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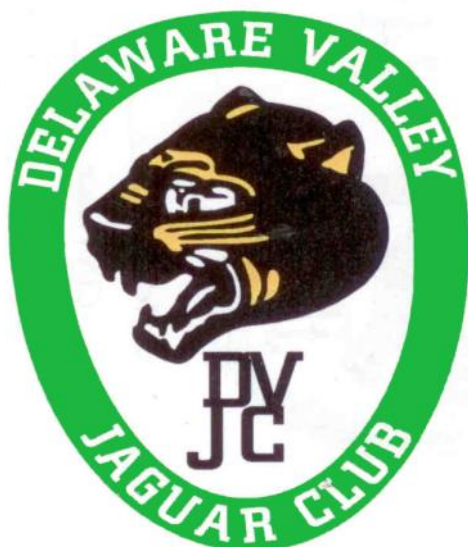


March 2016

DVJC February 2016 Breakfast



The Delaware Valley Jaguar Club tried a new venue for their monthly breakfast on February 21, 2016. The location was the Spring House Tavern on Bethlehem Pike in Spring House, PA. The feed back was positive and the March 20, 2016, breakfast is scheduled for the same location. Those wishing to attend are asked to RSVP so we can have a room for all attendees. See page 9 for more information.



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NOTICE—It's never too late to renew your membership in the Delaware Valley Jaguar Club. The membership fee is \$55.00. If all your information is the same as last year please feel free to send a check to Ann Perry made out to DVJC. If any of your information has changed please use the renewal form on page 15. Please remember the membership directory and listing of vehicles owned is shared only with active members.



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Upcoming DVJC Events

March 20, 2016

DVJC Breakfast Social (see p. 9)
Spring House Tavern, 1032 Bethlehem Pike,
Spring House, PA 19477

Contact: Paul Merluzzi pawlym@aol.com Please RSVP

May 13-15, 2016

Northeast Rally Club Rally Round the Erie Canal
(see pp. 13–14)
Fairport, NY (sanctioned rally)

Contact: Kurt Rappold, 610-358-4055

June 4, 2016

DVJC Annual Concours d'Elegance (see pp. 10–11)
Oakbourne Mansion, Westtown, PA

Contact: Charles Olson, cwolson29@comcast.net

Other Interesting Events

Now — April 22, 2016

It's a Small World, Micro and Mini Cars
Antique Automobile Club of America Museum
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August 13–14, 2016

New Hope Automobile Show
New Hope—Solebury High School
New Hope, PA

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President's Mewsings *March 2016*

Breakfast Social on March 20 – Please RSVP

On February 21 our Monthly Breakfast Social was held at the Spring House Tavern at 1032 Bethlehem Pike in Spring House PA. We had an overflow crowd of 34 – likely an all-time record for our breakfast gathering. The private room we reserved seated 30, so unfortunately a few people had to sit out in the main restaurant. If that happens again, we will be able to use a larger room that seats 50, providing it is not booked by another party. The brunch menu was quite good and more extensive than Andy's (including delicious prime rib). We plan to be back there for our Breakfast Social on March 20. **PLEASE RSVP TO PAUL MERLUZZI (pawlym@aol.com) SO THAT WE CAN HAVE A HEADS-UP ON WHETHER WE NEED TO RESERVE THE LARGER ROOM.** Thanks again to Tom Shaner for setting this up.

Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendar

Don't forget two of our JCNA sanctioned events are coming up soon:

May 13-15, 2016 (see pp. 13-14)
Northeast Rally Club
Rally Round the Erie Canal
Fairport, NY
Contact: Kurt Rappold, 610-358-4055

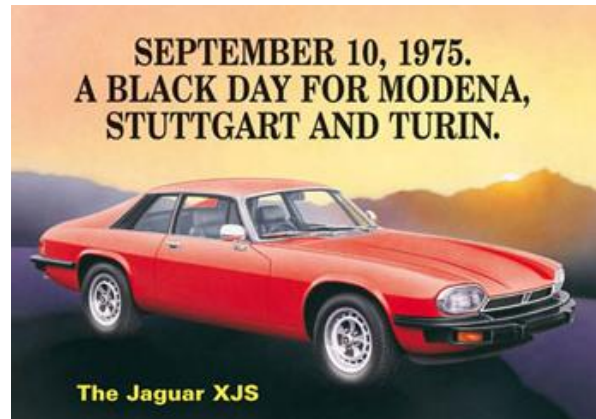
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Westtown, PA
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The Jaguar XJ-S ... Not So Under-Appreciated

It has been a brilliant year for the classic car market, especially for historic and exotic foreign cars. That sector has rebounded strongly post-recession. The demand for those cars has dramatically pulled up the perceived value of the lesser members of the class (yes, I am still whining about the quintupling in value of my Mercedes 190SL four years after I sold it). Most luxury investment indices show that classic cars have outperformed everything from art, watches, gold and

coins over the past decade. The Jaguar XJ-S is beginning to pick up momentum and prove its investment potential as a modern classic.

Despite that, the XJ-S is still under-appreciated by many classic car collectors, including many



Jaguar aficionados. But I am glad to say that its under-appreciation is decreasing at an increasing rate (I loved Ross Perot's political rhetoric and his stats and charts – we sorely need him in this 2016 campaign). The XJ-S turned 40 last September (see the launch poster) and I don't recall any hoopla about the milestone. If there were any major articles written, I missed them. In England, the milestone was recognized indirectly – the 1975-76 models are now tax-free. Hopefully that will strengthen its position as an affordable collectible in the homeland and eventually here in the colonies. Maybe we will see some recognition on the 50th anniversary. Part of the problem, of course, is the 20+ year run of the model. The oldest examples are 40+ years old, yet the youngest examples are not even considered "classics" or "antiques" in most states.

The XJ-S for me is a very rare combination of style and substance. It is an affordable alternative that exudes individuality. The lines are simple, elegant, and beautiful – a Jaguar trademark from day one. An XJ-S stands out from the crowd in a subtle and classy way. It can be elegant, sporty, or rakish – depending totally on your mood and the options you choose.

Like most Jag-lovers my age, the original XKs turned me on to the marque. I remember seeing the 120/140/150 series in my pre-teen and teen years and thought that no car – past, present, or

President's Mewsings

March 2016 (continued)

future – could ever match their beauty. Then along came the E-Type, the beauty of which even caught Enzo Ferrari's envious eyes. Yes, I drooled uncontrollably over the XKs and E-Types and yes, they are gorgeous cars to look at. But from a practical perspective, the XKs drove like trucks (my lovely wife Irena struggles to push in the clutch on our XK-150). While the E-Types are much more nimble, they are cramped and as I approach my 73rd birthday I find I need a special enter/exit strategy making use of all the leverage I can get from the door and doorframe. As I was struggling to exit my Series II E-Type at the post office recently, a guy came running up to me and said, "That's why I got rid of mine".

The XJ-S just strikes a chord with me on so many levels. It may not be a true sports car (I'll give in to you orthodox enthusiasts), but it is a magnificent GT car. The long, simple side profile is very cool and sophisticated, and I love peering over the long bonnet from behind the wheel and seeing the chrome leaper up front (yes, I know that the leaper is not proper, but I don't care). If there is a better GT of this vintage please let me know. Inside it has all the modern conveniences I care about. The engine and gearbox combinations vary from year to year and I would have liked to have found a manual gearbox, but they are pretty rare. I had trouble getting used to the three-speed, tall-gear, automatic gearbox – other than Irena's personal vehicles it is the only automatic I have owned in decades. A four or five-speed automatic would have been more desirable. You will not burn people off at the lights, but it is no slouch (for its time) and behaves effortlessly at high speeds - the way a GT car with

impeccable manners and breeding should behave.

I've been fortunate to own and drive a selection of beautiful and desirable vintage cars and modern cars. But the XJ-S attracts more attention than most of the other cars I have owned (maybe with the exception of the Ferrari GTS). You really don't see many out on the roads and young folks want to know what it is. Older folks are reminded of the "old days" when a friend or boss had one that they admired. Under-appreciated? Only by the most snobbish of our colleagues.

Besides, the following people can't be wrong:

Ian Ogilvy (Simon Templar, The Saint) - White XJ-S Coupe
Princess Diana - Black XJ-S Cabriolet
Adrian Smith (Iron Maiden) - Gold XJ-S Coupe
Frank Sinatra - Red XJ-S Coupe
Tom Petty - Silver XJ-S Convertible
Prince Edward - White XJ-S Coupe
Sarah Ferguson - Black XJ-S Convertible
Martin Brundle – Hot TWR XJ-S
... and many other cool people.

In my opinion, the best advice for someone considering the purchase of a classic car is to buy what you love, what turns you on, what you have a passion for. Any appreciation should be secondary to the pride of ownership — and the responsibility of preserving a slice of history for future generations.

Be happy. Drive safely. It's a Jaguar kind of day.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME HAS PASSED!!!

However, it's never too late to renew. If your information is unchanged since last year just send the \$55.00 membership fee to:

Ann Perry
P. O. Box 163
Mendenhall, PA 19357

If your information has changed please use the membership application / renewal form on page 15. Ann will process your membership renewal as quickly as possible to insure your continued benefits with JCNA including your subscription to *The Jaguar Journal*.

We hope to see you at events in 2016. Your continued support is appreciated.



Roving Reporter - March 2016

By Michael Tate

A FAST MOVING WORLD

I am writing this column in mid February as once again my wife and I are moving home. This is good news as our health is much improved and on 2/26/16 we will move into a very nice modern apartment in Eagle View. Details to those who need to know later.

With all the car shows such as the annual Detroit International Car Show and new releases dealers must be concerned that they have the space to exhibit the full range of their products.

The Great Britains Group sell both Jaguar and Land Rover (JLR remember). They sell far more Rovers than Jaguars. Now, to every one's amazement, they have released a vehicle with a roadster roof. Open top terrain cruising. The Evoque convertible aimed at a market stated to grow 20%. A new vehicle to exhibit. They are, after many, many decades, dropping the Defender but I do not see one on the showroom floor. Jaguar released "The all new XF" which they promote as "uncommonly quick." I have to ask "What does this mean? Faster than normal? But what is normal? Faster than the F-Type? I could go on but won't. This replaces the current XF same showroom floor space. Jaguar also released its SUV, the F-Pace. More showroom space but "uncommonly quick?" I asked if I could get a convertible version. "No but I do have a Rover version." Damn, there goes another Jaguar sale. I read that there could be an Electric version of the F-Pace known as the (Yes you have guessed it) E-Pace. So showroom space will be JLR's big problem to solve. Tents???

NEW HEIGHTS FOR XK150's

It was only a few months ago that I congratulated John Spillman for receiving over \$300K for his

XK150S Convertible at auction. Well here is news of the sale of a 3.8—liter 1960 Drophead Coupe which sold at Bonhams Bond Street, London Sale for \$632,065. IT'S TRUE and here is what they said about the car:- "Black on black leather, 220bhp, 3.8 liter DOHC inline six, four speed manual transmission WITH OVERDRIVE, left hand drive. Full and excellent "body off" restoration completed in England by MRC Restorations. Close to perfect paint, better than new chrome, nearly flawless leather interior." Now I have to wonder about those qualifications "Close to perfect." "Nearly flawless." "Better than new." \$632,065 not a 100 point car? We need to get the opinion of one of the judges on this. I don't care. Can I get my XK 150 S Roadster back?

PERFORMANCE CAR OF THE YEAR

In the 2016 January edition of *Road and Track* the front page announced "The 2016 Performance Car



"Uncommonly Quick" 2016 Jaguar XF

of the year." They have chosen eight cars for the contest. I rush to see the eight. The first pages I open show the "uncommonly quick" XF but it is not quick enough to get rated in the eight which are the 2015 Bentley Continental GT3-R; 2016 Cadillac ATS-V Coupe; 2016 Chevrolet Corvette

Z06; 2016 2015 Dodge Viper ACR; 2016; Ferrari 488 GTB; 2016 FORD Mustang Shelby GT350R; 2016 Mercedes-AMG GT S; 2016 Porsche Cayman GT4.

No "uncommonly quick" XF. No BMW. No AUDI. What's happening? It definitely says Performance Car of The Year. Was it the Ferrari 488? NO with an amazing reason. "The pace of the 488 GTB is not to be understood by mere mortals. It is too fast for any road in existence." That definitely sounds "Uncommonly Quick" to me. But then I thought the \$341,025 must be it, \$6,917 lower cost than 488. So you guessed it. The winner was the \$67k Mustang Shelby GT 350R.

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Delaware Valley Jaguar Club Breakfast Socials

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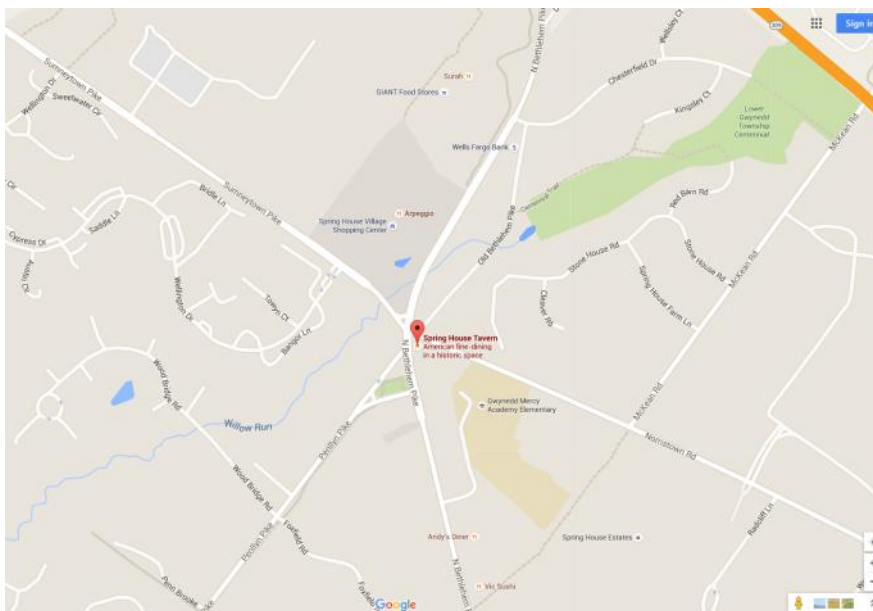
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Exit at Fort Washington Interchange, (Exit 339) thru tolls and take the ramp to Rt. 309 north (Ambler). Exit at the Norristown Road / Spring House exit. At the bottom of the ramp turn left on to Norristown Road. Proceed approximately 1 mile to Bethlehem Pike. Turn left on to Bethlehem Pike. The Spring House Tavern is on the left. Andy's Diner is on your right.

Directions from North: Use Rt. 309 south until you pass the Rt. 63 (Welsh Road) intersection. Stay in far left lane to continue on Bethlehem Pike. The Spring House Tavern will be approximately 1 mile on your left side after crossing the Norristown Road / Sumneytown Pike intersection.

From South: Use I-95 to Blue Route I-476. Travel north on I-476 to Exit 20, East I-276, New Jersey, Exits 339-359, (Pennsylvania Turnpike). Follow directions above from the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

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- * Two or more cars; 1st car \$50, 2nd car \$25, 3rd and each subsequent car \$15
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 Signature of Jaguar Owner

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Address _____

Emergency contact and phone # _____

Email address (please print) _____

VEHICLE make _____ model _____ year _____ color _____

PROOF OF INSURANCE MUST BE ATTACHED

FRIDAY'S LUNCH: I plan to attend Friday's lunch? YES NO MAYBE

IF YOU HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED A CAR NUMBER IT WILL BE YOUR NUMBER FOR EACH RALLY. WE WILL NOT HAVE DUPLICATES OF THESE NUMBERS, SO PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOURS. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE AN ASSIGNED CAR NUMBER, PLEASE CHECK HERE AND A NUMBER WILL BE ASSIGNED _____.

ENTRY FEE

\$ 400.00 entry form and insurance received by April 1st, 2016 \$ _____

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(entry fee covers meals for driver and navigator)

\$ 10.00 each additional person for Friday's dinner \$ _____

\$ 10.00 each additional person for Saturday's dinner \$ _____

\$ 10.00 each additional person for Sunday's brunch \$ _____

DISCOUNT for signing rookie team (-\$ 50.00) \$ _____
Please indicate name of rookie team _____

TOTAL (Check payable to Lowell Twitchell, NERC) \$ _____

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Name _____ Hometown _____

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

E-mail address _____

Jaguars owned _____
(please indicate year, model & color)

Occupation _____ Retired _____

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Address _____ State/Zip _____

Date of Birth: _____

Annual Dues \$15.00 per member

Signed: _____ Date _____

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