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Paul Schmidt getting lots of advice on his 1968 XKE S 1 1/2

The classic purpose of a club - to gather people with common interests, see their Jaguars and discuss problems and solutions. Above Bill Beeson, Mel Salter, Mike Ramirez and Pete Day look over Paul Schmidt's beautiful E-Type. Photo by editor

It's clear that we are entering a period of "electrification" of vehicles; some cities now prohibit gasoline powered cars in certain areas.

But who would have guessed that an E-Type or XK could be "electrified".

Read Bill's article on page 11.



An Electric E-Type

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The club's purpose is to promote interest in the preservation, operation and ownership of Jaguar automobiles and to encourage safe, careful and skillful operation. To be a source of technical information, to establish rules and regulations governing Club activities and to promote good sportsmanship at all times.

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Meeting are held every month except March, July and December when special meetings are arranged.

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Presidents Comments by Steve Kennedy

As you will read elsewhere in the newsletter, the San Antonio AGM was great. Things a little bit outside of the AGM report were that we spent some time with Bob's cousin Jenny. Besides going to lunch with her on day, the morning we were headed back to the airport, Jenny picked us up, took us to a great place for a pancake breakfast. We also toured a place called the Pearl. It was a former brewery operating from 1883 to 2001. Now it is one of the top culinary and cultural destinations.

Plans for the RMJC Concours are coming along. It will be held on Saturday, June 30th at the Spirit of Flight Museum in Erie. Deanie is still ironing out the last minute details on the food prices. We'll have a flyer out pretty soon. The Spirit of Flight Museum is working on restoring a 1936 Lockheed 12A Electra Jr. It is similar to the Lockheed 10-E Electra that Amelia Earhart flew in. Gordon Page, the owner of the museum can give you lots more details. Gordon also appraises and helps buy and sell airplanes. On one of his adventures, a man approached him and asked the story about the plane he was buying. After a long conversation, Gordon can give us lots more details, the guy asked Gordon to come over to his hangar. He then showed Gordon a great airplane and a bunch of cars. He told Gordon that, to support Gordon's project on the Electra, he was going to give Gordon this Thunderbird which was then to be raffled off, the funds going to support the restoration of the Electra. There are lots more details to it than that but Gordon now has the 1957 T-Bird which will be raffled off on Saturday, July 14th a couple of weeks after our concours, however tickets must be purchased and returned by mail by noon Saturday June 2nd, yes, before our concours. So if you would like to help support this project, you can purchase anywhere from two tickets for \$25 to \$1000 for 80 tickets + 120 bonus tickets. Even if you don't want the Bird, you can sell it and it will make a great down payment on your next Jaguar.

Spring Dust-off will be here real fast as well. It is coming up on Saturday, May. 19th and Judges School will be by May 20th. Oh, and Jeff Schroder, the guy that owns the C-Type and D-Type that were featured in last year's Arapahoe Community College concours, is graciously donating lunch for the Judges Meeting. Thanks Jeff.

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Clocks with the photo you supply for \$25. You need to have the photo in Portrait format, long ways top to bottom.

These are available from Steve at skennedy@ecentral.com

50th Anniversary of RMJC Car Badge

It is 3 inches in diameter and is made of brass. It has green mountains and shows the years 1967 and 2017. There is a brass colored "growler" in the center. They are numbered from 1 to 50.

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Club Events in 2018

April Event Details

- 3 Board Meeting, Eisnach's, board members expected to attend, visitors welcome; all should RSVP to them (page 2)
- 10 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's, New Jag video, AGM report
- 21 First Judges School at Hagerty's, 12:00 Noon at 1010 Johnson Road in Golden - contact Gary George at 303-477-0189
- 28 Tune-Up at Frank Oakley's, 717 Anderson St, Castle Rock, 10:00 AM, - Frank at 720-851-5708
- 28-29 Drivers School RMVR - see last issue for details

May

- 8 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's
- 19-20 RMVR at High Plains Raceway*
- 19 Spring Dust Off - Frank S. & Deb R
wedding of Prince Harry & Meghan Markle
- 20 Second Judges School at Hagerty's

June

- 5 Board Meeting, McGibbon's at DAC
- 9-10 RMVR at Pueblo Raceway*
- 9-10 Annual Glenwood Rallye*
- 10 ACCO Show
- 12 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's
- 30 RMJC Concours, Spirit of Flight Museum
Kennedys, Georges, Kirbys

July No Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's

- 4 Evergreen Car Show*
- 14 Summer Party at Roxborough Park Center
and Haney Park - Redrupps and Lanes
- 28 Warbird/Car Show at Front Range Airport

Events listed in italics may be of interest to some members but are not a RMJC organized or sponsored event.

August

- 4-5 RMVR Kids Race Against Cancer – HPR
- 4 Airplane/Car Show at Metro Airport - CCCC
- 5 Colorado Scottish Festival - Citizens Park*
- 7 Board Meeting, Beeson's
- 11 Albuquerque Concours at Santa Fe
- 14 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's
- 19 Slalom at Front Range Airport

September

- 11 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's
- 15 Ride the Rockies
- 16 British Car Conclave
- TBD Bids for Kids
- 30 JCSC Concours

October

- 2 Board Meeting, Oakley's
- 9 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's
- 13-14 RMVR at Pueblo Raceway*
- 31-Nov 4 2018 International Jaguar Festival

November

- 13 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's

December No Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's

- 1 Holiday Party
- 4 Board Meeting, Kennedy's

Event Details

Judges School April 21st at Hagerty's

Wow, time for the judges schools again. In my experience those who are the most involved in the activities of their organization have the most fun. The RMJC concours is coming right up. Get involved, become a concours judge. Come to the judges meeting.

I will review all the rules and help you along the way. A word of warning: I am not pc and I tell and listen to jokes and stories. You will hear some at the judges school; I will laugh, or groan, at yours and expect the same from you. Join us you'll be glad you did. Gary George

The **RMJC annual Dust-Off May 19th**: This year we're going to visit the Stephen Tebo Classic Car Museum in Longmont. It's a private car museum not open to the public.

The only chance to see this fantastic collection is with an invited group such as a car club or civic event. It's said to be second only to Jay Leno's collection. You will see cars from Hollywood fame, vintage models, exotics, and a wide variety of makes and models.

The Dust-Off will be starting with coffee and rolls at the home of Deb and Mike Martinez (11708 Tennyson Way, Westminster) at 8:30 and departure at 9 a.m. Deb will be giving out route maps before we leave. Tour time at Tebo's is from 10 a.m. to noon.

The tour of the museum is a FREE event. You just need to **RSVP to Frank Sullivan** at 970-460-0307 (leave a message) or to fsullivan1@comcast.net.

With your RSVP we need to know if you will also be joining us for lunch after the tour and how many in your party. We'll be going to **Treppadas' Restaurant** in Niwot after the museum tour. (Lunch is not free—order from the menu as individual checks.)

If you live north of Denver and wish to join us at the museum you will still need to RSVP so we have an accurate count for both the tour and for lunch.

Frank Sullivan

Plan to attend the ACCO Concours on Sunday, June 10th

Wednesday, May 23rd is the last day to sign up online at COLORADOCONCOURS.ORG. After then you can download the form and exchange it for a packet at ACCO (801 Yosemite; June 6-8) or you can register the day of the event assuming there is space remaining. - Vince Lane

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2018 San Antonio AGM

Steve and Deanie and Bob arrived in San Antonio Thursday afternoon. We went down to the Riverwalk after we checked in to the Menger Hotel which is across from the Alamo. We had Mexican food and margaritas at one of the great restaurants. We went back to the Menger and caught up with old friends. That evening we went back to the Riverwalk for an Italian dinner. Friday morning there were no events planned so we went and saw Bob's cousin, Jenny who came and picked us up for a tour of San Antonio more food and drink. Friday evening was the 60th Birthday party for JCNA BBQ dinner and cake.

Fred Hammond, Jaguar Cars Liaison, mentioned that Norm Dewis, famous Jaguar Cars race car driver, who is now 96 is not doing well. And Mike Cook, who is now 85, is doing, as he says, Pretty Good Today. Anyway, two of the 60th Anniversary JCNA posters were signed by all of the AGM delegates and Fred will see to it that each of them get the posters. Fred also talked about the 2019 AGM which will be held at the new Jaguar Land Rover headquarters in Mahwah, NJ.

Saturday morning was the AGM. There were about 65 delegates in attendance. It is always fun to catch up with old friends. Jack Humphrey from the Springs club was reelected as JCNA president. There were not too many rule book changes. The biggest change was for judging the area behind wire wheels. The back side of the wheels, the brake drums and calipers are now judged for cleanliness. "If you can see it, it needs to be clean and correct".

The 2018 International Jaguar Festival will be in Santa Barbara Wednesday, October 31st through Sunday, November 4th. One of the tours during the event will be the Peterson Museum, a great collection of vintage cars. We also heard that the Jay Leno collection will definitely NOT be on the tour list. You can go to <http://lajagclub.com/> for more information.

Mike Mueller put on a great seminar about Jaguar cylinder heads. He had 16 heads on display and each was different sometimes by only a small change like the depth of a stud not penetrating the water jacket. There were even a few details that Mike had to ask Bob about and Bob was glad to help in the discussion.

Mike Dale, former CEO of Jaguar Cars US, was at the awards dinner. He told lots of great stories like Jaguar's need to have a convertible XJS to keep up with the competition. Jaguar Cars had no intention of ever making a convertible XJS and the body was thus designed that way. Once they decided they really need a convertible, Hess and Eisenhardt in America was asked to take on the project. They asked for the engineering drawings. After they started comparing the drawings to the actual car, they found that the drawings did not match the car. After further research H&E also found that there were a number of modifications made with a hammer because the item did not fit as designed and rather than go back to the engineers, they simply made it fit.

Later in the evening was the Awards Presentation. It was done a bit different this year and rather than go Class by Class for Champion, Driven, Slalom and Rallye, awards were handed out alphabetically by last name. If you had 4 awards coming, one for each event, you got all four at the same time, great idea.

Gary Kinzel talked about the Coventry Foundation which has been created by passionate Jaguar® people who donate their time, resources, and services with the goal of better serving the Jaguar® Heritage and preserving the marque for future generations. The foundation is working towards opening a museum, where Jaguar cars, books, memorabilia, and related material will be housed and viewed by the public.

Lyle Ferrell from the Albq club gave a short presentation about their upcoming concours which they just got approval for to be held in the Santa Fe Plaza. Details to follow.

Thanks to the San Antonio Jaguar Club, Brian Blackwell and all of the SAJC members who helped put this even on and thanks to all of the sponsors that made another AGM a success.



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Bob enjoying the River Walk and talking about cylinder heads



Fred Hammond talking about the 2019 AGM at Mahwah, NJ



Fred Hammond, Jaguar Cars and Jack Humphrey, JCNA President, holding Best Wishes posters signed by all the 2018 delegates, for Norm Dewis and Mike Cook.



Bob and Steve at the Alamo



Not too many Jaguars on display



Gary Kincaid, JCNA member and president of the Coventry Foundation,
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THE FUTURE OF OUR CLASSIC CARS by Bill Beeson

Shocking news from Jaguar Cars! All Jaguars will be electrified by 2020. All models of Jaguar will be offered in an electric or hybrid electric variant. Some will view this corporate shift as a move in the right direction, away from carbon based fuel usage and towards total electric propulsion. Others of us, who cherish the sound and feel of internal combustion propelled Jaguars, are a bit concerned that our classic, vintage, and yes, even contemporary Jaguars will be relegated to garages and museums when gasoline is outlawed. What then will happen to these beautiful cars? Will we have to obtain special permits and venues to enjoy the simple pleasures of driving them? The answers remain unknown and hopefully the scenario posed will not happen for many years, if ever.



The good news is that the brilliant folks at Jaguar Classic, a division of Jaguar Land Rover ClassicWorks, are determined to address the issue described above head-on through the application of new technologies to classic vehicles. Quote from Jaguar Classic - *“In an increasingly environment-conscious age, we aim to make sure our Classic vehicles have the future they deserve. And we’re doing that by developing electric powertrain conversions that preserve the looks, handling and performance characteristics of the original vehicles – yet deliver zero emissions. These conversions are fully-reversible and can be applied to any XK engine powered classic Jaguar built between 1948 and 1992.”*

This is indeed a clever approach to extending the usable life span of our classics. Let’s look into the genesis of the Jaguar Classic program and see where they are today.

Jaguar Land Rover ClassicWorks was born out of the JLR Special Vehicle Operations (SVO) division which was formed in 2014 to create over-the-top performance vehicles from existing JLR models. Jaguar Classic was created from JLR ClassicWorks to address the specific needs of the classic restoration of Jaguar models. A purpose built 120,000 sq. ft. facility was built to house the servicing and restoration of classic XK’s, E-Types, and Saloons. Today they offer two customer programs: “Legends Reborn” and “Legends Continued”. The Legends Reborn provides certain limited run vehicles, like the E-Type, restoration parts and services, while the Legends Continued is the exclusive service aimed at the high end super collector with cars like the XKSS, XJ220, and other hand built, high historical significance Jaguars.

In addition to producing some very fine restorations, Jaguar Classic has now taken their expertise and applied it to developing the electric drivetrain described earlier for the future electrification of Jaguar cars. Their first creation utilizing this drivetrain is the wonderful Electric E-Type Zero. Imagine driving the most beautiful electric car in the world, a converted 1960’s XK E-Type, powered by a 220kW motor and eclipsing the 6 cylinder’s performance with 0-60mph in 5.5 seconds. Now imagine that your 100 point XJ6 with a worn out engine is next in line to receive the electric drivetrain transplant. The new drivetrain is fully compatible with all XK 6 cylinder engine powered Jaguars.



The bones of the car remain unmolested in the transplant, leaving the classic characteristics enhanced but unchanged. Jaguar Classic has just made both of those scenarios possible. Our cars can live in the cities and roads of the future. Can we all say thank you to Jaguar Classic for their forethought and ingenuity?

Two Electric Models From Jaguar Land Rover

by Gordon Kenney

The two Electric Vehicles (EV's) announced by Jaguar Land Rover (JLR) exemplify two approaches used to achieve "electric" driving advantages while still providing adequate "range". The Jaguar I-Pace is "pure" electric with all driving done under battery power and will need recharging before proceeding beyond battery range. The Land Rover is a "Plug-In Hybrid" that will use battery power much of the time but also has a gasoline engine to provide longer range, higher performance and to enable "refueling" either at a "recharging station" or at any gas station. Your driving needs will be a significant factor in which of these two types of vehicles best fits your requirements.

The **Range Rover Sport P400e** plug-in hybrid has an electric-only range of 31 miles from its 13.1 kWhr battery with a top speed in electric mode of 85 mph. It also has a 4 cyl 275 hp gasoline engine and with both power sources working the total power output is 398 hp; it has a 0-60 mph time of 6.4 seconds and a top speed of 137 mph. Recharging the 13.1 kWhr battery will take 3 hrs at a level 2 charge station (240 volt) or 9 hrs at 110 volt. Starting price is about 78k\$'s base with higher trim and options available. Pluses of this vehicle would be for use in cities that restrict gasoline powered cars and electric operation for many shorter trips. Negative points would be the "weak" power train in electric only operation and the relatively short electric range.

The **I-Pace** is Jaguar's all-electric vehicle being introduced this year. It's a "crossover" vehicle with 4 doors and a rear hatch. It uses an 80 kWhr battery driving two electric motors providing 4 wheel drive with the "range" listed as 240 miles and a 0-60 mph time as 4.5 seconds. A full recharge of the 80 kWhr battery would take 10 hours at level 2 (240 volt) but it can also use the much higher DC charging stations for a 3 hour recharge. Base price is about 70k\$'s with higher trim models around 80k\$'s. Pluses of this all-electric car include quiet operation, rapid acceleration, regenerative braking for one-pedal driving and very low cost of "fuel". Negatives would be the need to plan for recharging during long drives and the lack of rapid recharging in many areas.

The "Rebate" issue. Both of these vehicles would likely be eligible for the \$7,500 one-time per car federal tax credit that continues to be funded. They may also qualify for the State of Colorado one-time per purchase, new or used, Electric Vehicle Incentive up to \$5000.

Our own experience with EV's started in the 1980's and has included a Chevy Volt purchased new in 2012 and a 2014 model Cadillac ELR acquired in 2016. Both of these models are full-time electric motor drive but with a gasoline on-board generator that keeps the battery charged as needed. These are called "Extended Range EV's". The range is about 40 miles on battery but using both battery and gasoline provides a total range of 375 miles. This configuration is very popular and is used by many models including the Range Rover Sport P400e

Our experience over the last 5 years is that 95% of our miles are powered from the battery and we purchase gasoline only 4 times per year. All of our recharging has been done at home with a 240 volt charger and most of the recharging is done during daylight hours from our PV-solar panels in the back yard. One of our sons and his wife each have similar EV's and they experience more than 90% electric operation in their daily work commute. In our family EV's work and we love the electric car driving experience, the reduced need to visit gas stations and one-pedal driving. The low cost of operation is a nice bonus.





Meeting, 7 March 2018.

Legislative: Leo Boyle noted that Rep. Randy Baumgardner is no longer chairman of the House Transportation Committee.

There are three bills of interest that have been introduced, all in the Senate:

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•SB18-028 – concerning **placement of front license plates** on vehicles. It does not do away with the requirement for a front plate. It is likely to pass without modification

•SB18-181 – concerning **moderation of the motor vehicle emissions inspection program**. This bill would extend the emission inspection cycle for vehicles built in 1982 and newer from every two years to every four years and eliminate the automatic failure if the check-engine light is on.

•SB18-078 – concerning an **exemption from certain additional charges** imposed at the time of vehicle registration for vehicles that are **thirty years old or older**. This bill would exempt such vehicles state-wide from the road safety surcharge (which came about with the 2008 FASTER legislation) and the vehicle-age-based-motor vehicle registration fee. Leo does not expect this bill to survive.

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I have a 1990 Jag XJS convertible, with V12 that runs like a top. But, body is wracked, and paint is shot. Not worth enough to fix in my opinion, so was going to donate to charity or if someone wanted a parts car, this is a beauty for that. It has a set of Dayton 72 spoke jag wheels, an upgraded chrome package, and everything works believe it or not.

Do you know of anyone in your club that needs a parts car?

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At the AGM several of our members received National Awards.

Steve and Deanie Kennedy received a 2nd in Class C20/F for their 2017 F-Type
and a 3rd in Class C11/J8 for their 2007 XJ8L

David and Patti Reed received a 1st place in Class C4/150 for their 1959 XK150S

Regional Awards:

Mike and Deb Ramirez a 4th in Class C6/E2 for their 1969 E-Type OTS

Craig Miles a 1st in Class C5/E1 for his 1963 E-Type FHC

Frank and Linda Sullivan a 1st in Class C16/SX for their 2001 S-Type Coupe

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3/4 page	\$614
Full page	\$740

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Ads run from January 1st to December 31st but can be prorated. Advertising must be paid in full at time of placement. Contact: Deanie Kennedy, Treasurer at 303-489-3944 or at treasurer@rockymountainjaguarclub.org

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The March 28 issue of the Denver Post carried a short article as follows:

Waymo to Buy 20,000 Jaguars.

*Self-driving car spinoff **Waymo** will buy up to 20,000 electric vehicles from Jaguar Land Rover to help realize its vision for a robotic ride-hailing service.*

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