



50th Anniversary Edition of

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# Under The Bonnet

Newsletter of the Wasatch Mountain Jaguar Register



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## 1976

Think back 50 years to what was going on in the world in 1976.

The US Bicentennial,

Jimmy Carter was elected President,

the Concorde began commercial supersonic flight to Europe, Queen Elizabeth II sent the first royal email using ARPANET, Apple Computer was founded in a California garage by Steve

Jobs and Steve Wozniak,

Harold Wilson resigned as Prime Minister of the UK,

Niki Lauda crashed at The German Grand Prix at the Nürburgring,

Big Ben stopped for 9 months due to a major mechanical failure,

Nadia Comănesci scored the first perfect 10 in gymnastics at The Olympics,

OV-101 The Space Shuttle Enterprise rolled out of production, VHS was introduced by JVC,

Disco was on the rise, The songs Afternoon Delight and Hotel California were released,

and most of all a small group of Jaguar owner's from Utah started The Wasatch Mountain Jaguar Register.

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For 50 years the WMJR has brought together those who are fond of the Grace, Space and Pace of these cats from Blackpool. This year we will be celebrating the WMJR turning 50 with many new and returning events. We hope all of you can join us this year to help celebrate this milestone.

## Club Dues

Don't forget that if you have not paid your dues for 2026 please do so ASAP. They were due to JCNA on Dec 31, 2025. They are still \$65.00 per couple and can be mailed to Ken Borg at:

WMJR  
Attn: Membership  
3581 Hermes Drive  
Salt Lake City, UT 84121



## 50th Anniversary Celebration Planning Meeting January 16th 3pm

At our planning meeting last November we decided to hold a meeting on January 16th at 3pm dedicated to our 50th Anniversary celebration that will be held in September. The meeting is open to anyone who would like to help with the planning or organizing of the celebration.

The meeting will be held at the Home of Ken and JoAnn Borg.

Their address is:  
3581 Hermes Drive  
Salt Lake City, UT 84121

Please be there a little before 3pm as the meeting will start at right at 3pm

### January Birthdays

Ben Romanowski January 18



## Wasatch Mountain Jaguar Register 50th anniversary Logos

We would like to unveil the logos for the WMJR's 50th anniversary year. These logos will be featured on all WMJR items throughout 2026.

One logo has the full years on it, while the other just has the last two numbers of the years.



## 50th Anniversary Shirts

The club will be ordering shirts to commemorate WMJR turning 50. The shirts will be a black polo like the ones ordered in 2023. They will feature a special 50th Anniversary logo. The shirts are \$25.00 each. **This will be a one time order. We do not plan on ordering any extra shirts**, so if you would like one fill out the order form on the next page and sent it and your money to Ken Borg by January 23, 2026. The order will be placed around January 26, 2026, so that we can have the shirts in for our opening social in February.

Below is a picture of the last polo we ordered for anyone who would like to see what they will look similar too.

There is a copy of the 50th Anniversary logo on the page with the order form. The logo was voted on at the planning meeting back in November.





## WMJR 50th Anniversary Shirt(s) Order Form

Price ea. \$25.00

Write the quantity under the corresponding size.

Men's				
XS	S	M	L	XL
XXL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL
LT	XXLT	3XLT	4XLT	

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## World Events That Happened This Month in 1976



On January 21, 1976 both British Airways and Air France began scheduled supersonic flights of the Concorde. The flights were London to Bahrain and Paris to Rio de Janeiro.

British Airways flights used the callsign Speedbird Concorde. While Air France opted to use the normal callsigns for flights.

Initially the US Congress banned Concorde landing in the US due to citizens protest over sonic booms. The US Secretary of Transportation William Coleman gave permission for Concorde service to Dulles International Airport with both British Airways and Air France beginning thrice weekly service to Dulles on May 24, 1976.

It took until February 1977 for the US to lift the full ban on the Concorde with service to JFK beginning November 22, 1977.

Air France flew its last Concorde flight on May 31, 2003 and British Airways retired their fleet on October 24, 2003.

18 of the 20 total Concordes are survived with 16 of those being on display in North America and Europe.



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## 2025 WMJR Christmas Party Recap

December 1st was our annual Christmas Party and gift exchange. Like last year we held the party at Red Rock Brewing and Restaurant in Fashion Place Mall. They had one of their two rooms set up for the party with a nice area to place the gifts. For the gift exchange this year we used raffle tickets to make sure that everyone who brought a gift got one back. Everyone loved the idea and some even wondered why it took us so long to use them. Everyone enjoyed their food and had some great conversations with all those there. Those who attended were Karl and Jean Hendrickson, James and Susan Jennings, Kay Jennings, Jackson Jennings, Ken and JoAnn Borg, Hermione Klekas, and her friend, Lee and Judy Taylor, Edger Zietsman, Mitri and Jane Muna, Marvin and Connie May, Liz Green, Susie Cady, Dil and Dianne Strasser, Ben Romanowski, and Henry Morrison.



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