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DVJC Hosts JCNA Annual General Meeting



The Delaware Valley Jaguar Club hosted the Jaguar Clubs of North America Annual General Meeting from April 24 through 27, 2025. The event was held at the Sheraton Valley Forge in King of Prussia, PA. The meeting was a success due to the efforts of many people. Please see the columns by Bill Beible (p. 6) and Tony Tinari, (p. 9) for more information. Above are DVJC members Tony Tinari and Tom Shaner with the logos of sponsors for the event.



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Upcoming DVJC Events

May 17, 2025

Spring Fling—Picnic Gathering

Ringling Hill Fire Company, Pottstown, PA

Contact: [Click Here](#) for more information and to register.

June 7, 2025

8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

DVJC Concours d'Elegance (see page 12)

Historic Hope Lodge

553 S. Bethlehem Pike, Fort Washington, PA

Contact: [Click Here](#) for more information and to register.

June 28, 2025

**Scuderia Performante, Richard Mullins Coachbuilding,
Ltd. and Tifosi Motors Tour**

1003 S. Chestnut Street, Downingtown, PA

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July 13, 2025

Save the Date

Scenic Destination Drive and Brunch at St. Peter's Village

The Inn at St. Peter's Village (see page 28)

3471 St. Peters Road, St. Peters, PA 19470

Contact: [Click Here](#) for more information and to register.

July 26, 2025

9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Save the Date

DVJC 20th Annual Slalom

Garnet Valley High School

552 Smithbridge Road, Glen Mills, PA 19342

Contact: [Click Here](#) for more information .

August 17, 2025

12:00 p.m.

Save the Date

Mt. Holly Ice Cream Social

Details available soon.

Contact: [Click Here](#) for more information .

September 7, 2025

12:00 p.m.

Save the Date

DVJC Gathering of Friends

Fort Washington State Park

6250 Joshua Road, Fort Washington, PA

Contact: [Click Here](#) for more information .

September 16—19, 2025

Save the Date

On the Prowl in Ocean City, NJ

Scarborough Inn

720 Ocean Avenue, Ocean City, NJ

Contact: [Click Here](#) for more information.

DVJC Judge Training

**May 3, 2025,
9:00 a.m.**

**Judges Training and Testing
Solebury, PA**

Contact: [Click Here](#) to register. You must be logged on to the DVJC web site to register.

The training sessions above will provide DVJC members interested in judging at the Annual DVJC Concours d'Elegance the necessary information to be a successful judge. These sessions are for persons interested in judging for the first time and for veteran judges updating their credentials. Each judge must attend one training and testing session and one workshop. For more information please contact Alan Brown, Chief Judge, at ChiefJudge@delvaljaguarclub.com



Your Monthly Bill *May 2025*



Although none of us had to rent tuxedos or be fitted for special evening gowns, the feelings were similar to the lead up to a wedding – eighteen months of extensive planning and preparation and – it's all over in a flash!

One hundred fifty-six people registered for one or more events during the four-day AGM. On Friday, more than eighty people from across North America were treated to the beauty and history of our area as participants in the Covered Bridge Driving Tour and Lunch. Thirteen out of town guests without cars were chauffeured by DVJC volunteer drivers. Many other delegates and guests drove to the AGM and used their own cars. Drivers and navigators in this signature event were treated to a beautiful route book describing the history of the area and the numerous landmarks observed along the drive.

The Simeone Museum was the site of Friday evening's welcome event where one hundred



twenty-four people admired (drooled over) Dr. Simeone's collection of world-famous racing cars. One hundred eleven JCNA members and guests capped off the weekend with cocktails and dinner on Saturday evening. Two special guests were with us that evening. Ben Franklin, inventor, diplomat, printer, statesman, publisher, writer and political philosopher joined us for cocktails and dinner. During dessert, he shared things he has learned over his long, 319-year, lifetime. He spoke of the challenges he faced discovering electricity with his

kite. His first attempt failed because he was using Lucas kite string. Once that was replaced,

voila, electricity! He has also kept pace with the evolution of EVs and anxiously awaits introduction of the Type "00."

The keynote speaker was Brandon Baldassari, the Jaguar executive charged with the successful introduction of their new, all-electric vehicles.



He provided an overview of the business drivers behind the "clean break" change to the new lineup, the accompanying rebranding strategy and timeline for commercial introduction of the new car. He told us that the pink and blue coupes are concepts only and that the first model to hit the streets will be a four door GT car. Prototypes are currently undergoing extensive road testing.

Ed Petrow and Tim Duckett represented DVJC as our delegates at the JCNA business meeting on Saturday. The full agenda included election of JCNA officers and regional directors, review and approval of Concours rule changes and many other topics.

Work on this project began during the summer of 2023. Of course, none of this could have happened without the unselfish contributions of volunteers from our club who are listed on page 8. Many of them wore multiple hats for extended periods of time.

Your Monthly Bill *(continued)*

Some of the topics discussed during the April meeting of your board of directors included club finances (excellent shape), membership (including actionable items from the recent survey), purchasing club merchandise with the new logo, events and proposed bylaw revisions. Those revisions are primarily housekeeping (consistency of terminology, etc.) and updating the amendment procedure. These changes will be presented to the club for ratification in the near future.

Our event calendar is gearing back up beginning in May. The month kicks off with the golf outing on Friday May 2 and is followed immediately by the final Concours judge training and testing session the next day. This year's Spring Fling celebrates the 60th anniversary of the founding of DVJC and includes the second annual cornhole tournament. Join everyone to watch Chuck Kitson and Tom Shaner defend their 2024 championship. [Register now!](#) Wednesday May 14 is the deadline.



Our highly respected DVJC Concours d'Elegance is scheduled Saturday June 7 at Hope Lodge in Fort Washington. It is one part of a large event that includes the Cars and Motorcycles of England show and the Ales & Petals Celebration at Hope Lodge. Cars of all levels have a place in the Concours – championship, driven and display cars. [Be sure to register now.](#)

Several exciting events are planned throughout the summer. Take time to mark your calendar now to save the dates. Going forward, your board will work to further refine the events offerings according to input received through the recently completed member survey.

Now that spring seems to have finally arrived, it's high time to give our Jags a lot of exercise. Have a Jaguar kind of day!

Member Anniversaries

Member		Co-Member		Join Date	Years
Stephen	Kress	Betty	Kress	01-May-72	53
James	Shields	Jane	Shields	01-May-92	33
Alfred	D'Orio	Christine	D'Orio	23-May-02	23
Alex	LaRoche	Ana	LaRoche	17-May-03	22
Dmitri	Lubyshev	Tatiana	Lubysheva	13-May-09	16
Christian	Huber			29-May-12	13
Max	Sandler	Kate	Foster	15-May-15	10
Tony	Maxwell			21-May-21	4
Jonathan D	Fairoaks	Merry	Stehling	24-May-24	1
Steve	Miceli			18-May-24	1

2025 Annual General Meeting Volunteers

Successfully producing the Jaguar Clubs of North America AGM required the unselfish work of many DVJC members over the course of eighteen months. Task areas included:

- Identifying, evaluating and negotiating event space, hotel and banquet accommodations and coach transportation contracts.
- Planning and organizing the Covered Bridge Drive.
- Registration including developing the AGM website.
- Soliciting sponsorship funds.
- Planning event programs.
- Producing events including photography, content development and AV services.
- Developing promotional materials.
- Financial budgeting and management.
- Design and production of signs and posters.

Some people filled multiple roles while others contributed specialized talents in specific areas. I appreciate the contributions of all the volunteers listed below. Without their help, it could not have been done.

Nancy Beible	Jay Greene	Emanuel Pirvulescu
Jeff Bolmeyer	Linda Harley	Cathy Ridings
Alan Brown	Chuck Kitson	Tom Shaner
Alex Cole	Leo Kob	Denise Sjoreen
Brian Craig	Steve Kress	Jim Sjoreen
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Kevin Fitzgerald	Becca Payonk	Sunny Collar Waters
Steve Gendler	Ed Petrow	Mike Wolf

If I missed including someone on this list, please let me know. I apologize, in advance, for any oversight.

THANK YOU!

Bill Beible

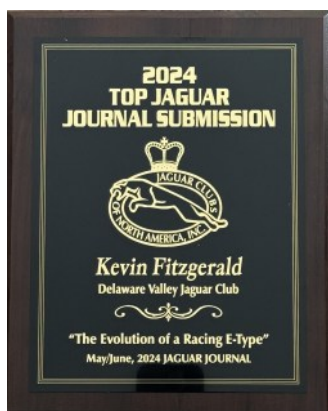


Membership Musings

May 2025

By: Tony Tinari

Congratulations and kudos to the DVJC team which planned and executed the JCNA Annual General Meeting! Hosting that series of events last week was arduous and time consuming, however your club certainly rose to the occasion with the help of many volunteers who are recognized elsewhere in this *Purr*. What a terrific reflection on DVJC and its Jaguar enthusiasts! Well done all!



Among the other accolades our club received at the AGM, our own Kevin Fitzgerald was presented with a JCNA award for the “Top Jaguar Journal Submission” for his cover story from the May/June 2024 Jaguar Journal submission entitled “The Evolution of a Racing E-Type”. Kevin also presented the “E3A Story” at one of the Saturday afternoon technical sessions. Well-deserved Kevin!

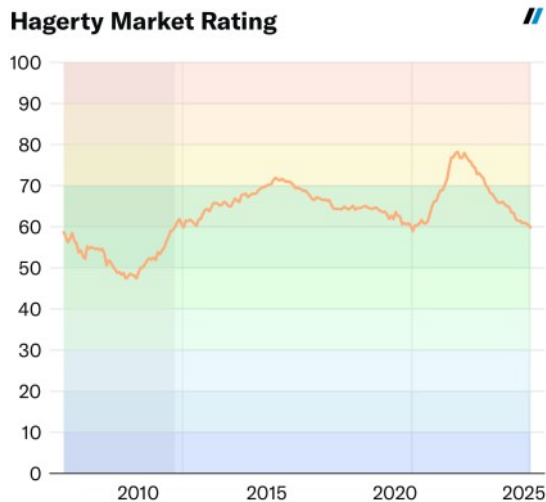
Now that the AGM is in the rearview mirror, it’s time to enjoy springtime in the Delaware Valley with all of its positives (dogwood, azalea, warm breezes, the return of driving season) and a few negatives (mostly, pollen so thick that your car has now become the Jaguar shade known as “Primrose”). Of course, from the standpoint of club membership, it’s a time to take stock of where we are relative to our historical member census trend now that renewal season is essentially done.

In one sense, we are constrained by our previous success. 2024 was a year of profound DVJC membership growth, in which our numbers swelled from 155 (December 2023) to 180 (December 2024). As of this writing, our cohort of renewing and new members for 2025 is 152. While that is roughly where we were at this point in calendar 2024, and there is plenty of time to regain our previous member level, nevertheless member non-renewal attrition has presented a setback.

Your DVJC Board of Directors has discussed this and appreciates that the quality of the membership experience is as or more important than the quantity of members. For my part, I was reminded of my “job description” when reviewing our bylaws recently in the context of some house-keeping amendments. “*The Membership Director shall be responsible for Club development and growth by **strengthening relationships with current members** and attracting new members through marketing and promotion initiatives including distribution of member information and literature.*” (DVJC Bylaws, Section 5.1, emphasis added)

Consistent with that, I have been asked to take a first cut at a “Membership Engagement Strategy” proposal for discussion at our July 2025 DVJC Board of Directors meeting. In essence, the objective here is to determine what we can do to see that more of those 152 members participate in more of our events and activities this year. I’m happy to take this on, however I surely won’t be able to do it alone, or as well as could be done with your input. While we have some ideas from our recently concluded DVJC member survey, I’m respectfully requesting your collaboration, with nothing being too unusual or outrageous to suggest. Please let me have the benefit of your suggestions; you can email me at membership@delvaljaguarclub.com or reach me on my cell phone: 215-850-1500.

Membership Musings *continued*



With huge caveats that (1) few of us are probably in this classic or modern Jaguar hobby to make a profit and (2) “value” is a much different concept than price, occasionally I like to wander off road in this column to check in on the monetary performance of our automotive investments. One source which I consult frequently is the series of Hagerty indices, which because of the number of transactions in which they are involved as an insurer or seller is a seemingly meaningful data point. In an article from Hagerty’s Adam Wilcox published late last week entitled “The Collector Car Market Is Now Flat” the current Hagerty Market Rating was revealed (see graph above). For context, they describe this instrument as one which: “. . . measures the current status of the collector car market in terms of activity or “heat,” directional momentum, and the underlying strength of the market. It is expressed as a closed 0-100 number . . .”

Interpreting the chart, Wilcox explained that dropping below a benchmark of 60 indicates a “Flat Market”. While the rating had recently dropped to pre-pandemic levels, nevertheless he observed “This is the first time since the fall of 2020 and only the second time in the last 13-and-a-half years that the Market Rating has been in the “flat market” territory.”



Hagerty also publishes something called the “Hagerty Market Index” (shown above) which is an open-ended stock-market-style version of the market rating. To the surprise of no one, that also declined last month. Wilcox observed: “In the 28 months following the Hagerty Market Index’s high point in late 2022, the Index has only increased twice. While currently at its lowest value in over three years, it is still relatively high compared to the Index’s 18-year-long history . . .”

Well, as they say, “your mileage may vary”. I suppose that relative to your currently flagging 401(k), IRA, or other “balanced” investment portfolio which some financial wizard has set you up with, “Flat” doesn’t sound so bad, right? Nevertheless, unless you are a potential buyer in the market to “bag a Jag” this looks like a good time to sit tight and enjoy the other elements of value of your motoring assets. DVJC can help you with that of course, through events and activities designed to assure you receive participation dividends on your investments. While not in the business of providing financial advice, I suggest simply: “Get out and drive!”

Merry May Motoring,

Tony



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- Ample parking on site for trucks and car trailers.
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See JCNA Concours rules for: Entry Eligibility, Awards, Division and Classes at: www.jcna.com/concours

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Registration Form for DVJC Concours d'Elegance 2025

*Please submit a separate Registration Form for each car you enter. Detailed instructions will be provided upon receipt of registration.

All registrations received after Saturday, June 1, 2025 will be entered in Display class if space is available.

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____ e-mail _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

JCNA Number _____ Club _____ VIN _____

Year _____ Model _____ Class _____ Body Type: _____ Color _____

Division - Please circle one only: Champion Driven Preservation Special Display

Trailer – Please circle all that apply: Yes No Length: < 16 ft. 16-20 ft. > 20 ft.

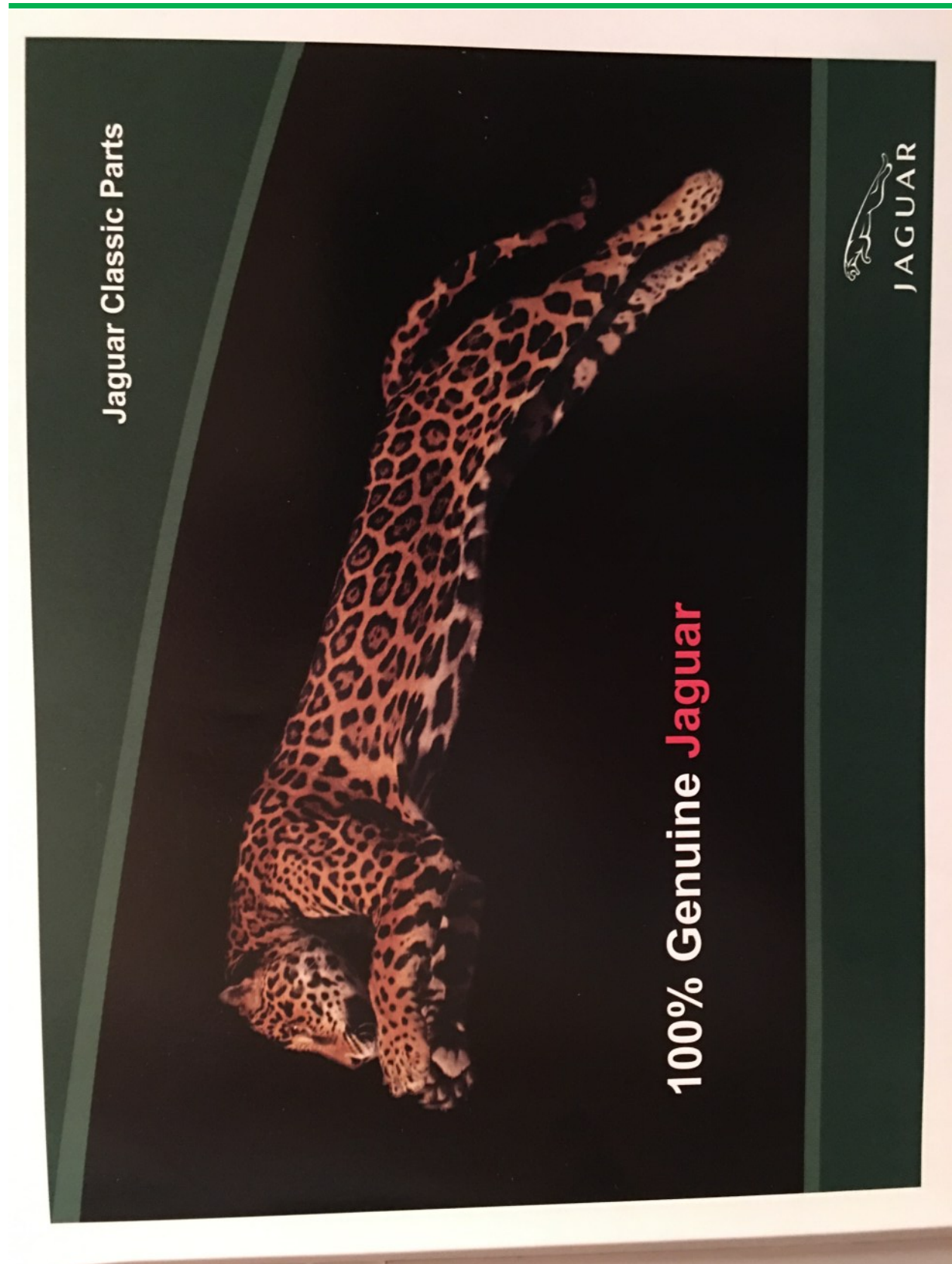
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The Rest of the Story, 1969 XKE FHC, May Calendar Car

By: Ed and Carol Petrow

As the cold winter winds of 2023 gave way to brief glimpses of spring along with the promise of finding our way to new Jaguar-friendly back roads, we examined our modest collection of Jaguars in our stable. Realizing that with several



members of our purr stuck for indeterminate periods of time in various stages of restoration and repair, we

concluded there was no suitable vintage Jaguar road car to use in in periods of mildly inclement or transitional weather. Naturally, our solution to this vexing problem was to acquire another Jaguar that was already in roadworthy condition. Since we did not have a series 1 or 2 XKE and of course, always coveted the distinctive look of these iconic cars, our research into the possibility of our using an XKE for vintage road rallies and a variety of events suggested it was indeed a possibility. But would we fit comfortably into one and could we find a suitable example in a short period of time?

Fortunately, there are a number of presentable XKE examples belonging to DVJC members who were kind enough to let us sit in their cars and explain the differences of each series and model year. Series 1 XKEs were first shown to an eager public at an International Auto Show in 1961 and was spotted by Enzo Ferrari. Certainly no stranger to beautiful cars, upon seeing it for the first time he famously remarked that this was the most beautiful car he had ever seen. It remains a stellar example of post war automotive history. But despite inherent beauty and collectability, Series 1 examples lack the interior room and occupant comfort and safety of Series 2 XKEs especially the coupes. Ultimately, we decided a late model Series 2 would be best for us and thus began our search for the right car.

We found this 1969 Jaguar XKE Series 2 Coupe in spectacular Signal Red over Biscuit. This particular E-Type FHC had been



brought back to life over the past twenty years by a progression of Jaguar enthusiast owners each making important improvements to this solid, well documented, high level driver's example of an iconic automobile design. The numbers-matching car had traveled only about 68k miles and the odometer was believed to be correct. There was extensive documentation



and an immense list of replaced parts included in two three-ring binders of receipts.

The owner had been trying to sell it at the peak of the market for more than 40% over what we were willing to spend. After several lengthy phone calls to the owner, we agreed on a price somewhere in between and struck a deal. The car lived in Texas and we arranged to have it shipped to our home in PA. Arriving exactly on schedule, we saw it for the first in the brilliant sunlight of an August afternoon. It was exactly as reported; resplendent in well-maintained signal red livery the correct color for 1969 XKE although the car had originally been delivered to the US in different colors. With a very long list of recent and previous work completed on the car by previous owners, we began immediately driving it regularly and showed it at several DVJC events. With time and miles, we gained confidence in the car suffering only a few very minor mechanical and electrical issues. Still without a working vintage Jaguar suitable for inclement weather driving, we decided to enter it in the 2023 31st New England 1000 road rally in October hosted by Rich and Jean Taylor. If you have never taken one of Rich and Jean's Vintage Road Rallies, we heartily encourage you to do so while they are still available. We have been on several and each one is different with new hotels and places to see. Here's the link to their website: <https://www.vintagerallies.com/>

During the rally, we thoroughly enjoyed the Series 2 creature comforts that included all new upholstery, carpets and ceiling fabric, reclining seat backs and especially the modern retractable

The Rest of the Story (continued)

shoulder seat belts. Carol drove it often during the 1300-mile trip beginning at the Audrain Museum and Concours at the Breakers then heading north through the scenic Green Mountains of Vermont and down along the Maine and New



Hampshire coast. With Carol behind the wheel, I had the opportunity to practice my poor navigational skills from the passenger seat and pay close attention to the mechanical operation of the car. However, as we navigated around to the various first-class lunch stops and hotels along the route, we quickly grew weary of contorting our aging bodies to squeeze into the cramped interior of the Series 2 especially compared to our Series III OTS. As we drove more and more, I began to notice some handling irregularities and wear beginning on a front tire. The parking brake which I had adjusted before we left stopped working and I began to make a mental note of all of these issues.

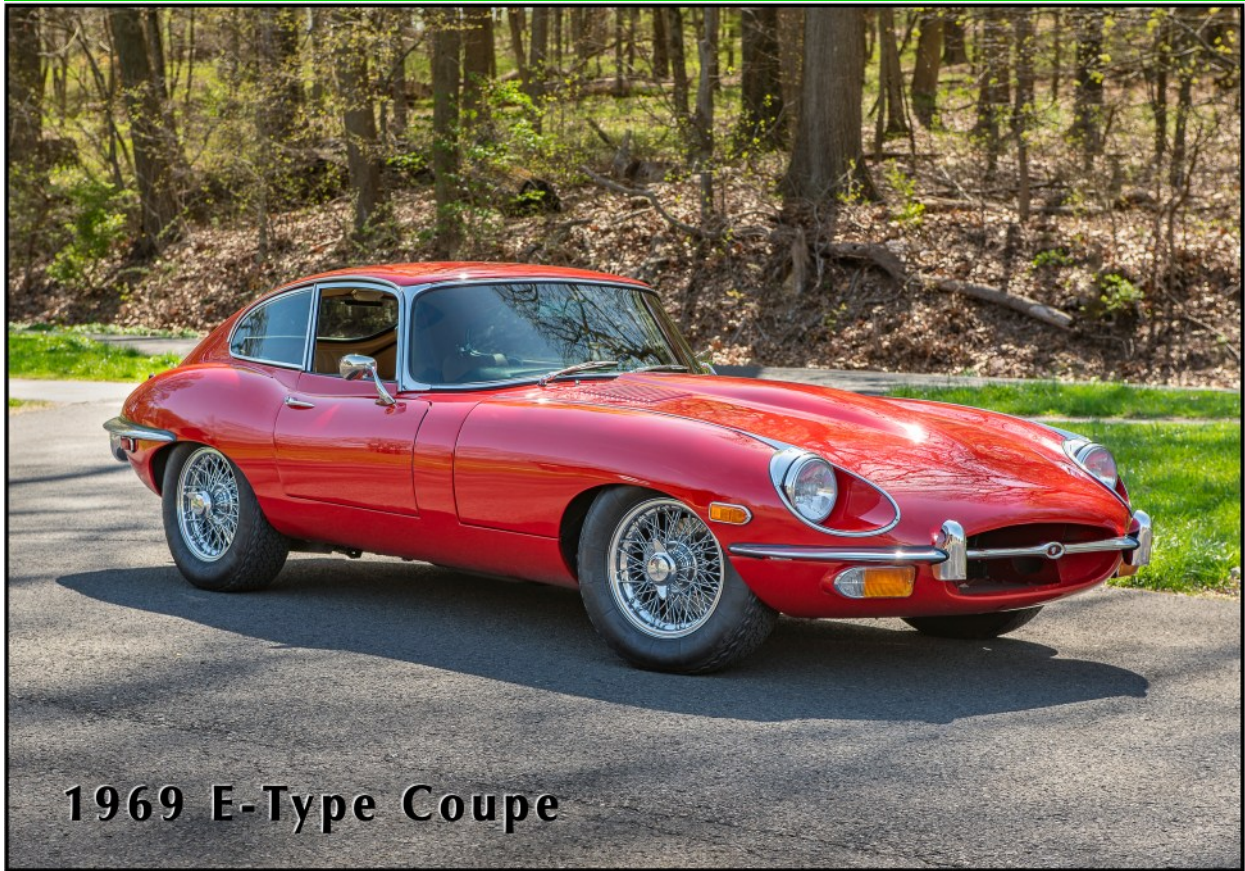
Upon our return, we scheduled a more comprehensive assessment of all of my mechanical concerns under the knowledgeable eyes of Ralph and Art at Cloverleaf Automotive. Then the bad news came: the front and rear suspension required complete rebuilds as they appeared to have never been touched during the extensive service history of the car. This is a common but costly repair that is shared by many XKEs of this vintage. The estimates to bring our XKE back to safe and correct condition would be in the neighborhood of 2/3 what we paid for the car just a year before. We thought long and hard about this new project realizing that with several vintage Jaguars already in a range of restoration and repairs, we did not want to start another. Plus, although we loved the look of the car and iconic shape, we decided that we would probably never use it again on a long-distance drive even if it was restored back to a high level of comfort, safety and performance.

Sadly, the decision was made to sell this XKE for about what we had invested in it during our year of ownership. With disappointing results from our local and national advertising in print and on the internet and with the XKE market rapidly dropping, we eventually offered the car on consignment to a local dealer. He experienced similar results as did I and we finally agreed to sell the car at a loss of about 30%. But we did enjoy the car during our period of ownership by adding several thousand miles to it. It was a truly nice example and everyone commented on its unique styling and presentation. While we couldn't agree more, all our cars are meant for driving and the XKE just did not fit our needs for comfort and performance.

Although this was a disappointing experience, looking back I am reminded of several important suggestions that I have advocated over the years and would like to remind anyone contemplating a collector car purchase:

1. Never trust the seller to accurately describe the car. Inspect it yourself in person if you are capable or have it inspected by a marque expert near the location of the car. I have had good and bad experiences with "expert" pre-purchase inspections and would advise using this method only as a last resort. At least you'll receive confirmation that the car of interest is real and operates good enough for transport.
2. Assume the worst case and that the car will need some serious and expensive work which is likely to be the reason the seller is trying to sell it. Look deep into the owner's reason for selling,
3. Make sure the car model meets your expectations for purpose, performance, comfort and safety.
4. Don't be lulled into making a hasty decision by the visual appeal of a cosmetically beautiful car that probably has issues lurking beneath.

The Rest of the Story (continued)



1969 E-Type Coupe

Ed & Carol's XKE— DVJC Calendar Car for May 2025



Ed & Carol Petrow (3rd and 4th from left) at the 2023 Phila-a-Trunk event . Their car was the background car for the DVJC group shot.

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Wheels Across the Pond

By: Michelle Meehan

It was a gorgeous South Florida spring day. The sky was a mixture of sun and clouds with a little breeze to keep things cool. Perfect weather to hang out at Carlin Park in Jupiter, Florida with fellow car enthusiasts at the 17th Annual Wheels Across the Pond, a premiere British/European Car Show.

It was such a fun day viewing 266 vehicles from across the pond, including 39 Jaguars, all while dining at amazing food trucks and listening to British Rock and Roll and Bagpipers! The best part of the day is seeing old friends and making new friends.

Rick Hartwell (President) and his wife Pat are an integral part of the South Florida Jaguar Club and can be counted on to make sure that everyone feels welcome and included when they get to the show. This weekend was no exception. Rick and I do have a little rivalry going as he owns a white 1986 XJSC to compete against my black 1986 XJSC. He is always finding ways to inform me why HIS is more special. This year his fact was that while I had a very rare car, his was EVEN MORE rare because my car has an automatic transmission and his car has a manual 5 speed. (Both cars are beautiful!)

Right after I arrived at the show a very beautiful red 1993 Jaguar XJS Convertible pulled up next to me driven by 16-year-old Z Kamphuis. I was intrigued by this exceptional young enthusiast and wanted to know his story. Z's parents gave him a range of \$5K to \$10K to purchase his first car. They have a second home in Michigan where they previously owned a beloved blue Jaguar which they sold to a neighbor 16 years ago.

They returned to Michigan to repurchase their car but stumbled upon this red beauty on the side of the road. It had recently been refurbished and met their price point!

Z jumped right into the local car clubs. He belongs to JCNA of South Florida, Gold Coast British Car Club, and the Antique Auto Club of America (AACA) – Fort Lauderdale Region, where he serves as a director. At the AACA, he actively works with the other directors in organizing programming for the club and spearheads initiatives to engage the next generation of classic/antique car enthusiasts.

Z became interested in cars at a very young age. He completed a 6-month apprenticeship at a muscle car garage last summer and plans to attend a 3-week STEM Automotive Technical program this summer. His experiences with the members of these car clubs have inspired him to pursue a Mechanical Engineering degree after high school.

The day, as all good things, must come to an end! What is the best way to end a perfect day? Z won Best in Class for his 1993 Jaguar XJS Convertible (already his third award). While I was very excited that he won Best in Class, I was equally excited for my car to win Excellence in Class, which is apparently British for “Second Place”!

I am grateful for all of the Delaware Valley Jaguar Club members that welcomed me when I first joined. I miss you all! Keep an eye out in the future for young Z – he is going places!



Michelle and Bruce Meehan in her 1986 XJ-SC at the 2013 Keystone Rally.



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2025 DVJC Concours d'Elegance and Cars and Motorcycles of England, June 7, 2025

By: *Ed Petrow, Concours Chair*



Registration Deadline June 1!

Our signature event of the year, the **2025 Concours d'Elegance**, is just a few short weeks away! NOW is the perfect time to finalize your plans — **not just to attend, but to ENTER your Jaguar for judging.**



Deciding which level of judging is best for you and which class is appropriate for your car is easy — all pertinent judging information and class definitions are available on our registration website at: <https://delvaljaguarclub.com/events/dvjc-concours-delegance-3/>.

Prefer to register using a paper form? No problem — instructions to download forms are also on our website or simply contact us and we will be happy to send one to you.

We have already received several early registrations from local members and a few traveling from other clubs. There are only about **50 display positions available** on the show field, so **register your Jaguar now to secure your place!**

Thanks to the outstanding support of our DVJC membership, nearly all volunteer positions needed to make this year's Concours a success have been filled — with over 30 members and guests signed up! However, we would still welcome a few more volunteers for spectator parking, scoring, and runner duties. If you would like to help, please contact us with your availability and interest.

Some Tips on Registering for Judging

Meanwhile, our dedicated DVJC Judges have been hard at work completing rigorous training and testing. JCNA standards demand high levels of expertise in assessing the authenticity and originality of vintage Jaguars, ensuring that any car judged at our Concours would receive a consistent score at any other JCNA event. It is a significant challenge that our team embraces with professionalism and pride.

Think your Jaguar isn't "perfect" enough to enter? Think again!

There's absolutely no shame in earning less than a 100-point score. In fact, having your car judged can provide valuable feedback through specific notes on any deductions. Many owners are pleasantly surprised by how well their cars perform — **especially when placed in the right class and category.** Judging is not only about competition — it's about learning, celebrating, and appreciating the incredible heritage of our marque.

This year, give your Jaguar the spotlight it deserves! Enter your car into the judged competition — and be part of the heart of the Concours experience.

As always, Ed, Jay and any member of our judging team are happy to assist if you have any questions or need help with class placement or judging details.

Let's make the 2025 DVJC Concours d'Elegance our most exciting yet — **with a robust field of beautiful, judged Jaguars!**

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Leo Kob. kobbie49lbc@gmail.com

Estate Sale—1954 XK120 FHC



1954 XK 120 FHC. Numbers matching. Restored by same owner since 1968 who was a career Jaguar mechanic. All parts NOS or original down to the bolts except 5-speed tranny (original comes with car). Note unique spats over wire wheels. Located in central New Jersey. \$130K



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2009 Jaguar XK



Garage kept XK in near excellent condition. Lunar Grey/Charcoal leather. Interior is near mint. Clear Pa. Title. Clean CarFax. Original paintwork. Regular service. Luxury pkg. Leather and wood is excellent. Recent brakes and tires. 47,145 original miles. last year for the 4.2, and one of 1816 XK Coupes built in 2009.

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1991 Jaguar XJ6



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5.3-liter V12 engine



5.3-liter V12 engine from a 1973 XKE with less than 45k miles in excellent cosmetic and mechanical condition. All of the usual repairs have already been completed with some by prior owners such as cooling system cleaning and head rebuilds. Under the present ownership that included about 10k miles of driving on various vintage car events throughout the US, numerous upgrades and maintenance items have been completed. Notably, the troublesome OE Zenith-Stromberg carburetors have been replaced with reproduction SU carburetors that are currently available from Moss Motors for \$4300. These offer much better adjustment of idle mixture and fuel metering at speed and load. At that time, all fuel hoses and clamps were replaced. Also of note, the distributor has been re-



curved to incorporate vacuum advance rather than vacuum retard. This was done to encourage more suitable shifting from the OE automatic and better throttle response under load. These and other modifications retain much of the originality of these remarkable V12 engines but with notable performance improvement making this particular 5.3-liter V12 exceptionally well suited for use with a manual transmission. This engine runs perfectly and without fault as is shown in video clips that are available upon request. It is 100% reliable and in excellent cosmetic and mechanical condition and ready for installation in a suitable chassis. Most XKE Series 3 specific accessories are also included such as the recently rebuilt OE carbs, alternator, starter, electronic ignition and A/C compressor converted for R134. Some smaller trim and installation-specific parts such as hoses, balance pipes, wiring, accessory drive belts, etc. are also available. This is an ideal replacement engine for any Series III XKE with a bad engine but will require some parts salvaged from the engine being replaced. Asking \$6500 delivered locally but will also consider parting out some accessories. Will also consider buying your Series III with a bad engine but in presentable, not damaged or rusty condition.

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1995 Jaguar XJ6 (x300)



Good to very good condition. Garage kept, No rust, No accidents. 105,000 miles. Purchased in 2002. Serviced exclusively by West Chester Jaguar for ~ 21 years.

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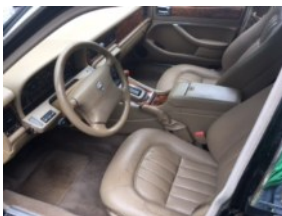
Engine 6 cyl 4.0L DOHC 24 V (x300 series has last of the Jaguar in-line straight 6 engines (AJ16) before switching to Ford V8).

Connolly Leather Upholstery – good condition with typical wear on left driver seat bolster.

All original except for replacement radio and rear view mirror.

Contact Mike at 484-796-1047.

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By: Ed Petrow

When: Sunday, July 13, 2025. (Rain Date: August 10, 2025)



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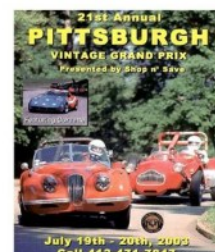
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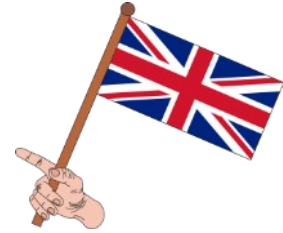
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To kick things off, here are some ideas based on past articles:

Your car's appearance on the DVJC calendar
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Attendance at or participation in a special event.
Just about any interesting anecdote you think would interest readers.

While most members own a Jaguar or two or more, Jaguar ownership has never been a requirement for joining the club so all are welcome to participate. Don't be shy!

How to submit a response

- Send an email or Microsoft Word file to Brian Craig, editor of the Purr, to bhc166@aol.com.
- All responses will be published in the Purr. Please note that, due to publication reviews and editing, articles may be published a month or two later than submitted. As a reminder, the current month's issue of the Purr is always available on the website at <https://delvaljaguarclub.com>



Delaware Valley Jaguar Club

Check one: ☐ **Member Profile Update** ☐ **Renewal**
☐ **Application for New Membership**

Jaguar ownership is not necessary for membership, only an interest in the Marque.

Member Name:			
	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>M.I.</i>
JCNA Number: Renewing or previous members			
Address:			
	<i>Street Address</i>	<i>Apartment/Unit #</i>	
	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>ZIP Code</i>
Phone 1:		Phone 2:	
Email:			
Occupation (optional):		Retired?	
Co-Member Name:			
	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>M.I.</i>

Definition of membership: For the purposes of JCNA membership, the term "Member" is deemed to include the primary member and his/her spouse or significant other living in the same household, and children of the "member" 18 years of age and younger (i.e., up to the year in which the child turns 18). **Youth Enthusiasts*** membership is available at a cost of \$35.00 for members 25 years of age or younger. Includes a one year subscription to the *Jaguar Journal*, a bi-monthly publication distributed by Jaguar Clubs of North America, Inc., and the *The Jaguar's Purr*, the local club monthly newsletter by e-mail with free Classified Ads for members.

☐ **Child under 18?** Name: _____ Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____

☐ **Youth Enthusiast?** Name: _____ Date of Birth _ ____ / ____ / ____

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Annual Dues:

Full Members receiving electronic copies of Purr newsletter \$75.00

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Youth Enthusiast \$35.00

If paying by check:

Please make your checks payable to DVJC

Mail to: Jim Sjoreen, 920 Ivycroft Road, Wayne, PA 19087

Jaguars Owned				
Year	Model	Body Type	Color	Memo

Emergency Contact Information

Full Name:

Last

First

M.I.

Address:

Street Address

Apartment/Unit #

City

State

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Primary Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

Direct questions to: membership@delvaljaguarclub.com.

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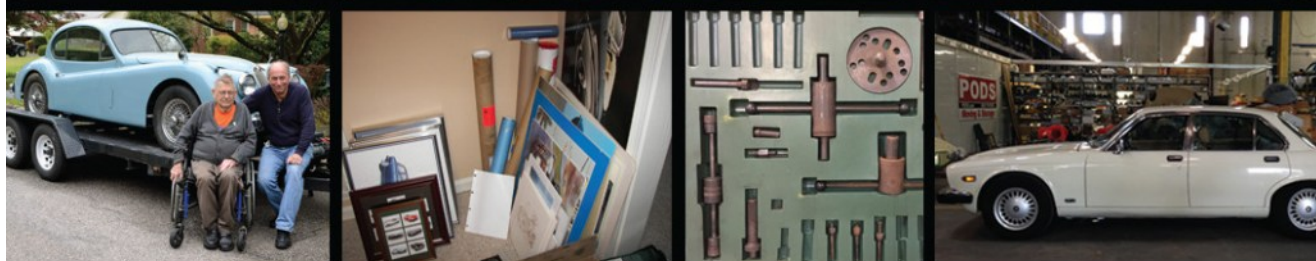


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