

The most notable of those Jaguars that were not sold was an early left-hand drive XJ220 with only 9000 kilometers of use that was listed at \$400,000 to \$500,000.

1993 Jaguar XJ220 -Peter Seabrook©2018 courtesy of RM Sotheby's

# Thanks to Bill B. For tracking these auction results.

Do you know what this is? And what it was called?

And when it was popular?

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# **Presidents February Letter** by Steve Kennedy

It may be cold and wintry right now but before you know it spring will be here and it will be time for the Spring Dust-Off. Gordon and Bill are already working on planning that event.

The 2019 AGM is coming up on March 22-24. It will be in Mahwah New Jersey at the new Jaguar Land Rover building. This should be quite an event and we will have a full report at the April meeting.

Gary will be chairing our two annual judge's meetings at Hagerty's as we did last year. Hagerty has invited us for some other events, but the timing has not worked out. Hopefully this year we can go to their great facility for some kind of get-to-together. If anyone has any ideas, please let me know.

Vince has been attending the ACC concours meetings and that concours should be another fun event. It would be great if we could increase our attendance there. If your Jaguar is running please try to get it to this event.

Brent says there will be a new location for Bid for the Kids; update at the next meeting.

Gordon will be showing his "Year-in-Review" at the February meeting. His presentation is always fun to see and helps us reflect back on the previous year. Also in this issue he will be writing more about his interest with Electric Vehicles. Even though they are not Jaguars, and yes Jaguar has the I-Pace, it is fun to share in his vast knowledge about EVs.



Also, he is always looking for newsletter worthy articles. If you have been somewhere interesting or done an interesting project, or about to, take pictures and write something up.

We haven't heard from the Albuquerque club yet as to whether or not they will be holding their concours. We'll keep you posted.

Do take a look at the 2019 Calendar of Events. There are lots of fun things coming up that we hope you will attend. And if you think of something else, please let someone on the board know about it.

Bill and Lynn McClure have been members of the RMJC for decades but moved to Florida years ago. While still living in Colorado he wrote a several page story that ran in the "Cat Tales" as a 3 month serial about rebuilding his XK Jaguar. He has many significant accomplishments but probably none more significant than surviving and recovering from a very serious motorcycle acci-

#### From Bill McClure:

To Steve and Gordon: I noticed the article about the passing of Mike Cook. I always had a Warm place in my heart for Mike. After Gordon arranged for the Jaguar Journal, edited at the time by Mike, to publish an article I wrote for Cat Tails, Mike gave me permission to put a copy of the article on my website. He also sent me about 13 copies of the Journal issue. I sent one to my Uncle in California. I mentioned in the article that my uncle let me drive his brand new XK150 DHC after returning from the UK and a pilot exchange Program with the RAF. Later, after the article, he mentioned to me how he loved driving in the UK countryside and listening to the motor sound reflect of the many stone walls.

He also mentioned that he picked up the car in Coventry and, when he drove into the yard and a young man challenged him, he said, "I am Richard Bruce here to pick up my new car." The young man replied, "OH! Yes, Captain Bruce, please come in. Your car is ready." Everyone there knew him and that he was coming.

# Club Events of 2019

#### January

8 Monthly Meeting at Piccolos

The program is a video about Janet Guthrie's racing career showing her

> driving Bob's XK 140 on the Aspen track. Bob & Gordon

# **February**

- 5 Board Meeting Ramirezs
- 12 Monthly Meeting at Piccolos Year-In-Review - Gordon

### March

- TBD AGM in New Jersey
  - 12 Monthly Meeting at Piccolos Member Recognition - Deanie

### April

- 2 Board Meeting Kenneys
- 6 Spring Tune Up Oakley
- 9 Monthly Meeting at Piccolos I-Pace, Ed Dobbs
- 13 1st Judges School

### May

- 14 Monthly Meeting at Piccolos Appraisals – Gary G.
- 18 2nd Judges School
- *19* Dust Off a scenic drive, good food, great companions what more could you want?

18-19 RMVR at High Plains Raceway

#### June

- 4 Board Meeting DAC McGibbons
- 9 ACC Show -
- 11 Monthly Meeting at Piccolos
- TBD RMJC Concours

# July

- **TBD** Summer Party
- TBD CCCC Airport/Car Show

### August

- 6 Board Meeting Eisnachs
- 13 Monthly Meeting at Piccolos
- 11 Race Against Kids Cancer HPR
- **TBD** Slalom

### September

- 10 Monthly Meeting at Piccolos
- 14 Ride-the-Rockies
- 15 British Car Conclave
- TBD Bids for Kids
- TBD Jag Club S. Colorado Concours 14-15 RMVR Aspen

### October

- 1 Board Meeting Oakleys
- 8 Monthly Meeting at Piccolos IJF Report - Kennedys

### November

12 Monthly Meeting at Piccolos

#### December

- 3 Board Meeting Kennedys
- 7 Holiday Party





This is the "red dot" taillight lens that was sold as an aftermarket accessory that was popular in the mid-20th century. For many it was their first "customization" made to a car. It made a nice difference to an ordinary taillight but, of course, was outlawed. There are some still around if you look for them at old car shows.

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# Minutes of the General Meeting of Jan. 8th, 2019 by Bill Beeson

**Steve opened** the almost full house meeting with an introduction of the 2019 RMJC Board

#### Board Officers:

Pres: Steve Kennedy VP: Bob Grossman Membership/Treasurer: Deanie Kennedy Secretary: Bill Beeson Newsletter Editor: Gordon Kenney Chief Judge: Gary George

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Debbie Ramirez Brian Redrupp Frank Oakley Brent McGibbon Vince Lane

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#### New Members &

**Guests:** We were pleased to have Earl and Donna Colm of the Golden/Green Mountain area and their 1967 E-Type join the club and our January General Meeting. The Colms are members of the Sunbeam club with their restored



Alpine. An unknown Sunbeam Club member referred them to RMJC for restoration advice on the E-Type.

**Membership Report-Deanie:** Club dues for membership renewal are due. Indications are that the club membership will maintain steady with the majority of members renewing for 2019.





**Treasurer's Report-Deanie:** The year ended close to budget as per the goal.

**Colorado Collector Car Council Update**-Don: Car clubs should continue to be concerned with the new legislature. On the surface they do not appear sympathetic to the car hobby. While we should remain vigilant, there are no imminent threats to change laws affecting our hobby.

**Old Business-Past Events:** Based on the success of the 2018 party the general meeting was asked if they would like to return Heritage Eagle Bend for 2019 Christmas Party. The vote was an apparent unanimous yes. The atmosphere, food, service, music, and dancing were noted as reasons to return.



### Continued ... Minutes of the General Meeting of Jan. 8th, 2019 by Bill Beeson



**New Business: Shawn Bowman** - There is a classic travel trailers show at the Forney Museum of Transportation. Also, through Shawn and Steve Kennedy, Forney has invited our Jaguar club to show cars at Forney this year in April, May and June. They are looking for 12-15 cars, but no more than 17 cars. They would like 1975 and older models in multiple styles and colors. Members who choose to show a car will receive free Forney Museum admission. Anybody that is interested should act promptly. Please contact Shawn or Steve for more information. It was noted that the timing of the Jaguars at Forney is not optimum and that maybe a show in the Fall would be better for our members.

**Concours:** Steve suggested that we consider having our Concours event at Forney Museum.

**Spring Dust Off:** Gordon K and I reported that we will host the Dust Off. The date and venues are being developed.



**This evening's program:** "The Adventures of Janet Guthrie" Bob Grossman presented The Adventures of Janet Guthrie documentary film. The film featured film of Janet's career as a pioneer female professional race car driver. She was the first female pro driver to drive in both Indy Cars and NASCAR after starting out in sports car racing with a Jaguar XK120. The film showed many original clips of Janet in action including several of her XK120.

Bob's XK140 was used in the closing scenes of the documentary where Janet at age 86 was reunited with a white XK140 Jaguar, similar to the car that started her racing career. The segment was filmed at Aspen raceway with Janet motoring crisply around in Bob's Jaguar. She was very surprised and pleased to see the white beauty awaiting her at the raceway. It was fun to watch both the Jaguar and Janet in action and at speed.

**Good of the Order:** Nothing new this month

**Raffle and dessert**: Alex R. won 1/2 of the raffle pot. Frank O, Shawn, and Chris also took home prizes.

Adjourned 8:49pm







## Jaguars on the Auction Block – 2019 Begins by Bill Beeson

My heart tends to beat quicker each January as the year kicks off with two weeks filled with multiple collector car auctions. Almost 3000 thousand collector cars crossed the auction stages of Mecum, Barret-Jackson, RM Sotheby's, Gooding & Company, and Russo and Steele auction company events between the 3rd and 20th of January. These major auctions typically set the tone for collector car values for rest of the year. The results from all of these auctions, except Russo and Steele which have not yet been reported, indicate that this year will be on par with 2018, which was a good year for collectors.

The variety and prices for Jaguar cars during this frenzy of auction activity was wide and impressive. There were examples of XK120, XK150, Mark 2, E-Type S1, S2, and S3, XJS, XJ220, XJ8, XJR, XK8, XKR, S-Type, X-Type, XK and XF that were subjected to lively bidding. Of the 56 Jaguars offered for sale, only 7 were not sold. Those not sold included an XK120 Alloy roadster, an E-Type S2, and an XJ220. The high mark for each model that was sold turned out to be:

\$212,800	1961 Drophead Coupe	Gooding & Company Scottsdale	
\$176,000	1971 Roadster	Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale	
\$121,000	1973 Convertible	Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale	
\$ 33,000	1963 Sedan	Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale	
\$ 23,650	2010 Convertible	Mecum Kissimmee	
\$ 23,100	2007 Convertible	Mecum Kissimmee	
\$ 16,500	2007 Sedan	Mecum Kissimmee	
\$ 15,950	1989 Convertible	Mecum Kissimmee	
\$ 14,300	2008 Vandan Plas	Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale	
\$ 11,000	2011 Premium Sedan	Mecum Kissimmee	
\$ 10,450	1999 Convertible	Mecum Kissimmee	
\$ 7,150	2007 Sedan	Mecum Kissimmee	
\$ 4,950	2005 Sedan	Mecum Kissimmee	
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Stevinson Imports are still selling Jaguars on South Broadway. It's not very visible from Broadway as it is located East of the Tesla building.

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It was fun watching many of these Jaguars cross the auction blocks of Mecum and Barrett-Jackson, but I wish that more of these auctions were available by streaming video or television. There were collectable Jaguars available for all budgets. It looks like 2019 will another fun year at the auctions.

Remember that the Mecum Auction will be in Denver July 12th and 13<sup>th</sup>. See you there!

Bill

Bill McClure doing a parade lap in his Jaguar



More musings from Bill McClure

I do have many thoughts about Jaguar. My favorite is the story of Sir Williams Lyons during WW II. He said to his engineers who were busy with the war effort, as all industries were at that time, "gentlemen, we are going to need a powerful motor to pull the large saloons we will build after the war is won." On their lunch hours they worked diligently on a design and came up with a fantastic motor. It had six cylinders, dual overhead cams and valves, seven main bearings, hemispherical combustion chambers, and numerous other qualities. The motor became known after the war as the XK. It was so powerful that William Lyons thought "we need

to show it off. They decided to build a sports car and show it at the New York Car show that came up in 1948 or 1949. The boidy was hand made out of aluminum and it was called the XK-120, because it was capable of 120 mph. It was a big hit. So, they decided to build more. All the early XK-120's are hand made aluminum bodies and are super valuable today. The XK motor was a motor design that has lasted for over 50 years. Jaguar finally started using a V-12 by the end of the 1960's. As I continue to believe a multiple of three cylinders is a naturally balanced motor (always the same weight moving up as down.).

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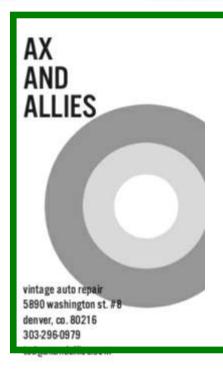


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Could this E-type bonnet belong to Mel Salter's project?

It looks sort of neglected.

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# The I-Pace is Here!! Will it be Your Jaguar? ...... editor

Jaguar's new-from-the-ground-up electric vehicle (EV), called the I-pace, had a very good introductory year in 2018.

The cars are readily available and are reasonably priced as seen in this summary of a recent search of I-Paces at US dealers in the 4 trim levels.

Model 1st edition	71 cars	80 to 90 k\$'s
Model HSE	167 cars	83 to 85 k\$'s
Model SE	61 cars	75 to 80 k\$'s
Model S	37 cars	70 to 75 k\$'s

This car has been reviewed by the international motoring press. Their opinion has been nearly universally positive with good words about styling, acceleration, range, fit and finish and the overall EV driving experience.

Jaguar is the first major manufacturer to challenge Tesla in the luxury EV market. The three Tesla models (the S sedan, the X SUV and the Model 3) have dominated the market since being introduced in 2012 and have sold more than 200,000 vehicles.

The I-Pace sells for less money and has superior off-road capability but has shorter range, less interior space and longer charging times. The Jaguar will also benefit from the \$7,500 federal tax credit.

There will be several more EV's entering the market in a significant way in 2019 including EV's Audi, BMW and M-B. They will all qualify for the \$7,500 rebate as they have not previously sold of EV's in large numbers.

#### Is there an EV in your motoring future?

The answer is probably "yes" as manufacturers expand their EV offerings not just with sedans but with "Crossovers", "SUVs", "Pick-Ups", "Light and Heavy Trucks", "Sport" and other vehicles. (two of my friends have deposits on the Rivian 400 mile range electric pickup with delivery expected in 2020). Most new EV owners will enjoy the electric car driving experience and the convenience of charging at home instead of buying gas at service stations. The reduced maintenance needed and the lower fueling costs of a EV are welcome pluses.

But will an EV fit your driving needs and can you conveniently charge it as needed?

In last month's Cat Tales I discussed home charging and indicated that most EV owners with a 240 volt electrical circuit available in their parking space can easily "recharge" their vehicles overnight.

For daily in-town use charging an EV is easy; drive 25, 50, 75, or 150 miles each day then plug it in overnight and start the next day with a "full" battery. Simple, clean and inexpensive.

But long distance cross-country driving raises the issues of:

- (1) "range anxiety"
- (2) "where can I recharge"
- (3) "time needed for recharging".

You MUST do trip planning for charging the battery. This is something NEW that you have not had to do before.

If you are not willing to manage these issues then maybe that EV is not a good choice for you. See the article on next page which addresses these issues?



**<u>1. Range Anxiety - How far can I go on a charge?</u>** Plan on fewer miles than is quoted in the ads! Using all of the battery charge is foolish, expensive, and time consuming! Don't do it! Jaguar lists the I-Pace range at 234 miles. A good plan is to charge whenever the battery is down to 20% of capacity so the 80% of useful range of the I-pace is around 187 miles between charges.

### After 2 to 4 hours of driving at interstate speeds the battery will need to be recharged.

**2. Where can I recharge?** There are many places to charge and some are free while others are commercial charging stations (such as "EVGO", "PlugShare", "Chargepoint") which require an online account to use and to pay. A Google search for "EVGO" shows several chargers in Denver, Colorado Springs and a few at other towns. Some auto manufactures are providing a network of chargers (Nissan for their electric "Leaf", Tesla Supercharger stations).

But many of these are "Level 2" chargers rated at 4 to 10 kW (kilo-Watt) which produce only 10 to 30 miles of charge in one hour. These "Level 2" chargers supply AC (Alternating Current) power to the vehicle which uses its on-board electronics to convert AC power to DC (Direct Current) which is needed to charge the battery. The AC/DC converter in the I-Pace is rated at 7.2 kW which is fine for charging overnight at home or at a hotel, but not suitable for most cross country driving as it would take several hours of charging to produce even 100 miles of range.

#### To rapidly get a significant amount of charge requires the use of a "DC" charger.

DC chargers send power directly to the battery and charge it <u>much</u> faster than "Level 2" chargers and come in various power levels from from 50 kW to 150 kW.

**<u>3. How Long will it Take to Charge the Battery:</u>** High output DC chargers are available from some commercial charge sites. For example, many (but not all), "EVGO" charge sites offer DC charging at a 50 kW rate which can produce a gain of 150 miles of range in one hour at a cost of about \$20.00. Other DC chargers provide even higher rates producing even faster charging (Tesla Superchargers provide 120 kW and some companies are promising 150 kW chargers).

The I-Pace can accept DC charging up to a 100 kW rate which allows a full recharge in about an hour. But there aren't many charge stations in the west that supplies that high a rate. At a 50 kW rate the I-Pace will need about 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  hours for a 80% charge.

Many of the government programs for EV's recognizes this need and promote the installation of high level DC charging stations. Recently the state contracted with "Chargepoint" to build high level DC chargers throughout Colorado.

<u>What to Do?</u> If you plan to drive an EV long distances then download the apps for commercial chargers. Look for DC charging stations along your route (EVTripplanner.com is useful) with at least a 50 kW power rating. And plan on stopping to charge about every 150 to 200 miles.

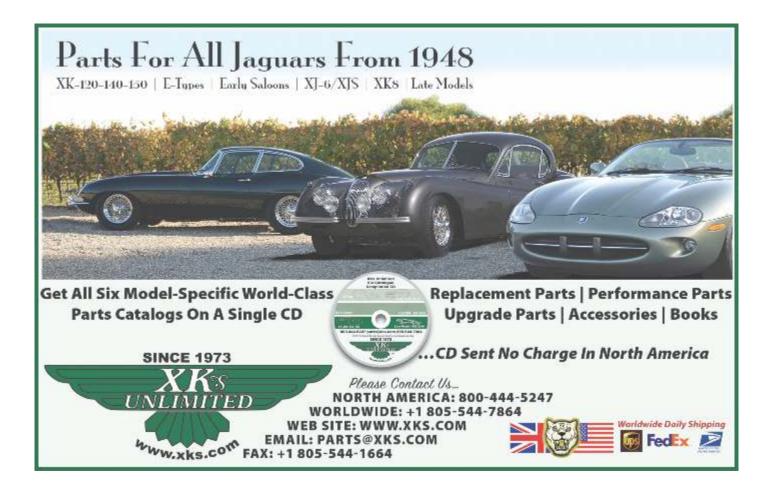
## Think about these issues carefully before buying your first EV.

(I purchased an EV in 2012 and now own two and charge mostly in the daytime from PV panels in the backyard. If you would like to discuss EV related issues or do a Ride/Drive in them please call me at 303-766-7826 Gordon K. .... Editor)



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