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## DVJC Annual Holiday Party



On a snowy and dreary Sunday, January 18th, 2026, seventy-seven members of the Delaware Valley Jaguar Club gathered at the William Penn Inn for the annual Holiday Party. Those who attended were treated to good food and great conversation. President Bill Beible addressed those in attendance with a state of the club report and Tony Tinari wowed as emcee. *Congratulations to Noe LaFramboise for being awarded the Kurt Rappold President's Award.* Many thanks to Rich Rosen and his staff of volunteers for organizing a memorable event.



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Each of these new supporters was recommended by a DVJC member. May I ask that you, too, recommend an auto-related business to also become a DVJC supporter. Just send name and contact info to me, Bill Thompson, your DVJC advertising manager, and I will follow up: [wmthomp@hotmail.com](mailto:wmthomp@hotmail.com) or 302 947-4134.

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DVJC maintains a small library of reference materials that may be helpful to club members to maintain or repair their Jaguar. You can contact the club librarian at: [library@delvaljaguarclub.com](mailto:library@delvaljaguarclub.com)

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# Upcoming DVJC Events

**February 7, 2026**

**10:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

***Register by February 2nd***

**Detailing with Tim (see page 17)**

**Car Vault Main Line**

**1340 Swedesford Road, Berwyn, PA**

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

**February 22, 2026**

**10:30 a.m.**

***Register by February 16th***

**Brunch and Mercer Museum Tour**

**Plumsteadville Inn**

**5902 Easton Road, Pipersville, PA**

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

**March 15, 2026**

**10:30 a.m.**

***Register by March 12th***

**Sunday Brunch at the Desmond**

**Desmond Hotel**

**1 Liberty Blvd., Malvern, PA**

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

**May 8, 2026**

**8:30 a.m.—3:15 p.m.**

***Save the Date***

**6th Annual DVJC Open Golf Outing**

**Location TBD**

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

**May 16, 2026**

***Save the Date***

**Spring Fling—Picnic Gathering**

**Ringing Hill Fire Company, Pottstown, PA**

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

**June 6, 2026**

**8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.**

***Save the Date***

**DVJC Concours d'Elegance**

**Historic Hope Lodge**

**553 S. Bethlehem Pike, Fort Washington, PA**

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

**August 1, 2026**

**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.**

# DVJC Judge Training

**March 7, 2026,  
9:00 a.m.**

**Judges School and Testing  
Wayne, PA**

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

**March 28, 2026,  
9:00 a.m.**

**Judges Training Workshop  
Valley Forge, PA**

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

**April 18, 2026,  
9:00 a.m.**

**Judges Training Workshop  
Huntingdon Valley, PA**

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

**May 2, 2026,  
9:00 a.m.**

**Judges School and Testing  
Solebury, PA**

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

These Judges School sessions and Workshops will help interested DVJC members prepare as Certified Judges at the upcoming DVJC Concours d'Elegance on June 6, 2026, compliant with the Official JCNA Concours d'Elegance Rule Book. These sessions are for members interested in judging for the first time as well as veteran judges updating their credentials. All DVJC judges must attend at least one Judges School session and pass the Official Judges Test annually to be certified by the JCNA as a judge for this event. Attendance at a Judges Training Workshop is strongly encouraged. For more information please contact Alan Brown, Chief Judge, at [ChiefJudge@delvaljaguarclub.com](mailto:ChiefJudge@delvaljaguarclub.com)



## Your Monthly Bill February 2026

Thankfully, the weather gods looked favorably on us and postponed the largest storm in ten years to the weekend following our Holiday Party. While the “iffy” forecast did keep a few people away, seventy-seven members and friends enjoyed the plentiful and tasty food served in the warm surroundings of the William Penn Inn. New members Kevin and Jan McLemore and the club’s only living past president, Dick Michie (1972), were present.

Tony Tinari did a yeoman’s job as our master of ceremonies. As an astute and discerning observer of people, he noted that the Holiday Party is the event that enjoys the greatest attendance of spouses and partners. As a public service to them, he shared a few excerpts from an upcoming book: “The Car Guy Instruction Manual,” a “how-to” book on the care and feeding of any car guy you may happen to live with, be related to, or with whom you otherwise need to co-exist.

I took the opportunity to briefly recap 2025. The club organized nineteen events and used some of its funds to subsidize ticket prices for many of them. Steve Cutcliff, Mick Van Vlijmen, Michelle Meehan, Bob DeLucia, Greg Morrison, Alan Karpovitch and all twelve calendar car owners were recognized for contributing articles to our newsletter. Please share your stories, adventures and trips with your Jaguar in the Purr. This is one way to get to know each other better.

Noe LaFramboise has been a tireless volunteer and active participant in club activities for over twenty-five years. I had the distinct pleasure of presenting him with the 2025 Kurt Rappold President’s Award. You can read the letter accompanying his award on page 8.

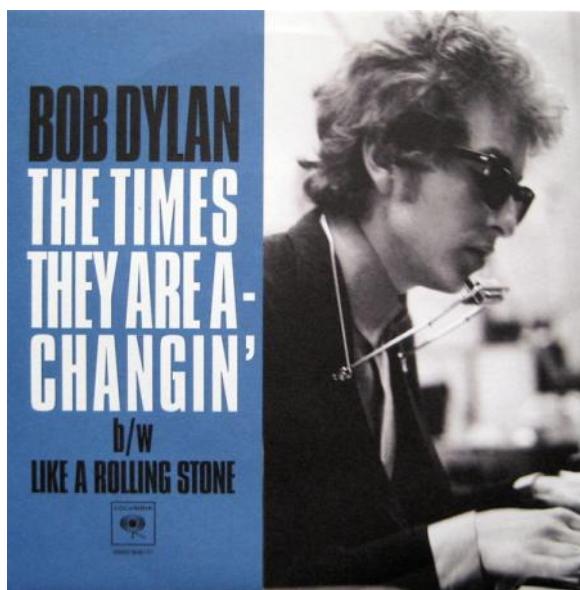
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Tony Tinari, Sue Trout, Nancy Beible, Mary Alice Tinari, Susan Rosen and Chuck and Charline Kitson for contributing their time to make the party a success.

Looking further into 2026, the calendar of events has been aligned with member survey recommendations for types, locations and the days events are scheduled. To help members plan, there will be a DVJC event on the third weekend of (almost) every month plus a second monthly event. Survey input also emphasized increasing member engagement in the club’s activities and operations. It is more fun if you’re involved! With that in mind, expect several initiatives over the next few months to encourage event attendance, learn more about your skills and experience and recruit new volunteers.



Just as Bob Dylan said in 1963, “The Times, They Are a-Changin.” The current terms of DVJC officers and directors conclude at the end of 2026. Three of the nine directors (Paul Trout, VP; Jim Sjoreen, Treasurer; and I, President) have served for four or more terms (eight to twelve

# Your Monthly Bill *(continued)*

years) in these roles and are not standing for reelection. Usually, but not always, incumbent directors “move up” to fill officer positions. New candidates fill the resulting open director slots. We also need to address unforeseen vacancies that will likely arise in other roles as the result of illness and relocation. To that end, recruiting volunteers to fill these roles, some small and some larger, will be undertaken soon. Please consider sharing your time and talents for the benefit of the club and your personal satisfaction. Your club’s consistently strong financial position enables continued use of funds for member benefits. As has been the practice for the past several years, ticket prices for events will be subsidized in 2026, albeit at higher levels than previously. \$1800 is budgeted for production of the 2027 DVJC calendar. 2026 is the fourth consecutive year that DVJC dues have remained the same despite generally rising costs including a \$15 increase in the JCNA dues component over that period.

You don’t want to miss two great February events. [Detailing with Tim](#) takes place at the Car-Vault Main Line on Saturday February 7. You must register no later than 2/2 to learn from a nationally recognized detailer who prepares concours entries. Two weeks hence, start your day with a scrumptious Sunday Brunch when we return to the Plumsteadville Inn. With our appetites satisfied, a short drive takes us to the Mercer Museum in Doylestown where a docent will provide an overview of the museum and its history. Seating is “first come, first served” and limited to forty people. [Register](#) no later than February 16.

Judge training for the 2026 DVJC Concours d’Elegance begins in March. Let me assure you that encyclopedic knowledge of every Jaguar model and all rules is not necessary. Training sessions and judging workshops prepare apprentices to collaborate with experienced judges the first year. Knowledge builds as you gain experience each year thereafter. For a “no obligation” trial to see

if you’ll enjoy judging, come to one of the upcoming workshops and training sessions after which you can elect to judge as an apprentice. Judges and people with interest in becoming judges should go to the [events page on our website](#) to register for these sessions.



**Late breaking news!** The 2026 JCNA [International Jaguar Festival](#) (IJF) will take place in Pittsburgh, PA, from Wednesday, July 15, through Sunday, July 19, 2026. It is being held in conjunction with the [Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix](#) (PVGP) which features Jaguar as the 2026 Marque of the Year. Tony Tinari and Jeff Bolmeyer are communicating with the Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh to guide organization of DVJC participation and accommodations.



Here's hoping Punxsutawney Phil sees his shadow so we only have six weeks remaining until our Jaguars can finally come out of hibernation and begin stretching their legs for a new driving season.

## Bill

### Welcome New Members

**Matt Balascak**  
**Ardmore, PA**

**Ray & Charlene Donovan**  
**North Wales, PA**



# Kurt Rappold President's Award

The President's Award was established in 2010 to recognize members who are active participants in DVJC and JCNA events and who make meaningful contributions to the betterment of DVJC through their volunteer efforts and leadership roles. In 2017, the award was renamed the "Kurt Rappold President's Award" to honor Kurt's memory and dedication to the Delaware Valley Jaguar Club.

Since joining DVJC in June of 1999, Noe LaFramboise has been, and continues to be, a tireless contributor to the success and vitality of the club. He unselfishly fills numerous roles, seen and unseen, including organizing and conducting our silent auctions, managing all aspects of club merchandise, serving as a Concours judge, actively participating in board of directors meetings, organizing events and participating throughout the year.

With great pleasure, I present Noe with the 2025 Kurt Rappold President's Award. Thank you for your contributions and service to the members of our Delaware Valley Jaguar Club.

## *Bill Beible*

**Bill Beible**

**President**

**January 18, 2026**



# Membership Musings

February 2026

By: Tony Tinari

*I'm going to take a different approach to my column this month, thanks to the efforts of a guest author, about whom more in a moment. As you may have heard, there is a very special series of Jaguar events which will take place in Pittsburgh this year, starting on July 16, 2026, namely the International Jaguar Festival (IJF) and the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix (PVGP). Our friends at the Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh are coordinating the confluence of these two noteworthy car happenings. As the next adjacent JCNA chapter, DVJC has a rare opportunity to participate fully in what will undoubtedly be a very memorable Jaguar celebration.*

*My counterpart Membership Director at the Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh is an all-around good guy and friend of DVJC, Stu Benson. Some of you will have met Stu at our previous events such as the Philadelphia Concours in 2024 and the JCNA Annual General Meeting hosted by DVJC in 2025. (And, before you say it, yes he was my navigator in the covered bridge rally last year, and yes we're the guys who led our team astray from the preferred route; directions are only suggestions, and as I'm fond of saying, two lawyers, three opinions.)*

*At any rate, Stu has written an article on the IJF/PVGP events for the Jaguar Journal, which will appear in the March-April issue. However, with special permission from him we are pleased to provide you with that information now in anticipation that many of you will wish to make plans to participate. With pleasure and huge thanks to Stu, here's the lowdown:*

## *You Need to Be Here*

### *The 2026 International Jaguar Festival Roars into Pittsburgh*

By Stu Benson  
Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh

If there has ever been a moment when Jaguar owners, enthusiasts, and historians should circle a date on the calendar in bold red ink, this is it.

From July 16–18, 2026, the International Jaguar Festival (IJF) will take place in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania—embedded within the world-renowned Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix (PVGP) Motor-sports Festival, where Jaguar will be celebrated as Marque of the Year. Legendary designer Ian Callum will serve as Grand Marshal. In the words of automotive authority Ramsey Potts: “*You need to be here.*”

While the January–February 2026 *Jaguar Journal* announced Jaguar’s Marque of the Year honor and Ian Callum’s participation, that article was submitted prior to a pivotal development. In December 2025, the Board of Directors of the Jaguar Clubs of North America approved Pittsburgh as the host of the 2026 International Jaguar Festival.

What normally takes many months of planning came together in a matter of weeks due to assiduous efforts. The Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh (JCOP), in close partnership with the PVGP, moved swiftly and decisively to create what promises to be one of the most distinctive IJFs ever held.

### *An IJF Like No Other*

The 2026 IJF is not merely being hosted alongside the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix—it is fully woven into it. From Thursday through Saturday, Jaguar owners will enjoy a front-row seat to one of the world’s most extraordinary motor-sports festivals.

The PVGP is the only vintage street race in the United States and ranks among the most significant historic racing events in the world. In 2025, it was again named a finalist for *Motorsport Event of the Year* by the International Historic Motoring Awards, alongside the Silverstone Festival, Le Mans Classic, and the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion. That global recognition speaks volumes.

The PVGP spans multiple weeks and includes vintage circuit racing, a hill climb, internationally significant car shows, galas, rallies, parades, and social events—all benefiting autism charities. Every dollar raised through IJF participation supports these causes, making this a celebration with a purpose.

#### ***Hotel arrangements: Comfort, Access, and Space***

A block of rooms has been secured at the Double-Tree by Hilton Pittsburgh—Cranberry Hotel, located at the junction of I-79 (north–south) and the Pennsylvania Turnpike (I-76 east–west). This strategic location avoids most Pittsburgh traffic while remaining just 21 miles from Schenley Park via easily driven interstate highway.

The hotel offers an outstanding rate—under \$200 per night including taxes—and features a large surface parking area capable of accommodating trailers. For those who prefer to detail their Jaguars on site, hoses with running water will be available. This will be the central hub for IJF event departures.

#### ***Thursday, July 16: Drive, Rallye, and Garden Party***

Efforts are underway to offer a JCNA-sanctioned Time-Speed-Distance Rallye on Thursday morning, complete with a scenic route, midpoint lunch, and a return to the hotel by mid-afternoon. For those who prefer a more relaxed pace, a parallel scenic tour will follow the same route and lunch stop.

Thursday evening brings one of the PVGP's most elegant traditions: the Garden Party at Phipps Conservatory. This Victorian-era landmark, filled with spectacular flora from around the globe, will host food and drink stations throughout the conservatory. Jaguars will be given pride

of place on the lawn in front of Phipps until space is filled, a truly unforgettable setting.

#### ***Friday, July 17: Slalom and a Night to Remember***

Plans are also underway for a JCNA-sanctioned slalom event on Friday morning, located just a few miles from the hotel, pending sufficient registration.

Friday evening is one of the crown jewels of the IJF: a Dinner Reception at the historic Pittsburgh Golf Club. Set in an elegant clubhouse, the evening will feature superb cuisine and a keynote address by Ian Callum. Parking will be on the adjacent golf course, which becomes the heart of the PVGP International Car Show the following day. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to hear directly from, and interact personally with, one of the most influential automotive designers of our era in an intimate and refined setting.

#### ***Saturday, July 18: The Heart of the Festival***

Saturday is where everything comes together.

More than 3,000 vehicles will fill the Bob O'Connor Golf Course for the PVGP International Car Show. Jaguars, as Marque of the Year, will be prominently featured as IJF Concours d'Elegance and Display vehicles. Vintage race cars will thunder past throughout the day as Concours judging takes place, creating an atmosphere unlike any other concours in the world.

The IJF tent will serve as mission control—strategically located, well-appointed, and staffed throughout the day. Registrants may purchase a Saturday food package in advance, providing everything from morning coffee to cold drinks all day, plus breakfast and lunch options. Meals will include freshly grilled chicken and salmon, served on salads or brioche buns.

Concours and other Display entrants are encouraged to arrive early—between 7:00 and 8:00 a.m.—to avoid congestion. Trailer parking will be available on a nearby street. Chief Judge Bryan Williams welcomes judges from across JCNA to participate. Due to anticipated demand, concours entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis by class.

Awards will be presented Saturday afternoon at the IJF tent, with Ian Callum personally presenting the trophies.

For those wishing to have a Jaguar autographed by Ian Callum—provided it is one of his designs—bring your preferred marker and plan ahead. Ian will be available throughout much of Saturday when not performing Grand Marshal duties.

### *Sunday and Beyond*

While the IJF officially concludes Saturday afternoon, registered display and concours vehicles are welcome to return to the golf course on Sunday as vintage racing continues. IJF registrants will receive wristbands granting access both days.

Sunday is an ideal time to explore the paddock areas and start-finish line via PVGP shuttle buses. Food and beverage vendors will be plentiful, and attendees are also welcome to bring their own provisions. JCOP members can provide recommendations for excellent local food options for those visiting from out of town.

### *Registration and Information*

All registration will be handled through [pvgp.org](http://pvgp.org). Look for “Jaguar” under vehicle listings to access the dedicated Jaguar Marque of the Year and IJF portal, where participants can reserve hotel rooms and select event options. Concours d’ Elegance entrants must print and submit the appropriate hard copy forms directly to Chief Judge Bryan Williams, who is managing the Concours.

### *Why You Need to Be Here*

Ramsey Potts—founding partner of Broad Arrow Group and 2025 PVGP Grand Marshal—captured the essence of the event perfectly in his reflections last year. He spoke of obstacles transformed into opportunities, an unmatched gathering of collector cars, and, above all, the extraordinary volunteers who make the PVGP unlike anything else in the collector car world.

*“I have no official data, however, my eyes were wide open and I saw collector cars in numbers I can’t ever remember seeing! You filled a golf course to capacity and hosted the most stupen-*

*dous gathering of every possible kind of collector car! I heard from first time attendees, and they were blown away by the volume, and I spoke to “regulars” who were equally gobsmacked at the quality! I will say it, and because of my role as a Broad Arrow Car Specialist, I can say it with some authority, the PVGP show field is without rival in its scope and volume! . . . No other event, no other place, and no other group of volunteers . . . simply nothing else of its kind exists . . . You need to be here.”*

In 2026, Jaguar takes center stage in this extraordinary setting. If you love Jaguars, history, design, driving, and the fellowship of like-minded enthusiasts—there is no better place to be.

You really do need to be here.

For additional information, visit [pvgp.org](http://pvgp.org), [jaguarclubofpittsburgh.org](http://jaguarclubofpittsburgh.org), or contact Stu Benson, Chairman of the JCOP PVGP IJF Committee (412)-491-1586 | [stubenson3@gmail.com](mailto:stubenson3@gmail.com)).

*So, there you have it, and please stay tuned for more information. Jeff Bolmeyer and I will be providing more details and coordinating DVJC’s participation as we draw nearer to the events in Pittsburgh. Please save the dates and plan to join us there! In the meantime, let’s motor through these winter doldrums, not to mention the arctic freeze, concrete snow, bomb cyclone, etc., and dream of Jaguar festivities in Pittsburgh in July.*

Happy Motoring,

**Tony**

NOTE: Photos of the 2016 IJF taken by Jeff Bolmeyer can be viewed on the DVJC web site at <https://delvaljaguarclub.com/2016-international-jaguar-festival/> or on Flickr at <https://www.flickr.com/photos/bcsphotos95/albums/72177720331677789>

## Thank you note from Sue Trout ~

I believe the Basket Raffle at the "Holiday Party", as well as the party and Silent Auction were once again a huge success. For my part, I'd like to thank the Board for allowing us to continue with this fundraiser. I did not create it, but have orchestrated it for the last couple of years. It's success occurs with the generosity of many members: those that create and donate baskets, those that buy raffle tickets at the event and those that organize and distribute the baskets as the raffle takes place. Thank you to Mary Alice Tinari, Nancy Bieble, and Sue Rosen for assisting with the last part this year. Thanks again to all, for making this event the success that it has become.

## Member Anniversaries

Member	Co-Member	Join Date	Years		
Brian	Craig	Pauline	Craig	19-Feb-05	21
Jeff	Bolmeyer			01-Feb-05	21
Gregory	Morrison	Kathleen	Morrison	25-Feb-13	13
David	Pickering	Sheila	Pickering	24-Feb-20	6
Robert	Hahn			29-Feb-20	6
Jim	Berg	Linda	Berg	27-Feb-22	4
Jeffrey	Rose	Cory	Rose	04-Feb-23	3
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Jonathan	Taylor			17-Feb-25	1
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# JUDGES TRAINING 2026

Dear fellow DVJC members,

This letter is an invitation to Concours judge's training, in preparation for our Concours on Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup> 2026.

All current and former judges as well as any member or co-member interested in becoming a judge are welcome.

The venue and dates are as follows.

**Training School:** We will review the JCNA Concours Rule Book and any rule changes introduced this year. Participants will also take the test prepared by JCNA followed by a Q&A discussion. Each session will begin at 9:00am and run until noon.

March 7<sup>th</sup>. Training School at Jim Sjoreen's in Wayne PA.

May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Training School at Alan Brown's in Solebury, PA.

At these meeting we will discuss the following:-

- General qualifications and procedures for judges
- How to properly fill in scoresheets
- The official Concours divisions and their classes
- Instructions and general rules for the judge
- The certification process for judges
- The apprentice judging process

There will be an informal discussion with all attendees to answer any questions and discuss the finer points of scoring a Jaguar.

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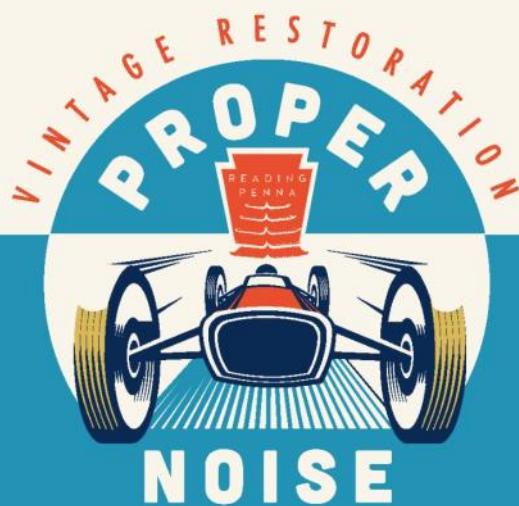
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## 1961 Mark II—February Calendar Car

Owners: Ed and Carol Petrow

Did you enjoy the ITV award-winning production of the “ENDEAVOUR” TV series featuring Detective Chief Inspector Fred Thursday (Roger Allam) and his youthful sidekick Detective Constable Endeavour Morse (Shaun Evans) driving a striking black Jaguar Mk I 2.4 liter? We did and if you missed this excellent series, it may still be available for viewing on PBS Masterpiece or from your favorite streaming service. The black Mk I (Registration Number KAN 169) was featured in nearly every early episode before being replaced by a more modern Regency Red Mk II in the final episodes of the series. Set in the UK in Oxford sometime between 1956 and 1960, the production is quite intellectual and engaging and Carol and I both fell in love with classic styling and shape of these transition period Jaguars. Our search for a suitable example began and ended with the purchase of the gunmetal over red leather Mk II 3.8 liter featured in this month’s calendar.



Rarely seen for the 3 ½ years we have owned it; our car has undergone substantial restoration and



mechanical refurbishment. We started our voyage with a well-loved and relatively rust-free example with prior ownership by JCNA members mostly from the

Midwest and most recently by a professor at Purdue. At some point, someone must have dropped something on the roof which broke the rear windshield. This was replaced and repainted along with a new headliner and fresh leather and vinyl upholstery expertly installed by OSJI in nearby Muncie, IN over 20 years ago. Importantly, there was no evidence of other paint work or rust repair. Included in the extensive ownership history were records of numerous improvements to an already good driving car including the addition of Willwood front brakes and rotors, replacement of the power assisted reciprocating ball steering gear

with a much more modern XJ power rack, and the replacement of the original yet antique Borg-Warner model 8 automatic transmission with a General Motors 700R 3-speed automatic with a locking torque converter making it into a four speed overdrive gearbox. We immediately replaced the aged tires, wire wheels, splined drive hubs, shock absorbers and numerous suspension bits with everything new and of top quality. We were very pleased with the result. However, some brief driving identified certain other problems requiring immediate attention including electrical switches that did not work, instruments that did not tell the truth, liquid leaks everywhere and most significantly, the completely worn-out steering column bushings with no internal horn wiring or contacts.

So back into the shop it went and out came the steering column, dashboards and related wiring harnesses. While most of the interior was in a state of rather complete disassembly, I thought there would be no better time to reinstall air conditioning. At some point, the car had air conditioning; possibly of the original equipment design



that included a large air handling enclosure in the rear parcel shelf. Perhaps this was damaged when something fell on the roof or perhaps it was simply removed because it didn’t work well. Research into modern aftermarket air conditioning systems suggested a Vintage Air system would work best so an appropriate kit was ordered. As we began filling in the blanks of the rather superficial instruction manual supplied with the kit, it

## 1961 Mark II—February Calendar Car (continued)

became increasingly obvious that our engine and accessory drives were not original and many pieces were not correct, damaged or had broken studs or oversized bolts installed. Adding the necessary A/C brackets would not be possible until all of these things were corrected using the correct fasteners. Moreover, it became increasingly apparent that our engine had been subjected to some rather unorthodox rebuilding operations and even though it ran pretty well, it wasn't right. Expert analysis confirmed our original engine simply wasn't making the correct amount of power. So out came the engine and transmission and both were sent off for rebuilding by professionals familiar with these mismatched parts. Eventually, everything returned and the assembly process restarted with nearly everything under the bonnet new or rebuilt. Of course, there were numerous fabrication and mounting challenges to be overcome but, with perseverance, the end result was worth it. Today, nearly everything was working as it should when these photos were taken. Even the air conditioning works as it should! And yes, it still leaks but not nearly as much. Tomorrow? Who knows!

Carol and I were so pleased with the outcome of all of this work, we decided to reupholster the



front seats in leather with a kit from Aldridge so the seats and console are out of the car as you read this. We also plan to eventually replace the

OE steering wheel that is too large for the power steering and is damaged beyond economical repair. But we expect to be driving our handsome Mk II soon, enjoying the extra power designed into the professionally rebuilt 3.8 liter engine. The cylinders were bored 0.040" over requiring new, custom made pistons with rebuilt and magna-fluxed 0.020" over size connecting rods. The engine was blueprinted and we machined new, bigger intake valves into the head along with much bigger SU HD8 carburetors. Electronic ignition was also added with Bluetooth connectivity and the rebuilt 700R transmission now shifts within the power band of this higher-performance engine.

An interesting point of discussion, some "experts" maintain that the actual cars used in filming the Endeavour series were not actually Jaguars but rather a Daimler made to look like a Jaguar. At this time Jaguar owned Daimler having purchased it from the Birmingham Small



Arms Company (BSA) in 1960. Sir Lyons shrewdly produced Daimlers using the same tooling and parts as the Jaguars of that period but with certain small cosmetic variations designed to appeal to traditional Daimler buyers. The astute enthusiast will immediately notice the smaller, more delicate bumpers of the Daimler along with

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## 1961 Mark II—February Calendar Car (continued)

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a touch more chrome. This was done to make them look more elegant and expensive. Sometimes, bumpers are switched on Jaguar Mk I or II with those from Daimler to lighten their front profile. Lyons also installed the small displacement V8 from the SP250 Daimler but this was not a popular or good selling car. Around the time the TV series was being filmed, old Daimlers were more plentiful and inexpensive than the Jaguar Mk I so it is possible that this story is true. Personally, I can see how the V8 engine could be misidentified as the famous Jaguar 3.8-liter dual overhead cam engine. While I do not know the internal details of the engine, from the location of the spark plugs, the SP250 might have been a hemispherical combustion chamber design like all Jaguar engines at the time possibly making the V8 more powerful despite its diminutive displacement. To my knowledge, there was never a shot of the engine bay of either Jaguar used in the *Endeavor* series with the bonnet lifted. But who knows? For all we know, the actual film cars might have had Daimler

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Ed & Carol Petrow's beautiful Mk 2, the February calendar car.

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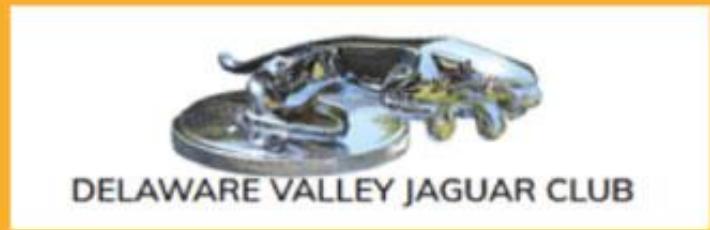
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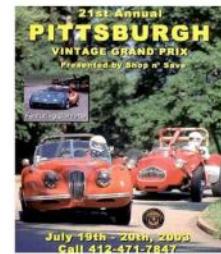


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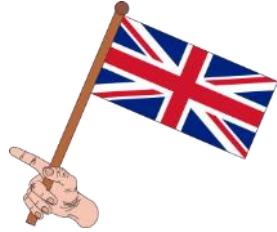
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To kick things off, here are some ideas based on past articles:

*Your car's appearance on the DVJC calendar*

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