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Welcome new Members

Member Name	Jaguars Owned	JAGM welcomes our newest members. Please help us extend them a warm welcome.
Gino Pasquale Genova	1997 XK8 Coupe	
Current JAGM membership is 163		

Activities Calendar

	September	October	November
Activity	JAGM 55 th Concours d'Elegance Canterbury Village/Lake Orion, MI Sunday 3 rd	NUIAS Cars and Coffee and Fall Drive Midland, MI Friday 6 th –Saturday 7 th	Zoom Membership Meeting Wednesday @ 7:00 PM
	Apple of Your Eye Car Show Mueller's Orchard/Linden, MI Saturday 9 th		
	Battle of the Brits/Membership Meeting/Picnic/Milford, MI Sunday 10 th		
	Detroit Concours d'Elegance Saturday 16 th	ECC Cars and Coffee Northville Township, MI Saturday 14 th	
	British Car Corral/Baker's of Milford Sunday 17 th	Twisty Bits Fall Drive/ Sharon Mills County Park/ Picnic and Membership Meeting Saline and Manchester, MI Sunday 15 th	
	Vintage Sports Car Racing & Reunion Put-In-Bay, OH Wednesday 20 th –Friday 22 nd		
	JCNA International Jaguar Festival Columbia, SC Thurs Sept 28 th –Sun Oct 1 st		

For the most up to date listing & schedule of events, go to: www.jagm.org/events



September already? This happens every year —the summer just doesn't last as long as I'd like. This one flew by even faster than usual as Ellie and I were shopping for a new home and getting ready to move (still in that process). Our last move was 38 years ago, so we're finding it crazily chaotic, and we haven't been able to attend as many JAGM events as we'd like. It has even affected our quality control of The Indicator. Maybe you noticed—two consecutive June issues? Or, see Page X for Steve Myerscough's article about the Indiana Jag club's Concours. He sent me the article on June 4th; it rested comfortably in my inbox until August when he reminded me about it. Finally this month you can read it. Moving and Chaos—that's my excuse and I'm sticking with it!

Still, JAGM has plenty of fun and engaging events coming up in the late Summer and Fall. I'll highlight a few here, starting with our **55th Concours d'Elegance**, probably just a couple days away as you read this. Even if you haven't registered your Jag for the Concours, this is a great chance to get together with old and new friends, while seeing some pristine Jaguars in a beautiful setting (see page x).

Or, if you prefer driving events, see page xx for two Fall drives in October. Two chances to catch the Michigan

Fall colors at their peak. First there's a drive event in the Midland, MI area centered around the **Northwood University Auto Show**, October 6th and 7th. A week later we'll have the **"Twisty Bits"** drive in the Saline, MI area. See Page x to read about these October drives, and the facing page for the full activities calendar.

So, yes it's September already, but that just means we can enjoy our club and our cars in slightly cooler temperatures for a while. Then after a short Winter's rest it will be June again June again!

Gary Hillebrand



ECC Cars & Coffee

The October ECC Cars & Coffee will be on **Saturday, October 14th** from **9 a.m. to noon**. The location is the ZF parking lot at 15701 Technology Drive, Northville Township. There will be signage and volunteers at the entrances off 5 Mile Road and Beck Road to Technology Drive.

JAGM has secured 20 spaces together in our club's **"Kar Korral"**. The first 20 people to register can park together. The reservation fee has been paid so your \$5 reimbursement will be **payable to Phil Crutchfield at the event**. You must arrive a bit early to accommodate this special parking in Lot D.

JAGM Organizers: Conrad Foster and Phil Crutchfield



The Lost Railway Museum

Saturday, July 22nd was a sunny summer morning with temperatures transitioning from 60 to 80 degrees F⁰. Twelve people driving seven cars headed for Grass Lake, MI to The Lost Railway Museum. We had members from Windsor, ON (1955 XK) and Grand Rapids, OH (80s XJ6) make the journey. Gary and Shelly Decker, of the Windsor-Detroit MG Club, joined us for the event, and we welcomed getting to know new British car enthusiasts.

tem moved people between Grass Lake, Jackson, Detroit, and much of the rest of Michigan. And the developing competition between two early entrepre-



Car 29 Virtual Reality Experience



neurs who developed interurban railways throughout western

Michigan with hopes of going coast to coast, which never was obtained. As the interest in personal travel (Model As and others) increased, the use of the mass-transit electric interurban railways diminished. The Lost Railway Museum exists to keep that history and railcars alive.

We next boarded the Borman Express, car 29, leaving Jackson's Platform 517, which took us on a (virtual reality) ride back in time from Jackson to the spur of Wolf Lake, and into Grass Lake. It was an experience that was both fun and informative giving us a view of how people of that era traveled.

Phil Crutchfield



After the scenic backroad journeys, we entered The Lost Railway Museum. It was like a step back to 1901. The first thing we did was watch a video that detailed how the early pre-car electric Interurban railway sys-



Flying High in Fishers, Indiana



On June 3rd, we drove down to Fishers, Indiana to participate in the Jaguar Association of Greater Indiana's 2023 Concours D'Elegance. The event was held at Tom Woods Aviation Center in a hanger (complete with a few hanging planes), which was a unique setting we had never experienced before.

Upon arriving, JAGIN was very welcoming and supportive of the out-of-towners and helped with set-up. To my surprise, another two JAGM members had driven down to participate: Phil Wiltshire with his F-Type and a new member, Steve Kubica, with his gorgeous Series I E-Type. There were a great number of entries, with the



biggest number being in the E-Type class. Gates opened at 9:00am, with rags down at noon and judging commencing right after, followed by a luncheon and awards ceremony at 3:00pm.

We earned a first-place award in the Championship class, Phil displayed his car, and the other Steve also earned first place in his class, as well as the People's Choice Award. Overall, this was an excellent experience, and I am very proud of all the JAGM members that participated along with us.

Steven Myerscough



Cars and Kettles—Port Huron

Saturday, July 29th marked the third year that JAGM has supported the charity work of the Salvation Army of St, Clair county. The donations to participate in their Cars and Kettles Car Show goes to help fund the Salvation Army's work in the local community. But the attendance at the event, and the much larger, and adjacent, Main Street Memories Wheels on the Waterfront event was impacted by rainy skies that persisted until about 10:30 AM.



This year JAGM added four cars to the lineup of exotics and fine classics that lined the street in front of the YMCA in Port Huron. The Main Street Memories Wheels on the Waterfront occupied the grassy space between the YMCA and the St, Clair River. While the number of cars in that car show was down from last year, it was likely that about 500 cars participated.

A local radio station provided Bob Matejek and Phil Crutchfield a few minutes between



songs to discuss JAGM. Despite shaking knees, they were able to get JAGM's story out to the station's listeners.

Public foot traffic was strong from 10:30 AM on. Just after noon JAGM members, and a few Cars and Kettles staffers, headed for the River Crab Blue Water Inn in St. Clair. There we enjoyed a delicious lunch, a fantastic view of the St. Clair River, and some great conversations.

This annual event continues as a great way for JAGM members to get together and support a local community charity. See you again next year!

Phil Crutchfield



Jaguar Affiliates Group of Michigan Invites You to Join Us at Our 55th Jaguar Concours d'Elegance Sunday Sept 3, 2023

Olde World Canterbury Village, 2359 Joslyn Ct., Lake Orion, Michigan 48360

<http://canterburyvillage.com/index.php>

Our host hotel is the **Springhill Suites, 4919 Interpark Drive, Orion Twp, MI 48359**

Join Us for Saturday Night Hospitality (Sept. 2)

A hospitality reception will be held in the hotel lobby,

breakfast area and bar or private conference room starting at 6:00PM. Come and meet friends old and new. A light meal will be provided, and bar service will be available. Local JAGM members are encouraged to attend and bring a dish from home to share.

Jaguar Concours d'Elegance (cont'd)



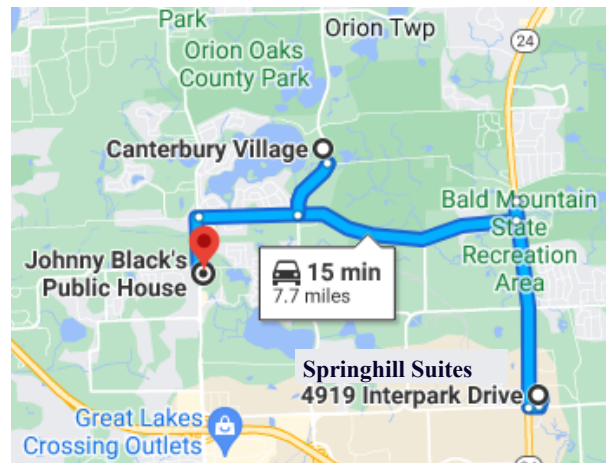
JAGM's most prestigious event, the JCNA sanctioned Jaguar Concours d'Elegance, will be held at this small and unique old-time village. The cars will be displayed on the lawn between the shops and cottages. As in previous years we have invited other British Marques to join us in a British Showcase.

If you're already registered for the Concours, the details are shown below for your convenience. If you didn't register, consider dropping in anyway and enjoy the nice weather (we're counting on that!), great cars and friends, shopping, relaxing and maybe some treats at the Yates Cider Mill store. There's no admission fee to Canterbury Village, so come and enjoy the day.

A hospitality tent will be available during the Concours for respite from the sunny weather. There are plenty of small shops to visit. Lunch may be purchased at the C-Pub Bar & Grill or snacks at Yates Cider Mill.

Dinner and the awards presentations will be at

Johnny Black's Public House, at 3575 S. Baldwin Rd., Orion Township. You must be pre-registered to attend the Awards Dinner.



Canterbury Village is off the I-75 expressway at Exit 81 (Lapeer Road North) near the Palace, and at Exit 83, (Joslyn Road North) near the "Great Lakes Crossing" shopping mall.

Event Details

Sunday Schedule:

- 09:00 AM** Event site opens for entrants. All cars enter the North driveway and will pass the Registration tent prior to reaching your judging position.
- 11:00 AM—12:00 PM** Judges Luncheon Meeting
- 12:00 PM** Rags down
- 12:00 PM** Judging begins. Championship and Driven class participants must be at their cars
- 03:00 PM** Latest expected release of cars by Chief Judge
- 05:00 PM** Dinner and Awards Presentation at Johnny Black's Public House.

Thank you to Moss Motors and Welsh Enterprises for providing "goody bags" and merchandise for our Concours.



Contact Concours Chairman Mark Griffith at markgriffith50@yahoo.com or call (248) 767-5893

Apple of your Eye Car Show – Sept 10th & 11th

Charity Benefit for Cystic Fibrosis

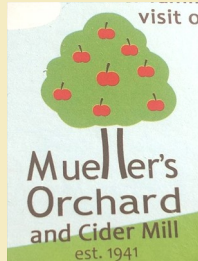
Where: Mueller's Apple Orchard

6036 Lobdell Road, Linden, MI 48451

Date: September 10th & 11th, 10AM to 6PM

Have fun with your car and let others enjoy it as well!

- No entry fee, no classes, no judging
- Awards for participation
- All makes and models of cars
- Food concessions by Kiwanis
- Music, raffles and youth activities
- Orchard apples, cider and donuts
- Proceeds are donated to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation



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Battle of the Brits/September Membership Meeting – Sept 10th

The 40th annual Battle of the Brits Motorcycle and Car Show is one of the premier shows of its type, attracting more than 200 bikes and British cars. There will be British, Euro, and American bikes made before 1984. Join JAGM for a picnic gathering and a short membership meeting at the event. Pack a picnic lunch and enjoy the cars, motorcycles and people.

Where: Camp Dearborn; 1700 General Motors Rd, Milford, MI 48380. There is a general admission fee of \$10 per car to enter the park. Park on the grass on the left side as you enter.

When: Sunday, September 10th, 10 am to 5 pm. Picnic lunch and meeting at 1 pm.

Please register on the Upcoming Events page of JAGM.org so that we know to look for you there.

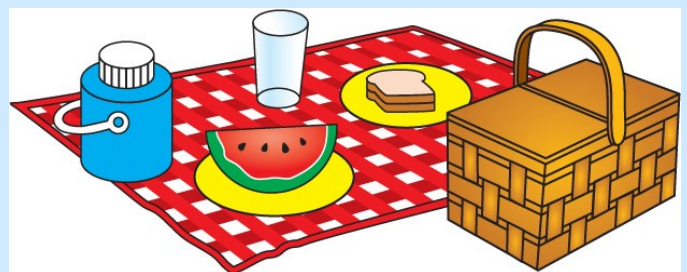


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Detroit Concours d'Elegance

Where: Detroit Institute of Arts
When: Saturday, September 14th

The Detroit Concours d'Elegance will host 150 historically significant vehicles. Its heritage can be traced back to its beginnings in 1979 at Meadow Brook and the Concours of America at the Inn at St. Johns.

For more about the Detroit Concours d'Elegance, visit DetroitConcours.com.



Wait 'til Next Year!

Snook's Dream Cars, Erie Canal Experience, and Riverfront BBQ; Grand Rapids, OH; Date TBD
This event, which we were trying to fit into JAGM's October calendar, will have to be moved into the 2024 lineup. Ralf and Marta have put together a great day of activities around their Maumee River home, but Ralf's work schedule has gotten in the way...

We'll look forward to this in the 2024 schedule; stay tuned!

Gary Hillebrand

JAGM Name Badges

Make it easier for other JAGM members to get to know you and recognize you. Get a name badge today! The cost to order a mailed name badge is \$12.00. Come to a meeting or event and pick it up, the cost is only \$10.00.

Make check payable to: JAGM
Send your check to: Tim Moore, 43480 Devin, Clinton Twp, MI 48038

Your name: On a separate page CLEARLY PRINT your name as you wish it to appear on the badge.

Delivery/pickup: Indicate if you want your badge mailed (provide shipping address) or if you will pick it up.



Classified Ads

For Sale: Anyone restoring a MK2 Jaguar or E-type, I have a lot of misc. odds and ends. Some items NOS other good used, including Bees Black and GNK bolts, Cheney hose clamps, fan motors, steering wheel etc.

Call Pat at 989-295-0466 or email me at cminc@charter.net

Wanted: JAGM Concours dash plaques from the past (pre-1999). Will pay any reasonable price.

Contact Tim Moore at 586-945-4509/ tfm0719@live.com

For Sale: G.W. BARTLETT CO., original Jaguar interior for E-Type Series II, 2 + 2. Black in color. Current price new from OSJI (formally G.W. Bartlett Co.) is \$4900.

Come and take a look as I will refuse no reasonable offer.

Call Rob at 734-564-0366

For Sale: 1988 XJ6 4-door sedan. 69,000 miles. Silver gray with gray leather interior. Wire spoke wheels. 3.6 liter inline 6. Automatic. Single owner. Immaculate condition. Always very carefully parked to avoid damage, always garaged indoors, and never driven in winter.

\$8900 or best offer. Contact Alex at 269-599-1910



Car located in Grand Rapids

For Sale: 1989 XJS 2-seater convertible. 48,000 miles. White with chocolate brown top. Beige leather interior. 5.3 liter V-12 engine. New engine belts recently. Automatic. Immaculate condition. Always very carefully parked to avoid damage, always garaged indoors, and never driven in winter.

\$14,900 or best offer. Contact Alex at 269-599-1910



Car located in Grand Rapids

Vintage Sports Car Racing; Put-In-Bay Airport, South Bass Island (near Sandusky, OH) Wednesday, September 20th — Thursday, Sept. 21st

Beginning with a small event in 2009, the Put-in-Bay Road Races Reunion celebrates sports car races that were held on the streets of the town of Put-in-Bay on Ohio's South Bass Island from 1952 to 1959 and in 1963. The three-day reunion engages racers and non-racers alike in an event that reaches back in time to capture the history and re-create the atmosphere of sports car racing of that era in a uniquely beautiful setting.

Book-ended around two days of Vintage sports car racing at the island's airport, is a balanced mix of events honoring the island's racing history, a few social gatherings, a car show, original course controlled laps and airport-track lapping, self conducted island rally, rocker cover races and plenty of unstructured time as well.

Put-in-Bay is a nostalgic island



enclave and a short ferry ride off the shore of Lake Erie near Sandusky, Ohio. A summer resort community little changed from the '50s, it is one of the very few places in North America where post-war sports cars raced through towns and countryside on public roads and where those roads exist today virtually unchanged.

Mike Bailey and Kris Whise have been going to this annual event for years. This year a number of other members have decided to try it out. Look for logistical details, particularly about lodging and transportation on the island, in the Events page at JAGM.org, and details of all the racing and other activities at: <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/2023-put-in-bay-vintage-sports-car-races-reunion-airport-course-road-race-676943>.

If you decide to attend all or part of the event, Register on the Events page at JAGM.org so members who are going will be able to coordinate plans and get together.

Organizer: Phil Crutchfield

British Car Corral

These Sunday afternoon events are a nice way to get the car out without a lot of pre-planning or prep required. Just check the weather, hop in the car, find a suitable backroad route and join a few hundred of your closest friends to talk cars and share stories.

Sunday, August 20, was sunny and warm, and once again a healthy contingent of Jaguars traveled to Baker's. The mix included two F-Types, an E-Type, two XK8s, an XKR, an XJ8 as well as an MGB and a

Mini. I'm probably forgetting a couple as well. I always get involved in multiple conversations with other enthusiasts and lose track of time at these events. I told Ellie I would only be there a short time. Three hours later...

The next British Car Corral is on **Sunday, September 17th, 2– 7 pm. Baker's of Milford, 2025 S. Milford Road, Milford, Michigan**

Gary Hillebrand

Two Great Fall Drives!

This October, JAGM is hosting 2 Fall drives on consecutive October weekends. Our Fall drives have been popular in the last few years, and we hope you'll find one or both will fit into your schedule this year.

Midland Fall Color Tour and Northwood University International Auto Show (NUIAS) – October 6-7

This event begins with a drive to Midland on Thursday, October 5th and an overnight stay at the Holiday Inn Midland, 810 Cinema Drive, if you don't live in the area. We will have dinner that evening at Big Ed's Bar & Grill at the hotel.

On Friday, October 6th we will meet at the hotel and start a scenic two-lane back road journey through the village of Hale to the Lumberman Monument at the Huron-Manistee National Forest. After lunch at the Main Street Pizza and BBQ in Hale, we will drive more scenic roads back to Midland, where we will have dinner at the Villa D'Alessandro Restaurant.

Saturday morning we'll meet for the short drive over to Northwood for the NUIAS show. We'll display our cars at the popular NUIAS Cars and Coffee on the Northwood campus, adjacent to the NUIAS. JAGM members brought about 10 cars last year to the Cars and Coffee, and we enjoyed being part of the great variety of vehicles on display. From there we can walk through the main NUIAS show, which is put on by the students at Northwood and features a great selection of mainstream and exotic cars from manufacturers around the world. The setting, on campus, is peaceful and attractive. Last year the hardwoods on campus were in full color for the show.

See the Upcoming Events page at JAGM.org for full details and to register for this event.

Organizers: Tom Hudak and Phil Crutchfield

Twisty Bits Fall Drive/Picnic/October/Membership Meeting; Saline, MI, Sunday October 15th

The Twisty Bits Tour is a ½ day drive event hosted jointly by JAGM and the Windsor-Detroit MG Club. As the name implies, you can expect nice, curvy

country roads and the half-way point incorporates a picnic and membership meeting at an historic country park.

We'll meet up and start our drive at 11 AM at the Meijer's parking lot (3145 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd.) just southeast of I-94 at exit #175. We will drive about 50 miles around some nicely curved roads. All roads are paved, although some might be classed in the "uneven pavement" category. We will drive through much of the German-settled area of southeast Michigan, plus see some small lakes and two small towns typical of the area.



We will stop halfway through the tour at the historic and restored 1835 Sharon Mill and participate in a picnic lunch. Bring your hamper lunch from home or purchase something just prior to leaving the Meijer's lot. Open up your wicker picnic hampers and enjoy a splendid hour sitting on the grass at the mill (or on your favorite folding chair) and checking out the mill's history. After lunch, we will continue through the countryside for another 50 miles, ending up back at the Meijer's lot. The tour distance is 101 miles, and we should finish around 4 PM.

Please call Philip Wiltshire at 574 202 8919, or e-mail me at pwiltshire@comcast.net with any questions.

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