

JAGUAR JOURNEYS



JUNE / JULY 2017 NEWSLETTER

NEWSLETTER



FROM THE PRESIDENT

It has been a busy year and we have enjoyed great events and faced some challenges as well. We believe we have finally sorted out the membership roster with JCNA—so all members should be receiving the *Jaguar Journal* magazine. Many have missed **Ray David's** informational and entertaining monthly *Jagbag* newsletter. After many years of service, Ray is not able to publish the *Jagbag* at this time. I'd like to thank him for his labor of love over the years in creating and publishing a first-class newsletter. Now, with spring events to report on – and summer and fall coming fast, we needed something to get the word out. I didn't want to pretend to be Ray, so I put together this little newsletter that I have labeled *Jaguar Journeys*. - *John McCarthy*

FEBRUARY OUTING

On February 18th we drove south to the small but powerful Military Museum located at Fisherman's Village. Lunch on the water was a special treat.

MARCH BOAT CRUISE

It's hard to top a boat cruise on a Sunday morning. We learned all about Sarasota Bay and enjoyed a nice lunch on the waterfront. See page six.

APRIL IN SANFORD

All three entrants in the Jaguar Club of Florida Concours in Sanford brought home first place trophies. Read more on page five.

MAY AT THE CIRCUS

Several members enjoyed the Ringling Circus Museum. See more on page three.

CHIHULY IN JUNE

Our June event will be a visit to the Chihuly Collection in downtown St. Pete. Dale Chihuly is an artist in glass who has created his own unique style. Get out of the summer heat and cool down with some brilliant liquid glass. For details see page two.

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JUNE OUTING TO THE CHIHULY ART GLASS GALLERY ST. PETERSBURG

JUNE 24TH 2017—10:30AM

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CHIHULY IN JUNE

Join us in June at the **Morean Arts Glass Center and Hot Shop** to see the amazing glass assemblages that Dale Chihuly is famous for. The Morean is located at 720 Central Avenue in downtown St. Pete. On-street metered parking is available. Mark your calendar for June 24th! Tickets are \$19.95 with a discount for seniors. Please RSVP at SCJCweb@gmail.com.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR 2017 CONCOURS SPONSOR

WILDE JAGUAR OF SARASOTA

The screenshot shows the website for Wilde Jaguar of Sarasota. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Jaguar logo and the text "WILDE JAGUAR OF SARASOTA". Below the navigation bar, there are several filter options: "All Conditions", "All Years", "All Models", "All Body Styles", "All Mileage", and "All Prices", followed by a "SEARCH" button. The main content area features a large image of a blue 2017 Jaguar F-Pace driving on a road. To the left of the car, there is a text box that reads "2017 JAGUAR F-PACE" and "BASE MSRP FROM \$41,990*". Below this, there is a "VIEW INVENTORY" button. At the bottom of the page, there is a section titled "NEW JAGUAR LINEUP" with a horizontal row of five car models: XE, XF, XJ, F-TYPE, and F-TYPE. Each model is represented by a small image of the car and its name below it.

RINGLING CIRCUS MUSEUM IN REVIEW—MAY 20th 2017

Just one day before the last performance of the *Greatest Show on Earth*, and one day after the evening opening of the new exhibit featuring 100 years of circus posters, the Sun Coast Jaguar Club paid a visit to the Ringling Museum in Sarasota. While the Ringling campus includes several museums, such as the Art Museum, Ringling Residence and the new Asian Art Museum, our target was the amazing new Circus Museum created through the generosity of Mr. Howard Tibbals. With two stories of exhibits, this museum alone occupied our attention until lunchtime.



Driving from all points to attend were: Jeff Ellis, Hannah and Irwin Ayers, Sally and Lee Wolfe with their daughter Sue, Michelle and John McCarthy and newcomers Willamena and Bill Flowers. Entrance to the museum complex is through the ornate polychromed terra cotta arch built by John Ringling in 1925 as the gatehouse into his luxurious bayfront estate. Today it is the gateway to the main entrance lobby and from there we entered the grounds for a short walk to the circus museum.



THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH



The newly installed exhibit chronicles 100 years of posters advertising *The Greatest Show on Earth*. It took a few moments to realize that all of the posters were original—and all were in remarkably good condition. Colorful, exciting, exotic and enticing—all designed to lure children of all ages into the magical world of the circus.

Next was Howard Tibbals' amazing life's work of creating a scale model of the Ringling Brothers Circus. While trademark issues resulted in the model being labeled the *Howard Brothers Circus*— every other aspect is a pure miniature replica of the railroad travelling Ringling Brothers Circus as it was set up across American in the last century. Not just a model of the Big-Top—this gigantic diorama depicts every part of the operation from the mess tent to the engine rebuilding yard. Even the replica trees in the adjacent woods are bring cut for firewood and timber needs. It is truly a site to behold and uniquely conveys the self sufficiency and logistics of yesterday's circus.



Upstairs is an entire history of the circus, a working workshop for Howard to maintain the model and the older miniature circus created by **Harold Dunn**, that inspired Howard as a child to craft his own miniature circus. Not limited to a single circus, Dunn's replicas are from many of the old American circuses. One of the most interesting parts of this collection were the elephants dressed as clowns and horses masquerading as seahorses.



The sights and sounds of the circus had us thinking food, so we found our way to the *Muse Café* for a splendid lunch and friendly conversation. After lunch some headed for home, while others spent more time enjoying the grounds and world famous museum.



JAGUAR CLUB OF FLORIDA CONCOURS—SANFORD—April 8th

A group of Sun Coast Jaguar Club members attended the annual **Jaguar Club Of Florida Concours** on April 8th at the **Route 46 Entertainment District** in Sanford Florida. As always, the Orlando area club put on a great show, with a large number of E-Types and XK's in addition to a wide range of more recent **Jaguars**. The venue itself was well selected, as it is a car-show themed village that nicely framed all of the beautiful entries. Some participants enjoyed the welcome social Friday night while others drove in for the day. Those traveling from afar started their day with quite a bit of last-minute cleaning and polishing. After a comprehensive judges briefing, rags were down and judging began. After the judging was completed, lunch was enjoyed in the **Route 46 Smokehouse**, with a great view of several of the displayed **Jaguars**.



Sun Coast Jaguar Club members in attendance included **Elsa and Dave Roth** with their 2016 F-Type convertible, **Steve Quilty** with his X-Type Estate and **John McCarthy** showing for the first time his 1995 XJR Sports Sedan. Dave and Elsa, with their immaculate F-Type, took first place in C20/F at the awards banquet held Saturday night, while John McCarthy also took first place in his division, C10/XJ. Steve Quilty's rarer-than-rare original **Jaguar** accessories initially baffled the judges, yet his first place score of 99.9000 in C16/SX division reflected the consideration of his original **Jaguar** documentation. Kudo's to all of the Sun Coast Jaguar Club entries—and thanks to **Juan Sierra, Tom Wright, Danny Bogdany** and the whole team of the **Jaguar Club of Florida** for hosting another first-class Concours in a wonderful central Florida setting.



MARCH SARASOTA HISTORY BOAT CRUISE REVIEW



March 9th was the occasion of an outing to enjoy a history cruise sponsored by the **Historical Society of Sarasota County** and narrated by our very own Jaguar Club President John McCarthy. Club members attending included Leyla and Clive Stewart, Becky and Richard Krisel, Hannah and Irwin Ayers, Sally and Lee Wolfe and special guest Lily.

Leaving the harbor at the foot of Main Street we embarked on a leisurely cruise of Sarasota Bay on the aptly named **LeBarge**. With a total of 100 passengers on board, this was John's 27th annual history cruise. The weather was perfect and we covered the span of history from the native Americans to the pioneers to famous entrepreneurs John and Charles Ringling and Powel Crosley.



As the guests of the featured speaker, the club enjoyed nice seats on the top deck of the boat with wide views of the bay, the mainland shore and the barrier islands of Lido and Longboat Keys.

Upon returning to the dock we found a nice waterfront picnic table at the nearby **O'Leary's** restaurant. We were joined at lunch by Garrett Murto the assistant curator at Historic Spanish Point in Osprey, who also attended the cruise.



UPCOMING EVENTS—MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday June 24th, 10:30am
Chihuly Gallery—St. Petersburg
Lunch to follow the gallery tour



Saturday July 22nd, 10:30am
Henry B. Plant Museum—Tampa
401 W. Kennedy Blvd. \$10 ticket

Saturday September 16th, 10:30am
Judges Training & Concour Prep
WILDE Jaguar of Sarasota



Friday Oct. 13th and Saturday Oct. 14th
Sun Coast Jaguar Club Concours 'd Elegance
St. Armands Circle—Sarasota

Wednesday December 6th 6:30pm
Holiday Dinner and Party
400 Beach—St. Petersburg



For more event information please visit our website

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ABOUT OUR CLUB

The **Sun Coast Jaguar Club** was founded in 1970s as an affiliate of the **Jaguar Clubs of North America**. Dan Ligas of Pinellas County was the club founder and our annual club service award is presented in his honor. Current memberships stretch from Crystal River to Englewood.



WE MEET FOR DINNER EACH MONTH

Our **regular meetings** are held on the **first Wednesday of each month** at 6pm the **Hangar Restaurant in St. Pete**. Guests and prospective members are welcome and everyone orders what they want from the menu. Casual friendly atmosphere.



JOIN OUR CLUB

Joining our club also provides membership in the national **Jaguar Clubs of North America**. Benefits include eligibility to participate in Concours, Rallies and other events, a **monthly national magazine**, special discounts on new **Jaguar** automobiles, access to Jaguar gear and **technical information**. To join please visit our website or send your check for \$55 to Richard Hearn 3444 Founders Club Drive Sarasota Fl 34240. Please include email address and type of Jaguar(s) owned.

RIDE WITH US

Each month we plan an **outing** to explore what the Sun Coast has to offer. Trips include car museums, art museums, historical sites, botanical gardens, lighthouses, wineries, and other points of interest. **Members are invited to bring guests** and we always enjoy lunch as a part of our outings!

GET INVOLVED



Love Jaguars? Joining our club is a great way to get involved and we are always looking for new destinations and programs. Join us for a meeting—or an outing—or our **premier Concours d' Elegance** in October! *Everyone with an interest in Jaguar automobiles is welcome!*

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