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JACK SANFT PRESIDENT EMERITUS

Many club members know President Emeritus Jack Sanft and I have had many enquiries regarding his health. Jack is not fully recovered yet and I would ask you to remember him in your prayers asking for a speedy recovery. I know he would welcome a call from some of his old club member friends.

INFORMATION REQUEST

I hope by now all the faithful XK120,140 and 150 owners in our club have submitted the information on their Jaguars to Gary Hershoren as requested on page 2 of the Purr August Edition so that he can locate all that are left of 20,000 plus XK's imported into this country. This is important to know and I hope Gary will send us the results when he finishes his survey. Just to remind you Gary Wants to know model, chassis number original engine number, body number, completion date, color of body and trim date purchased, your name & address and any other detail you feel is valuable in such a search. I know of many XK's that returned across the "pond". It seems that they are worth more on that side! Gary's address is 22634 Brookdale, Farmington, Michigan 48336 e-mail GJHJAG@aol.com

NEW JERSEY JAGUAR TOURING CLUB

The Jaguar Touring Club held their Concours September 21st at Tinicum Park Polo Grounds. There were over 50 Jaguars present. 10, of which 6 were from DVJC, were judged by JCNA rules and the remainder, who were JTC members, were judged by people from the Polo Club. Those who won trophies were presented with a curved, engraved glass memento of the concours. I presented JTC Chairman Paul Maletsky with a "Sportsmanship Award" from our club for all the work he had done planning and organizing the event. The Polo field location is along the Delaware River just off scenic Rt 32 above New Hope. At half time in the Polo Match we had a Jaguar parade around the entire perimeter of the Polo field!

BRYN MAWR REHAB CAR SHOW

Following the JTC event above on Sept 22 was our annual effort to support Bryn Mawr Re-Hab and Historical Car Club of Pennsylvania. It was a Purr-fect weather day and over 200 Classic Cars showed up. Since we arrived early DVJC member Scott Whiteside and I assisted the organizers in parking in our Jaguar area. When it came time to begin judging we were also asked to judge two additional categories which my grandson Dan and I systematically completed. Scott Whiteside and Ken Ruocco handled the Jaguar judging. As member Fred Mack was present I took the opportunity to present him with the "Sportsmanship Award" he won at the New Hope Show. Fred was very delighted to receive this honor and displayed it together with his letter from Sir William Lyons. The HCCP is always very generous with their trophies and DVJC members came away with three fine silver trays for displaying their Jaguars

OCTOBER 13th AL PINCUS VISIT AND MOLAND HOUSE TOUR

For those who enjoy the Fall tour starting with a visit to the Al and Tucky Pincus home and seeing his collection of cars and memorabilia and this year continuing with a visit to Moland House and lunch, you still have time to send in your checks to Editor Mike Tate. This event is rain or shine on October 13th. If you don't like getting your Jaguar wet, as I don't, show up in your pick-up. This is a fun event. Get to know some of our new neighbors around "Lahaska". Introduce yourself to the members you don't know. Our hobby of Jaguars is special and provides an opportunity to mix and talk on common interests. That always works. Any one who dresses for the occasion in period costume (1777) will get special recognition in this column. If you are a person who likes to plan, organize, lead your hobby, nominations will be heard at our Moland House luncheon. The present group of officers has done a marvelous job of keeping the club on the right track.

DECEMBER HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

The DVJC December Holiday Celebration planning is moving forward with the help of Kit Racette. Kit's flyer in this issue announces the event and will provide all the information you need. The first 30 DVJC member families to pay their reservation dues will be eligible to receive a collectable Jaguar Club gift. I have all the pieces to build these 30 club Jaguar paper weights and work to complete is progressing. I know our change of venue from the Corinthian Yacht Club to the Whitemarsh Valley Country Club will be enjoyed by all who attend. I would like to see 100 of us show up for this festive event. The Whitemarsh Valley Club offers very beautiful and gracious surroundings with ample room to mix and meet fellow members. If I see we have the 100 members attending I will consider building additional Jaguar paper weights for all attendees. The Whitemarsh Club is Central to DVJC and hopefully those with older Jags with Mr Lucas aboard will be able to see to get back home. That is why it is a good safety hint to always carry a good flash light. We will be in discussion of the mysteries of Lucas at Mike Engards Ragtops and Roadsters on November 9th (See separate announcement in this issue). All members are welcome to attend this great facility in Perkasio. Please arrive in your Jaguars if possible with all their wonderful idiosyncrasies.

CLUB POLO SHIRT

Area Coordinator Tom Jones and member Tom Murray report good news on our new Club Polo shirts. Tom Murray is the person who did the procurement and Tom Jones organized our requirements. Tom Jones says the finished product is spectacular. Beautiful with high quality. We have 23 advance orders and see the flyer in this issue outlining how to order yours.

HEALTH OF THE CLUB

September was a very busy time for DVJC activities and October is shaping up to be the same. I had a call from our North East JCNA Representative, Daniel Thompson, prior to the semi-annual JCNA Board Meeting in Oklahoma. With membership as high as I have ever seen it and a variety of Club events taking place I gave the health check of DVJC as "A-OK". I hope the meeting went well and the minutes will be published in the Nov-Dec Jaguar Journal. It is most encouraging to be consulted about our club.

HAPPY MOTORING

Kurt Rappold, President

**TO DVJC MEMBERS: THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR THIS EVENT.
SEND YOUR RESERVATIONS TODAY TO MIKE TATE**

**OCTOBER 13th VISIT TO HOME OF AL AND TUCKY PINCUS
FOLLOWED BY LUNCH AT MOLAND HOUSE**

Al and Tucky Pincus have arranged a wonderful day for members of DVJC and their guests on Sunday October 13.

The day begins at 10.30am at the home of Al and Tucky Pincus in New Hope PA. See Al and Tucky's lovely setting and their outstanding display of cars and memorabilia. Last year we had a record number of members participating. Let's do it again!

At 12.00 noon we will travel in convoy to the site of George Washington's third longest encampment of his army in Pennsylvania. Washington used Moland House as his headquarters from August 10-23 1777. It is significant that the building still exists because others did not survive. Over the years, the house was broken open, all the windows were knocked out, vandals set fires and the house became derelict. Six years, \$650,000 and countless volunteer hours later, Moland House is a museum showpiece – a restored gem reflecting its important place in history. Now the history will continue when the DVJC invade this historic camp 225 years later with their British Jaguars. The house has been reserved for our pleasure so please support this effort. Lunch will be provided by Jessica Lee catering and will consist of high quality Barbeque ingredients.

Cost per person is \$30 which includes the tour, lunch, and a donation to Moland House.

Please advise attendance as early as possible together with your check made out to DVJC for \$30 per person to Mike Tate, Box 627, Gwynedd Valley PA 19437.

DIRECTIONS to the Pincus home at "Cold Spring Farm" 1440 Pineville Road, New Hope PA 215-598-0882:
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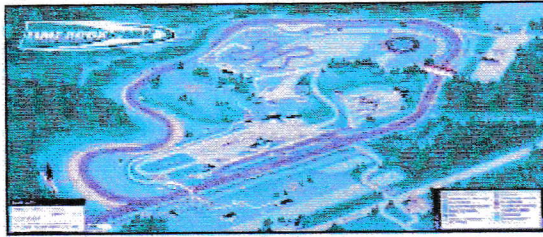
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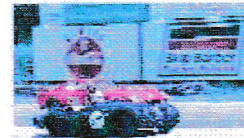
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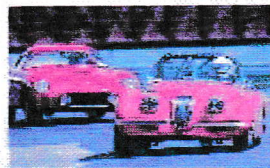
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This photo display was submitted by Ralph Steinberg with the following message:

These pictures were taken at the Jaguar Clubs North America - Empire Division & Vintage Sports Car Club Of America joint race weekend held every year, the first weekend of June at Limerock. All of the pictures were taken at the track. I am not sure whether it is me or Sam Lee driving the Jag as we were sharing it that weekend. That is a picture of Dave Milling going up the uphill coming out of no name straight. He loved racing at Limerock. I think I have some pictures of the club members, Jag club, not VSCCA, floating around. It's a great weekend. Champagne dinner on the hillside with a Jazz band on Friday night. Racing and track tours Friday and Saturday. Just great!!!

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EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS From Mike Tate

AL PINCUS/MOLAND HOUSE OCTOBER 13

We have had a good response for this event. Why don't you join us and enjoy fellow club members and their cars, see the cars and memorabilia at Al & Tucky's wonderful home and then visit historic Moland House for a tour and lunch. The Buckingham countryside is at its best and this is one of the last chances to drive your car before winter sets in. See flyer and sign up now. October 13 rain or shine

FORD MANAGEMENT

It was good to see ex Jaguar Chairman Sir Nick Scheele, who is now Ford President, present a check (British spelling is cheque) for 900K to Pistol Pete Sampras after his win in the US open. He still has a ready smile and a no nonsense approach...I suppose that applies to both Sir Nick and Pistol Pete! Philip Porter writes in the "Jaguar Driver" clubs magazine "Like many, it seems, I did not shed a single tear at the departure of Dr. Wolfgang Reitzle. I was fascinated to read a very out-spoken piece by Mike Rutherford in the Daily Telegraph (a top British newspaper). He accused him of being a jumped-up, arrogant, thoroughly objectionable man who was superfluous to requirements at Ford. (Editor I wish he would be more direct and stop beating about the bush!) Rutherford went on to criticize Reitzle for setting up his HQ in Berkley Square "month after month, Ford has been losing an average of \$9 million a day. Meanwhile Reitzle and his ego set up shop on one of the most expensive pieces of land on the planet". In another part of the same newspaper Porter says "Push came to shove when Reitzle demanded that he should report directly to Ford Chairman Bill Ford rather than Nick Scheele, with whom he didn't get on." A request like that requires a very small mind and almost certainly numbers your days of employment if I remember rightly!!

RELEASE OF THE 2004 LONGER, TALLER, WIDER, LIGHTER XJ

The 2004 XJ (we showed you a photo in the last issue) was released at the Paris motor show on September 26th to rave reviews. The press was ecstatic saying that this was the best thing that Jaguar had ever done and BMW and Mercedes will have to think again! It is the seventh generation of Jaguar's flagship sedan.

More than 800,000 XJ's have been sold worldwide which accounts for over half of all Jaguars made. Similar in looks to the outgoing range it takes a cue from the Series 1 having the inner headlight smaller than the outside light. The car is 4 inches taller, 4 inches longer and because of the extensive use of aluminum is 440 pounds lighter than the outgoing model. The interior is flush with wood, leather and all new switchgear. The car comes as XJ8 and XJR. The former is powered by a 4.2-liter V8 developing 294 horsepower and the "R" uses a supercharged version of the same engine producing 390 horsepower. The car goes on sale in Europe early next year and in the US by mid-year.

JAGUAR RACING

Well, Sir Nick Scheele's ultimatum to Jaguar Racing seems to have had the desired result. In the F1 race at Monza, Italy on September 15 Jaguars two entries qualified well, got a good start and were part of the action throughout the race. Pedro de la Rosa went out near the end with broken suspension after another competitor clearly side swiped his car. Then the great news as Eddie Irvine followed the Ferraris home in third place and a podium appearance. Eddie had qualified 5th so it was an all round great effort for Jaguar and perhaps gives them some breathing space to continue the improvements to their cars.

PEBBLE BEACH WINNERS

At the 52nd Pebble Beach Concours in August there was a special exhibition of Jaguar race cars which were featured in a special class. This was Class Q. First was a 1955 D Type "Short Nose" from the Cavallino Collection, Seattle, Wash. Second the Robert Peterson, Los Angeles 1956 XK SS and third the Hans Rausing, East Sussex, England 1963 E Type Lightweight. In total about \$3 million in value I would imagine!

THE BUCKINGHAM CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

Despite being postponed from September 15 to the 22nd because of bad weather the Buckingham Show was again an outstanding success. Held to benefit the Buckingham Land Preservation Fund in the ideal surroundings of Holicong Park, the show attracted over 230 of the highest quality automobiles and an appreciative crowd of visitors. The day started out with a full breakfast served under cover in a large marquee (Mimosa, Scrambled egg, bacon & sausage) which alone is a good reason to get up early on a Sunday morning and drive that top car. Despite warnings of showers the weather turned out to be glorious getting warmer and warmer as the day progressed. Every type of manufacturer was represented from Bentley to Rolls Royce, Cord to Ford, MG to Austin Healey, Triumph to Packard, Pierce Arrow to Studebaker, Jensen to Mercedes, BMW to Bizzarini etc etc and of course Jaguar. Twelve very assorted cars represented our favorite manufacturer. There was Paul Maletsky with his low mileage and special XJS - C, Adam Hepburn had his 1973 XJ 12 and Charles Olson his 1987 XJ 6. It was good to see George Carr, despite his illness, make the effort together with wife Doris to bring their 1958 XK 150 Coupe (They also had a very nice MGA at the show). William Simpson brought his beautifully prepared 1953 XK 120 Coupe And Gary King his 1959 Mk 1X. I was there with my 1934 SS 1 Tourer. Paul Racette's XK 120 developed a malady during the week and he was reduced to bringing his and Kit's 1989 Bentley Mulsanne as substitute!! Tough.

For judging they broke us into two groups. All the above cars in group 1 and in group 2 the five E-Types in attendance. These were Ed Dean's 1969 Coupe, Jill Powell's 1967 OTS, Patrick Petrillo's 1972 Series 3 OTS, Robert Steig's 1970 Coupe and Bruce Langevin's 1972 2+2 Series 3. Prize winners were: Best Jaguar Will Simpson's XK120 Coupe. Best E-Type Patrick Petrillo's 1972 Series 3 OTS. First in Class Group 1 above my 1934 SS1 Tourer. It was a great day in great surroundings. Congratulations to Al Pincus and the rest of the organizing team!

AUCTIONS

There were a number of cars out there that I thought got good bids but the owners would not sell. Examples were a 1954 XK 120 Roadster in white with red leather. Recently restored. Bid to \$35,000 at which it was believed to be underpriced. A XK 150 Roadster Imperial maroon & black leather. 50,000 miles. Car was nice but not spectacular Was bid to \$52,000 but remained unsold. This was not an "S" and I would have thought 52K was a good price. A 1961 XKE 3.8 S1 Convertible. Dark blue with

tan leather. 9,761 miles. A really nice car that got a high bid of \$80,000 but remained unsold! Many cars did sell though. A XK 150 Fixed Head Coupe in white with red leather. Automatic. poor door and trunk fit. It sold at \$22,000. A 1984 XJS Coupe. BRG with tan leather. 60,932 miles. Good interior, paint, & chrome. These cars will be the next classics. Sold for \$8,305. Now here is one for the record books. A 1960 XK 150 Drophead Coupe. Red with tan leather. 87,583 miles. Automatic. Close to a 100 pointer. Sold for \$121,000 which is amazing for an automatic non "S" XK 150 DHC

CAR CLUBS

In the September edition of the UK magazine "Classic Cars" under the headline "Club Class" there was an interesting article on car clubs. Some interesting comments are "Owning a classic car might have started as a flight of fancy, but when you need a shoulder to cry on where can you turn? Amazingly they say "There are over 400 Clubs, Societies and Registers dedicated to ownership and preservation of every type of every vehicle imaginable. If its got wheels someone will love it" Of these 400 clubs the MG Owners Club is the largest but the Jaguar Enthusiasts Club is second with membership at 20,000 and it has long since outgrown its parent ... The Jaguar Drivers Club. They continue to say that "These days to get people involved in all the usual club activities is difficult so we try and provide something for everyone on the basis you only get 10% of any one organization doing any one thing so if we can provide lots of 10% then there is a chance of keeping most people happy. I would comment that this applies to DVJC. "Many people join clubs to find parts, advice and have a shoulder to cry on in the midst of a restoration" Our "Technical Advice Forum" which is announced elsewhere in this issue will help club members who need this type of advice. Another interesting comment is "Perhaps surprisingly the dominant car in the Jaguar Enthusiast Club is the XJ-S. It's the car of the moment. In fact 60% of their members have a Jaguar which is 1980 or newer. If you think about it, it's the car the current generation grew up lusting after and now they are affordable" So there is something to think about because the article goes on to say that a lot of clubs are struggling with the older models because the younger interest is not there. The moral for us is that we must encourage those owners of the current Jaguar range to join and participate in our club

"ROAR"

Jaguar publish an internal quarterly magazine for employees called "ROAR." In the current edition there is an article outlining the benefits of Dealerships encouraging relationships with local Jaguar Clubs. Obviously retailers want to sell new cars and do club members buy new cars is the question. "Absolutely, club members do buy cars. They also have friends and relatives they send in. The relationship with clubs is a win-win when it comes to revenue, sales and service" says manager Phil Blake. As part of this article there is a two page spread of our club's E-Types that took part in The Northeast Old Car Rally with a description of the race under the headline "Delaware Valley Jaguar Club steers The Great Britains in the right direction" Fame at last!

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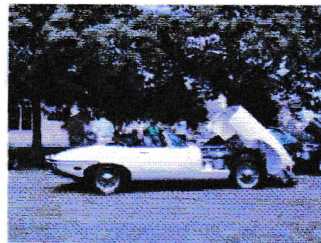
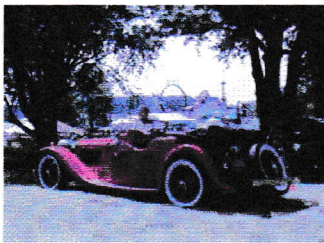

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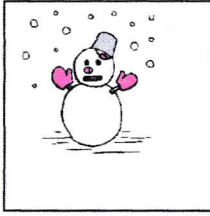
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DELAWARE VALLEY JAGUAR CLUB
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2002



WHITE MARSH VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB
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Come and join us for the last DVJC event for the year 2002—lunch at the Historic Whitemarsh Valley Country Club in Lafayette Hill, just off Germantown Pike. The original clubhouse, dating from 1769, served as the headquarters for General Wayne during the Revolutionary War. The Country Club was established in 1908 and has had its share of major tournaments beginning in 1918 with the All American Open. The present building was built in 1969. The room in which lunch will be served has a wonderful view down the fairway.

The afternoon will begin at 1pm with hors d'oeuvres sponsored by the Club and a cash bar. Lunch will be served at 2pm. Your choice of main course is listed below.

The first 30 DVJC members to sign up and pay for the reservations will be eligible to receive a 2002 collectable Jaguar Club gift. Reservations must be received by November 19. No tickets will be available at the door.

Please make your check out to DVJC and send it along with your choice of main course to Kit Racette, 6 Haycroft Drive, Spring House PA 19477.

Directions: Germantown Pike can be reached from 476 at Plymouth Meeting. Take Germantown Pike East approximately 4 miles to Thomas Road. Turn Left on Thomas Road to Club Entrance.

DELAWARE VALLEY JAGUAR CLUB ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY
SUNDAY DECEMBER 1, 2002

Number of people attending _____ @ \$35.00
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Weather permitting, will you drive your Jaguar?

NEW CLUB OFFER TO ALL OUR MEMBERS !!

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

One of the areas of assistance to members the club would like to improve is in offering technical advice. Member Jim Shields has offered to head up this effort and Paul Racette has offered to assist. The aim is to assist members with their car problems and provide technical pieces for the Purr. They would prefer to receive questions by e-mail but will accept phone calls. Jim can be reached on e-mail at jim@prodigy.net Phone 215-643-0937 and Paul at pracett@comcast.net Phone 215-646-6299 e-mail of course gives the opportunity for them to think about the problem and formulate a response. Club members can help by letting Jim have any of your own technical knowledge and tips.

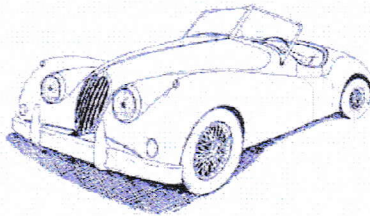
**FALL TECH SESSION --- THE MYSTERIES OF LUCAS
AT RAGTOPS & ROADSTERS**

Ragtops & Roadsters recently put out the following announcement: "In association with the Delaware Valley Jaguar Club, Ragtops & Roadsters will be holding a Tech Session on Saturday, November 9th starting at 10 AM. We will attempt to explain the unexplainable, delve into the unfathomable depths of the physical universe pertaining to the wonderful idiosyncrasies of the Lucas Electrical Systems found on your Jaguar and all other British cars; from the mini to the Rolls-Royce.

Topics of discussion will be geared towards the XK and E Types Jaguars with Fuel pump problems, ignition problem diagnosis, switches and contacts, as well as diagnosis of and finding dirty bullet connectors and grounds. If you have a Jaguar with any electrical problems please call our shop in advance of the session so we might arrange to work on your car as part of our Tech Session. This event is open to all enthusiasts, so please call to reserve your spot as soon as possible." In addition Ragtops & Roadsters are having their annual open house, 9:0AM to 4:0PM, October 5 – always an interesting event. Ragtops & Roadsters are located at 203 South Fourth Street, Perkasio, PA 18944. Phone 215-257-1202

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