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A close-up photograph of a car's engine compartment, focusing on a complex wiring harness with many colored wires (red, blue, green, yellow, black) and a water pump. The water pump has a circular gauge labeled 'WATER' with a needle pointing to '70'. There are also two toggle switches visible on the right side of the image.

**When you have a project like this,
you need a "Guy"**

Not just ANY "Guy",

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the
Right "GUY"**

See Page 2, to find THAT Guy...

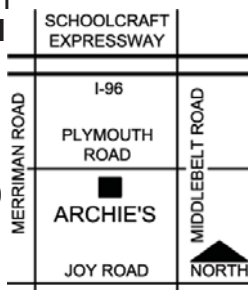
JAGM Meetings

Membership Meetings

are held on the **2nd Wednesday**
of the month from
7:00PM–9:00PM

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NO Meetings:

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March Speaker - British Car Mechanic

Guy St. John will be coming to our



March meeting to
tell us of his
experiences as a
British Car Mechanic
for well over 25
years. **Guy** will share

plenty of stories of cars, their owners
and events going
back through the years.

He will tell us how to maintain our cars,
what to look for in maintaining our cars
and what we should see as a sign as



needing a higher authority.

Guy has a repair business in the
Ann Arbor area and is available to
help you with your cars.



Bring your questions and
get the answers that
you need. It will
be an



entertaining
evening.



April Event ? - NEED Responses

RCR

RACE CAR REPLICAS

Where: 31795 Groesbeck Hwy.
Fraser, MI 48026

Date: Friday in April - T.B.D.
Time: T.B.D.

www.race-car-replicas.com

We are looking into touring the Race Car Replica facility, with lunch to follow, in April. We can only get a tour date on a Friday, weekends are not an option.

Are YOU Interested???

Please contact Tim Moore BY March 14th at 586.945.4509 or **Treasurer@JAGM.org** if you want to "do the tour", AND what date you would prefer.



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the President's Purr...

Welcome to March, the luckiest time of the year.

The club certainly got lucky with the speakers we had at the last meeting. It was a very interesting night with presentations from two mechanical technicians.

We started off with Oren Neugebohr from Auto Electric International – a company that specializes in complete remanufacturing of alternators and starters. It was exciting to see pictures of his facilities and get to know how extremely dedicated he and his company are to running a very specialized and efficient organization.

Next was Jeremy Kaminski – Owner/Technician from FI Motorsports. He and his team work on specialty projects for all sorts of specialty vehicles. There were a wide range of questions asked of both Oren and Jeremy, who were able to provide some in-depth responses. I took advantage of the opportunity to talk with Jeremy about a very interesting article I read in the January – February 2018 Jaguar Journal – Effortlessly Elevated Enclosure by Steve Klonsky. Steve engineered a remote control for the XK8 and XKR convertibles which allows for full remote control of raising and lowering the convertible top using the original factory SmartKey, eliminating the need to have to sit in the car, manually holding your finger on the button for a good 30 seconds. It also allows you to control the small triangular window in the back, which has always puzzled me. I was excited to read this article and more excited to talk with Jeremy about installing this on my XK8 this spring!

I could feel a high level of interest from the club. Thank you, Mike, for enlisting these guys. Looks like you hit a pot of gold. And thanks also, to Bob for providing the projector and other tools to make this presentation such a success.

And speaking of being lucky...I suppose you could say I was lucky by being at the right place, at the right time when I first laid eyes on The One! Who would've thought that after 15+ years, of being patient, my luck would finally ring true. I knew I had found The One,

because every time I saw just a glimpse, a curve, or a headlight out of the corner of my eye, it would take my breath away...literally. This went on for a long time, until one day, I saw it! Found it! Finally! Love at first sight! The perfect Jaguar convertible! The friend who was with me and knew of my passion, ordered me to stop, saying "You need to do it. I see how you react every time you see one, and Now Is The Time!"

I was in luck....it was for sale! But several people looking at it also, and I found myself saying "Get away from MY car!" I'll remember that day for the rest of my life. The day the keys were exchanged...two grown women crying over the fate of a car! That's when you know it is something special. She, hinting... "It's never seen snow.! Me, saying through tears..." It never will." She, saying, "It's never been through a car wash." Me answering "It never will." It was truly a wonderful emotional experience. Which was why I wasn't surprised several months later when I got a phone call from the previous owner asking...almost begging...to sell it back to her. "I'm sorry..." I said,



"I'm not ready to give her up yet." Nor will I ever be! More on the back-story of my Jaguar journey to come.

I'd like to challenge our members to share their Jaguar stories or any other experiences that would interest club members. You can do it by writing an article for the newsletter, or at a meeting, or at one of the fun events we have coming up. I'm sure there are many stories out there that we'd love to hear.

Also, we are still looking for speakers for upcoming meetings, so please see what you can do to recruit someone for those open months on the Activities Calendar. And, plan on joining the many fun activities we've got scheduled already.

Happy St. Patrick's Day to everyone! Here's hoping you get lucky in some way or another this month!

Until next we meet... Teresa

Feather Bowling - March 25th, 2018

When: March 25th, 4-6 PM

Where: Bath City Bistro, Mt. Clemens

75 Macomb Place

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586.469.0917 www.bathcitybistro.com

Dinner immediately following feather bowling at the Bath City Bistro restaurant.

RSVP: March 20th 2018

Cost: JAGM covers the lane charge!

"Three lanes of Belgian Trough Bowling" make Bath City Bistro the largest such sporting facility in North America. Belgian Trough Bowling is best described as a cross between bocci ball and shuffleboard.

Participants try their best to roll wooden discs toward a pigeon feather at the other end of a trough shaped lane.

The object is to land the discs as close to the feather as possible.



Typically played in teams, the game is sure to foster an element of camaraderie and competition as the wooden discs roll from side to side of the angled lane to their final feathery destination."

Put this FUN activity on your calendar!



It's really a fun time for young and old alike.

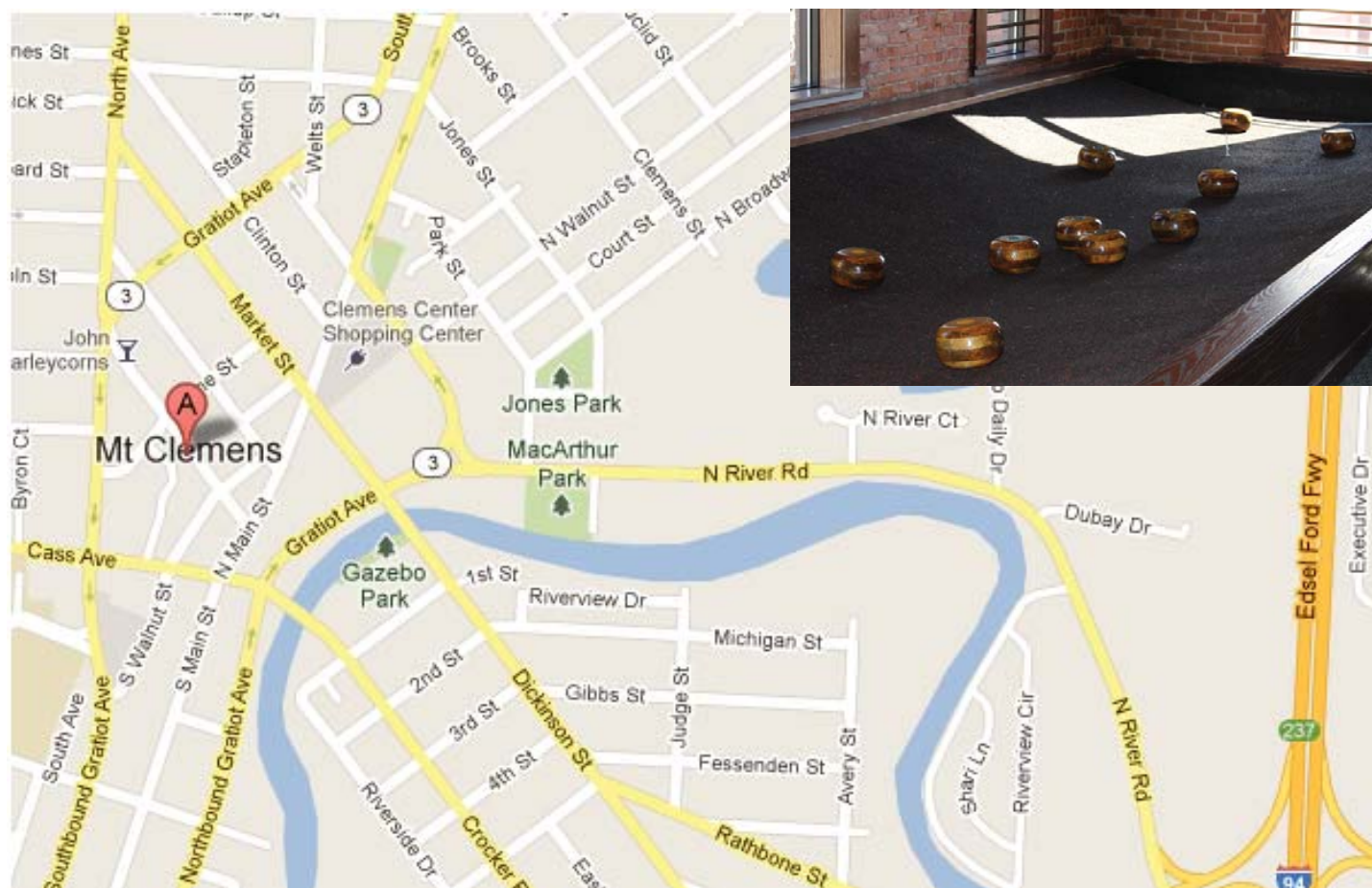
No experience, nor athletic prowess, required. Join us to bowl, to watch and to simply have fun.

We have reserved a lane from 4-6 PM. Drinks and light snacks are available while we are bowling.

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PRIOR to March 20th to RSVP

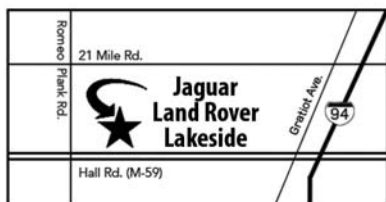




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February JAGM Speakers a Two-fer!

Those who attended the February meeting were treated to two very interesting speakers.

Oren Neugebohr of Auto Electric International (AEI) gave us a visual tour of his facility in Southfield. AEI remanufactures alternators and starters for many original equipment suppliers and automotive companies. They have the capability to rebuild in large batches or individually. Major automotive manufacturers such as Mercedes Benz, BMW, Rolls Royce, and AMC to Winnebago use the services of AEI.

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Jeremy Kaminski was the evening's second speaker. Jeremy is the proprietor of F1 Motorsports, also in Southfield. F1 specializes in high end import cars and will service just about any foreign vehicle you bring them. Jeremy employs state-of-the-art computer diagnostic equipment and has the capability to utilize OEM software on today's complex electronics. Jeremy stresses value over volume and focuses on customer satisfaction. For those with older (and newer) "computer controlled" Jaguars, F1 can do the diagnostic work and repairs.

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Many thanks to Oren and Jeremy for their informative presentations.

Fun and Games!

How's your Jaguar 'Early Days' I.Q.?

- Q1.** What was the name of the first four-wheeled product of the Swallow Side Car Company?

Q2. What year did Swallow Side Car Company first attend the London Motor Show?

Q3. What carnation-red model created a big impact at the 1931 London Motor Show?

Q4. What was the name of the company created in 1934?

Q5. What year did S. S. Cars Ltd. go public (selling stock to the public)?
- Q6.** In what year did a solitary S. S. 1 finish 58th on the Monte Carlo Rally?

Q7. In what year did the name 'Jaguar' get adopted into the motoring world?

Q8. In the 1930's what was the name of the subsidiary of Rolls Royce?

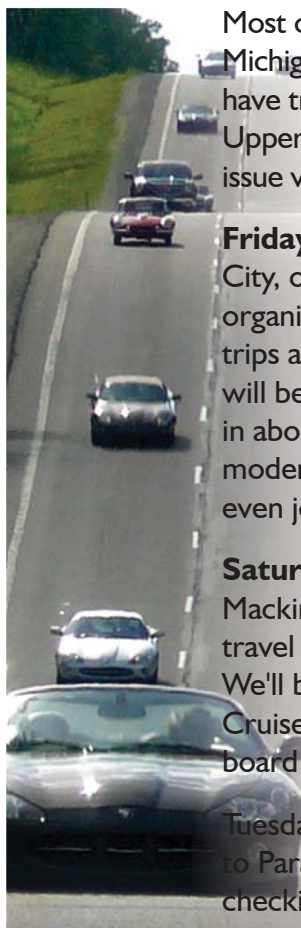
Q9. In what year did the S. S. 90 debut?

Q10. What was the 'proper' name of the S. S. 100?

See Page 9 for Answers

Thanks Phil Crutchfield for sharing this fun!

JAGM 2018 Summer Drive Planning



Most of us have traveled around Michigan's Lower Peninsula but few have traveled extensively in the Upper Peninsula. We can resolve that issue via our 2018 Summer Drive.

Friday June 22 - Drive to Mackinaw City, on your own or with loosely organized groups. You can take side trips along the way. The main route will be I-75, covering the 246 miles in about 4:20 with your relatively modern cars. Late-comers could even join us after working on Friday.

Saturday June 23 - Leave Mackinaw City at 8:30 AM and travel to Munising, arriving at 11:00. We'll board the Pictured Rocks Boat Cruise at 12:00 and have lunch on board during the 2 1/2 hour cruise.

Tuesday afternoon we will travel to Paradise and spend the night, checking into the hotel at 5:00 PM.

Sunday June 24 - Travel around Paradise visiting the Upper and Lower Tahquamenon Falls and White Fish Point Light House and Maritime Museum. In the Paradise area there just might be a free raffle for a Jaguar Mark VII.

Later Sunday we drive to Sault Ste Marie for the 2 1/2 hour Soo Lock Boat Tour, and depending on the time, we could again have lunch on board the cruise tour boat. There are other possible activities in Sault Ste Marie and the surrounding area. Later, we will return to Mackinaw City, spending the night there.

Monday, June 25 - Return home by any route of your choosing.

Most of the roads that we will be traveling in the Upper Peninsula are designated as Scenic Roadways. One day consists of significant driving and one day we will spend in significant spectating. None of the days will be that long.

You can't say later that you didn't know about the trip. Any thoughts and feedback are welcome.

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JAGMers Nominated for Tony Award !?!

Just when we thought we'd run out of enthusiasm for our annual Valentine's Day at the Tipping Point Theatre, we enjoyed the 'best play ever' ... "Every Brilliant Thing". It was a one person play, albeit with considerable help from audience members like Jack Valentine and Lionel Sully. Actress Katherine Banks gave an amazing performance with an examination of the effects on those left behind after a suicide. Not the kind of topic we'd usually seek out, but we realized that suicide has impacted many of us in the audience. Her uplifting "just don't do it" ending remarks put a perfect cap on the performance.



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Question, Answered!

My plea for help on servicing my 1998 Jaguar XK8 convertible that was published in the January issue of The Indicator has been answered by the Michigan Jaguar community. I thought other JAGM members would benefit from the input that I have received. First, long-time JAGM member Patrick McNamara highly recommends Auto Europe in Birmingham. Patrick has used them for many years for his impressive list of Jaguars from XK120 to XJ8 and all in between over the years. You can contact owner Tom Schick at tom@autoeuropesales.com or at 248-645-6300.

Second, our host for the January JAGM meeting and Indicator advertiser, Jaguar Land Rover Lakeside, stated in an e-mail to me that they are capable of handling repairs on ANY MODEL (my emphasis) Jaguar with their staff of experienced Jaguar Master Certified Technicians. Their advertisement does not explicitly state that, and it took some digging on their web site to determine that this might be the case. Contact details can be found in The Indicator.

Thanks to JAGM past-president Mike Bailey, Jeremy Kaminski was a speaker at the JAGM February meeting. Jeremy is the owner of FI Motorsports in Southfield. FI Motorsports is clearly a high-quality shop that has extensive experience with Jaguars and the full range of exotic cars – almost all famous brands, foreign and domestic. Jeremy can be contacted jeremy@fi-motorsports.com or 269-363-5086.

Finally, JAGM board member Bob Matejak brought Tom Shipley, a JAGM member, to my attention. Tom is a highly experienced autobody technician who used to run his own shop. Jaguars of all generations have been his stock in trade. Tom can be reached at tes5353@yahoo.com or (248) 673-7271.

Lionel Sully

Quiz Answers:

Q1 Austin Swallow	Q5 1935	Q10 S. S. Jaguar 100
Seven	Q6 1933	
Q2 1929	Q7 1935	Source: <i>Dream</i>
Q3 S. S I	Q8 Bentley	<i>Machines, Jaguar, by Paul</i>
Q4 S. S Cars Ltd.	Q9 1935	<i>Skilleter, 1990.</i>



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Outside Activity	Feather Bowling 25th, 4-6PM Mount Clemens, MI	Race Car Replicas Date T.B.D.	Live Fire Pistol Event 12 th Time T.B.D. Plymouth, MI	Mueller's Steak Fry 2 nd 1 PM - Linden MI Summer Drive 22 nd - 25 th
	July	August	September	October
Meeting Activity	Meeting 11 th 7:00 PM Archie's Restaurant	No Meeting	Meeting - 12 th 7:00PM Archie's Restaurant	Annual Charity Auction 10 th 7:00PM Archie's Restaurant
Outside Activity	T.B.D.	Concours d'Elegance 25 th - Canterbury Village	Mueller's Car Show for Cystic Fibrosis 8 th & 9 th	T.B.D.
	November	December	January 2019	February 2019
Meeting Activity	Meeting - 14 th 7:00 PM Archie's Restaurant	No Meeting	No Meeting	Meeting 13 th 7:00 PM Archie's Restaurant
Outside Activity	T.B.D.	Christmas Party Wednesday 12 th	Awards Gathering T.B.D.	T.B.D.

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