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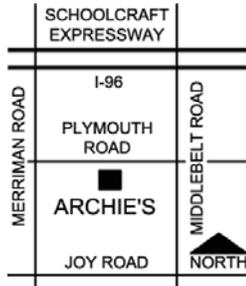
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Membership Meetings

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

@ **Archie's Restaurant**

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Question: In all of the United States, you can do this at only three venues, all in southeast Michigan... What is it?

Answer: Feather Bowling!

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75 Macomb Place, Mt. Clemens MI 48043

Sunday March 26th 2017: From 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Dinner to follow: at The Three Blind Mice Irish Pub

RSVP prior to March 19th: Tom Bailey 734-743-5760

For **Additional Information** visit their website: www.BathCityBistro.com



Membership RENEWALS

If you haven't seen the email with your renewal information, or received your renewal form in the U.S. Postal mail, contact Pauline Blunt, as soon as possible!

The March issue of the Indicator will include the Membership Roster; you need to renew **NOW** to be included in the roster.

Don't Miss Out!

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American Speed Company & Motor City Solutions Tours

Date: March 4, 2017

Time: 10:00 AM

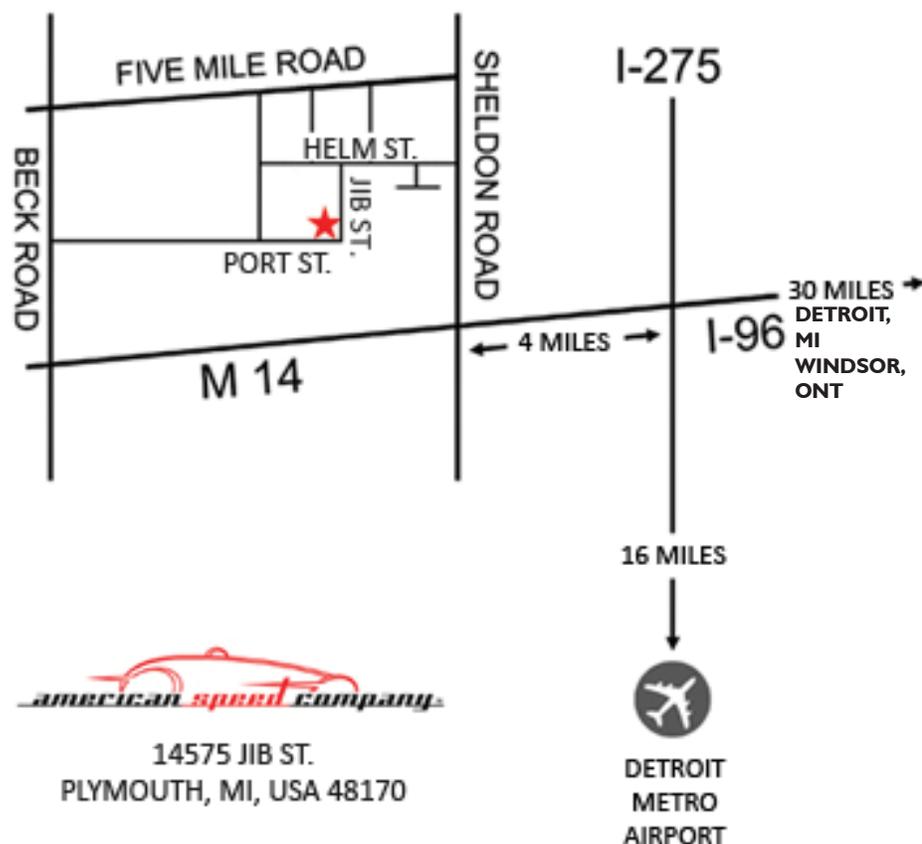
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14575 Jib St, Plymouth, MI 48170
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Link to Map: <https://goo.gl/ca3Ntj>



On Saturday, March 4, the club will embark on a mini road trip...Plymouth to Taylor...to visit the **American Speed Company (ASC) and Motor City Solutions (MCS)**. **ASC specializes in hot rods and interiors** and produces some of the most magnificent street rods on wheels, especially the Speed33 which is a regular award winner. They can also take an owner's old car and ideas for a dream rod and turn them into a real work of art from the tire tread on up to a custom top.

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As you would expect, there will be many cars in various stages of redo, and some of the Autorama gems, on display at both locations.

This event will start promptly at 10:00AM in the American Speed Lobby. (see address above)

Lunch will be provided by MCS.



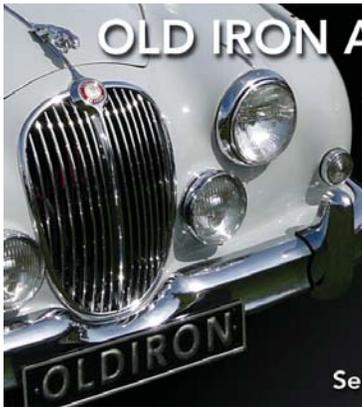
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JAGM Summer Drive ~ June 23-26, 2017

The annual summer drive is in the planning stages right now. **The proposed trip will start on Friday 6/23** at the Stahl Automotive Foundation (www.Stahlsauto.com) in Chesterfield (near 26 Mile Road and Gratiot). From there we will head due East to the St. Clair River and continue along the shoreline, counterclockwise around the state. We'll pass through Port Huron, Port Sanilac, Port Austin and spend Friday night in Bay City.

Saturday 6/24 will continue along the shoreline, through East Tawas, Alpena, Rogers City stopping either at Cheboygan or Mackinaw City. You will have the option of spending the night on Mackinac Island to walk the deserted streets at night and awaken to the sounds of clomping hooves and incoming boats.

Sunday 6/25 will continue along the shore, going through the Tunnel of Trees, to Harbor Springs, Petosky, Charlevoix and stopping at Traverse City,

one week before the Cherry Festival.

Monday 6/26 we will return home.

You can expect stops at an ice cream stand or two, wineries, museums, antique shops, the new and/or old Mackinaw Icebreaking ships, gift shops, with good food and good friends.

There will be about 200 miles or 4 hours traveling per day on two lane roads, except for the final return day.

You don't have to bring a Jaguar. Bring whatever vehicle you are comfortable with. We're out to do some cruising with some friends.



Mark it on your calendar and get ready to see the State. The directions will be easy. Keep the water on your right!

Contact Bob Matejek at BobMatejek@AOL.com or 248.650.8755 to reserve your place in the group.



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Annual Awards Gathering

'A good time was had by all' is the proper summation for the 2017 Annual JAGM Awards Gathering. It was hosted by the friendly and knowledgeable sales and service staff at **Erhard's Jaguar Land Rover Farmington Hills** Dealership. They were MOST welcoming, and on hand all evening to answer questions and to just 'talk shop' about their great lineup.

On to the evening highlights. Congrats to Tom and Johnine Bailey, winners of the 2016 Most Active JAGM Member award. Second place went to Dick Harms and third, finishing in the metal again, was Bob Matejek. The award presentation and party took place amidst the latest models of Jags and Land Rovers, there to be ogled and touched (I think Dick bought a couple). But there were other aspects of our event that stood out. **Each of us received a Jaguar key fob plus there were three door prizes which included a computer case, a set of Jaguar luggage and a golf bag.** Now guess which couple won two of the three prizes, one door prize each. Hint, Bailey is the name ... now which Bailey?

Did I forget the food? Never! **This party was catered by Erhard.** The main dishes were tasty and varied but the desserts were to die for. I almost did.

There was one truly wonderful aspect of this event that no one could 'plan' for and that was the presence of several Club members who haven't been seen for a very long time. That resulted in many hugs, smiles, catching up and just plain old happiness. Jaguar lovers forever! Did I say a good time was had by all?

Thanks Again Erhard Jaguar of Farmington Hills!

Mattie Majors



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Alan Graham
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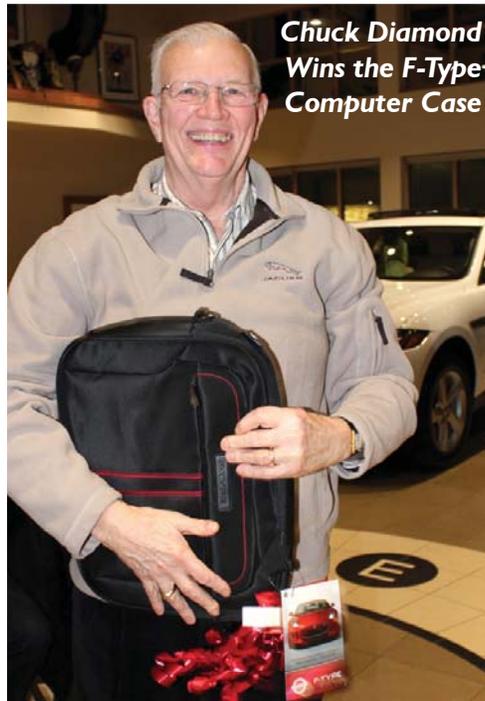
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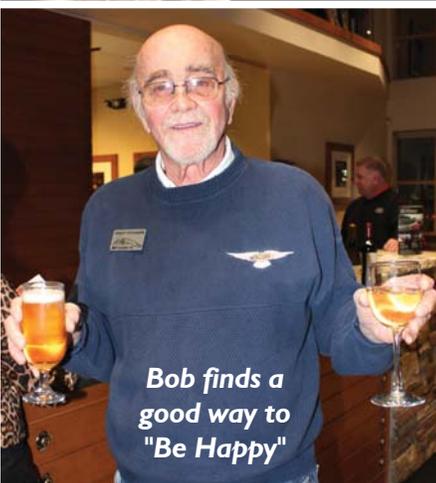
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Chuck Diamond
Wins the F-Type-
Computer Case



Tom Bailey
Wins the
F-Type
Luggage



*Bob finds a
good way to
"Be Happy"*



Johnnie says, "Look Tom, A Perfect Fit!"



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What's That Knocking? Part 1



I've had my 1970 E Type for 37 years now, (bought it in 1979) taking it on numerous weekend trips over the years, it's never left me stranded.

I keep a plastic sheet under it in the garage, since it leaks a lot of oil and transmission fluid but that's never been a reason to pull the engine and fix it.

For years now, I've had a little "knock" when starting up the engine. "Knock" "knock" "knock" and then it disappears. Didn't bother me for the past 20 years since I knew the oil was getting pumped up where it was supposed to be and doing its job taking up any space & lubricating.

The last year or so the "knock" is always there at idle. It will go away when you give it the gas but something seems wrong at idle.

I decided to pull off the oil pan

to see if I could find anything. I dropped the pan without removing the dreaded suspension tie plate. It required jacking up the front of the engine and the transmission a little, to get the pan to clear the tie plate.

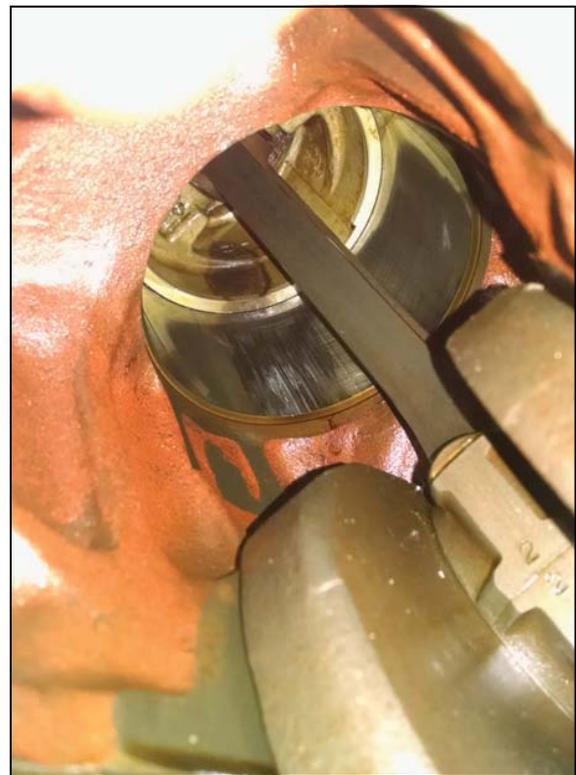
I started checking connecting rod and main bearing clearances, they were fine. At first I didn't notice anything and was just about to put the pan back on. Then I noticed one cylinder had a dark area that looked like scratching. It was obvious that this needed looking into and the only way to do that would be remove the head and pull out the piston. Not a job I really wanted to continue with but it had to be done.

After getting the piston out you could see the scratching, it was mostly at the very bottom, below the oil ring and didn't seem that bad. The wrist pin was definitely worn, you could wiggle it side to side. Maybe I could just replace a piston and wrist pin and be on the road again. Most of other cylinders looked fine however, I did notice some more light scuffing in at least one other cylinder.

Time to ask around with my Jag friends and get some advice. Most seemed to think it was an oiling problem, made sense to me since the wrist pin was worn. After talking to the experts, I figured I might as well do it the right way and rebuild the whole engine.

Now I finally have a reason to pull the engine/transmission and get both rebuilt like new. I would rather not but at 46 years old, I know its time to bite the bullet and do it.

Stay tuned for part 2 in the next issue. Pulling an XK engine by yourself!



Looking up from the oil pan., scratches on the cylinder, hot spot on the piston.

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Activities Calendar

	February	March	April	May
Meeting Activity	Meeting 8th 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia	Meeting 8 th 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia	Meeting 12 th 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia	Meeting 10 th 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia
Outside Activity	Tipping Point Theatre Sunday 12th Northville MI	American Speed Tour Saturday March 4 th Feather Bowling March 26 th	t.b.d.	t.b.d.
	June	July	August	September
Meeting Activity	Meeting 14 th 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia	Meeting 12 th 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia	No Meeting	Meeting 13 th 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia



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