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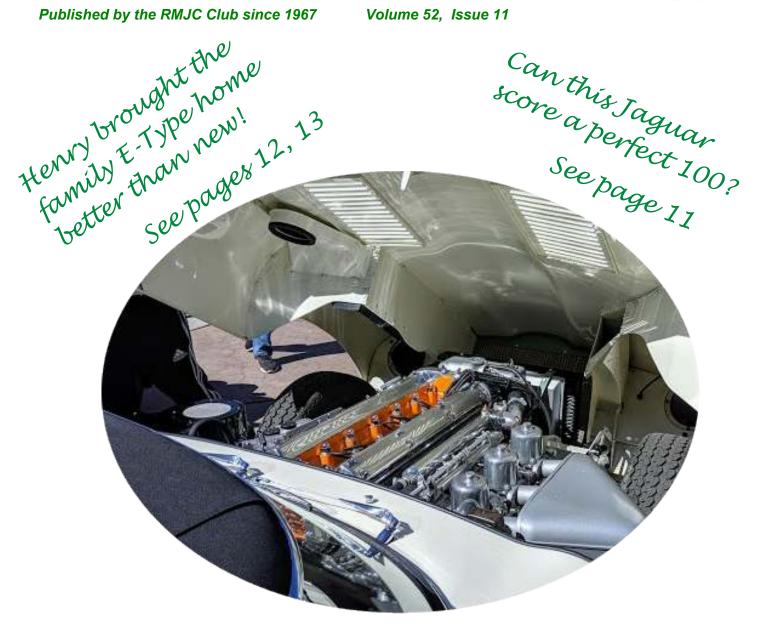




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# The Rocky Mountain Jaguar Club - RMJC

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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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Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Piccolo's restaurant at 3563 S. Monaco Parkway, 0.2 mile east of I-25 at Hampden and 1 block south on Monaco. Meet at 6:30 pm for drinks and dinner; meeting starts at 7:15.

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

Board meetings, open to all, are at a members house at 6:30 pm on the 1st Tuesday of every even numbered month.

Dues are \$65.00/year which includes "Cat Tales", membership in JCNA, the national "Jaguar Journal", eligibility to enter JCNA sanctioned Concours d'Elegance and other national and regional events.

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#### **Presidents Letter** by Steve Kennedy

Seems like summer just started and now it's over.

Our Jaguars moved into Forney's and it was a treat to see the back storage area. Unfortunately, they don't give tours and many of the cars back there are under wraps, but we could still see a few of them.

We will have our November monthly meeting at Forney's from 5 to 7 on Saturday the 16th; \$25 a person and you must pre-register with Deanie as we need an exact count for the catered dinner. Elections will also be held at the Forney's meeting. If you cannot attend the Forney's event and want to vote, a ballot is elsewhere in the newsletter. Be sure to get it mailed in right away.

The Christmas Dinner will also be coming right up. It will be held at the Heritage Eagle Bend, same place as last year. It will be held on December 7th. Details are elsewhere in the newsletter. Let's try to find some fun Jaguar related gifts this year. There has not been much excitement in the stealing these



past few years. We will again be doing the One Open and One Steal policy on the gifts.

We are always looking for fun programs. Bill has had several interesting Jaguar related programs. Even if they are not Jaguar related, like our slide show about our trip to Sicily, they are still interesting.

Membership renewals will be going out November 1st. Please be sure you get them back so we can get them to JCNA by the end of January. A copy of the current roster will be included with your renewal. PLEASE be sure your information is current and that we don't have phone numbers and email addresses that are out of date.

The Las Vegas AGM will be here before we know it. Most everything is in place. Hotel reservations are open right now. We hope to have a really good turn out from the club. We will need lots of on-site helpers.

Members Birthdays
Wish Them Well

# **November Birthdays**

John Cicchetti 14
Chris Barrington 15
Judy George 19
Barbara Lane 26



#### Club Events of 2019

#### **November - No Piccolos Meeting**

16 Forney Museum Reception and monthly meeting.
DETAILS BELOW

#### **December**

- 3 Board Meeting Kennedys
- 7 Holiday Party see page 6



The board was pleased
when
Frank Sullivan volunteered
to
Chair the 2020 Concours

# Registration Deadline is November 8th!

FORNEY MUSEUM DINNER & MEETING Nov. 16th

Our club has the honor of showing some of our Jaguars at the Forney Museum this Fall We will have around 15 to 20 Jaguars on display November 1, 2019 through January 31, 2020

To celebrate we are going to have a Dinner Party at Forney's Saturday November 16 from 5-7pm You can register on the website or mail a check to: Deanie Kennedy Check

payable to: RMJC 8137 Zang St. Arvada, CO 80005

Cost is \$25.00 pp this includes, Italian Dinner, Beer and Wine

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# RMJC Christmas Party and Secret Santa Gift Exchange Saturday December 7, 2019

At Heritage Eagle Bend Gold Club 23155 E. Heritage Parkway Aurora, CO 80016 (E-470 & Gartrell Rd)

Registration: \$55/per person: Deadline Friday November 22

Look for some fun Jaguar related gifts for the gift exchange around \$20 and under bring one gift per person

5:30 PM Cocktail Hour - Ballroom, 1st Floor (cash bar) 6:30 PM Dinner Seating - Ballroom 1st Floor

<u>First Course:</u> Heritage Signature Salad with Spinach, Sundried Cranberries, Goat Cheese, candied Walnuts & Strawberry White Vinaigrette

Entrees: (select one per person)

Marinated and Sautéed Chicken Breast with Basil Alfredo Sauce

Pan Seared Scottish Salmon with Red Pepper Buerre Blanc

Grilled Flat Iron Steak with Carmelized Onion Ragu

All meals accompanied by Chef's Choice Vegetable and Potato Au Gratin, as well as Warm Rolls and Butter, Chef's Holiday Dessert Display, water, iced tea and coffee.

You can Register on line on the RockyMountainJaguarClub.org site. For each reservation, please select Entrée, then click add to cart, click the 'continue shopping' button and repeat for each guest. When finished making selections, click either 'checkout' or 'pay' with Pay Pal. With either button, if you are paying with credit card simply click the "pay with online bank account, debit or credit card' link. You DO NOT need a pay pal account to pay with credit card.

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#### Hotel Reservation Information Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott

Aurora Southlands 24192 East Prospect Ave. Aurora, CO 80016

All rooms include breakfast. We were unable to secure a block of rooms so it is on a first come basis. Uber and Lyft are active in the area if needed. Call 303-928-7500 for reservations.

Registration: \$55/per person: Deadline Friday November 22

#### Minutes of the Board Meeting October 1st by Bill Beeson

Vice President Bob opened the meeting at 7:35pm with a hardy thank you to the Oakleys' for hosting the board meeting. Their new kitchen renovation appears to be well worth any time and hassle that they may have experienced. The meal was, as usual, excellent.

President Steve and Membership/Treasurer Deanie are on vacation for this meeting.

**Treasurer's Report-** Update at the General Meeting this month. Note: The Board should check the JCNA website for announcements about the 2020 AGM.

Old Business- Concours d'Elegance 2020 – Frank Sullivan has stepped up and taken on the Concours 2020 Chairmanship. Bob suggested three prospective parks

in the western Metroplex area. One of these park is Prospect Park at 44th & Robb St. The other parks will be discussed by Bob and Frank.

**Newsletter**- The Board recognized another excellent newsletter. Gordon's efforts and skills are much appreciated.

**Event Recap-** Great British Car Conclave last month. The Board expressed thanks to Gary and every volunteer who helped make this another successful event. Photos of the event may be found on the RMJC Facebook page.

**New Business-** The Forney Museum registration for the RMJC Reception is online at http://rockymountainjaguarclub.org for November 16th. Cost is \$25 per person for an Italian Dinner including beer and wine.

Additionally, the Museum's public party is on November 1st for the opening of the Jaguar display with wine and snacks. Vince L is to send the emails for details of the opening day cocktail par-

ty on Nov 1. The Board is to publish multiple Kitty Litters to promote the Forney exhibit and events.

RMJC members have committed to exhibit the following cars; XK 140, two XK 150's, Mark V, Mark IX, C

Type, D Type, E Type Series 1, E Type Series 1.5, E Type Series 2, and two Mark 2's. It will be a lovely exhibit spanning 20 years of Jaguar history.

Members should plan to view the exhibit from November 1st until January 2020.

It was suggested that we invite a representative of the Forney Museum to talk at a General meeting?

**Early Planning** – The club is looking for a volunteer to head up a spring drive. It was suggested that Cherokee Ranch in Castle Rock (6113 Daniels Park Rd, Sedalia, CO 80135 303-688-5555) would be a nice destination. If this is acceptable, then someone will need to call very soon to make arrangements to secure a date.

Formal agreement between RMJC and JCSC to fulfill Concours Judges requirements may be necessary. JCNA requires a minimum of 8 judges per club for a Concours. RMJC may work out a plan to have our Judges obtain joint memberships in JCSC and RMJC.

**November Election of Officers-** The Board members present tonight indicated that they will serve for another term. Chris Barrington has offered to run for a Board position.

Good of the Order: "Ford Vs Ferrari" movie will be showing at Alamo Draft House for car clubs.

Adjourned: 9:02pm

## Minutes of the Piccolo's Meeting October 8th by Bill Beeson

**President Steve** opened the meeting at 7:21 with a thank you to the Oakley's for hosting the RMJC Board meeting and a thank you to Bob Grossman for chairing it in Steve's absence.

New Members/Guests - The Greenwoods, members of the Jaguar Club of Southern Colorado, were introduced. They recently moved from Pueblo to the Denver area with their F-Type and E-Pace.

Membership Report-Deanie reports 115 members.
Treasurer's Report-Deanie reports that the club is on budget for the year.
CCCC Update-No report this month

**Newsletter-** Gordon continues to seek articles from members.

**Face Book Page**-Mark reports that the recent **JCSC Concours** results have been posted to the RMJC page.

#### **Event Recap-**

JCSC Concours, 15 Jaguars were presented for Concours Judging, with 5 or 6 for Display. Henry Pratt presented his beautiful recently restored E-Type.

#### **New Business-**

The 2020 AGM events are set, including the cocktail party for the attendees. Unfortunately,

the support from Vendors is slow at this time.

Please note that the November Meeting will be at Forney Transportation Museum on the 16th.

The question of Dual club membership and Concours Judging requirements for JC-NA sanctioned Concours

was raised at the October Board meeting. President Steve shared that the current rule book, Chapter 3, page 5, addresses the issue of dual club membership and that certified Judges with dual membership are certified in each club.

**Elections** will be held at the November meeting

#### **Fall/Spring Drive**

Anyone want to head up a fall/spring drive, maybe to Cherokee Ranch in Castle Rock?
6113 Daniels Park Rd,

Sedalia, CO 80135

2020 Concours- Frank S. has volunteered to chair the Concours. Anderson Park in Wheatridge is one idea for venue.

#### **Upcoming RMJC Events:**

Nov 1- Forney Transportation Museum Jaguar Exhibition Reception. The public opening of the show, the museum has planned an opening event with wine and snacks. The Forney has recently hired a director of Collections who is planning to host event openings for new displays and ours is the flagship kick-off. If you have a car on display you'll have free admission and may bring up to three guests. Please RSVP to Shawn the names of your guests for additional tickets for the opening at

https://t.ly/xPgMp

Nov 16- Private dinner and reception for RMJC. This special dinner is for the club and guests with drinks and an Italian meal. (See page 4 for sign-up).

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#### continued .. Minutes of the Piccolo's Meeting October 8th by Bill Beeson



Throughout the Meeting there was a photo show with several hundred informative and entertaining photos as well as a running commentary by the Kennedy's on their recent Sicily trip.

**Raffle-** ½ of the Pot winner was Dwight E. Other winners included Betsy B, Margaret M. Mark K, Alex R, and Jan R

#### Presentation:

"How Its Made – Jaguar F-Type" video was provided by Frank O who brought his big screen TV and DVR to show it. Thanks Frank. It was amazing to see all of the automation involved in the production of the modern car.

Meeting was adjourned following the Presentation at 8:30pm



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#### Jags Strut Their Stuff at JCSC Concours by Dwight Eisnach



A crisp and sunny fall day was offered up for the 2019 Pikes Peak Concours d'Elegance, hosted by the Jaguar Club of Southern Colorado (JCSC), on September 29 in conjunction with the annual British Motoring Festival at Jaguar Land Rover Colorado Springs.

The dealership is on the hill above Motor City. The lower level had the BMF marques such as MG, Lotus, Bentley, Mini, as well as Jaguar. The Concours, on the upper level, featured 15 Jaguars submitted for judging with three more on display only.

Thom Buckley, from the dealership, said he was "thrilled to continue our support of local community organizations which offered a chance for British vehicle owners to come together, visit and display their cars and motorcycles with no entry fee.

Fish and chips and breakfast burritos were offered up to participants by Jack Quinn's Irish Pub for both breakfast and lunch, while most of the group gathered later at nearby Tap Traders for Concours awards after the show.

The People's Choice Award for the BMF went to Gary Kerkow and his 1958 XK-150, and the Participants' Choice went to Jim Goodwin and his 1948 MG-TC.

Three judging teams composed of judges from JCSC, RMJC and the Jaguar Owners Club of Los Angeles reviewed the Concours cars. RMJC's own Henry Platts won the



Concours "Best in Show Award" with his recently restored 1961 Series 1 E-Type OTS. Henry's beautiful Old English White E-Type with red leather interior was lovingly restored by John Saccameno of Sport and Specialty in Durand, Illinois, who accompanied the car to the JCSC Concours. See page 12 for more details on this 100 point Jaguar. The other Concours winners were as follows:

Class	Entrant	Car	Score	Place
C2/120: XK-120	Robert Sheridan	1952 XK-120	98.42	1st
C5/E1: E-Types, S 1	Henry Platts	1961 S1 OTS	100.00	1st
C6/E2: S 1.5 & 2 E-Types	Mike and Deborah Ramirez	1969 S 2 OTS	99.81	1st
C8/SLS Early Saloons	Rory and Emily Andrykowski	1962 Mk2 Saloon	98.27	1st
C13/JS: XJS	Al Thaut	1995 XJS Conv.	99.94	1st
C14/K8: XK8	Keith Winton	2001 XK8 Conv.	99.97	1st
C14/K8: XK8	Jack and Debbie Humphrey	2003 XK8 Conv.	99.95	2nd
C16/SX: S-Types	Frank and Linda Sullivan	2001 S-Type Sedan	99.83	1st
C19/FJ: XF Sedans	Laron and Aaron Cosley	2009 XF Sedan	99.87	1st
C21/P: F,E & I-Pace	Al Thaut	2017 F-Pace	98.87	1st
D10/K8: XK8	Tom and Judy Estes	2000 XK8 Coupe	9.871	1st
D14/FJ: XF Sedans	Bill and Linda Engelman	2016 XF-S	9.909	1st
D15/F: F-Type	Bill and Linda Engelman	2016 F-Type S Conv.	9.901	1st
D15/F: F-Type	Steve Parker	2018 F-Type SVR Coupe	9.854	2nd
D16/P: F, E& I-Pace	Rory and Emily Andrykowski	2019 I-Pace	9.908	1st

# A Family Treasure - Henry Platts E-Type

The following story is from and printed with the permission of the author Kurt Ernst, editor of "Hemmings Daily", a publication of Hemmings Motor News". Thanks to Henry Platt and Frank Sullivan for obtaining this for our newsletter.



A family treasure – updated to be one of the very best; the story of Henry Platts E-Type shown recently at the JCSC Concours Show

Henry Platts wasn't yet born when his father Patrick received a 1961 Jaguar E-type as a present from his wife, Diane, in 1982. Henry came along four years later, and remembers his father's obsession with the rarely driven sports car; in fact, he credits the Jaguar with instilling his life-long love of automobiles. Patrick died in 2013, and in 2015, Henry purchased the E-type from his father's estate. Four years later, the freshly restored Jaquar has just captured its first show win, earning a first-place award (and a score of 99.91) at a Jaguar Clubs North America Concours d'Elegance event Diane entrusted her car-obsessed brother, Butch, with finding a nice Jaguar as a surprise gift for Patrick's 35th birthday. It was the most unlikely of presents, since Henry recalls his rancher father

was "not a car guy," and "as frugal as they come, buying the ugliest trucks he could find because they were cheaper." Coincidentally, the Jaguar was found in the most unlikely of locations, Sterling, Colorado, a small and isolated farming town on Colorado's northeast plains, just below the Nebraska border.

After this, the car was driven sparingly, though Henry remembers the occasional top-down run in the Jaguar, sometimes seated on the console. As a boy, he recalls the E-type parked in the garage, the temptation to climb behind the wheel and flip the toggle switches too great to ignore, despite his father's warnings to "not touch the Jaguar." Henry was about 10 when the car disappeared, pulled out of the garage and trucked to Patrick's new family, following a divorce from Diane.

And then the Jaquar dropped off the radar. As he got older, Henry routinely had conversations with his Uncle Butch, speculating on the fate of the car, its location and current condition. The discussions continued throughout Henry's high school years, as the car languished in his father's Kansas City garage, and into his time as an undergraduate at the University of Kansas. Then one day, out of the blue, Henry received a call from his dad. "I'm shipping you the Jaguar," Patrick said, and a few days later it showed up on the back of a flatbed truck. Henry gave the driver a \$100 tip and was astonished at what landed in the driveway. His room mate called the car "dead

Jag." Henry was 20 or so, living in an off-campus townhouse, but one fortunately equipped with a garage. By this time, he told us, the E-type was most definitely in a project car state, and stints behind the wheel – all local – were few. When Henry graduated, his friend Keith towed the Jaguar out to his father's Kansas ranch and parked it in a building off Highway 50.

Henry spent a brief period working as a contributing editor for *Hot Rod* magazine. A stint at Ford followed, where he worked in communications for the automaker's SVT and Performance Group, a role he left in 2012. Occasionally, Henry would visit his father in Kansas, but in 2013 Patrick succumbed to cancer. Two years later, the Jaguar was on the market as part of the estate.

"E-type prices had started to climb by then," Henry told us, "and I wound up paying full retail for the car. I definitely paid more than it was worth, but I didn't want any E-type – I wanted that particular car".

Purchase complete, Henry sat on the car for about six months, taking a mental inventory of its condition and needs, before entrusting the restoration to John Saccameno, owner of Sport and Specialty in Durand, Illinois. John had come recommended to Henry through a mutual friend, and Sport and Specialty had earned an outstanding reputation among British car enthusiasts for the quality of its restorations.

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#### continued .... A Family Treasure - Henry Platts E-Type

Henry delivered the car to the shop in February 2016, and as restorations go, this one was relatively seamless. A full disassembly revealed just a single pea-size spot of rust to address, on the floor, likely the result of a leaking heater core. Paint removal showed minor accident damage and repair (as well as a single repaint, in white, over the original cream color), but overall the Jaguar was remarkably well preserved for a car long stored without the benefit of climate control. The 3.8-liter sixcylinder showed signs of a prior rebuild, and the cylinders were freshly sleeved this time around before the engine was returned for refinishing. Per documentation from Jaguar, both engine and fourspeed transmission were original to the car, which was manufactured on November 2, 1961 and delivered to its original owner in Santa Maria, California, later that same year. As such, it carries the rare and desirable "flat floors" and welded bonnet louvers, though was built after production shifted away from external, keyed hood latches.

John described the car as "largely unmolested," adding, "As was ex-



pected, all of the rubber was petrified, and the interior was stiff as a board and largely worn out. It was a fantastic core to work with and probably nicer than factory original, fit and finish wise."



The car was refinished in the original cream color, the upholstery redone in fresh red leather and a new black convertible top fitted. Much of the original trim, and a surprising number of original fasteners, were also retained, and Henry is proud of the fact that very few reproduction parts were needed to complete the restoration. He admits to some impatience throughout the 40-month process, but clarifies that things most definitely worked out for the best. In May, he graduated from the University of Colorado, Denver, with a master's degree in American History and is currently winding down his day job as manager of the Reno County Museum & Strataca: The Kansas Underground Salt Museum.

The latest chapter of Henry's life involves a move to Denver, where he'll dive full-time into his next career as a classic car and firearm appraiser. For a Millennial, the group that's routinely described as tech-obsessed and car-averse, he most certainly doesn't fit the stereotypes (and also owns another collector car, a three-owner, alloriginal 1969 Mercedes-Benz 280 SL). Henry found this car down the street from his mother's house in Hutchinson, Kansas, and could not pass it up

As for the Jaguar, Henry's ultimate goal is to get the car into the Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance, then focus on regional Jaguar shows while enjoying it, "in the morning out in Denver" and "into the mountains before traffic gets bad." Like his uncle—the other major car influence in his life—Henry's philosophy centers on driving the car, then detailing or restoring bits as needed.

That's something his father simply couldn't do. "He put a velvet rope around the Jag in his mind," Henry told us, "He just wasn't a car guy, and it was too nice a car for him to enjoy."





(Update: Henry has moved to Denver, and the Jaguar scored 100 points at the Colorado Springs Concours. The next show for the car is the Houston JCNA regional concours on October 19th).

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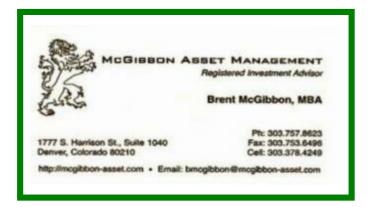
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## CAT SCRATCH - An F-PACE Tale by Bob Grossman

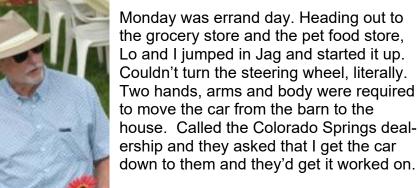
Lola and I spent a delightful week in Mancos, Colorado's best kept secret. The wedding preparations were casual and plenty of time was available to re-explore this outstanding area. My base trim 2018 F-PACE was eager to get me and Lo out of town. The 7 hour trip down was a little tight as I had two full sized passengers, Tristan and Lauren Buja, brother and sister to the bride to be and Lola the Dane

and her dog support in addition to the human baggage which had to include Western high casual ceremonial garb. Tris piled up all of the baggage outside the Jag and with the skill of a packaging engineer fitted all the stuff in the rear of the Jaguar. Not much room for the Lola so she had to sit up in the back seat all the way down. Good thing she likes road trips.

The sights along lower 285 were awesome even the leaves just on the verge of turning. Had lunch in Salida then shifted from 285 down to 160 and proceeded through Del Norte, Pagosa, Durango and Mancos. Its 6:30 PM and started looking for the Mancos (dog friendly) Inn. With visions of a complete dump, we were shown to our rooms. What a total surprise, nice beds, clean, quiet. Even Lo found a perfect place for a dog curl up. Fuel consumption rate 29.7 MPG!

Longer story made short. Visited Mesa Verde, Delores, Durango, Silverton, Ouray Telluride before the wedding Saturday. One passenger short on the return, Tris, Lola and I head back for Denver at 6 AM Sunday. Set near record speeds over Wolf Creek pass. Love those turbos! Everything plugged up on the highway at Fairplay. doubled back and took Highway 9 to Breckenridge.

Traffic from the east portal back to Denver was typical Sunday afternoon. Pulled up at the house at 6:30PM more than happy to get out of the car. Had stuff to put in the barn, parked the F-PACE on the west side and unloaded. Left the Jag on the apron and headed for the shower.



Well, this wasn't going to work as the road assistance outfits would only tow as far as

the nearest authorized shop. Reluctantly I opted to use Flatirons JLR. I was connected to Paul, a service writer, and I let him know the F-PACE was coming his way. By evening the car was checked in and put in the emergency queue. They had no loaner program at Flatirons so I charged up the XKR and got Lola accustomed to staying at the house while I was out on errands. The next day the problem was diagnosed as "road damage". Nope that was rodent damage.

The #@%!abbits had chewed the steering wire loom and the F-PACE was now in the queue for repairs. Three hours of spicing and a replacement of the cabin air filter and the Jag was ready for pickup. I got our President Kennedy to drive me up to the dealership and Paul gave me a full tour of the facility including the two bays specifically tasked with electric vehicle service. This is a first class very busy shop (except for the electric vehicle bays).

Like many other businesses in the area, staffing is a major problem and JLR Flatirons is no exception. Despite substantial sign-up promotional offers the dealership is short techs. So, for routine services like oil changes and the like there is a considerable appointment lead time. Obviously I sincerely appreciated the emergency status and treatment. All should be encouraged to make use of the JLR Flatirons service facility for prompt emergency service, courteous treatment and one-stop repairs. Total fuel mileage on the road trip was 28.4 mpg despite the 90 mph blast over Wolf Creek pass.

Cheerio!

#### **BALLOT** for RMJC Board of Directors for 2020 (cut out for-mail in)

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	(listed alphabetically by last name)	
	Chris Barrington	
	Vince Lane (incumbent)	
	Brent McGibbon (incumbent)	
	Frank Oakley (incumbent)	
	Deborah Ramirez (incumbent)	
	Brian Redrupp (incumbent)	

This may be used as a **Mail-In absentee** ballot; it must be completed and received by **November 13th, 2019** at RMJC, PO Box 2923, Denver, CO 80201-2923

Absentee voting is acceptable using the ballot published in the November issue of Cat Tales or downloaded
 from the RMJC web site. This ballot must be received at the RMJC PO Box no later than 3 business days
 prior to the election. The mailing must show the name, JCNA number, signature of the voter and date
 signed; the ballot may be double enveloped with the voters identification on the outside envelope to maintain
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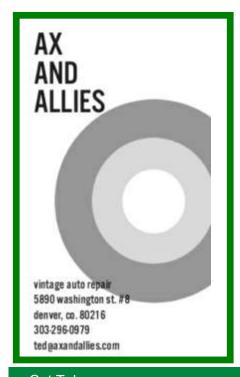
### Jaguars at the Oil Spot Rallye Oct 5th by Frank Sullivan



The British Car Club of Northern Colorado had several rallies this summer. The two I attended were fun and challenging. The first was "The Bug Spot Rallye." At the starting point the right headlight of every car was cleaned. At our destination, the headlights with the most bugs and the biggest bug were winners. The route took the group through some country gravel roads to ensure bug splatter. Since I don't drive the Jag on gravel, I faked a bug splatter with ketchup borrowed from our destination restaurant in Eaton. Our judge actually tasted the "bug splatter" and declared it to be ketchup.

The second Rallye on October 5, took us on a beautiful fall drive around country roads near Loveland, Masonville, and the Horsetooth Reservoir. There were no written instructions, instead it was pages of photos with left or right

arrows. The only instruction was to turn according to arrows after you saw what was on the next photo. It was billed as the "23rd Annual Oil Spot Rallve -- Photo Tour--ist" which I didn't qualify for since my Jag doesn't leak oil. Those organizing the rallye apologized up front for it being too easy. In reality, less than half of the 42 cars attending made it to the finish destination without opening their sealed envelope giving the location of our luncheon destination. Upon arrival, papers were put under all the leaky TRs, MGs, and even the three vintage Jaguars. The proud owners of these vintage cars must buy oil by the case. There were three Citroens on the drive and I wondered why French cars were there but this club is very inclusive. The winners were a very leaky '79 MGB driven by Jean and a '63 Austin Healey driven by Garret.





#### **CCCC Collector Car Council:**

Minutes from the October 2nd meeting.

**Legislative:** Leo Boyle noted that the November 5 general election will include two statewide issues – "CC" which concerns retention of TABOR excess funds and "DD" which concerns allowing sports betting. Neither of these directly concerns the collector car hobby.

**2020 Air & Ground Show at Rocky Mountain Metro Airport:** Samantha Baker summarized a meeting held at RMMA regarding plans for the major air show on August 1, 2020. The RMMA and Jefferson County will take over handling of spectator parking and entrance to the airport. Our role, besides arranging the car show and swap meet, will include assisting with security around the terminal building.



# Membership - new and renewals

RMJC Membership Form		Annual Fees	
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**Classified Ads** Members may place ads for their own personal Jaguar cars at no cost: they will run for three months unless other arrangements are made. Non-members ads are \$25/month.

Contact editor at

remey 200 mail com for more info or to place an ad.

#### FOR SALE: 1995 Jaguar XJS convertible

58,700 miles, Great shape with new tires, new battery, near new top always garaged 6 cylinder engine, leather seats, alloy wheels, beautiful car, asking \$8975.00 Ward Barcafer 720-341-1483 wbarcafer@aol.com





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Always garaged, 79,100 miles, emerald green, tan leather hand-tailored seats, new tires, alloy wheels, polished burl walnut on consoles, extremely beautiful car admired everywhere I go. Denver area \$6,875 Ward Barcafer 720-341-1483 <a href="wbarcafer@aol.com">wbarcafer@aol.com</a>

For Sale: 1990 Jaguar XKS Collection Rouge Edition: 16,500 miles from new. The red paint is beautiful and the cream colored leather interior shows only a few signs of wear. Runs beautifully and has the original tool set. Many upgrades including a 5 speed transmission and tires with less than 4,000 miles. The car is on consignment at Gunbarrel Import Motors in Niwot. Call John at 303-652-3040 for more information or to schedule an appointment to see the car. Gary Horton



#### Electric Vehicle News by Gordon Kenney

#### The Electric Pickups are coming!

Several manufacturers are showing concept and pre-production battery powered pick-ups with the Rivian and Tesla models planning delivery in 2020. Others include the "Atlis XT", the Bollinger B2, Fisher Pickup and an electric Ford F150.

The Rivian R1T has already had a showing last month at the Stanley facility near Stapleton. The Company was formed in 2012 and has been very successful in attracting investors. Ford has invested \$500 million, Jeff Bezos \$440 million and Amazon \$700 million and followed by ordering 100,000 electric delivery vans.

The Tesla is scheduled for its first public showing in November with production in 2020 while the Ford pickup is scheduled for 2021.

Atlis, a Mesa Ariz. startup, plans to launch its pickup in 2020 with direct factory-to-buyer sales and Bollinger plans to begin delivery of their \$125,000 truck or SUV in 2020.

#### On A Related Topic:

The recent experience of electric power companies shutting off power to prevent fires during storms is raising interest in home solar PV production with on-site battery storage. Not only will these systems slowly pay for itself but it will keep the lights ON and the owners EV's charged.

My own experience is that our PV panels provide nearly all the electricity for our home and also for our two EV's. We now plug-in our EV's only when the sun is shinning but a battery systemccwould allow us to recharge anytime.

Is Santa listening?

From:

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The November Monthly Meeting is at the Forney Museum on November 16th
You must pre-register to attend!
Deadline for sign-up is Nov. 8th
Details on page 4

Holiday Party is Dec. 7th

Details on page 6

Deadline for sign-up is Nov. 22nd

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