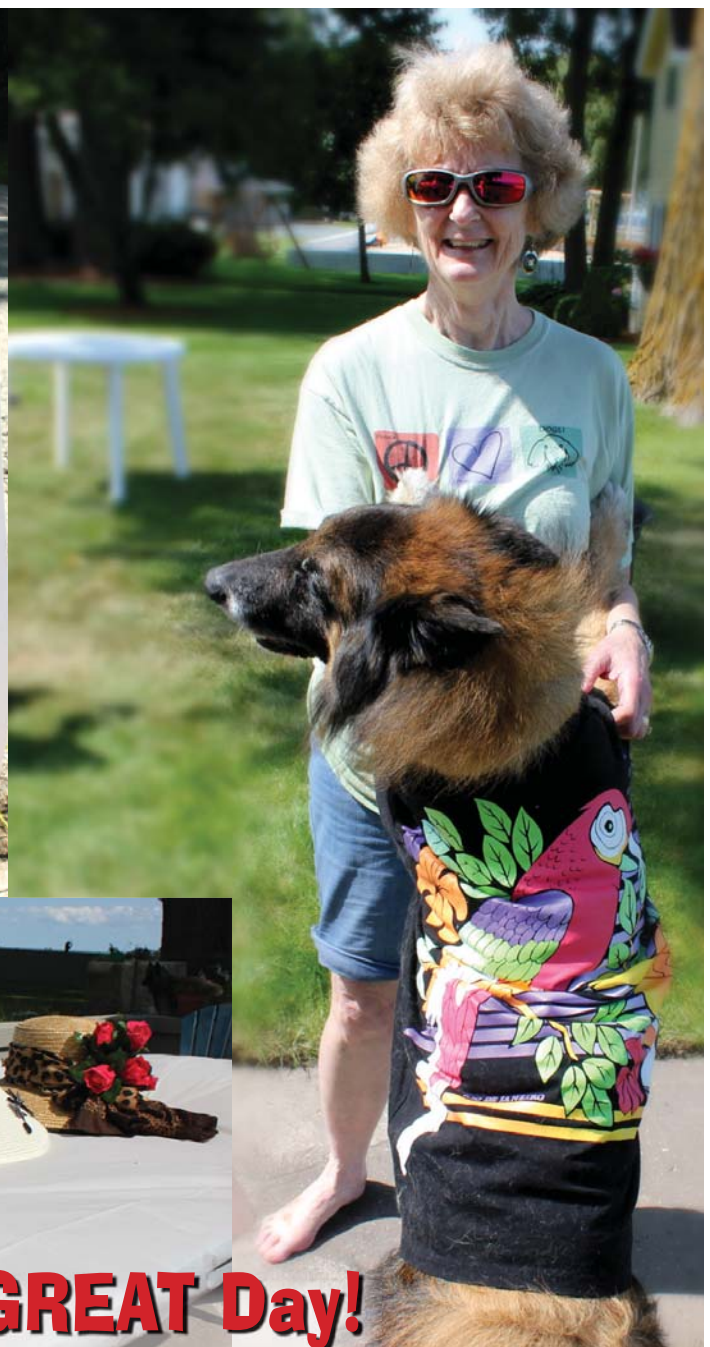


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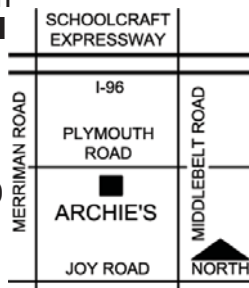
## JAGM Meetings

### Membership Meetings

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

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NO Meetings:  
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## JAGM Concours ~ 50 Years Ago!

Club member **Jeff Parko** participated in the 1967 JAGM Concours d' Elegance and has shared these photographs for us to enjoy and appreciate our long heritage. Thanks Jeff!



Jeff showed his 1952 XK120 M FHC in that show. It was a car he found in 1964, not running, and in pieces. He was age 14 at the time and it took him two year to rebuild the car for the show. Jeff's love of Jaguar continues today!

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## From the Behind the Wheel



Congratulations! JAGM has achieved its 50<sup>th</sup> Concours d' Elegance. I don't know how many other Jaguar Clubs have gotten this far, but it's rewarding to know we are likely one of the few that have.

I feel like a bit of a newbie. I believe my brother Tom and I joined sometime in the mid-90's making us members for less than half this time.

Looking back at this brief encounter, one realization that jumps out is the many people who donated time and energy to make the Club what it is, and allows it to continue uninterrupted and very viable to this day.

I remember many who volunteered and kept the Club alive with activities, speakers, and enthusiasm to keep the membership interested and active.

In many ways, this celebration should recognize all those who made the fifty JAGM Concours possible.

I have the President's Cup in front of me and I can count thirty different individuals who have their names inscribed on the base; many of these for more than one stint! More importantly, I know several of these people wore more than one hat; some being Judge, Chief Judge, Editor, and more. Unfortunately, the Cup does not memorialize the countless others who, without their help, there would be no celebration this year.

So I say congratulations not only to JAGM, but to all those who have unselfishly donated their time to make all this possible.

**THREE CHEERS FOR THEM ALL!!!!!!**

Mike Bailey

## 2017 Fall Color Tour



**Saturday October 14, 2017**  
**Time: 11:45AM**

The day begins, and ends, in COLDWATER, Michigan. We will meet for lunch at the **BROADWAY BAR AND GRILL**, (19 S. Monroe Street 49036) in downtown

Coldwater at 11:45 am. There is ample parking on the street or in the municipal lot around the block on Hanchett Street.

After lunch we will walk across the street and around the block to a scheduled 1:00PM guided tour of the

### **TIBBITS OPERA HOUSE.**

Built in 1882, it is the second oldest opera house in Michigan. The TIBBIT has recently enjoyed an exterior restoration while the beautiful interior restoration continues. The tour is "FREE" but donations are welcome and encouraged.

Following the tour we will drive into the southern Michigan countryside for a "FREE" singularly unique stop and experience. The drive will take approximately an hour and will return to COLDWATER where our day will conclude with a stop at the **NORTH WOODS COFFEE COMPANY, 34 W. Chicago Street**, where we will have a great choice of **ICE CREAM**, coffee, pies, cookies and/or light sandwiches.

Please RSVP to Karen Lapko @ 810. 334. 4421  
or [eklapko@hotmail.com](mailto:eklapko@hotmail.com)

**BY Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>**

PS. We have checked the box for "GOOD WEATHER" on the tour application form...

**C U in COLDWATER!!!**

Gene and Karen





## Mueller's Apple of Your Eye

### Charity Benefit for Cystic Fibrosis

**Where:** Mueller's Apple Orchard  
6036 Lobdell Road, Linden, MI 48451

**Date:** September 9<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>

Every year on the second weekend in September, Mueller's Orchard sponsors a car show with any contributions being donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

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## Brighton to London Run

**Date:** Sunday, November 5, 2017

**Time:** 1:00PM - 3:00PM

**Start:** Cabela's, Dundee MI / **Finish:** Brighton MI

In true driving tradition, the JAGM will emulate the historic "Brighton to London Run" with our "Run" beginning in London MI and ending in Brighton MI (68 miles), with lunch along the way.

Join us in celebrating the 121<sup>st</sup>-year anniversary of this historic event, as our driving season winds down.

More details to come. For additional info now, call Bob Matejek at 248.650.8755.

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## 2017 Christmas Party

**Date: Sunday, December 3, 2017**

**Time: 1:00PM - 3:00PM**

Canterbury Village [www.canterburyvillage.com](http://www.canterburyvillage.com)  
2369 Joslyn Court, Lake Orion, MI 48360

**Canterbury Village** is a little "old-world" village filled with unique shops and a wonderful restaurant where our party will be held, named the **Old Irish Pub**.

The Canterbury Village shops will be open on December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 11:00AM to 5:00PM. Plan your day to include some holiday shopping as well as casual fun times with fellow club members.

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## Kip Mrkva Wrap-Up



We had a great member turnout for the July meeting speaker, *Certified Financial Planner* **Kip Mrkva**.

Kip's presentation demonstrated his use of the free daily charts provided at [www.StockCharts.com](http://www.StockCharts.com). He studies technical indicators such as the RSI (relative strength index) and the 50 Day Moving average to identify when a stock was "safe" to buy and also when it was time to sell and "go away". Members suggested several familiar stocks and Kip questioned the audience whether they should buy it or not, based on the tables he showed from the website. He also introduced a newer family of stocks called ETF's (Exchange Traded Funds) which represent a basket of stocks similar to a mutual fund but traded with the liquidity of a regular stock.

Kip invited members to visit his office during regular trading hours, to see him trade in real time. If interested, or you have any investment questions, simply give Kip a call at 248.626.2000 x116.

It was a fun, lively and educational meeting.

**Thanks Kip!**

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## 2017 Ontario Concours

Chuck and I attended the Ontario Jaguar Owners Association's 50th Concours d' Elegance, held July 30th at the home/property of Allan & Carol Lingelbach. Pat Geary from PA was another Yankee in attendance.

We drove the 1970 E-Type, leaving Saturday morning. What gorgeous weather we had for a drive in a non-air conditioned vehicle! After crossing into Canada at the Blue Water Bridge/Sarnia, we took a mostly scenic route that took us through St. Mary's and Stratford. The host hotel, a Courtyard by Marriott, was in the Waterloo area. The hotel was a great choice, as the accommodations and staff were top drawer.

The OJOA Concours committee arranged a meet & greet, (& eat) at the hotel for Friday night. A light Italian buffet, with cash bar, was available. Chuck and I both were greeted warmly, feeling welcome and at ease immediately. We remember the friendly atmosphere from the last OJOA Concours we attended (eons ago). It's nice that some things don't change.

After breakfast in the hotel's bistro, sitting with new friends, we drove the 20 minutes to the Lingelbach estate in rural Wellesley. It was Sunday morning, and we saw many horse-drawn buggies carrying families to church gatherings. Unfortunately, we also came across a 1947 3.5 Jaguar saloon with a broken half-



shaft that was not going to make it to the Concours. Anyway, we drove onto the property that was an absolutely beautiful setting. Allan

and Carol's display field was an expansive front lawn surrounded by trees and flowers. They lined up the Daily Drivers (Display) on one side, and the Championship and Driven vehicles on another. A

BSA motorcycle with a Swallow side car and a gorgeous SS100 professionally done replica had special places for display. If you read the article in the latest JCNA Jaguar Journal, you know all about this unique motorcycle/sidecar combination.

Ok, show time!



The judges were led onto the field by Carol's dog & cart (a special breed that is raised to pull carts), carrying the major trophies. Judges followed, all wearing straw hats for easy identification. The Chief Judge's surname is Sheriff....so the music accompanying their entrance was "I Shot the Sheriff". The judges kept busy. The Concours Committee was hoping to get 50 Jaguars for its 50th Concours. They had 56...almost 57. They were very happy about that number. I think they had at least 25 in the Daily Driver category (that's an OJOA category) and the rest in Championship and Driven. There was one Preservation Class car, a 1973 E-type.



A hot catered lunch was served. The Awards were handed out about 3:30, with raffle prizes following.

## 2017 Ontario Concours

Well, Chuck and I were almost embarrassed. His 1970 XKE took 1<sup>st</sup> place in his class, with a very nice score. But, the highlight was when they presented



their President's Cup to him, elaborating on his JCNA participation and the number of Concours and other shows he had taken his

XKE to. They were impressed with the consistently excellent condition of a car that was shared with so many, so often. Although the silver cup stays with the club, they gave Chuck a nice plaque to bring home. Chuck was the first non-OJOA member to ever receive this special tribute!

Not to be outdone, I took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the hat decorating contest.

We were very glad we participated in this year's event. Perhaps next year, more of our JAGM members will add the Ontario Concours to their summer itineraries.

Louise  
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## Duggan's Irish Pub and the Woodward Dream Cruise Preview

JAGM has supported the Woodward Dream Cruise and added our bit of *finesse* to the "largest one day car event in the world", for the past five or so years. With such a record and reputation, in our own minds, there was no reason to stop just because the Concours was relocated. We kept the tradition alive.



Seventeen of us stopped into Duggan's Irish Pub on Woodward near 13 Mile Road, ground zero for the Cruise and all its activities and craziness on August 13, the Sunday

evening before the official Cruise. Members came from very near to a bit of a distance away. Some were the usual suspects while others were somewhat newer to JAGM activities. We all had a great dinner and saw the preview of a lot of classic and unusual vehicles brought out by people who must not own a calendar. The Pub was crowded and everyone was very respectful. They just wanted to relax and enjoy the pre-Cruise viewing. I expect that we will be back next year although there was some discussions about no reservations that close to the Cruise. Maybe, we will just all invade at once. You can't trust the British!

Bob Matejek



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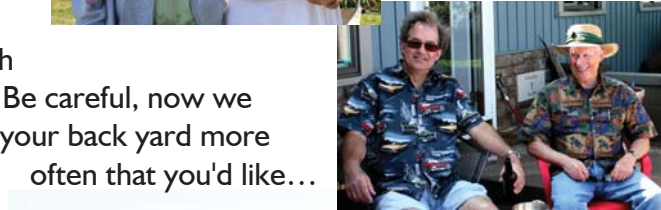
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## "While I Am At It", Rod Lindoo Story *continues*

### *Where's that engine?: part 4*



By: Rod Lindoo

It took a while, 6 months but I finally got it back from Auto Machine in St Charles, Illinois. Actually it worked out perfectly since I just finished up painting the front end and installing a few things.

I found some interesting things out thru all this. One of my connecting rods had been replaced before I bought the car. I got it when it was 8 years old! It was also 20 grams heavier than the other rods. Maybe it will run smother now that the engine was balanced.

The machine shop bores out the piston sleeves and installs new ones on all Jag engines. If you look at the picture, you can see cooling slots in the top of the block with the sleeve removed. These slots get choked with crud and wont cool the top of the head very well causing your pistons to fail. Which was probably what happened with my piston

knock.. Boiling out the block doesn't clean this stuff out well enough.

When I took the oil filter housing off, there was a loose part inside. Turns out it was the bypass valve that would open if your filter got plugged. So my oil was actually bypassing the filter some and going out this open hole back into the engine. I wonder how long that's been going on? I think its probably wise to check that every time I replace the filter now. I found a few other people on the internet that have had the same problem.

I was going to drop the motor in from the top this time but had trouble fitting the lift where I needed it to go so it went back in thru the bottom. I think it was easier to do that way. Just slide it under and pull it straight up.

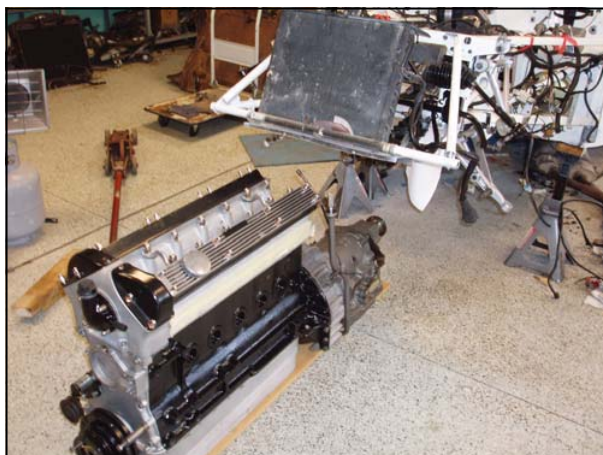
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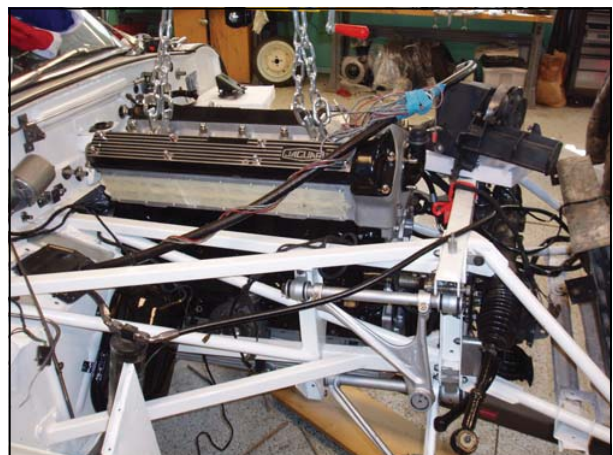
*Cooling grooves at the top of cylinder with the sleeve removed.*



*Bypass valve loose inside the housing.*



*Nice clean engine ready to go under.*



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Outside Activity	<b>Concours d'Elegance</b> <b>Ypsilanti, MI</b> <b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>Mueller's Apple of your Eye</b> <b>Linden, MI</b> <b>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>- Sunday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	Fall Color Tour Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>	London to Brighton Run MI Style - Fall Drive Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Party Canterbury Village Lake Orion, MI Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>
	January	February	March	April
Meeting Activity	No Meeting	Meeting 14 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM	Meeting 14 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM	Meeting 11 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM
Outside Activity	Awards Gathering Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> 2018	Tipping Point Theatre Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>	T.B.D.	T.B.D.



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