

JLR LIAISON REPORT

With the return to semi-normalcy at JLR and the resultant increase in staffing levels, Vin Landimarino has become more available. As an aside, while we are back in the Mahwah headquarters after the Covid closings of 2020 that continued until this February, we are, by no means near full staffing levels. We are still under a very tight headcount freeze and the staff that has left JLR has not, for the most part, been replaced and will not be for the foreseeable future. New car production, market conditions, and the geopolitical situations have not improved, and in some cases further deteriorated.

Vin has been extremely helpful when it comes to knowledge of the current structure of the JLR staff and the connections to access people in the marketing department and in solving Jaguar Journal billing issues. I was able to tap into Vin's knowledge Vin and thus he was able to sort out the advertising contract. And while we currently have a new name in the mix, (Joe Torpey) I STRONGLY URGE all involved to stick with the existing chain of command, as the immediate reaction was to focus on Torpey as a new "direct line" of communication _ "the one to get things done!" He is not and has no interest or time to deal with JCNA. The existing lines of communication are still in effect.

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Nothing of any import has changed in the JLRNA Archives since our last AGM meeting in August of 2021. The Archives remains understaffed and underfunded. As of March 1, The Archives is open one day a week, Wednesdays from 9:00am to 5:00pm. This allows for the return of phone calls, on-line requests, and research, which was very difficult to do under the old two-day, five hours per day format. Unfortunately, I am flying solo in the Archives as my volunteer, Gunther McKeown has not returned post Covid, and I do not expect him to do so.