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Cool Cats Waiting for Warm Weather



Welcome New Members

<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Jaguars Owned</u>
Alan and Cyndie Van Dyke	2005 XJ8 Sedan 1954 XK-120SE DHC
Gary Schuster	1987 XJS HE Convertible 1992 XJS Convertible 2001 XK8 Convertible
Greg and Bridget Murray	1956 XK-140 SE Drophead
Steven Cooper and Rachel Nash	2014 F-Type V8S Convertible 2019 E-Pace R-Dynamic SE SUV
JAGM welcomes our newest members. Please help us extend them a warm welcome.	

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

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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: 1986 Jaguar XJ6 Vanden Plas. Maroon with cream interior. Body and paint are excellent. No rust. Automatic, A/C, Sunroof. Drives very well. Mechanically very good. This Jag is perfect for someone who wants an XJ6 to keep as a collector car. I bought it in 2002 from someone in the Jag club. It will require a little TLC. The muffler is in need of replacement, one rear window does not work consistently, the interior is good but I'd like to see the cream seats reconditioned. I have the original wheels for the XJ6.

Stored in heated garage. Mileage 84340.

Best Offer. Space issues are requiring me to sell the XJ6; I'd like it to go to someone who desires to bring it back to pristine.

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Best of Luck to you all!



I cannot believe it is March already. I'm glad and very happy to get closer to spring and start thinking about driving the JAG again!

Hopefully, we'll be lucky to get rid of all this snow and most importantly, the virus that is insistent on sticking around. Even though the Zoom meetings have been very successful, it's going to be wonderful to finally be with friends together again sharing smiles and laughter, and catching up with everyone. I've truly missed being together and am excited to reconnect again. I'm keeping my fingers crossed!

Phil and other BOD members are constantly watching for updates to allow us to confirm another great

list of activities and outings, and we'll keep you posted if things change. We are also working closely with Brass Pointe to see when we might be able to start up the on-site meetings again. Everyone is working hard to get things back to normal, once we are able to, especially with maintaining communication with vendors for scheduled events and connecting with other car clubs to see what they're up to and reach out for opportunities of combining club events.

If you haven't yet, consider joining the next JAGM Membership meeting. It's always nice to see all the smiling faces.



Until next we meet...

Teresa

JAGM 2021 Activities Calendar

	March	April	May
Meeting Activity		JAGM Monthly Membership Zoom Meeting Wednesday, 14 th @ 7:00 PM	JAGM Monthly Membership Meeting Wednesday, 12 th @ 7:00 PM
Outside Activity	Awards Gathering at Lakeside Jaguar Macomb, MI Wednesday, March 10 th 6:00 PM—9:00 PM	Stahl's Automotive Collection with WDMGC New Baltimore, MI Saturday, April 10 th Postponed	RE Olds Museum/Lunch Lansing, MI Saturday, May 22 nd
		Jags & Java at Sharpe Jaguar Private Car Museum Grand Rapids, MI Jimmy John Box Lunch Friday, April 30 th — May 1 st	Mueller's Steak Fry Linden, MI Saturday, May 29 th

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

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Letters to the Editor

Editor's note: Peter Irwin, of the Jaguar Enthusiasts Club of Great Britain, sent this. He used Sandy Duffy's article from the Sept. 2020 Indicator in their newsletter, and included us on the mail list for this letter/article; we hope you'll enjoy his prose as we did!

Hello and hope you are all well. I thought I would give you a bit of an overview of the local area in which Billy Lyons grew up in. However I must clarify a slight point, if I have given you an impression of being related to the founders of Jaguar then I am definitely



out of order. There is connection but only through happenchance and the commercial vagaries from within the town itself, eg Billy still owes money to my grandfather (traded as a tailor) who made a suite for him, the cost was 15 guineas, a substantial amount in those days. To give you an example, a Deep Sea trawler skipper sailing from Fleetwood, some 7 miles north of The Tower, would only earned 5.00 quid a week, plus catch percentage of the landed stonage.

William Lyons was born in Blackpool. His father, an Irish musician, had visited Blackpool and met and married a Local girl (Slack Alice), the result of their union was Billy. At the age of 20 Billy met a William Walmsley a fellow local chap, both of whom had more than a mutual interest in motorcycles, their combined enthusiasm lead to the forming Swallow Sidecars (SS). The workshops had a number of locations in the town, in fact one of shops remained manufacturing



sidecars up and until the early 60's but under new ownership and named Busmar.

The facility was located in Field Street between the Grounds of Blackpool Football Club and Central Station locomotive (steam) maintenance sheds. The side cars made by this company were generally based on a wood frame but some sporty sides were of aluminium/sheet metal construction and all were mounted on appropriate metal running gear in accordance with style chosen.

I actually worked at this company during the school summer break of '57, and in my own mind I saw myself as the corner stone and foundation of this enterprise, my job was trainee dogs body come gofer. The key duty I was responsible for was taking the MD secretary's pet poodle (Satan) for its daily ambulation. Walkies included the mandatory ceremonial duty of self administering marking of what it thought was its territorial domain; and at this point I must emphasise I'm talking about Satan's doing the marking, not me! There were quite a few lamp posts around, and amazingly, given the small size of Satan, "it" always and admirably so, fulfilled this particular duty.

Billy had left the area around 1928 and located to Folehill, Coventry. Then around '51 onto Browns Lane primarily for the purposes of industrial production of the XK 120's and the Grace and Space Saloons; the rest you know about.

In the UK most meetings involving group gatherings have been cancelled, and along with the cancellations the face to face natter channels have lacked nourishment and dried up. However there are many tales of the past that are now popping up. One particular avenue has emerged and it is one of past tales, events

and encounters with period celebrities. I have focused on the racing of Grace and Space Saloons, and I can assure there are characters galore. Have a butchers in YouTube "Unreal overtaking in a Jaguar Mk1 at Goodwood" and "Jack sears Memorial Trophy Highlights Goodwood Revival 2018", you will giggle until your ears

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fall off. In the "Overtaking" video focus on the MK VII number 7; the character driving it is quite interesting, have you ever heard of: Black Adder, Mr Bean, Johnny English?

Current people I'm chatting to: Richard Waugh, Auckland New Zealand, Chris Louge, Melbourne Australia, Dan Mooney, Austin, Texas, Graham Love, Alton, Hampshire, England, Dave Tucker Toronto, Ontario.

If you want to drool, have a look at Dan Mooney site: Team CJ. Dan represents the high end of quality restoration. Over the last 20 years he created a leading business and his reputation is solid. Jay Leno is one of his clients and if my memory is correct Dan now takes care of Steve McQueen's SS 100 and Jay is the current custodian of it, but I will stand corrected, visit and trawl his site, it is very informative. Dan is English, from Durham, ex Scotland Yard detective, and that is something interesting too!

It is Zoom night tonight (15th Feb), with the Thames Valley Group, standard format during opening is a 20 minute session where we will fumble and grumble with the technology and muddle through to a position where we can see and talk to each in a managed way. I'm sure you have embraced the Zoomsphere and conduct your meeting in the same manner. The last major technology upgrade I went through was from semaphore to telegraphy, I was in the Royal Navy serving the Hanoverian Frau/Phil the Greek and Country.

All the best to everyone.
Extract and use as you see fit.

Best Regards
Peter

PS Please Keep Harry and Meggers...Ta!

Matt Nold, 1958—2021



On December 8, 2020 JAGM lost long-time member Matt Nold. He was born in Fort Wayne, IN on February 28, 1958 to Curtis and the late Mary (Dilgard) Nold. Matt graduated from Southside High School in Fort Wayne and ITT Technical Institute with a major in robotics. This led to working in the automo-

tive industry with companies like General Motors, CTS Corporation, and Delphi Electronics, mostly in the Flint area.

Finally, Matt got into his first love, restoring antique cars. He was known throughout the country for his expertise in Jaguar and Triumph vehicles. His 1963 Jaguar XKE was ranked #1 in North America in JCNA concours competitions. He loaned the car to the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum in Auburn,

Indiana, where many of us visited it on the 2020 JAGM fall drive.

Matt also worked at the H.I.S. ministries and was active in his local church. He is survived by his father Curtis (Gloria), brother Jonathan (Kimberly), and sister Margaret Cahill.

In the April Indicator we'll include more stories and pictures of Matt and his work; he made a big impression on JAGM and its members.



2021 JAGM Summer Drive

Join the Jaguar Affiliate Group of Michigan and (possibly) the Rolls Royce - Motor Region car clubs for a joint drive to south-central Ohio. It's expected this will be a 3 day event, in late June or early July.

Experience the roads around Hocking Hills, where Car and Driver test their cars on a 14-mile loop and drive an Ohio Scenic Route Loop around the Hocking Hills State Park. Also in the Hocking Hills area we'll visit the John Glenn Astronomy Park for some stargazing.

The next stop will be the wildlife preserve known as "The Wilds" near Cambridge, Ohio. A highlight there is a two hour open-air safari tour of the park. From Cambridge, we'll head north into the Amish country



of central Ohio, stopping in Dover to take in the work of a renowned woodcarver at The Ernest Warther Museum.



As is typical for our drives, expect nice scenic backroads and colorful, local-flavored restaurants.

Details and final timing of the drive are still developing; we expect to have much more on this in the April Indicator.

Upcoming Jags and Java Events

In order to support Michigan Jaguar dealers, JAGM is planning "Jags and Java" gatherings at four dealerships this year. The events vary slightly, but the idea is to have a group of JAGM members gather with their cars at the dealership on a Saturday morning. The dealership will provide coffee and goodies for the participants, and the display of older and newer Jaguar models on the lot will draw some spectators (potential customers) into the dealership.

After a couple hours at the dealership, the JAGM group will move on to some local automotive attraction. The Jags and Java events are shown under "Upcoming Events" in the JAGM website.

First Jags and Java—May 1

The first Jags and Java event will be on Saturday, May 1st at Sharpe Jaguar in Grand Rapids. Sharpe Jaguar will be providing morning coffee as well as lunch for JAGM members, then we'll be moving on to view the private automotive collection of Dominic Federico, "Good Friends Auto."

Detroit area members who choose to travel together can join in a caravan Friday afternoon for a leisurely backroads drive to Grand Rapids and a group dinner that evening. The April Indicator will have further details.



Trivia: Identify this Jaguar



This "Vessel in the Form of a Jaguar" is on display at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Was this pottery piece made in :

- a) Costa Rica circa 1000-5000 BC
- b) Argentina circa 200-600 AD
- c) Mexico circa 1000-1300 AD

Look for the answer in the April issue.

Moving? Adding another Jag? Let us know!

Webmaster Phil has added a new form in the JAGM website making it easy to update your personal membership profile information. If anything has changed, just go to this location: <https://www.jagm.org/moved>.

JAGM Membership Zoom Meeting—2/10/2021

JAGM's second Zoom membership meeting of 2021 brought "together" about 20 members, and featured guest speaker Mark Anderson of Hagerty Insurance. Mark took us through a brief presentation with segments on the Hagerty Drivers Club, Hagerty social media resources, their Expert Repair Network of collision and restoration shops and their online valuation resources.

Mark, who is a long-time car nut (more in the muscle/hotrod categories) emphasized Hagerty's vision, that "Hagerty exists to save driving." That even if/when self-driving cars become the norm, there still should be a place for driving "because we want to. Because it's fun."

Taking questions after the presentation, Mark addressed members' questions on Hagerty insurance, including "track day" insurance, and offered to look into ways Hagerty could be involved in some of our club's activities.

Mark welcomed any follow-up questions from JAGM members – they can be addressed to moanderson@hagerty.com.

Next on the agenda was JAGM's developing list of recommended automotive service outlets. This was proposed as a resource for members and we've been assembling the list over the past couple months.

Several service suppliers were brought up during the meeting; to see the latest on this, go to: <https://www.jagm.org/technical> and click on the "JAGM Service Directory" button. You'll find about 50 service suppliers in categories like: Mechanical, Collision, Interior, Detailing and Transporting. This list will be continuously updated with members' recommended service providers. Send any

recommendations you'd like to add to webmaster@jagm.org.

Phil led us through the 2021 events calendar. One proposed addition was a repeat of the Waterford Hills track visit from 2019 (except maybe for the weather, which on that day was about 45 degrees and steadily raining!). Also, David Sculati and Randolph Perry suggested a track day with driving instruction, perhaps as a joint event with the BMW Club of Michigan.

A new Pub Quiz followed, this time with questions about Michigan and its history. There were 20

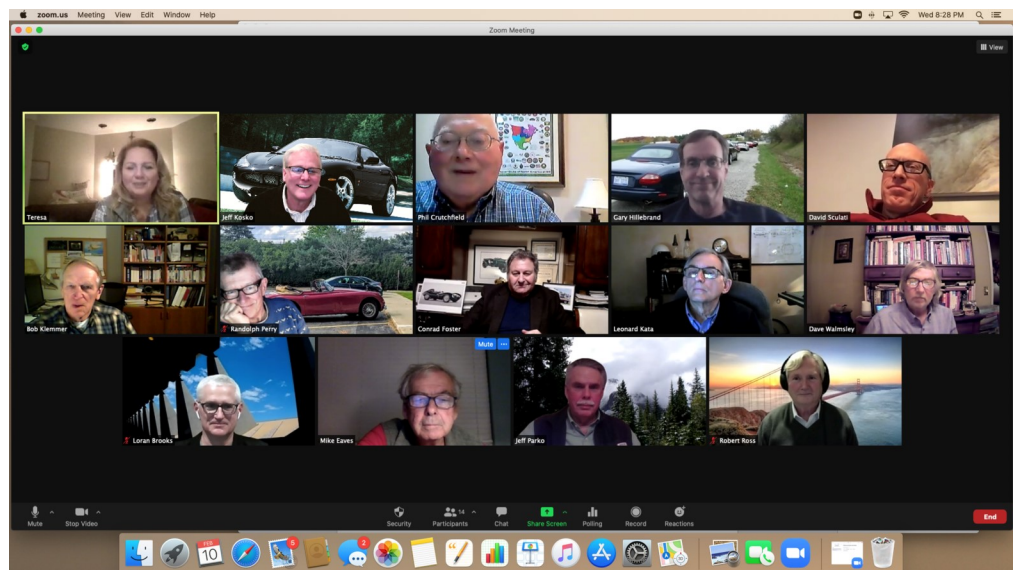
Michigan trivia questions; when the dust settled, six members scored 15 or better – they will be allowed to remain in the state. The winners were: Mike Eaves, Conrad Foster, Gary Hillebrand (probably cheated), Bob Klemmer, Jeff Parko and Dave Walmsley.

New members at this meeting were David Sculati and Loran

Brooks (rejoining JAGM after many years' absence).

The general membership meeting for March will be the Annual Awards Gathering, which will be held at Lakeside Jaguar (see page 8 for details).

Gary Hillebrand





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FIRST CLASS MAIL—PLEASE FORWARD

See You at the March 10th Awards Gathering!

Join us for a fun evening with new Jaguars, friendly conversation, and of course, the presentation of awards.

When: **March 10, 2021**
 6:00 PM—9:00 PM

Where: Jaguar Lakeside
 18979 Hall Rd
 Macomb, MI 48044

Please bring a dish to pass. We will have plastic ware (cups, forks, plates, napkins).

JAGM is fortunate that our local Jaguar dealers open their doors and allow us to use their show-rooms for our annual Awards Gathering. Join us for a fun evening of new Jaguars, friendly conversations, celebration of our past year's activities, and of course the presen-



tation of awards.
Please RSVP by March 5, 2021 at the upcoming event page at jagm.org, or email webmaster@jagm.org, or call 734-347-8747. Please include the number of people who will be attending.

