The Jaguar's Purr©

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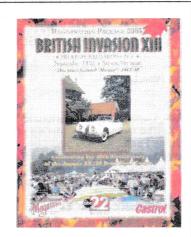


SEPTEMBER 2003 SUPPLEMENT

NTERESTING CAR SHOWS COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER



Buckingham Township Concours www.buckinghamautoshow.org September 14



British Invasion, Stowe Vermont www.britishinvasion.com September 19-20



English Car Day, Horsham PA Philadelphia Triumph Network September 27



British Care Club of Delaware New Castle DE griecoma@hotmail.com September 28



British Car Club of Lehigh Valley Bethlehem PA www.britautos.com/BCCLV October 4



Northeast Old Car Rally Millsville DE www.thepumpkinrun.com October 24-26

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DVJC EVENTS

OCTOBER

Northeast Old Cary Rally, Millsboro, Delaware Fall Rally. The Pumpkin Run

JCNA sponsored. Flyer in this newsletter Information and registration http://www.thepumpkinrun.com

NOVEMBER

DVJC Technical Session - led by Kurt Rappold concerning Concours judging.

Tech session will be preceded by a Directors' planning meeting for 2004. Time and place to be advised.

Annual Holiday Party - Whitemarsh Country Club - more information in the October Purr

INTERESTING CAR SHOWS

SEPTEMBER

- Bryn Mawr Rehabilitation Family Fun Day and Antique Car Show, 414 Paoli Pike, Malvern, PA
- 13 Fall Fest Car Show, Moss Motors, Dover NJ
- 14 Hagley Car Show, Hagley Museum, Wilmington, DE on Route 141 north of R100.
- 14 Buckingham Township 5th Annual Concours. The pre Concours dinner on the evening of the 13th Information http://www.buckinghamautoshow.org or Al Pincus 215 598-0882
- 19-20 13th Annual British invasion. Jaguar the featured marque. Stowe, Vermont Information and registration http://www.britishinvason.com
- Tinicum Polo Club and Car Show, Bucks County on River Road at Erwinna PA, across the Delaware and one mile south of Frenchtown NJ.
- 21 Nations Capital Jaguar Owners Club Concours, Montgomery College, 51 Mannakee St, Rockville Information Bill Moore ncjoc@att.net
- 27 English Car Day at Graeme Park, County Line Road, Horsham PA hosted by Triumph Network.
- Franklin Mint Annual Car Show The theme of this year's show is "Automotive Anniversaries". 28 including special sections honoring Fords, Harleys, and Corvettes, all having significant anniversaries in 2003. 35,000 people plus in attendance. Info claspada@franklinmint.com
- 28 British Car Club of Delaware Annual Car Show, Battery Park, New Castle, DE Information available from Mike Grieco email griecoma@hotmail.com

OCTOBER

- $\overline{5}^{th}$ Annual "Autumn Leaf Festival", British Car Club of Lehigh Valley. Moravian Academy Merle-Smith Campus, Green Pond Rd, Bethlehem 10am to 3pm, Info Gerry Kunkle 610-867-6955 Flyer in this newsletter Information and registration form http://www.britautos.com/BCCLVBrochure4.htm
- New Jersey Jaguar Touring Club Concours at Tinicum PA Information and registration forms from Imaletsky@sci-intl.com
- 22nd Annual Fall British Car Festival, Shenandoah Valley British Car Club, Waynesboro VA. 3-5 Information and registration form http://www.svbcc.net
- 8-11 Hershey AACA Flea Market, Hershey PA

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Calendar of Events Classified Ads

- Northeast Old Car Rally **Buckingham Concours**
- Club Merchandise Wheel Restoration Directors Meeting
- Delaware British Cars English Car Day

5 Autumn Leaf Festival

Editors' Note:

We were not going to send out a newsletter for September but there are so many interesting car events coming up that we are sending you this to encourage vou to attend !!

THE FLYERS ARE NOT INCLUDED ON THE WEBSITE VERSION. IF YOU WISH MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT KIT OR MIKE AND WE WILL SEND YOU THE FLYER REQUESTED.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE: 1953 XK 120 Drop Head Coupe, British Racing Green, Tan roof, Sage Green Interior. New paint, new interior and roof installed by Bassetts. Fitted Connelly leather suitcases. Engine clean but not concours. \$45,000 Call Paul 215 646 6299, pracett@comast.net (JULYI)



FOR SALE: 1961 Jaguar Mk IX sedan parts car. All there but would take too much to restore. All parts are good. Car has not run for 10 years and has been garaged in Huntingdon NY and can be seen at any time. Any reasonable offer considered. Call Al at 215-598-0882 days, Evenings and weekends 215-598-3427. (JULY)

FOR SALE 1958 Jaguar XK – 150 OTS S830268. Within the last 5000 miles the following work has been completed :- Completely rebuilt engine with Isky cams, lightened flywheel, heavy duty clutch, new 5 speed transmission, Koni shocks, new rack and pinion, steering gear box, brakes, new radiator, new gas tank, exhaust system, Dayton wire wheels, radials. Original parts available. Over \$60,000 in receipts. Will entertain reasonable offers. Call Carl 610-370-1476 (AUG)

FOR SALE: 1995 XJ6 in as-new condition with only 28,000 miles since new. Maroon with cream interior. Fully loaded with all features and everything works. \$9,000.00 Call Charles 215 333 7652 (SEPT)

FOR SALE: First offer to DVJC only. 1961 Mk2 3.8 saloon. Only 45,527 miles and two owners. Original Black paint with tan leather. Always garaged and maintained. Perfect for JCNA preservation class 18. All rubber, brakes and systems recently overhauled. Many parts extra. Let's keep this car in DVJC territory.... \$20,000 or best offer. Call Kurt 610-358-4055 (SEPT)



OFFER: I have started a website for British cars at http://www.britishusedcars.com and I invite club members to put their free ads, parts ads, or wanted ads on my site. Cherie Titel 877-233-6497 Toll free fax/voice PO Box 54190 Cincinnati OH 45254 cherie@britishusedcars.com

NEWS FLASH – BREAKING NEWS

JAGUAR UNVEILS 'LIFESTYLE' ESTATE



WE COULDN'T WAIT TO TELL YOU THIS!!

A complete surprise.

Our correspondent in the UK, PGT, has informed us that he read in the British newspaper "The Daily Telegraph" on August 15th that Jaguar are releasing a "lifestyle Estate" (station wagon in the USA) at the Frankfurt Motor Show on September 9th. It goes on sale next spring.

Jaguar says that market research shows that buyers of 'estates' participate in outdoor sports. They say 'estates' account for more than a quarter of sales in the X-types market sector which is led by BMW- 3 series, Audi A4 and Mercedes C-class. The only estate that Jaguar ever built before was a one-off based on the MK2 in the 1960's.

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DELAWARE VALLEY JAGUAR CLUB SHIRTS

Choose from the following models. All shirts are embroidered with the DVJC Logo:

	Jonathan Corey (509) Pique with arrow trim and contrasting placket, 100% combed cotton, four buttons, short sleeves, drop tail with side vents. Double needle throughout. Color: White body with hunter green collar and khaki trim. Price: Medium, Large and X Large - \$28.95, XX Large - \$33.95					
	Munsingwear (621) Sanded twill button down shirt with pocket, 100% Fine cotton. Seven button classic. Long sleeves. Hemmed shirttail bottom. Left Chest patch pocket. 4.5oz double needle stitching Color: Khaki / black Price: Medium, Large and X Large - \$32.50, XX Large - \$37.50					
	Lee (83062) Sueded crew fleece with V-notch 80% cotton, 20% polyester Long sleeves. 9.0oz double needle Color: Stone or Ash Price: Medium, Large and X Large - \$28.50, XX Large - \$33.50					
	Lee (73195) Crewneck Fleece, 50 % cotton, 50% polyester, pill-free fabric. Coverstitched throughout. Color: Natural, Ash or White Price: Medium, Large and X Large - \$18.50, XX Large - \$23.50, XXX Large - \$29.50					
	Lee (51080) Ladies / Lee (71808) Men Denim, button down shirt with a chest pocket on the left with button closure Woodtone logo buttons, double needle detailing, 3-button placket cuffs. Color: Ladies Natural only, Men Natural and Hunter Green Price: All sizes - \$30.00					
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Restorations
by Carl Hanson
Steering Wheel Restoration.

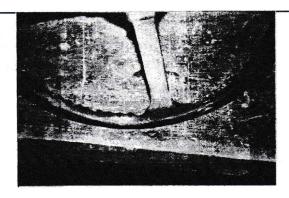
(For those of you who have just joined, this series on the restoration of Carl Hanson's 1951 XK120 FHC has been featured continuously in The Coventry Cat since January 1999. This is the 53rd installation...editor.)

The past three articles described the restoration of the interior wood on my FHC, so I thought we should continue with the restoration of another key interior feature – the steering wheel. What could go bad with a steering wheel? you ask. Well, I will tell you. The steering wheel on an old car can be made of hard rubber, bakelite, or plastic materials that crack, shrivel or disintegrate with age. My 1951 XK 120 steering wheel appears to have a rim made of hard rubberlike material over an aluminum ring, aluminum spokes and aluminum hub. The rim was dull black, with several gouges, pits and scrapes. My first reaction was to look for a shiny new replacement wheel. That is, until I found out replacements are almost non-existent. So it was another case of restoration of the original. And I am glad it was. This is a very easy and rewarding task!

At first, I thought there might be some trick to dealing with the dull black material. So I shelled out some money to Eastwood for a "Steering Wheel Restoration Kit" which consisted of a D-I-Y handbook and some PC7 two-part epoxy. Reading the handbook was interesting, but it dawned on me that I could have used some common sense and saved the money by just purchasing the epoxy alone and filled up the gouges as usual. As it turned out, I waited a couple of years to get around to the steering wheel – I was busy with other things, like rebuilding the chassis, suspension, brakes, steering box, etc. In the meantime, the shelf life of the epoxy was exceeded so when I opened the cans, they were solid and useless. So much for the Steering Wheel Restoration Kit! I ended up using one of my favorite inventions – JB Weld – instead of PC7 anyway.

So here was the process. I cleaned out all gouges, and pits in the hard rubber on the rim. There were a few surface cracks where the aluminum spokes melded with the hub. These were filled quite nicely with JB Weld. After letting the filler harden for a few days, I sanded the fillings smooth. The first picture shows some of the fillings as a lighter gray color against the black of the wheel.

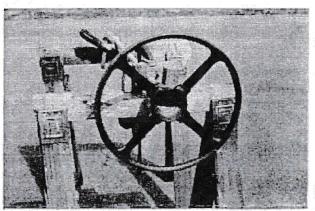
The next step is one I gleaned from the "Handbook" and it turned out to be worth the price. I mounted the wheel on a broomstick. The stick slides into the back collar of the hub and the knurled ring tightens down on it nicely. Why was this a break-through? It allowed me to slide the broomstick through two "bearings" clamped to a couple of sawhorses as shown in the second picture.



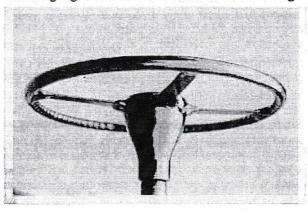
Filled gouges on rim

By slowly spinning the wheel while spray- painting it, I was able to apply even coats without incurring paint runs.

I applied a couple of coats of Krylon sandable black primer, a fast drying lacquer, while sanding down between coats so as to fill the pits. After being confident that I had a smooth surface, I applied three top coats of gloss black Krylon. Two might have been enough, but despite my spinning the wheel while painting, I overloaded one of the spokes and got a run. This had to be sanded out. Wet sanding with very fine black wet-or-dry works wonders on an almost finished product! Finally, I topped it off with a clear coat of Krylon. The result is shown in the third picture — a like-new steering wheel, shiny as a black pearl!



Painting rig with broomstick shaft and bearing



Final product

DELAWARE VALLEY JAGUAR CLUB MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AUGUST 10, 2003

Present at the meeting were:

Jeff Dement, Tom Jones, Tom Murray, Charlie Olson, Ann Perry, Kit Racette, Kurt Rappold, Clara Saxton and Mike Tate

President Kurt Rappold called the meeting to order and the minutes of the preceding meeting were approved as submitted.

There was no formal treasurer's report, however it was reported that the club had over 215 paid memberships at this time.

Club Photographer, Joe Federico, was not able to attend. The Board of Directors opined that it would be advantageous to appoint an assistant for Joe when he's operating in an official capacity at events, so that information on the subjects could be collected for him. In this way, we would have not only the fine photos, but also complete information on the individuals and vehicles pictured.

Vice President Jeff Dement reported on his efforts regarding the October rally. This is to be a club-sanctioned event. The event organizers are looking for our involvement, particularly in the way of insurance coverage. President Kurt is already in contact with the necessary parties to see that we have that base covered for the event. This includes the probability that registration for the event would carry with it the participants becoming Club members. Further exploration of that effect will have to take place. While the influx of new members would be a very pleasant aspect for the Club, we need to understand the implications and whether already distributed registration materials covered the necessary fees and information adequately.

Membership Retention Chair Ann Perry reported that she is receiving inquiries from new membership prospects which seem to come to her by way of the website.

The Slalom event, which has been under consideration for the Comcast Center location, is unlikely to happen this year.

Internet Spokesperson Kit Racette reported that she continues to receive positive feedback from the club's website (DVJC-Jaguar.com) and updates it frequently.

Jaquar Purr Editor Mike Tate reported

- That the Purr staff will be taking a month off and there will not be an issue of the Purr in September (unless very late in September).
- He urges all members to present articles for inclusion.
- He reminds us that many members have newer vehicles and that we should not think only articles on vintage models are appropriate.
- He also presented the idea of having someone who would serve as the club activity coordinator.
- He then presented the results of the data collection, which was done in conjunction with the membership applications this year. When asked their opinions on several issues, these were the tabulated results:

What do you most enjoy doing as it relates to your Jaguar experience?

58% said they most enjoyed driving the car;

18% showing the car,
12 % working on the car,
12% talking about the car.

When asked which events the members most enjoyed, the results were:

38% felt the most enjoyable events were special events, outings, parties, lunches, etc.,

19% technical sessions,

19% road rallies, 18% informal car shows, 6% concours events.

- He recommended that the Annual General Meeting/Board of Directors' Planning meeting be conducted before the end of this year, for next year's activities. It was suggested that this be held on the same day as the planned Tech Session in November (Saturday, 11/15/03), which will be hosted by President Kurt Rappold.
- Editor Mike stressed the fact that while he does in fact provide the content, that is the articles for the Purr, that it is his co-editor, Kit Racette who makes it Purr!

As a result of Mike's suggestion, Tom Murray and Tom Jones agreed to become Activities Coordinators.

President Kurt reported that by the end of this year there might be a new Jaguar dealership in West Chester. He will make the overtures to see if we should establish a working relationship with this dealership, assuming that it would be of benefit to both organizations, but more importantly to our membership who are always looking for a quality facility to have their cars accommodated.

Kit Racette said that she needed the Board's approval to commence arrangements for a Holiday Party. She will be pursuing the same venue as last year, with the caveat that we would hope to be able to park the Jags on the golf course where they can be seen from the overlooking dining room. The Board agreed that she might pursue these issues.

She also reported that Larry Schear is spearheading a Club function to caravan to the Grounds For Sculpture. He will advise us what is planned. Tom Murray and Tom Jones also indicated that they would like to pursue an event at the Rancocas Indian Reservation, perhaps next year's Concours event.

President Kurt acknowledged the need to find a person to finish the term of Directorship left by the loss of our long time friend, George Carr. Several names were placed in consideration; however, it is ultimately at the discretion of the President that these positions are filled, so Kurt will consider them further and make a decision.

Tom Murray indicated that he would be pleased to include more Jaguar promotional items to be available for our members. We will be enhancing this segment of the website and members should be advised to check out the offerings.

There being no further business to come before this body, the meeting was adjourned. From that point hence, we all enjoyed intermittent sun, drizzle, good company, great refreshments, lovely grounds and a guided tour of the 18th century Newlin Grist Mill facility – to include a working demonstration of the water driven mill wheel and stone mechanisms.

Thank you to President Kurt in spearheading this event.

Respectfully submitted, Clara Saxton Secretary

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MEMBERSHIP RATES

Family

Single	\$40.00	per	year
DVJC Badge	\$10.00		
JCNA Badge	\$30.00		
DVJC License Pla	\$	6.00	
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