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DECEMBER 2001

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And good Jagging in 2002

From the DVJC Officers



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



December	
2	Club Annual "Holiday Party" at "The Corinthian Yacht Club" with cocktails and hors d'oeurves at 1.0pm and dinner at 2.0pm. SEE FLYER FOR RESERVATION INFORMATION, DETAILS AND DIRECTIONS.
17- 21	Great Britains have the Jaguar Formula 1 Race Car during this period
2002 January	
15	Year 2002 payment of dues by this date please

27 Board Meeting and planning session to be held at Muriel & Mike Tate's House at 1.0pm

DIRECTIONS Take 276 to exit 26. 100yards though toll take 309 North. Off at Norristown Road/Gwynedd Mercy College exit. Left under 309 and through lights. Go through 5 sets of lights and 1421 Sumneytown Pike, Lower Gwynedd is on the right hand side just before the 35 mile sign.

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Was Passed By:

Slow Driver 142 cars Fast Driver 13 cars

P.S. Fast driver used 10 more gals of gas than Slow!



# 2001 DELAWARE VALLEY JAGUAR CLUB "HOLIDAY PARTY"

Your Board of Directors has selected **The Corinthian Yacht Club** as the site of our last 2001 event, which is the Holiday Party. Some of the feedback I have heard with past events is being solved with this event, as we are letting you know ASAP about this December event. We are very central, just being 2.7 miles north of I-476, just off Route 95. Parking is very private and safe at this site. We are holding the cost down to only \$70.00 per couple, and for those sailing enthusiasts, of which we have a few, this place has such atmosphere that you will feel great satisfaction just being there.

Enjoy a warm and special ambiance offered by **The Corinthian Yacht Club**. Thanks to one of our members, we were able to make arrangements to be here this year. The affair will be held on Sunday afternoon starting at 1:00pm, so that people can enjoy the fantastic view of the river and the site, and also get home in a reasonable time. Please put December 2<sup>nd</sup> on your calendars, so that you do not miss out on this one. Club sponsored hors d'oeurves will be served at 1:00pm, with dinner starting about 2:00pm. Thank you to Joanne Poinsard, DVJC Member, for her Jaguar portrait on the cover.

We are limited to only 100 reservations, so do not hesitate in sending in the application. Sorry - no tickets will be sold at the door. Please make out your check to "D.V.J.C." only!

The site is right next to The Governor Printz Park and the Lagoon Restaurant. The Directors' Meeting will be conducted at Mike and Murial's house in January.

The menu will consist of prime rib of beef au jus, chicken "Kiev", or poached salmon Don Izetti. All dinners will include: fruit cocktail, salad or soup, potato, rolls, coffee or tea, and dessert. We will have a bar for which anyone 21 or older may indulge, with music on a nice hardwood floor overlooking the Delaware River. If it is a nice day, I hope we can line up a nice collection of Jaguars along the drive. As a reminder – since this is a private club and since this is a holiday party, the dress code will require proper attire, namely ties.







Please send your application for your choice of food with a check to "D.V.J.C." to: Delaware Valley Jaguar Club, 116 Governor Markham Drive, Glen Mills, PA 19342-1033. For additional information, you may call Kurt at 1-610-358-4055. Help us celebrate 36 years as a car club!

Directions: Take Route 420 east to the Delaware River after departing Route 95 at Exit 9. Save this portion for map on back page.

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Your President, Kurt Rappold



# DELAWARE VALLEY JAGUAR CLUB ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY - DECEMBER 2, 2001

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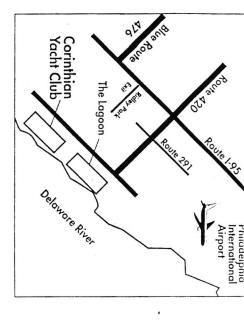
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Weather permitting, will you drive your Jaguar? \_\_\_

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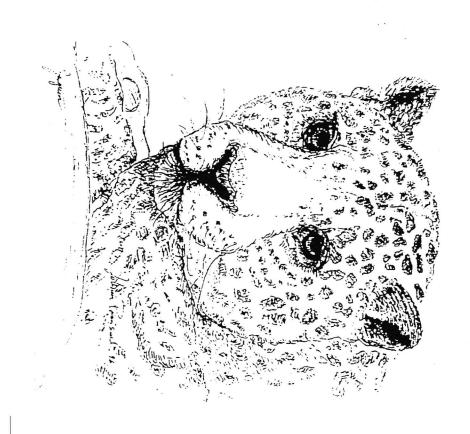




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Take Route I-95 South from city, go by airport to exit 9A (Route 420 Essington)
Take 420 South to Dead End, Turn right, club on left just
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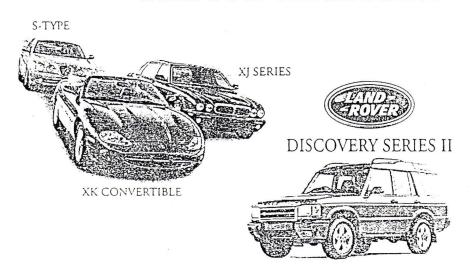


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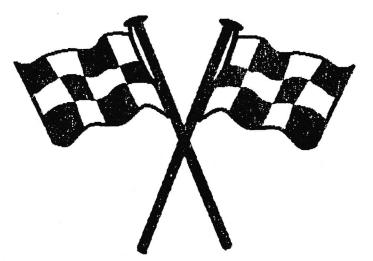
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## **HOLIDAY PARTY**

Our holiday party is coming up very fast (December 2<sup>nd</sup>) We believe this will be an enjoyable event for club members and we encourage your participation. If you do intend to attend please send in your checks and meal choice as soon as possible.

## MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues should now be paid. To ensure continuity of your Jaguar Clubs Of North America (JCNA) and Delaware Valley Jaguar Club (DVJC) memberships please send your renewal in to Treasurer Steve Kress by using the renewal application enclosed. TECHNICAL SESSION AT GREAT BRITAINS

The day started with rain which we dearly need and then improved to be a beautiful Fall day. The rain did not deter some of our diehard Jaguar drivers from coming in their exotic cars. An XK 120 Roadster drove right into our "Hunter Chassis" alignment seminar building, but most of us parked out back following the direction signs put up for us.

We had 20 members attend this very informative session given by Doug Woolverton who is an Engineer with Hunter Engineering. The machine is a DSP 400 Alignment model that utilizes Digital Camera Technology to properly align all four wheels, They also demonstrated a Hunter GSP 9700 Road Force Wheel Balancer. This machine tells you where to put the tire on the wheel by rotation thereby reducing the amount of weights that must be applied to the wheel to correct out of balance situations. I was particularly impressed at the rubber and nylon blocks used in handling the wheels ,these preventing scratches to the wheels

The chassis alignment machine measured steering geometry along with four wheel alignment to achieve factory recommended settings which ultimately result in minimal tire wear and maximum handling performance. I strongly recommend this alignment so that your Jaguar handles at its best. The savings of 10 to 15% better tire wear can easily offset the cost of your alignment appointment.

Davis Stein then gave us a bottoms up view of the new "S & X" Type cars. He had both cars up on a lift for us to appreciate. AHHA!....There is nothing so beautiful as a new car, especially so from underneath a Jaguar. The "S Type" with all its beautifully strong construction which was very evident for me. I am a lover of things that will not rust away with time and I must tell you the "S Type" with its main cross member being a cast aluminum piece and all the swing arms made of the same material certainly does something for me. David pointed out the "X Type" has four wheel drive and sure enough here is a midsized car that looks like the bottom of my F 250 4 x 4 on a smaller scale. The Jaguar buyer that must get around like a mountain goat must have one of these. I think the safe way to go is to have All Wheel Drive, Antilock Brakes, Dynamic Stability Control and Traction Control....."You must mean the X type!"

After a question and answer session with David and George Bodulow, Jaguar Master Technician, we enjoyed more fellowship and donuts after scoping out the BRG five speed X Type and a Series 2 XKE in the showroom which is the property of Great Britains owner.



I was pleased to see the Jack Busby family who are long time members in attendance. Jack is in a wheel chair and doing very well. Also Director George Carr with his lovely wife Doris. Please keep both families in your daily prayers.

David promised us that a Formula 1 Race Car is scheduled to be in their showroom December 17-21. For me it was only 31 miles to get to this club event as the Great Britains are very central to our club membership area.

We must thank Great Britain's Service Director, Davis Stein for his interest in our club, the beautiful gift bags and the nice treats to keep us all well nourished during our visit.. The President of Great Britain's, Michael Smyth, gave us all a nice pep talk about the future of Jaguar and it all sounds very good!. I pointed out the longevity of our club (since 1965) and that all those attending were diehard Jaguar enthusiasts who have owned and driven Jaguar since the 50's and collectively we represented 1000 years of Jaguar experience. I appreciate the generosity of our hosts. We only showed them 10% of our potential membership and if our" better halves" came with us there would be a serious crowd control problem with over 400 people attending.! Let's do it again next November but with better attendance.

## TRAFFIC LIGHTS

Just in case you never thought much about it, our traffic lights have various amounts of time they remain on yellow. The high speed zones should have longer yellow than lower speed zones. I have read a lot recently about 4 second yellows and cameras that are supposed to reduce red light running. Now here in Penna we will have local P.D's allowed to use radar for the first time. Our local toll booths have cameras to see EZ-PASS violations and they even know when you go through too fast.

My point in bringing this up is that this is the future of driving and use of public roads requires drivers to behave in a safe manner, one would expect drivers of fine Jaguars to always set a good example. Drive safely in 2002 and have a great year REGIONAL DIRECTOR

The last JCNA Journal we received had a ballot for Regional Director in it. The three candidates have given their objectives and a short history of their Jaguar involvement. I have voted and I honestly had a difficult time deciding who my vote should go to. It was nice to see a younger candidate running. This is something we must take into consideration as we grow older. Please decide on choice of candidate for Northeast Director and mail it in today.

## ARTICLES FOR THE PURR

I enjoyed Mike Tate's son's article on child abuse last month. All members are welcome to write articles and send them into our editor. Jaguar related items for sale advertisements are free to paid members

## DREAM CALL

Recently I had the phone call you dream about. At first I thought it was a salesman because he did not get my name right. After he called back I found that he had three old Jaguars to dispose of. One is a 3 ½-litre Drop Head Coupe 1948 in black with wire wheels. The second is a Mark V 3 ½ litre Drop Head Coupe 1951. and first registered in 1952 in cream with solid wheels and complete with spats. These two cars have been standing in his garage for 30 years and the PA stickers inspection stickers expired in 1962 and 1970 respectively. The third car is an XK120 Fixed Head Coupe (1951-1954 which has been standing in the garage since 1966. These cars for sale (see advert) but anybody

in the club who wants a restoration project can call me and I will fill you in on the details. Restoration projects and their cost must be given much thought before on gets in too deep.

Speaking on behalf of your club and officers I pray you all have a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, Good Health and lots of fun enjoying your Jaguar Happy Motoring Kurt Rappold President

# PROTECT YOUR TRAILER FROM THIEVES Kurt Rappold

A great many friends of mine trailer long distances to events.. This is necessary as one can carry more than one vehicle and keep it secure and out of bad weather.

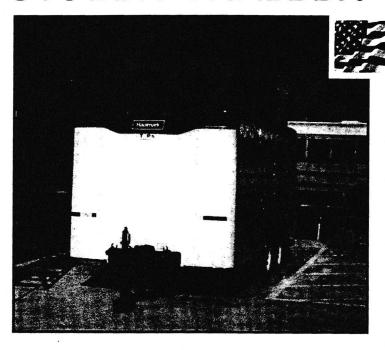
They say the greatest threat to your trailer is not the professional thief it's the casual thief. A casual thief is an opportunist. He most likely works alone, sees a chance and goes for it. by stealing your property, he seeks to make a few quick bucks.

The best way to put off a casual thief is to use security measures that make visibility, time, and noise work against the thief. A thief will likely choose another target if ripping you off takes too much time, makes too much noise, or risks being seen. These strategies use visibility, time and noise to protect your property.

- 1 When your trailer is attached to the tow vehicle, lock your trailer coupler to the tow vehicles hitch ball.
- 2 Tack weld the threads on the tip of the hitch balls bolt. This prevents the thief from removing the hitch ball and stealing your rig, even with the hitch ball locked to the coupler.
- 3 Never leave your trailer un-guarded on the road....not even for the fastest coffee break or fuel stop in the most apparently deserted place.
- 4 When your trailer is not attached to your tow vehicle use a lock that covers the coupler cavity completely.
- 5 Store your trailer in a rented space in a commercial storage facility or leave it in a locked garage. Store your rig out of sight if you can't lock it away in a garage.
- 6 If you must store your trailer in your backyard, in addition to keeping it out of sight, aim the trailer tongue toward a wall, trees or a curb line of shrubs. In this way the trailer must be turned round to be stolen. Park your vehicle in front of the trailer path so the trailer is blocked.
- 7 Install a security system
- 8 Apply alarm system decals to your trailer body whether or not you install a security system. Determining if a rig is protected by a system is difficult and takes time, even for professional thieves, time they would rather not spend.
- 9 Inscribe your gear and vehicle with your drivers license number. Precede the drivers license number with the two letter abbreviation for your state and the letters "DL". Your drivers license number can be tracked to you quickly..
- 10 Record the manufacturers name and description of the vehicle noting outstanding features & photos are worth a thousand words.
- 11 Record all your vehicles Vin and model numbers to give the police department. Install all additional equipment with Vin and DL numbers hidden
- 12 Make sure your rig has theft insurance. It requires a separate theft policy. Your truck or homeowners policy will not cover theft.

CONCLUSION:- Don't keep thinking that the other trailer owners are the victims all the time and your safe from theft. Sooner or later a thief who is eying your rig will get your hard earned equipment!!!!

# REWARD FOR RECOVERY STOLEN TRAILER



Kurt Rappold 116 Governor Markham Dr. Glen Mills, PA 19342-1033

WHAT: 1993 Haulmark covered car trailer. 2 Axle, Electric Brake, 3 Hinged doors, Middle roof vent, has white body sides, Black Roof, Galvanized Roof. Red and White Reflector tape on the middle of both sides of body and Rear Doors. Motorcycle Organization Stickers on back left panel and back doors. 4 Rear Rubber Bumpers.

SIZE: 81/2 ft. Wide ~ 18 ft. Long

WHEN: February 4, 2001 Between 7pm and 9am. Just after the 24 hour Rolex Race.

WHERE: Stolen from parking lot of Willis Motorcycle World, 566 Ballough Rd. Daytona Beach.

SERIAL NUMBER: VIN 16HPB1428PP003375 Hidden VIN 003375 Daytona Beach PD # 010200658

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Name: Address:	Spouse:	Please let us know if there has been a change of address or phone number.
Internet e.mail: Phone #:	Fax #:	Check here if you do NOT want your phone number(s) listed in the membership list. This list is only distributed to other club members.

It's time to renew your membership in the DVJC. To ensure that your subscription to the JCNA Jaguar Journal continues uninterrupted, your membership fee must be paid by

January 15 2002

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Please indicate the membership type you would like and remit the balance due, payable by check or money order only, to:

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# THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED MEMBERSHIP IN THE DVJC!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU SOON AT A DVJC EVENT

Please be sure to fill in the detail on the reverse side especially the full detail of your Jaguars which helps in compiling a list of members and their cars which is normally issued once a year in May

# PERSONAL AND JAGUAR INFORMATION

(Optional)
Please let us know something about you.

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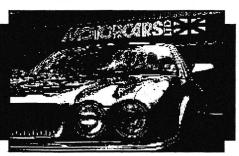
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## EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS



# TWO OLD JAGS

Things have been very quiet in the Jaguar world in the past few weeks however on Monday the 19th at 8.0am Kurt Rappold called me and asked if I wanted to go hunting. I said "I would love to" He said "Do you have any big guns" to which I said "I had not. What are we hunting " "Jaguars" said he and then told me how someone had called him to say he had three old Jaguars in his garage and they had been there for over 30 years. Now that does not happen every day so next day I met Kurt in Pughtown and there the cars were. Two were standing on the driveway. These were 1 A 31/2-litre drophead coupe which were built by Jaguar in 1947 and 1948. This one is 1948. External landau irons lent the drophead coupe an air of grandeur rare in the gloomy post-war era of austerity and parsimony. The walnut facia, the leather upholstery, the mellow air of a gentleman's club all added to Jaguar's coachbuilt image, in an era when the custom of buying a chassis and having one's coachbuilder construct a body on it was fast ebbing away. This car is relatively complete but shows the ravages of standing for so long

2 A Mark V 3 ½ litre Drophead Coupe which were built by Jaguar in 1950 and 1951. This car was registered in 1952. The MK V was the last in a long line of SS and Jaguar 4 – seat convertibles with manually operated elaborately padded soft-tops and external landau irons, this was virtually the end for the coachbuilder in Jaguar's post war world. The Drophead Coupe was an essential image builder for the Calafornian market, where the bulk of them went, many gracing the homes of Hollywood. The MK V was replaced by the MKV11 in 1951

3 The third car an XK 120 Fixed Head Coupe which were made by Jaguar 1951-1954. was "buried" in the garage where it has sat since 1966! It is cream and though hard to see looks as if it has little rust. Has solid wheels (Wires were non standard)

and the wonderful wooden dashboard looks as if it is all intact The 120 Coupe is described as "a snug 2 seater saloon with the distinguishing curve of the back window and flowing tail, it was the acme of sporting fashion" All these cars are for sale (see the classified advert section) and it was wonderful being able to see these old Jags being discovered even though



they look very forlorn and it would be very rewarding seeing them restored to their former grandeur.

# **NEW MEMBERS**

We have two new members :-

- 1 Dionne G. Infante of Wilmington De. Dionne has an 1996 XJ6
- 2 Bruce Martin Ginsburg Narbeth PA. Bruce has a 1967 E-type roadster Welcome to the club and we look forward to seeing you at the Holiday party on December 2

# A FEW COMMANDMENTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Larry Schear sent me the following

Ten commandments for the car collector

- 1 Thou shalt not store thy car out of doors, except for the wife's modern iron
- 2 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's car, nor his pole barn, nor his floor jack, nor his air compressor, nor his service manual nor anything that belongs to thy neighbor
- 3Thou shalt not love thy cars more equally than thou doth love thy wife and children.
- 4 Thou shalt not read thy Hemmings on company time, lest thy employer makes it impossible for thee to continue thy car payments.
- 5 Thou shalt not despise thy neighbors Willys, nor his Pacer, nor even his rusty Cadillac, lest temptation befall thee and you end up owning them
- 6 Thou shalt not allow thy sons nor thy daughters to get married or to have children during the high hallowed days of Hershey or Carlisle
- 7 Thou shalt not deceive thy esteemed wife into thinking that thou art taking her for a romantic Sunday drive when," Behold!" Thou art really going to gaze at another old car.
- 8Thou shalt not imprudently tell thy spouse the expected cost of thy next total restoration but thou shalt break it to her gently over a period of years.

  9Thou shalt not promise thy wife a new addition to thy abode and then use it to store car parts therein, for it is unclean. Thou shall use instead your new
- to store car parts therein, for it is unclean. Thou shall use instead your new oversize attic.
- 10 Thou shalt not buy thy spouse a new floor jack for Christmas, for it is winter. A 100,000 BTU Salamander heater showeth consideration for her comfort.

## THE NEW YEAR 2002

I hope you have enjoyed the Purr for the last twelve months and I request that you provide me with articles, especially those about your cars, for inclusion next year

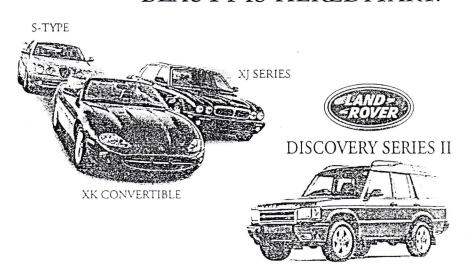
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MICHAEL TATE Editor

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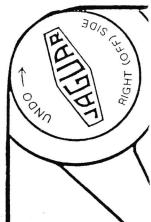
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# JAGUAR TECH CORNER

## X300 EXHAUST MANIFOLDS

There has been a number reports of owners of X300 Jaguars experiencing cracks in the exhaust manifold. It seems that this condition has been happening in both the normally and aspirated engines. I do not know if Jaguar has put out a bulletin on this. The best thing to do is to give your Jaguar dealer a call and ask OUESTIONS. As a temporary fix some owners have been using a hi-temp metal repair compound to fill the cracks. This is made by the Permatex Co. Owners have been having good results with this product. How do you know if your manifold is cracked ??? Simply remove the heat shield and look for small cracks. I am sure that this is not cheap to replace through Jaguar!!!!!! For those of you thinking of welding the problem, visit the site www.locknstitch.com/castironwelding.htm It explains all you need to know and what pitfalls to avoid in welding cast iron. Good Luck

## XJS WINDOW SWITCHES

From time to time the XJS window switches will not work or work erratically. You can carefully pry open the switch with a knife or thin screw driver blade. Clean the dirt and carbon away with contact cleaner. Then sand the rocker switch contacts lightly and apply a light coat of white lithium grease to the rocker pivot and spring. This is not a difficult task if your careful and take your time.

## 1989 JAGUAR- XJ6 DASHBOARD GAUGE PROBLEM

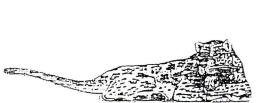
I came across this tidbit on the Internet. While driving on the freeway the temperature gauge read hot. I pulled over and checked the coolant, and it was ok. After driving for awhile the I noticed that the oil pressure gauge was also reading much higher and temperature gauge was now very erratic. Shortly thereafter, the check engine light came on along with the bulb failure display. After many hours of troubleshooting the starter also started to act up (click). Later that day the I discovered that battery ground cable was corroded and making a poor ground connection at the transmission. It's lways a good idea to check the ground wires for any electrical problems.

## SPARK PLUGS

If you want to know the condition of your vehicle's engine - one easy way is to pull the spark plugs from your engine and look at them. There color and condition will tell you a host of valuable information. Use the following list as a guide to help you determine the health of your engine. Remember, each spark plug represents the condition of its own cylinder - which can affect the performance of the whole engine.

CONDITION	CAUSE	REMEDY
Electrodes eroded, light brown deposits	Normal wear. Normal wear is indicated by approx001 per 1000 miles.	Clean and re-gap the spark plug if wear is not excessive. Replace if worn.
Carbon fouling - black dry fluffy deposits	If present on 1-2 plugs - high tension leads bad. Otherwise burnt or sticky valves.	Test high tension leads - check valve train. Clean or replace plugs
	plugs effected - rich fuel mixture, dirty air filter, poor carburetor adjust ., improper choke or heat riser adjust.	Check fuel system.
Oil fouling, wet black gooey deposits.	Worn engine components. Oil fouling may occur in new or recently rebuilt engines until broken in.  Check engine vacuum and compression. Replace spark plugs.	
Lead fouling - gray , black, tan, or yellow deposits which appear glazed	Combustion by-products.	Clean and re-gap or replace plugs. Use a different heat range if problem recurs.
Gap bridging - deposits lodged between the electrode	Incomplete combustion or transfer of deposits from the combustion chamber.	Replace spark plugs.
Over heating - burnt electrodes and extremely white insulator with small black spots.	Ignition timing advanced too far. Too lean of fuel mixture. Spark plugs not seated properly.	Adjust timing to specification Check fuel system. Clean spark plug seat and install new gasket washer. Replace all spark plugs.
CONDITION	CAUSE	REMEDY
Pre-ignition - melted or severely burned electrodes which may be blistered or cracked insulators, or metallic deposits on insulator.	Incorrect spark plug heat range. Ignition timing advanced too far. Spark plug not being cooled properly. Fuel mixture too lean. Poor compression. Fuel grade too low.	Replace with plugs of the proper heat range. Adjust timing to proper specifications. Clean spark plug seat and check cooling system. Check fuel system. Use higher octane fuel.
Fused spot deposits on the insulator.	Combustion chamber blow-by.	Clean and re-gap spark plugs. Or replace.







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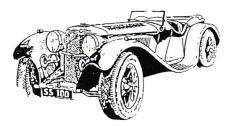
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