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The annual Concours d'Elegance was held again on the first weekend in June. We have always had good weather on this date but this year we started out with showers. But by 9:00 AM the showers cleared and we were favored with good conditions for the remainder of the program. Many members volunteered to come early to help set up the club tent, tables and chairs and class signs. The local Jaguar Dealer, Phil-Penn, Inc. donated a topaz XK8 and a black XJ6 for display and this was a nice bonus. I thought, at one point, that a gentleman who was with the Lions Club at the Strawberry Festival was ready to buy the XJ6.

We also had a good representation of Jaguars arrive from the Nations Capitol Jaguar Club. They had seven cars being shown and they took home the Best in Show, Longest Distance Driven, and several First Place trophies.

I appreciate the support from our sister clubs. The Jaguar Touring Club in northern New Jersey was represented by their President in his brand new blue XK8 coupe. Thanks a lot Chris Acker for showing up.

This year two new classes were formed: one for the XK8s and the other for the twenty years or older original unrestored Jaguars, which is called "Preservation Class". Cars in this class lose points if something has been replaced or restored, must have the official Jaguar historical document to enter, and must comply with all the other Jaguar Concours rules.

The Concours judging went along well. Some of DVJC's finest were kept at home in the vault due to the possibility of rain, but the day went well even with their absence. There was plenty of activity at the Strawberry Festival including live music and

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family-oriented fun in which many of our members participated. The hospital grounds were beautifully manicured and clean. The lawn is now back to normal after the recent construction. I must say that after attending two more car shows that were held on asphalt in the weeks following, there is no comparison to those shows held on grass. We also have the distinction of not being picky about grass in the tire treads!

The traditional Judges Meeting was held at 11:30 and judging began promptly at 12:00. Chief Judge Cliff Hall conducted the meeting and we had the new judging manual from this year's AGM. All together, we had thirty-eight cars in the field and many display cars. These are clean Jaguars whose owners decide to just show up with the car and enjoy the day. It is a free class and as long as the car is clean, it can be entered.

Once the judging was completed, our Club Director, Accountant, and Head score sheet tabulator, Joe Repko, tallied all the scores for us and Cliff and I presented the trophies. My wife Pat, daughter Sue, and Club Secretary Carmella Linsalata, handled registration and entering of scores into the Club log book. All this volunteer work is very much appreciated. The Show could not go on without it.

During the awards presentation, Club past Vice-President, Joe Federico and his son-in-law, Director Jeff Dement, did the photo shoot of each driver accepting his/her trophy. We even had a crew of club members to help take the club tent down and load it along with all the other club equipment.

I believe we handed out several membership applications on Concours Day, so we also pick up new members in this type of event. While on the subject, I want to tell you that the beautiful new Club badges have arrived, 300 to be exact. We were fortunate to find a new manufacturer as the previous vendor could not be located. We'd like these new badges displayed on every member's Jaguar, so please purchase one at the next club event,

which will be the picnic. Let Jack, Steve or me know if you'd like one, and we can arrange to bring them along to the next two car shows, Brandywine Re-hab or the Franklin Mint Show. Also, it is possible to purchase an aluminum license bracket for mounting this badge so that no drilling of holes in the precious Jaguar is necessary! Any of the three of us can also arrange to provide these brackets. Even though the cost to us was \$17 plus shipping, at the March Directors Meeting at Jerry and Carol's, it was decided to offer them to you at only \$10.

We have received a nice letter of appreciation from Brandywine Hospital for bringing the Jaguar Show to the Fair and we are welcome there again next year. Make a note in your planner for the first Sunday in June 1998 for this show. Many thanks go out to the workers who made the show possible. The score sheets were all copied and sent out within the two-week period following the show as required by the JCNA rules, and the official Judges Form was submitted to credit those who judged. Two new qualifying judges this year were Jeff Dement and Carmella Linsalata.

I am glad that our *Purr* editor, Ron Klein, is feeling so much better after his recent surgery and hope that he continues to enjoy full recovery. The quality of *The Jaguar's Purr* improves with each issue and is a distinctive edition. I receive many positive comments from members who cannot come to our activities but enjoy reading the newsletter. Keep up the good work and thanks, Ron!

Happy Motoring!

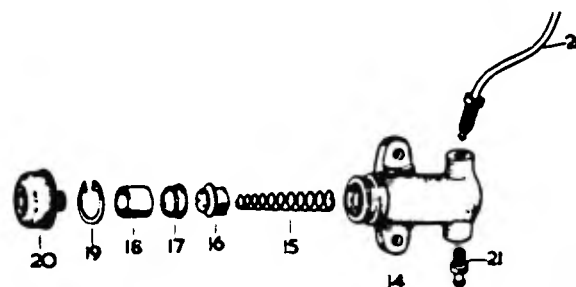
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Tip-Top-Tech-Tips

Here's a handy tip for "E" Type Series I and II owners. If the clutch pedal feels spongy when it is depressed it may be due to the design of the clutch slave cylinder which has a bleed nipple (#21 see diagram) on the *bottom* of the cylinder body. Bleed nipples whether they are on brake wheel cylinders or master brake cylinders or any application should be on the top of the body because air in any hydraulic system will obviously rise to the top of the fluid. To remedy the problem just loosen the brake line fitting on the top of the body and allow the air to escape as the clutch pedal, is depressed. Place a rag around the brake line to catch any fluid that may escape.

The clutch pedal may also feel spongy if the rubber hydraulic line is deteriorating. This line may begin to bulge with age. Check when the engine compartment is hot to see if the rubber line is excessively soft which will indicate a replacement is needed.

Thank you go out to Steve Kress for this tip.



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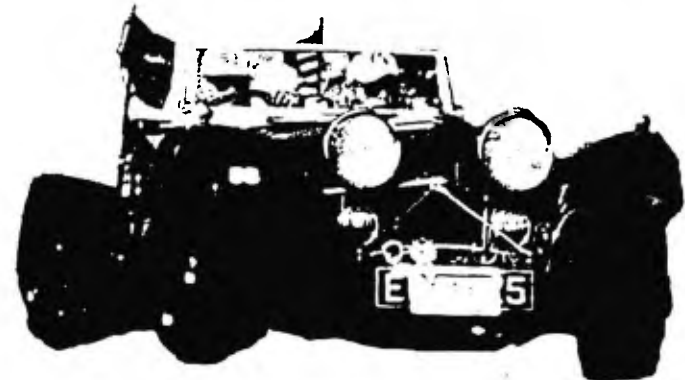
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Sept. 7	Bryn Mawr Car Show. RSVP Kurt
14	Franklin Mint Car Show
20	Hagley Museum Car Show. Wilmington, DE
27	Dupont Riverfest Classic Car Show Contact Kurt.
October 19	DCCC, HCCP Fall Meet Show
November 9	Brunch at General Wayne Inn. Directors' Meeting 2 hours before brunch.
December 6	Holiday Party at General ,Wayne Inn - Awards, Music, Dancing

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