

The Official Newsletter of the Jaguar Affiliates Group of Michigan



### **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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## March 9th Meeting - Guest Speaker



Our guest speaker on March 9<sup>th</sup> will be **Ben Roberts**, a **Project Engineer at FEV**.

FEV is an engineering design, test, and development company that has a broad expertise surrounding the complete driveline system (engine and transmission

development for all types of vehicles, passenger cars and trucks to heavy trucks and locomotives as well as marine applications).

Ben is a Lawrenct Technical University graduate with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He is currently working on design and simulation efforts of various driveline systems, such as engines and transmissions, as well as hybrid batteries.

#### Ben will speak to us on:

- Who is FEV and what do they do
- Current engine tech and industry direction
  - Challenges (emissions vs. power vs. mileage)
  - Current technologies: VCT; dual clutch transmissions; superchargers / turbo chargers; engine calibration
- Upcoming Technologies
  - Variable connecting rod
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- Alternative Energy
  - Fuel cells brief overview and industry status
  - Hybrids brief overiew and industry status

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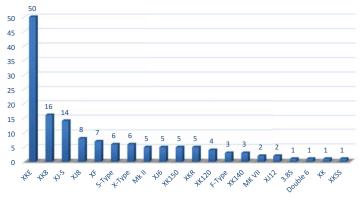
#### "Lies, damn lies and statistics" – Mark Twain

When I moved to the USA I quickly found that it was a country besotted by statistics. It seemed all sports were played only to add to the enormous bank of statistics. This is what people talked about, not the game. But statistics are open to great abuse and are always difficult to interpret. As Andrew Lang, the Scottish novelist, said "He uses statistics as a drunken man uses lampposts – for support rather than for illumination".

This is all a cheap lead-in to presenting some statistics about the club. At the time of writing, the club had some 100 members with around 145 cars registered. For some of these cars the data is incomplete, something you will hear more about in the coming weeks. I did this for fun, there is no real significance to this data but I thought we may as well jump on the statistics bandwagon.

Let's start with Jaguar models.

#### Number of Vehicles By Model Total Vehicles 145

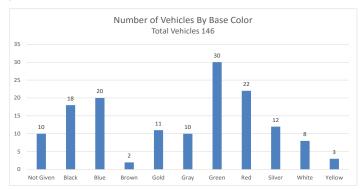


The fabulous E-Type still dominates! But it good to see the wide spectrum of vehicles. Next, let's look at the age of those vehicles: Some interesting spike years, 1969/70 and 2001, but again good to see such a spread of ages. Apparently though there is little interest in Jaguar models between 1976 and 1982, the early XJ-S models.



President Paul Blunt

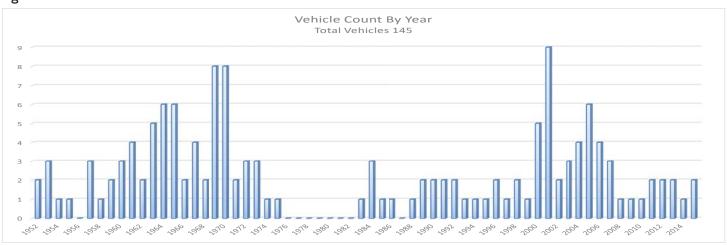
Lastly I looked at color. Now I had to simplify this to basic colors and ignore hues. I take full responsibility for this interpretation and apologize now to any who are upset that Willow Green and British Racing Green have been lumped under Green. The chart gets too long if you do not.



Green is the most popular, followed by red and blue. We will get the color of the missing 10 cars soon and add them!

So based in this information the most popular car in the club would be a 2001 XKE in green. Remember, lies, damn lies and statistics!

Stay warm and dream of summer and driving! Blunt, Paul Blunt



## Feather Bowling - March 20th, 2016

March 20<sup>th</sup>, 4-6 PM, (Dinner to Follow) When: "Feather Bowling" ~ Bath City Bistro Where:

75 Macomb Place

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**Dinner: Three Blind Mice Irish Pub** 

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March 15th 2016 **RSVP:** 

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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."

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young and old alike. No experience, nor athletic prowess required. Join us to bowl, to watch and either way, to simply have

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We have reserved a lane from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Drinks and light snacks are available while we are bowling. Dinner will follow the bowling.

Your JAGM membership COVERS the Lane Charge!

**Please** call Tom Bailey 313.534-5163 or 313.283.0198 PRIOR to March 15th to RSVP



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### 2016 Awards Gathering Wrap-Up

In spite of a last minute venue change, the 2016 JAGM Awards Gathering was well attended. Jaguar of Troy came through to save the day and hosted the event. Many thanks to General Manager Molly Padovini and Director of Operations JP Jamieson who made the evening at the Troy dealership possible after the closing of the Novi facility.





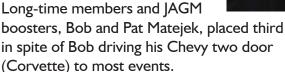
As always, JP was working hand in hand with JAGM members to do the set up and insure the evening was a success.



Congratulations go out to our Most Active Members, all of whom received recognition awards. Dick Harms took 1st place as the 2015 "Most Active Member". Dick can always be counted on to attend our events, and he ALWAYS drives a Jag! Congratulations Dick.

As close runners up Tom and Johnine Bailey were awarded second place for their work and

participation throughout 2015.



Johnine Bailey was further recognized for her three years as Membership Chairperson; thanks Johnine!

Mike Bailey received a plaque honoring his four continuous years as JAGM President (make that five total!).

Continuing a long standing JAGM tradition, the President's Cup was transferred to our newly elected President, Paul Blunt, this being the last duty of out-going President Mike Bailey.











### 2016 Awards Gathering Wrap-Up







Members were treated to a delicious array of snacks and sweets with a nice assortment of fermented grapes.

Another treat was

checking out all of Jaguar's newest

and best, and the showroom had plenty to pick from.

JP had an informative display of architectural plans depicting major renovations coming to the Troy Dealership this year. Jaguar Cars is making significant up-dates to most all of its outlets and Troy will be one of those to showcase these improvements.



Thanks to all who attended.

Congratulations to all the award winners.

And thanks again to the Elder Group, as well as the Jaguar of Troy dealership, for being great supporting hosts.







Mark Griffith

Pauline Blunt



New Members Dan and Rebecca Kleiboemer





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### 2016 Awards Gathering Wrap-Up



Through the generosity of Jaguar of Troy and a contribution by the JAGM, a raffle was held for a number of very nice laguar items

Winners were offered a variety of clothing





**Mattie Majors** 

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### **Tipping Point Theatre**







A 2016 Valentine's Day Date with our Sweeties: This year's February visit to Northville's Tipping Point Theatre was a special treat.

The feminine version of the famous Neil Simon play, The Odd Couple, kept us laughing throughout. It was such a popular presentation this year that our regular Sunday matinee was sold out and we had to change the date to Saturday.

We shared a fine dinner and continued camaradie, a few blocks away at The Bricks Sports Pub of Northville.

Thanks to all of you who continue to support this popular wintertime event.











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# **JAGM Summer Drives**

**July 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>:** The annual JAGM Caravan to Hickory Corners and Mad Dogs and Englishmen Car Show.

We hope to again catch a play at our favorite "Barn Theatre". The theatre does not publish its schedule until June, but we have yet to see a "dud".

We have a new lodging this year. We will be staying at the "Four Points by Sheraton". **Call 866.961.3003 for a reservation**. Be sure to mention "JAGM" to get our group rate.

June 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>: Next adventure, a four day weekend drive to Tobermory, Ontario, Canada. Get your passport or enhanced driver's license dusted off. We plan to drive the eastern shore of Lake Huron and spend a couple nights in some quaint Lake side towns.

Details to follow. Call or e-mail to reserve a spot. Limited to 12 cars. **jaguarinterests@yahoo.com** or call Mike at 734.416.3839

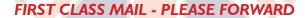
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### **Activities Calendar**

	March	April	May	June
Meeting Activity	Membership Meeting 9 <sup>th</sup> 7:00PM - Guest Speaker Ben Roberts Archie's, Livonia	Membership Meeting 13 <sup>th</sup> 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia	Membership Meeting I I <sup>th</sup> 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia	Membership Meeting 8 <sup>th</sup> 7:00pm Archie's, Livonia
Outside Activity	Feather Bowling 20 <sup>th</sup> Time 4-6PM Mt. Clemens, MI	t.b.d.	t.b.d.	Summer Drive 24 <sup>th</sup> - 27 <sup>th</sup>
	July	August	September	October
Meeting Activity	Membership Meeting I 3 <sup>th</sup> 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia	Concours d'Elegance 20 <sup>th</sup> Woodward Avenue	Membership Meeting I4 <sup>th</sup> 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia	Membership Meeting I 2 <sup>th</sup> 7:00PM Archie's, Livonia
Outside Activity	Caravan to Mad Dogs. 9 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup>	N/A	t.b.d.	t.b.d.





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