jaguar car and proudly drove it off the showroom floor to take home. Halfway home, she attempted to change radio stations and saw that there appeared to be only one station. Unimpressed, she immediately turned around and headed back to the dealer.

Once at the dealership, she found her salesman and began, rather excitedly, to explain that her radio was not working, and they must replace it immediately, since she only had one radio station

The salesman calmed her down and told her that her car radio was voice-activated, and that she would only need to speak aloud the type of music that she wanted and the car would find it.

She got into the car and started the engine and then said the word "Country Music," and the radio changed to a station playing a Dolly Parton song. She was satisfied and started home. After a while she decided to try out the radio and said "Rock 'n' Roll;" the radio station Changed and a song by the Rolling Stones came from the speakers. Quite pleased, the woman continued driving.

A few streets from her house, another driver shot through a red light causing her to slam on her brakes to avoid a collision. The woman angrily shouted, "Bloody Arseholes!"

The radio immediately tuned in to a Party Political Broadcast!

THE ART COLLECTOR

A New York attorney representing a wealthy art collector called and asked to speak to his client, "Saul, I have some good news and some bad new".

The art collector replied, "I've had an awful day, let's hear the good news first"

The lawyer said, "well, I

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met with your wife today and she informed me she invested \$5,000 in two pictures that she thinks will bring a minimum of \$15-20 million. I think she could be right"

Saul replied enthusiastically, "Well done! My wife is a brilliant businesswoman! You've made my day. Now I know I can handle the bad news. What is it?"

The lawyer replied, "The pictures are of you naked with your secretary".

THE BARBERS SHOP

Blessed are those that can give without remembering, and take without forgetting.

One day a florist went to a barber for a haircut. After the cut, he asked about his bill, and the barber replied, 'I cannot accept money from you, I'm doing community service this week.'

The florist was pleased and left the shop.

When the barber went to open his shop the next morning, there was a 'thank you' card and a dozen roses waiting for him at his door.

Later, a cop comes in for a haircut, and when he tries to pay his bill, the barber again replied, 'I cannot accept money from you, I'm doing community service this week.' The cop was happy and left the shop.

The next morning when the barber went to open up, there was a 'thank you' card and a dozen donuts waiting for him at his door.

Then a MP came in for a haircut, and when he went to pay his bill, the barber again replied, 'I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week.' The MP was very happy

and left the shop

The next morning, when the barber went to open up, there were a dozen MPs lined up waiting for a free haircut!

And that, my friends, illustrates the fundamental difference between the citizens of our country and the politicians who run it.

As Mark Twain said: Both politicians and nappies need to be changed often and for the same reason!

THE RECEPTIONIST

There is nothing worse than a Doctor's Receptionist who insists you tell her what is wrong with you in a room full of other patients.

A 65-year-old man walked into a crowded waiting room and approached the desk.

The Receptionist said, 'Yes sir, what are you seeing the Doctor for today?'

'There's something wrong with my dick', he replied.

The receptionist became irritated and said, 'You shouldn't come into a crowded waiting room and say things like that.'

'Why not, you asked me what was wrong and I told you,' he said.

The Receptionist replied; 'Now you've caused some embarrassment in this room full of people. You should have said there is something wrong with your ear or something and discussed the problem further with the Doctor in private.'

The man replied, 'You shouldn't ask people questions in a roomful of strangers, if the answer could embarrass anyone. The man walked out, waited several minutes, and then re-entered.

The Receptionist smiled

smugly and asked, 'Yes??'

'There's something wrong with my ear,' he stated.

The Receptionist nodded approvingly and smiled, knowing he had taken her advice.. 'And what is wrong with your ear, Sir?'

'I can't piss out of it,' he replied.

THE BREAK IN

A thief entered a house mid-afternoon. He tied up the woman and at knife-point asked the man to hand over the jewelry and money.

The man started sobbing and said, "You can take anything you want. You can kill me also. But please untie the rope and free her."

Thief: "You must really love your wife!"

Man: "Not particularly but she will be home shortly!"

BARBIE GETS IT ALL

Ralph is driving home one evening, when he suddenly realizes that it's his daughter's birthday and he hasn't bought her a present. He drives to the mall, runs to the toy store, and says to the shop assistant, "How much is that Barbie in the window?" In a condescending manner, she says, "Which Barbie?" She continues, "We have Barbie Goes to the Gym for \$19.95, Barbie Goes to the Ball for \$19.95, Barbie Goes Shopping for \$19.95, Barbie Goes to the Beach for \$19.95, Barbie Goes Nightclubbing for \$19.95, and Divorced Barbie for \$265.00." Ralph asks, "Why is the Divorced Barbie \$265.00 when all the others are only \$19.95?" "That's obvious," the saleslady says. "Divorced Barbie comes with Ken's house, Ken's car, Ken's boat, Ken's furniture...!"

GOLFING SURPRISE

Two guys were playing golf. On the tee, Jack hit his shot way left of the fairway in some buttercups. Bob proceeded to hit

and his ball went way off to the right in the bushes. Jack eventually found his ball and proceeded to hit in the buttercups. All of a sudden, he heard a big *POOF* and a fairy appeared. She proceeded to say to Jack that she was Mother Nature and that she was really upset at him for damaging the buttercups. She said, "Jack, for all the damage that you did to my buttercups, you will not have any butter to put on your toast in the morning for the next month. No, as a matter of fact, I am so upset at you that you won't have any butter for the whole next year! That should teach you a lesson so you won't hurt my creations." *POOF* She disappeared.

Jack, stunned by what just happened, called out, "Bob! Bob! Come over here here quick!" Bob replied, "Wait a sec. I'm hitting my shot and I'll be right over."

Jack yelled back at Bob, "Where are you?" Bob answered, "I'm over here in the pussy willows."

Jack shouted back, "Don't swing Bob! For the love of God, don't swing!"

REDNECK SHERIFF

A lawyer runs a stop sign and gets pulled over by a sheriff. He thinks he's smarter being a big shot lawyer from New York and has a better education than an sheriff from West Virginia. The sheriff asks for license and registration. The lawyer asks, "What for?"

The sheriff responds, "You didn't come to a complete stop at the stop sign."

The lawyer says, "I slowed down and no one was coming."

"You still didn't come to a complete stop. License and registration please," say the sheriff impatiently.

The lawyer says, "If you can show me the legal difference between slow down and stop, I'll give you my license and

registration and you can give me the ticket. If not, you let me go and don't give me the ticket."

The sheriff says, "That sounds fair, please exit your vehicle." The lawyer steps out and the sheriff takes out his nightstick and starts beating the lawyer with it. The sheriff says, "Do you want me to stop or just slow down?"

BACK HANDED DEALINGS

Three contractors are bidding to fix a broken fence at the White House. One is from Chicago, another is from Tennessee, and the third is from Minnesota. All three go with a White House official to examine the fence.

The Minnesota contractor takes out a tape measure and does some measuring, then works some figures with a pencil. "Well," he says, "I figure the job will run about \$900. \$400 for materials, \$400 for my crew, and \$100 profit for me."

The Tennessee contractor also does some measuring and figuring, then says, "I can do this job for \$700. \$300 for materials, \$300 for my crew, and \$100 profit for me."

The Chicago contractor doesn't measure or figure, but leans over to the White House official and whispers, "\$2,700."

The official, incredulous, says, "You didn't even measure like the other guys! How did you come up with such a high figure?"

The Chicago contractor whispers back, "\$1000 for me, \$1000 for you, and we hire the guy from Tennessee to fix the fence." "Done!" replies the government official. And that, my friends, is how the new stimulus plan will work.





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CALENDAR

WHAT'S ON IN 2019

APRIL

- 22** Coleford Carnival of Transport
- 28** South Wales Region Annual Drive it Day

MAY

- 3-5** Donington Historic Festival
- 5** Monmouth Steam & Vintage Show
- 10-12** Jec Jaguar Festival At Blenheim Palace



- 19** SWCCC Annual Classic Car Show
- 27** Vale of Glamorgan Classic Car Show

If you spot any errors please let us know so that they can be corrected. Also take a look at the events listings on the JEC web site www.jec.org.uk In particular, there are lots of tours, seminars and the JEC race series. Also see the web site - www.classicshowsuk.co.uk

JUNE

- 1-2** Tatton Park Classic Car Spectacular
- 2** Berkely Castle Classic Car Show
- 9** Barry Festival Of Transport
- 15-16** Le Mans 24 HEURES DU MANS
- 15-16** Shelsey Walsh Classic Nostalgia
- 23** Bicester Super Scramble

JULY

- 14** Simply Jaguar At Beaulieu
- 15-16** Goodwood Festival of Speed
- 21** Sherborne Castle Classic Car Show
- 26-28** Silverstone Classic

AUGUST

- 2-4** Gloucestershire Vintage & Country Extravaganza
- 3-4** South Gloucestershire Show
- 3-4** Super Car Weekend @ Beaulieu
- 11** Three Cocks Steam & Vintage Rally
- 17** Tatton Park - Passion for Power - Cheshire
- 18** Tewkesbury Classic Vehicle Festival

AUGUST continued

- 23-25** Carfest South @ Laverstoke Farm
- 25** Ponthir Car & Music Festival
- TBA** Bristol Region BBQ

SEPTEMBER

- 5-8** Blenheim Palace Salon Prive
- 7-8** Beaulieu International Autojumble
- 13-15** Goodwood Revival
- 22** The Warren Classic & Supercar Show

OCTOBER

- 5** Castle Combe Classic Action Day
- 6** Bicester Sunday Scramble
- 13** Malvern Classic Car Show
- 20** Jaguar International Spares Day Stoneleigh

NOVEMBER

- TBA** Jaguar Enthusiasts' Club National ACM
- 8-10** Lancaster Classic car Show - NEC

DECEMBER

- 7** Regional Christmas

South Wales Region Monthly Meetings

Held on the **3rd Wednesday** of each month we meet at **St Mellons Golf Club, St Mellons, Cardiff**, from 7.30pm.

All club members new and old, along with potential members are always welcome. Our meetings are informal and friendly - we look forward to see you!

2018/2019 Dates

Wednesday 15th May 2019	Wednesday 20th November 2019
Wednesday 19th June 2019	Wednesday 18th December 2019
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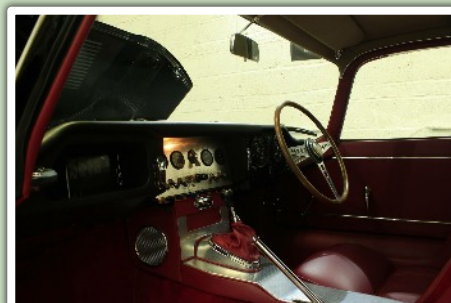
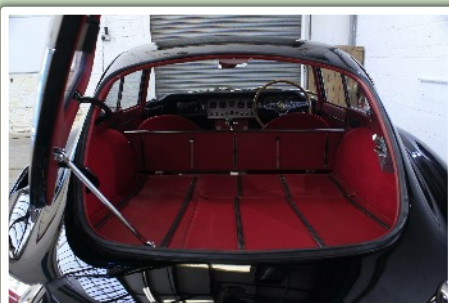
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