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Jaguar Car Club

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# **Cats On The Prairies**

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#### **CPJC Mission Statement & Club Motto**

To provide fellowship for Jaguar marque enthusiasts by providing social opportunities for members to share their enjoyment and gain knowledge of Jaguar motorcars.

Club Website ( www.cpjc.ca )

# **About The CPJC**

The Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club is an automobile club whose purpose is to provide fellowship for Jaguar marque auto enthusiasts. Members will have opportunity to share their interest in Jaguar cars through club events, social occasions, a dedicated website and more.

The CPJC is an affiliate member of (JCNA) Jaguar Clubs of North America. JCNA is dedicated to the promotion and preservation of Jaguar automobiles among it's enthusiasts in America, Canada and Mexico.

All Jaguar enthusiasts are welcomed!

#### 2022 Directors

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# **Meetings**

CPJC meetings will take place on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm Mountain Standard Time excepting Statutory Holidays and long weekends.

General meetings will be held via ZOOM

Members are encouraged to submit agenda items, topic recommendations and ideas to <a href="mailto:president@cpic.ca">president@cpic.ca</a>

# Membership

Thank you and welcome Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club members! Officially we are the newest Jaguar Car Clubs of North America affiliate club. (Officially sanctioned on December 20th, 2021)

NW69 - Northwest Division Club # 69

A car club can only be as good as its membership allows and if your excellent taste in automobiles is an indicator then the CPJC is off to an excellent start. Beyond your appreciation and interest in Jaguar automobiles we thank you for stepping up to the plate with your formal application to JCNA and payment of your membership dues. With a membership of 40 plus members and growing we are thrilled to have you as a founding member!

For the Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club the rubber has officially hit the road! 2022 has been an exciting and eventful year for our club. We are well on our way and looking forward to a promising future.

Membership benefits entitle participation in all CPJC meetings and events, free classified ads on our website at <a href="www.cpjc.ca">www.cpjc.ca</a> and in our club newsletter. An opportunity to share a common interesting all things "Jaguar" with other Jaguar auto enthusiasts. CPJC membership also includes all JCNA benefits such as participation in all sanctioned events, the "Jaguar Journal' magazine, the Tool Loan Program and access to the Jaguar Forums on the JCNA website www.jcna.com

#### **CPJC Membership:**

General Membership: \$85.00 (\$35 CPJC, \$50 JCNA) Affiliate Membership: \$35 (CPJC portion only)

For full membership details and club By-laws please check the website - www.cpic.ca

Inquiries through Membership Secretary David Quirt - secretary@cpic.ca



## **Recognitions - Please Notify Us**

If you know of any member who is ill, in the hospital, has a special anniversary, is celebrating a milestone event or you would like to recognize in some way, please contact:

Website Coordinator (Chris Hay) - vpit@cpic.ca

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#### **Message From The Club President:**

Well it has been a busy summer season for the Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club (CPJC). I have the opportunity to attend several events this year to spread the word about our club.

In June I attended the All British Field meet in Edmonton and connected with some of our members there. Fortunately our conversations revolved around our mutual interest in Jaguars and did not involve topics like football or hockey.

In July I Attended the Jaguar Saskatoon Show & Shine and the Saskatchewan British Field Meet the following day. It was great to connect with some of our Saskatchewan members on their home turf. This was followed up with Jaguars-On-The-Island in Victoria B.C. As an associate member it was a pleasure to reconnect, post COVID with friends on the west coast and attend in person this marvellous event type to enter text

August 13th was the Show & Shine at Jaguar Land Rover Royal Oak in Calgary. This was a very well attended event that saw a few new members join our club. At each event we connect with our members, meet new folks and share in our admiration of those beautiful Jaguar automobiles.

While I have logged thousands of kilometres this summer, I must confess, driving my Jaguar to the events was a big part of the fun! Being able to attend events and meet each other in person rather than just virtually during a ZOOM meet-up is a real treat and makes attending these events all the more enjoyable.

Our monthly ZOOM meetings are a great way to tune-in to club happenings. Each month we aspire to feature a guest speaker and topic of interest. Our Website, Newsletter and Facebook page are other great ways to connect with and message other members.

The CPJC is all about sharing our interest in the Jaguar marque, social connection and building a sense of community centered upon these great motorcars. The club is about helping us network with other members, share info about cars and events and make a few new friends to boot

Should you have a question about a car, a certain shop or vendor, a maintenance issue, sourcing a hard to find part, importing a car, detailing tips or even a favourite drive recommendation the CPJC has a member that can help.

We aspire to be a social club as well so keep in mind that your partner / wife / husband are also automatically granted membership as are any children under the age of 18. My wife and I are already developing friendships with other members and that's great!

The sense of community we are collectively building also mutually applies to club sponsors and vendors that support our interest and activities centered on our love of Jaguar cars.

To date the club Executive and some members have volunteered to assist with organizing events and activities. I encourage all of you to tap into your unique skill set to contribute in some way to the club. Whether it's to help out at an event, organize a drive, a show & shine, contribute an article or feature for the newsletter and website or share a social opportunity there are many ways for all of us to contribute in building this club and community. My energies have largely been devoted to getting the club started and underway but the CPJC can only be what we make of it as a collective. Please participate and help the CPJC thrive.

There are many perks to your membership in the CPJC / JCNA. The Jaguar Journal is a terrific publication full of resources for our members. The website is really worth checking out as are the various on-line forums. JCNA affiliate club activities are listed and promise to be great road trip events.

I meet monthly with the Presidents of the 4 other N.W. regional JCNA affiliated clubs, Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle and Portland to discuss opportunities for the 5 regional clubs to collaborate, share info and resources to collectively bring more value to our club members. Interesting and exciting things are in the works! I will share more on that as it develops.

Doug Uffen, CPJC President.

#### **Newsletter Submissions**

This is your club newsletter so all CPJC Members are welcomed and encouraged to submit articles, photos, special interests, custom projects, restorations, road trip stories, photos, technical, mechanical inquiries, maintenance tips or anything Jaguar related that members wish to share or see included in the newsletter.

This newsletter is and will continue to be a work in progress. Our goal is to publish quarterly.

As we gain traction as a functioning car club we'll be able to report on and share our clubs activities, events and stories with our fellow CPJC club members as well as our JCNA community of Jaguar enthusiasts.

Your feedback is important to our success. Please offer recommendations, suggestions and even constructive criticism and send them to vpnewsletter@cpjc.ca for consideration. Thanks!

## **Newsletter Links JCNA Clubs NW Region**

https://www.seattlejagclub.org/jagmag

https://www.jaguarmg.com/newsletter.shtml

https://cpjc.ca/newsletters.html

https://jaguarclubvictoria.ca



# Jaguars-On-The-Island (JOTI) 2022 Victoria B.C.

Field Notes - contributor Doug Uffen:

JOTI was held this year on the weekend of July 22nd - 24th at it's pre-Covid venue of Windsor park in Victoria. It did not disappoint. An unofficial total of 117 Jaguars were on the field, attending from all of the Northwest regional JCNA clubs. Two members from the Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club attended; Doug Uffen who met with the other NW club Presidents and directors over the course of the festivities and Chris Hay, our Chief Judge, who was part of the judging team.

The festivities started with a cocktail party at the Delta Ocean Pointe Hotel which is located on the inner harbour. A few select cars were parked on the patio during the festivities. At Windsor park the next day, many cars were entered under the Enthusiast class of entry which is a non-judging category however, several cars were part of the Concours and driver's class judging categories. Cars entered under Concours class are judged for their exterior, interior as well as the boot and bonnet inner compartments. In Driver's class the engine bay and boot are not opened up for judging. The awards dinner Saturday night was e delight as many people got re-acquainted post Covid. The dinner was superb!





Aside from the fellowship that is the highlight of the weekend, seeing the greatest annual collection of Jaguars in North America at one event is a pure delight! JOTI attracts more Jaguar cars than any other show in North America. This comes as no surprise as Victoria BC is a wonderful place to be. To have a vehicle that wins at JOTI is an achievement as the competition with so many fine cars is very tough indeed. That being said, some of the cars are entered into judging categories in order to obtain a professional opinion of condition by their owners. Whatever the motivation, JOTI is highly recommended to all as it is a truly great event. Jaguar lovers could weave the car show into a July summer holiday in Victoria BC for a surely memorable vacation.



#### **Members Classified Ads**

## Car for Sale: 1969 E Type

Very early Series II 2+2 (11th left hand drive Series ii E Type 2+2 built)

British Racing Green in colour, new leather seats, new white wall tyres, new spoked rims and Jaguar knock offs.

Appraised at \$55,000 in 2021. Respectable offers only please.

Contact Morgan Govender at (306) 536-0881 or kgovender@sasktel.net

More photos available on request.



1989 V12 Vanden Plas. Very rare (Canada-only model; fewer than 70 built for 1989) in special-order Jaguar Racing Green with Buckskin leather in concours-winning original condition. Low kilometers, always garaged, absolutely corrosion free, accident-free, perfect paint and chrome. Excellent walnut and leather interior. Silky smooth performance. Always properly maintained; located in North Vancouver. A unique opportunity to own a premium example of this classic model. Must go to a good home. \$23,000

For information; Gregory Andrachuk, email: v12.vdp@gmail.com or 250 595 7453.





#### **Tales From The Road**

#### Canmore Highland games British Car Show - Craig Pearn (contributor):

Sunday September 4th marked the latest edition of the Canmore Highland games and the attendant British Car Show which showcased approximately 18 cars of British ancestry. Mostly MG's, a sprinkling of Triumphs, a beautifully restored Rolls-Royce, a Morris Minor, 3 Jaguars and an Aston Martin owned by Ian Laird. Chris and Sue Woodward won "Best in Show" with their sensational example of a MK 2 Jaguar. Also in attendance were C.J. Wallace with his beautifully detailed (especially the paint) 2000 S Type and Craig Pearn rounding out the Jaguar display with the sensual 2015 F Type.



The cars were displayed in an area adjacent to the heavy sports arena where the hammer throw, shot put and cabre toss competitions occurred. A glorious September Sunday of plus 30 Celsius saw hundreds of games attendees tour the nice display of British heritage vehicles. Many were curious about the Jaguar brand with some sharing stories of seeing them in the neighbourhood when they were younger or having a relative own one or perhaps having once owned one themselves. Nobody left the Jaguar display without a smile on their face or a fond remembrance of a cherished automobile so mission accomplished.



#### Nelson Bound - contributors Bill Marshall, Chris Woodward;

Finding road trip opportunities that bring together western Canadian Jag club members is important for us. Our garage bound beauties need to drive new roads destined for cool summertime car events. But at a more primal level, it also reveals the underbelly of our passion, good natured rivalry, and humour in the face of mechanical adversity!

So the three couples, two from Calgary, one from From Victoria made a plan with their first destination Nelson's annual Road Kings event. Club members Bill and Nancy Marshall (E Type), Chris and Sue Woodward (Mk 2) from Calgary met up with Terry Sturgeon and Dorothy Moleski from the Victoria Jaguar Club. Plus this was one of the first excursions of our newly formed CPJC where our Saskatchewan pals Phil Sandham in his MGB and Tony Kochinsky in his Triumph TR6 joined our trio.

Friday was parade day. While the E Types are all flash and show, the Mk 2 has "presence". As the parade passed through the streets of Nelson carrying our ladies in the evening procession of classic cars, the people in the crowd cried; 'it's Royalty!!"



The show proper started at dawn on Saturday completely filling the city's Baker Street with 486 registered cars. Our jaguars were parked just off the main street and were admired by the passing crowd. Thousands of people enjoyed a colourful display of classic cars of many different marques. Even the smoke from nearby fires did not dampen the spirits.

The enduring memory of the September 2022 Queen City car event is of the happy crowds and the unique vibe in this small city in the west Kootenays. Terry Sturgeon was heard to say "this was one of the best car shows I've ever attended'.



Chris's Mk 2 with the E types beyond along with a fine MG TF



Bill's E type was particularly popular



The Mk 2 and a VIP, the very talented local artist Helen Beauchamp



#### Kaslo and Beyond:

Leaving Nelson is never easy but Sunday's events offered up one of the most thrilling mountain drives in Canada anchored by a smaller annual British Car gathering in the lakeside town of Kaslo.

Our intrepid trio of Jaguars headed north up the winding roadside highway 3A along Kootenay Lake destined for Kaslo. E Types confidently leading the charge with the Mk 2 bobbing in our wake. This particular cliff hanger of a road is part of a triangle of interconnected winding mountain highways that make go karting seem safe!

Having arrived in Kaslo "without incident", British car owners gathered lakeside to share stories and lunch. It's a fund raiser event for the local search and rescue program that, as we learn, spends a lot of it's time pulling cars and motorcycles out of creeks and off the very cliff edges where we're now driving. Seems like a sensible regional service initiative.

People vote for the "best in the show" with their wallets - 35 or so plastic yogurt containers are topped up by voter's money. It's on the honour system and Price Waterhouse is not needed to tabulate results or the year's honour. It's charming. It's almost as if people take turns being the winner.





Chris's Mk 2 and Terry's E type at the Kaslo Hotel

The second leg of the triangle drive weaves west on Highway 31A along a newly paved mountain summit road destined for New Denver on the Arrow lakes. It's a total thriller and the Mk 2 is looking increasingly like it's a potential candidate for the Kaslo's search and rescue operations. Time wouldn't permit a visit to Sandon, a silver mine ghost town that boasts BC's first and still operating hydro electric generator.

The third leg of the triangle Highway 6 took us south along Slocan Lake returning to Nelson. It is beautiful, as I remember. An equally spectacular road but this day sadly has us driving through a fog bank of smoke from the all too frequent BC summer forest fires.

#### On to Kelowna

On Monday, we part ways with Chris and Sue, driving our two E types destined for Kelowna via Highway 3 to Grand Forks then north on Highway 33. Another morning of spectacular driving through mountain summits and passes. Then it began to rain. Not terribly hard but enough to make you wonder if you packed the right tools. The next 3 hours were wet, the tiny wipers valiantly swishing and wobbling without fail. Water may be our enemy, but not today! On this day there's no rain soaked electrical story to share.

But failure has its moment and no road trip could be complete without an incident. It's just knowing that you don't know how and when it will strike that makes British car owners special. We will simply move forward - stay calm and motor on.

Reassured by this blind confidence, we drive on down the rain sodden highway, when Terry's E type decides to simply stop running! No build up to the event, no bang, no smoke, no clunk, just the quiet eerie absence of a motor running. Coasting to a pullout ahead of me, we opened the bonnet and pondered in the rain. But staying calm in the pouring rain only works for so long. The problem is clearly eluding our seasoned minds but we double down on problem solving. So like a well seasoned pit crew travelling with enough tools and spare parts to run a roadside service station, Terry finds the culprit - a faulty, but dry, dashboard ignition switch terminal. Problem solved, the fix less permanent however and it will strike again later that same day as Terry and Dorothy coast silently to a halt, this time only meters shy of the Victoria ferry boarding ramp.

Despite this earlier roadside setback and fix, we arrive on time at 3 pm to rendezvous with the Kelowna contingent of E type owners at Peak Cellars winery in lake country. Kevin White, one of the local Jaguar E & F type owners, kindly hosted a wine tasting at Peak Cellars followed by a dinner and drinks at his upscale man-cave joined by Brian Mellis, Brian Hughes and his wife, and Mike Barnwell all of whom arrived in their E types.



Brian Mellis with his 1970 E type coupe.

The following morning, prior to heading out in separate ways for Victoria and Calgary, Terry and I met with Mike Barnwell at his workshop to fit in some last minute shop talk and see Mike's hand crafted Series 1 E Type custom Eagle replica.



Shop Talk - A stunner! Mike Barnwell, on the right, describing to Terry Sturgeon the building of his Eagle E Type replica.

This Eagle is his second custom resto-mod after first replicating one of the famous 12 lightweight E Types made by Jaguar. Mike's own version of the mysteriously "lost Lightweight E Type" which was last raced in Sebring in 1963, then simply disappeared, hidden in storage for decades. Mike mused, "the lightweight is the product of asexual reproduction and suddenly realization that I had enough spare parts in my shop to build an entire car"!

And so, as we share stories about each of our E Types a new fraternity is fostered as we talk about what we want to do next with this gift of a hobby that just keeps on giving and provides unending reasons for our next tour and rendezvous.



Mike Barnwell and his replica Lightweight E Type with Brian Hughes' lovely 69 OTS E Type



## 2022 Saskatoon Jaguar Land Rover Show and Shine – Saturday July 16th

Saskatoon showed off some of it's' finest weather to host a variety of the prairies best vintage Jaguars over the July 16<sup>th</sup> weekend. Saturday was the inaugural show and shine at the Saskatoon Jaguar and Land Rover dealership, hosted by the Wyant Group's, Jaguar and Land Rover Saskatoon, the Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club (CPJC) and the Saskatchewan British Car Club (SBCC). It was a kickoff event to an annual weekend celebration of British cars with the SBCC's 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Brits by the Bess car show the following day.

This new CPJC event saw participants from Saskatoon, Regina and Calgary. Fifteen (15) Jaguars were joined by three (3) Land Rovers, plus a couple of Rovers for good fun, with a good showing of the general public stopping by to ogle these wonderful cars. Visits from other British and vintage sports car enthusiasts rounded out the day. Jaguars covered the spectrum in age and type from late '60s and early '70s E-types and sedans right up to more modern XKs and a Vanden Plas.

Voting for Best in Show resulted in awards for first place to Calgary's Bill Marshall and his Carmen Red '69 S2 E-type Coupe (Dorothy), second place went to Regina's Phil Sandham and his Signal Red '69 E-type OTS and third place for Calgary's Doug Uffen and his stunning Emerald Fire Green 2008 VandenPlas V8.

Saskatoon CPJC members were pleased to have hosted this event and to have had such good participation from our out of town members. Doug Uffen (2008 VandenPlas V8), Bill Marshall (Dorothy – a 1969 S2 E-type Coupe), Chris Gorrie (2003 XKR) and Chris Woodward (1994 XJS) made the long trek from Calgary, while Phil Sandham (1969 E-type OTS) and Tony Koschinsky (2010 XKR) came up from Regina to join Saskatoon's Bob Burnyeat (1973 E-type OTS).

Following a brief driving tour of Saskatoon, the CPJC members joined the SBCC members at a Brits by the Bess BBQ just outside Saskatoon. CPJC members also attended the Sunday Brits by the Bess car show in downtown Saskatoon.

More information on the weekend events can be found at the following link - https://sbcc.ca



# 2022 Saskatoon Brits by the Bess Car Show - Sunday July 17th

Early morning participants to the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Brits by the Bess Car Show were treated to a rather thorough car wash, courtesy of good old Mother Nature. By midmorning the rains had left and the sun was shining on a gathering of over 60 British vehicles gathered on the street in front of the iconic Bessborough Hotel in downtown Saskatoon.

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The SBCC hosted a BBQ at member Rick Middleton's acreage outside of Saskatoon on the Saturday night prior to the show. Despite the wet beginning to the day, this show once again generated large crowds to view all the cars with great interest in the CPJC Jaguars.

More information on the weekend events can be found at the following link - <a href="https://sbcc.ca">https://sbcc.ca</a>





#### Radium Fall Classic Car Show

The Fall Classic Car Show in Radium B.C. was held on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 this year. It is traditionally held on the third Saturday during the month of September. Advance registration was encouraged but most people registered the Friday evening of Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at Radium's new community centre. A Poker Run was held during the Friday afternoon. This car show is Radium's biggest event. The whole town gets involved in this. This year did not disappoint with an estimated 700 cars in attendance on the driving range of the Springs Golf course. Cars of all makes, models and vintages were represented. Literally thousands of people attended the show this year with the weather cooperating magnificently. The Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club was represented by two members this year. Doug Uffen and Craig Pearn attended and showed their 1989 XJS convertible and a 2015 F-Type respectively. There was a lot of public interest in the cars.



#### Alberta All British Field Meet - Edmonton

The Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club was represented at the All Alberta British Motoring Society's Field Meet which was held in Edmonton on Saturday June 11<sup>th</sup> this year. All British makes and models adourned the grounds of the Victoria Park Pavillion along the shores of the North Saskatchewan River. The weather did not disappoint! Ed Southgate brought his 2008 XKR Coupe Portfolio and Doug Uffen and his wife brought their 1989 XJS convertible and their 2008 VandenPlas. A table was set up to promote the club, some die-cast Jaguar model cars provided further eye candy for the public. The day was a great occasion for Calgary based CPJC members to meet our colleagues in Edmonton. The event was well attended by the public with a crowd of a couple of thousand people likely in attendance.

More information of the event can be found using the link provided below....

https://justbritish.com/event/alberta-all-british-field-meet/



#### MEET REPORT

#### JLRRO SHOW 'N' SHINE 13 August 2022

Second Annual JLRRO Show n Shine

The show this year was a follow up to the success of the inaugural event in 2021.

#### **Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club (CPJC)**

The new Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club was inaugurated, during the period between this show and the 2021 show, and this year's show was in partnership with CPJC. The CPJC tent was set up on the field, and manned by members of the CPJC to promote new memberships in the Club. Three new members were enrolled, with five more potential new members.

#### The Day

Several volunteers from CPJC, were on hand about 7:30am to set up the Registration table and tent, CPJC tent, the cordon, and various other details. Duties for registration, parking and show car placement were explained.

Show cars started to arrive about 8:00am. A photograph session was available this year, and cars were initially diverted to the showroom for photography prior to registration. The field was largely assembled before 10:00am.

Weather conditions on the day were initially ideal, with a clear sky and a light breeze at times. Temperatures rose to about 28 degC, in the afternoon, with a number of participants seeking shade. Weather approaching from the west in early afternoon and the uncomfortable temperature precipatated the decision to curtail to show.

Notable cars on display were Tom Scully's excellent 1956 D-Type replica, Chris Woodward's superb 1964 Jaguar Mk II, and a modern F-Type 400S, belonging to John Fildes, a 1954 Jaguar XK 120, and a superb Land Rover Series IIA 109, complete with expedition fixtures and modifications.

One interesting observation is that this year's field comprised 83% Jaguars.

Leanna Mohan, JLRRO Marketing Manager, addressed the crowd at about 2:15pm, announcing the Peoples Choice Award for 'best car' and the winners of the door prizes. People Choice was again awarded to Chris Woodward with his Jaguar Mk II.

#### **Statistics**

No. of Cars present 46

No. of Jaguars 38, of which 9 were E-Types

From all anecdotal evidence, the day was again a great success! JLRRO again were a very gracious host, displaying friendly and enthusiastic support for the event.

# Jaguar Land Rover Royal Oak Show & Shine Calgary



# Tango 2 Echo Show & Shine Calgary

The Tango 2 Echo Show & Shine featured the car businesses just off of Edmonton Trail in Calgary. It is staged by the Greenview Business and Art communities. It was held on Sunday August 21st this year, regrettably offsetting the Okotoks Show & Shine which occurred the same day, which severely diminished public attendance. Part of 38th Avenue NE and 3A Street NE were blocked off to make room for the public and the cars. A food and beer garden was set up in addition to there being live music presented. The Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club was present as invited guests of British Auto Specialists with a BBQ lunch provided. C.J. Wallace, Chris Hay and Doug Uffen brought their 2000 S-Type, a 1974 E-Type and a 1989 XJS convertible respectively to the show.





The CPJC is looking for volunteers ..... Event support, organizers, technical papers, articles, photos, projects, bright ideas, meeting agenda items, guest speaker or topic suggestions!

2023 is just up around the bend. Please share any thoughts or recommendations on events and activities that could be included in our club's event calendar for 2023. Pub nights, BBQ's, local meet ups, swap meets, race events, club picnic, fish n chips, whatever turns that crank!

Catch one of our monthly meetings or check out the website. Join our Facebook page (even if you hate FB) just to keep up with club news, message a member or share a picture of your car.



https://www.facebook.com/DealerCSI

# Passionate Owners & Their Jaguars George Harrison

George Harrison in his Jaguar E-Type 3.8 car custom fitted with a Philips Auto-Mignon in-dash 45 RPM record player



The Beatles are having another renaissance period thanks in part to Lord of the Rings director Peter Jackson's terrific documentary film "Get Back". The film masterfully condenses over 50 hours of never before seen video and audio recorded by the band during the original Let It be album sessions.

Jackson's masterpiece has fans revisiting not only their old Beatles records but reconsidering our recollections of the band during those years together. And while they lived and breathed music the lads also had passions and interests outside of making awesome music.

Lead guitarist George Harrison was an avid car guy and this passion started very early in his life, right around the same time that he fell in love with Rock N Roll.

When George was twelve years old his father took the family to see the British Grand Prix, which that year was held at Aintree race track in Merseyside, only 6 miles away from the family home in downtown Liverpool. What George saw that day was remarkable,

Mercedes Benz dominated that race with a 1-2-3-4 result with British driver Sterling Moss edging teammate Manuel Fangio to claim his first Formula One GP victory. Many suggested that the great Fangio let up in the home stretch to allow Moss to win the big race in front of his home crowd. George Harrison fell in love with fast cars and speed that day.

All the Beatles came from lower middle class families and naturally young guys trying to scratch out a living playing music in small pubs and clubs could not afford to even think about owning something as expensive as an automobile.

Ringo Starr joined the Beatles in 1962 and he was already a respectable and successful drummer on the Liverpool music scene, playing fo Rory Storm and the Hurricanes, the most popular band in the city. In fact by 1962 Ringo had earned enough cash to purchase a 1960 Ford Zephyr Zodiac which was at the time considered a pretty fancy ride for a young man. Paul would recollect that "Ringo had a car when the rest of us only had pocket change. We didn't even dream of such a thing. When we saw him driving the Zodiac we were certain he had stolen it".

In 1962 George got his drivers license and with the Beatles gaining some traction he set out to get himself his first car. It was a blue 1955 Ford Anglia. It was a nice enough car but hardly the car of his dreams. It wouldn't be long before George had higher expectations.

By 1963, The Beatles had taken the UK and Europe by storm and finally, George could afford to buy a "real car", a brand new Jaguar Mk2.



George loved his new MK2 and was often seen driving it around the Liverpool scene. The car apparently didn't have enough "star appeal" to garner the attention of Liverpools Beatle maniac fans and the sexy yet understated car allowed George to drive about town relatively unbothered.

Things would be much different for the Beatles a year later. 1964 would see the lads become the biggest band in the world. Selling millions of records and dominating the music charts globally. Beatlemainia was in full swing. George would turn 21 years old and for his 21st birthday manager Brian Epstein gifted him the 1964 E Type Coupe' below. George would register the car 3 days after his birthday party.

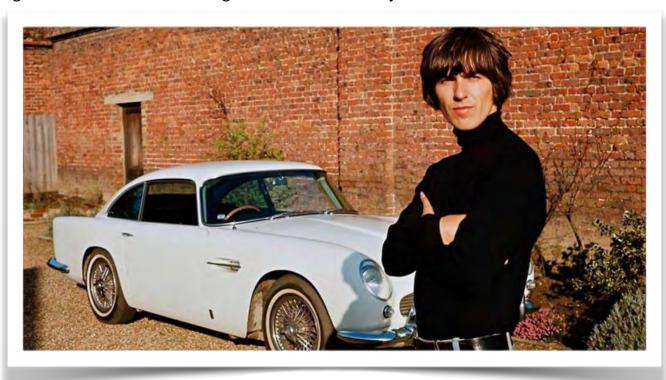


The car was equipped with an ultra-cool dash mounted record player (that only played when the car was not moving). Harrison loved his jaguar so much that before the Beatles went on tour he left a letter for his Mother and fan club president Susan Houghton detailing a seven step car washing procedure in order to keep it to his liking. The E Type was very much a purebred sports car and a thrill to drive and George loved to drive fast.

By 1965 the Beatles were a global phenomena, racking up millions in record sales, making movies (A Hard Days Night) and touring the world to audiences that screamed in mass hysteria. The relentless pace of life and craziness of it all was unreal and it left a mark on the band members, particularly George, who began to despise the complete loss of privacy and being on the road all the time. Fame on this level was a bit too much. In between his work commitments he enjoyed escaping to the British countryside a driving alone in his E Type.

1965 saw another British pop culture icon born. James Bond and his gorgeous Aston Martin DB5 debuted in theatres around the world. While 007 was undoubtedly suave and debonair it was that stunning DB5 that so many fell in love with and George Harrison was no exception. Now a pop superstar with money to spare he got his own Aston.

While the E Type was a superior and well tuned sports car the DB5 was another matter. This was a pure race car and it's mannerisms could challenge even the very best drivers skill. Skills George would in time come to appreciate as he not once but twice had his licence taken away for reckless driving. The second time resulting in a crash that nearly killed his wife Patti.



Harrison's reputation as a British car aficionado would see him keeping company with the likes of race drivers Emerson Fittipaldi, Jackie Stewart, Nelson Piquet and James Hunt. During his down time away from the recording studio it was not uncommon to see George showing up at F-One racing paddocks around the world.

It was only after the eventual break-up of the Beatles that George would embrace his car hobby and start to follow Formula One in a more serious manner. George's passion for Formula One inspired him to write the song "Faster" as an homage to the F-1 circuit and to honour the death of Swedish racing driver Ronnie Peterson.

In 1979, Harrison was invited to drive the legendary 1960 Coventry-Climax Lotus 18 at the Gunner Nelson charity campaign (a Swedish driver that died of cancer). The same car that Stirling Moss won at Monte Carlo in 1960; the event happened at Donnington Park on July 14th, 1979. George not only drove in the charity event but he also donated the proceeds from the 'Faster' single to Gunner's cancer fund.

George never stopped buying and selling cool cars throughout his life. George Harrison left this world way too soon, in 2001, when he himself lost the battle against cancer.

For most of the fans, he was an amazing musician who was part of the most influential rock and roll band in history, but truthfully he was much more than that.



"I play a little guitar, write a few tunes, make a few movies, but none of that is the real me. The real me is something else" - George Harrison

George was always elusive when talking about himself, one of his good friends from the Formula-One circus, Sir Jack Stewart, offers a simple but sincere description of Harrison's character.

"One of the great enthusiasts, one of the nicest men. He also had one of the biggest brains that I've had the pleasure of being around. People might say 'you can't be serious', he just was a singer in The Beatles". But with his worldly knowledge and his beliefs, he was very articulate. He was a great one for colouring pictures of life. He could really graphically describe something, it was like you were seeing a picture in front of you that someone like me could understand, perhaps outside of my normal ability".

