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President's Letter

Greetings everyone and welcome to June and Summer. What a great way to start off "Jaguar Season" with our annual Spring Dust-off which took place this past Saturday. 20 beautiful cars and 42 Jag lovers assembled in Bergan Park on what turned out to be a warm and sunny morning. The scenery was spectacular as we drove up to Echo Lake where we enjoyed our traditional champagne and chocolate covered strawberries prepared by Deanie. It was then downhill all the way to Idaho Springs where the good folks at Beau Jo's Pizza served up a delicious assortment of their best. Everyone agreed it was a wonderful 1st outing of the year. Special thanks to Chris B; Bill & Betsy B; Deanie & Steve.

This year's ACC Colorado Concours is shaping up to be a really wonderful event. We currently have 17 Jaguars attending and it would be great to add a few more! Just go to the ACC website and download and print the registration form. Fill it out and bring a check the day of the show, Sunday, June 4th. It only takes a couple minutes! The special "Evolution of the Automobile" section currently has 75 vehicles from 1900 to 1990 committed with some really amazing cars from the early years signed up. Deanie advises that we will have our traditional picnic lunch. The club (Deanie) will provide the main course. The rest of us need to bring a side dish, a dessert or snacks and soft drinks/water. Don't forget folding chairs!

Next on my list is my monthly reminder of our own RMJC JCNA sanctioned Concours, "Big Cats in RiNo" which we are holding on June 24th at the Forney Museum located in the heart of Denver's River North Art District. You can register on line on the RMJC website. Your registration does include admission to the Forney and North of the Border will be serving breakfast and lunch via their food trailer which will be on site.

The Jaguar Club of New Mexico has informed us that they are holding a Slalom (remember those?) and we are cordially invited. They have secured a freshly paved smooth blacktop course and will hold the event on Saturday, August 19th. You can contact JCNM VP Tom Graham, 505-414-4152, to get all the details.

Happy belated birthday, May 30th, to Dwight Eischach, Mark Kintgen and Alex Rubin who all share the date and who I failed to acknowledge at the May monthly meeting because I failed to turn the page on my master list when I drew up the agenda. My bad! June monthly meeting is Tuesday, June 13th. Be there!

"Never put off till tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow just as well." Mark Twain

Vince

Monthly Meeting Minutes

The meeting was opened by President Vince with a welcome to members and guests. He asked if there were any new members in attendance, newly acquired Jaguars, or Jaguar stories to share. In response, Gordon Johnson proudly announced that he had driven his Candy Apple Red 1967 E-Type roadster with black interior to the meeting. He has owned this car since 1970.

Jonathon Galassini also shared that his XKR had been backed into about 1 year ago, damaging the rear bodywork. He went on further to say that he had a "reputable" body shop to repair the damage. After a period of time had elapsed between drop off and the completion of the repairs, he was happy to learn that it was finally ready. He retrieved the Jaguar in the evening and everything looked good in the low light. However, in the daylight the true nature of the repair was evident. The Jaguar looked like they had painted the car with ripple paint. So now this beautiful car is back in the shop for paint repair. He hopes to have it back in time for the ACC show.

May Club Member's Birthdays:

Judy Whitehouse	May 2 nd	Jeff Kern	May 12 th
Jane Billings	May 6 th	Roger Noonan	May 20 th
Deborah Ramirez	May 3 rd	Pat Miller	May 24 th
Mike Ramirez	May 9 th	Jennifer Stock-Albert	May 29 th
Cynthia Volin	May 10 th	Elinor Vrooman	May 29 th
		Alex Rubin	May 30 th

Membership Report-Deanie reported that the club has 109 registered members.

Treasurer's Report-Deanie reported that the club is on budget and yet to spend much money this year.

CCCC Update-Tom E. reported that Gateway Classics had a successful car club day at their Centennial location day. The featured club was CCCC who had several CCCC members in attendance with their cars. The CCCC organization received a sizable donation from Gateway.

ACC Colorado Concours Tom E reported – the show has a May 26 deadline for online registration. Members should sign up for this fun event. Deanie is bringing a main dish for lunch. Members are asked to bring side dishes, fruit, and desserts.

Cat Tales Newsletter-Steve – Members are asked to send Steve articles or article ideas for the Cat Tales.

Facebook-Mark – Mark reports that the May issue of Cat Tales has been loaded to the RMJC Facebook page.

Upcoming Events

Spring Dust-off May 20, Chris & Bill - Meet at the Bergen Park King Soopers lot on Saturday May 20 between 8:45 and 9:00am. Lunch is included in the registration.

ACC Show June 4, Tom – Deadline for online sign up is May 26. RMJC needs volunteers to help the field parking

layout and setup on Saturday June 3rd.

Important Dates

RMJC Concours June 24, Vince, Steve & Bill

Summer Drive & Party, July 15, Jeff Schroeder

New Business – No New Business was reported.

Old Business

Club Jackets are available for order through Steve K. The club jackets that have been ordered are at the embroiderer and should be ready soon.

Tonight's Program- Bill B.

**" The History of Daimler and Jaguar," and
a video -" The Daimler SP250; Ugly, Yet Fine."**

Suggestions for programs, topics, speakers & other ideas are always welcomed.

Raffle- The raffle was held but I did not catch the winner of the ½ of the raffle pot because I was setting up for the evening's program. My apologies to the winner.

Good of the Order

The meeting was adjourned, and many members joined together in the parking lot to admire Gordon's XK E-Type.

RMJC Secretary, Bill Beeson

Spring Dust-Off

As we approached our first driving event of 2023 to Echo Lake and Idaho Springs, the weather turned from warm and sunny to cold and wet. The sky was filled with both rain and smoke that had come down to the front range from wildfires in Canada. The day before we were to gather, it appeared that we were destined to have a soggy Dust Off, perhaps "Wash Off" would be a better name for the outing.

To our delight Saturday dawned with the sun valiantly trying to burn through the gloom of the previous days. The wildfire's smoke still lingered in the Denver basin, but as we motored up the foothills to the Dust Off meeting place in Bergen Park the sun burst through the fog and smoke, and we were blessed with blue skies. One by one Jaguars of all types pulled in and the number of cars grew to 20. Most of the Jags had multiple occupants which brought around 40 enthusiastic participants to the event.

After getting acquainted with new members and re-acquainted with friends that we had missed during the winter months, the drive set off for Echo Lake for our traditional champagne and chocolate covered strawberries Dust Off celebration. There were a few missteps be-

tween the meeting place and the turn towards Echo Lake with some of the cars ending up on an inadvertent tour of Evergreen. The tour got sorted out and most everyone arrived at Echo Lake within a few minutes of each other. Unfortunately, the elevation claimed one victim. Gordon Johnson had some overheating issue with his E-Type and had to return to base.

As the photos show, everyone enjoyed the champagne and strawberries and the Echo Lake area. Clouds gathered and a very cool wind helped move the event on its way to Beau Jo's Pizza in Idaho Springs. The club had secured a private room for our lunch of delicious Mountain Pizzas. The mining town atmosphere and historic building add to the enjoyment.

Bill B.

A beautiful drive followed by a pizza lunch just wasn't enough for around a dozen club members who took advantage of the 1:00 PM time slot to visit the **Argo Mill**. And yes it is a gold mill and not a mine as they only processed the ore mined elsewhere. Heavily financed by crown heads of England and others of substantial means, the plan of an eventual four plus mile tunnel (well, technically not a tunnel as it was only open at one end) eventually came to fruition in the early decades of the last century. It's subterranean path was strategically routed below the major mining operators in the Blackhawk and Central City. Thereby affording the numerous mine operator a gravity assisted option to have their ore removed and transported to a centralized location for milling....**ergo Argo**. Our tour guide was a very knowledgeable young man with an interesting and fact filled spiel fueled by an energy drink close at hand which assisted him in compressing a lot of information in a short period of time! The subject matter included covered the absence of work place safety which, by today's standards would provide any enterprising OSHA inspector with a "gold mine" of citations! Child labor was also heavily used as they were nimble enough to access hard to reach areas for the purpose of applying mercury to the ore prior to the latter processing steps. Not to mention their use a carriers for potentially unstable explosives. To give us all a taste of gold fever the tour ended with a demonstration of proper technique to be used when panning for gold. In order to try our hand we were each given a pan with sand and laced with a few flakes of gold. Those who paid attention could retrieve the gold and keep as a souvenir. The three flakes I found and the above comprise my two cents worth.

Chris B

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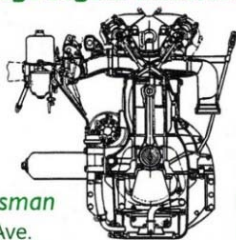
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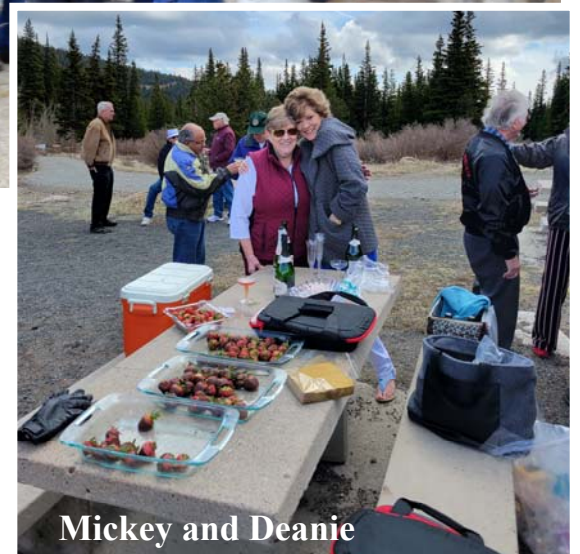
Gary wearing a vintage club jacket. He has an extra if anyone is interested.



Vince welcoming everyone



Alex's F-Type

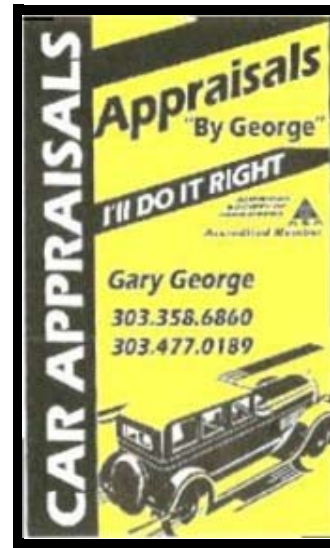


Mickey and Deanie



This Month's Cover

This month's cover photo was taken by Cynthia Volin on our Spring Dust-off. The red F-Type belongs to Tom and Linda Wright. Then Johnathan and Sarah Galassini's XKR, Vince and Barb Lane's E, Elliot & Kim Skultin's F-Type. That is Mt. Evans (Mt. Blue Sky) in the background.



Membership, New and Renewals

RMJC Membership Form

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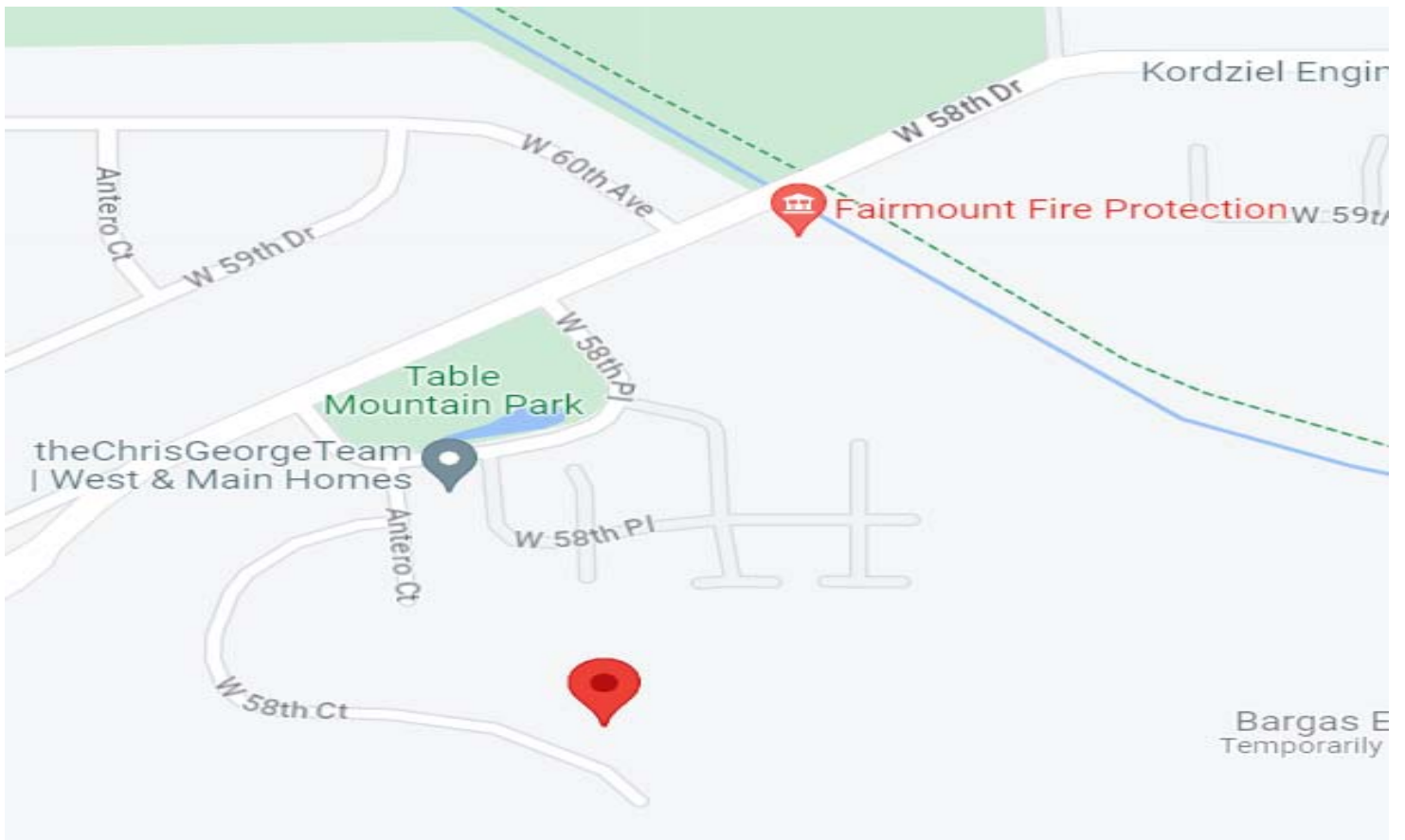
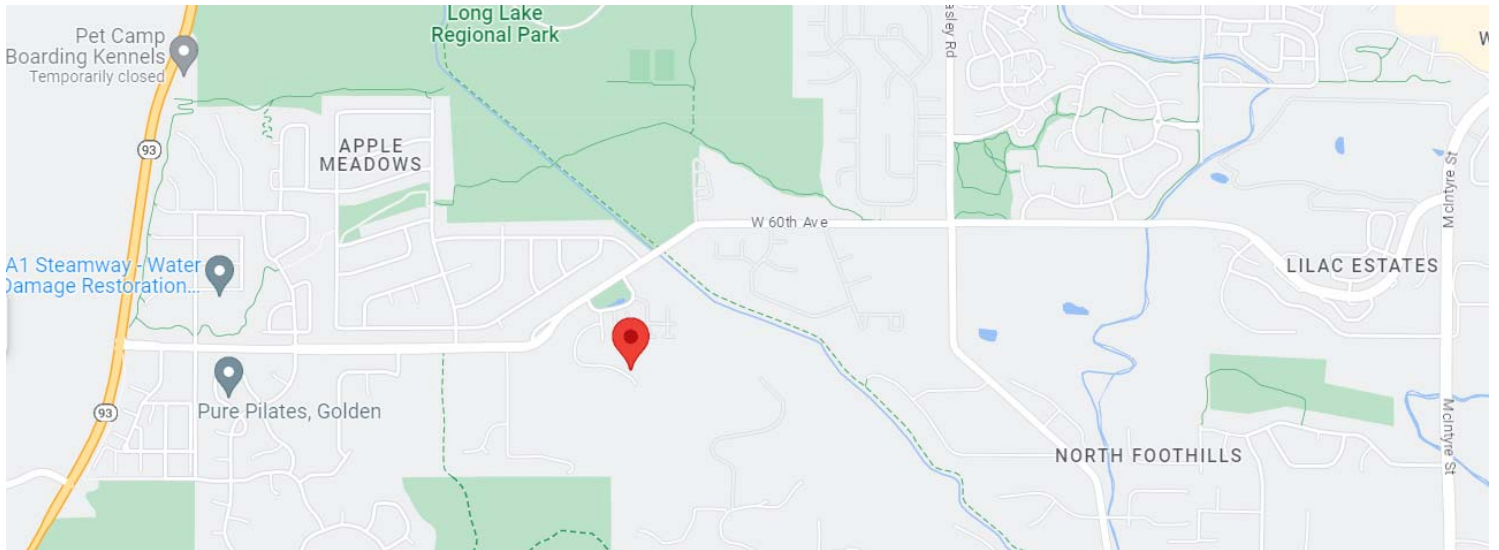
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*New Membership Fees includes membership card(s), JCNA Decal, name tag(s), subscription to Cat Tales and Jaguar Journal. Members joining after Sept. 1st pay one years fee and are members throughout the following year. Mail this form (or copy) and payment (RMJC) to:

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Summer Party Map

The RMJC July Summer Party will be held on Sunday, July 15th at Jeff and Kara Schroeder's, and their three boys: Auden, Griffin and Cameron, 18482 West 58th COURT, (up a long, winding HILL) Golden. The club will supply the burgers and brats and pop, Jeff will be the cook. Please bring side dishes and if you want something besides soft drinks, please bring your own. Jaguar parking will be spread across the shop parking below, and up at the house for those that cannot walk up the stairs. Food will be served at the house area, however, with seating, if people want to sit outside, there is a couch and chairs out by the fireplace, but you might want to **Bring Your Own Chair**. Call Jeff **WHEN** you get lost, 303-913-4011.



International Jaguar Festival Santa Barbara is CANCELLED!



The JCNA International Jaguar Festival, Santa Barbara, has been cancelled due to rising costs. Mark Mayuga, event chairman, has taken the responsibility of canceling this annual event which celebrates all things JAGUAR. The event was scheduled for October 29 through November 1st. The HILTON Santa Barbara Hotel Resort and Spa was the selected event site located on the beach in this famous Spanish Colonial themed city.

The events included a JCNA Concours, Rally, Slalom, and celebration meals. Due to inflation, cost of food, labor rate increases, and increases in use-fees from 2022, the event would have cost over \$2600.00 per couple. The banquet costs increased to over \$500 dollars for 3 meals per person. Mark determined that this was not sustainable and that many members would not be signing up for the events.

The host club would have been liable for over \$55,000+ food & beverage minimums. JOCLA determined that this was not in the best interest of JCNA members and JOCLA. Mark Mayuga negotiated in good faith and was not willing to compromise the quality of past events. Therefore the 2023 JCNA International Jaguar

Festival has been cancelled. John Boswell, JCNA President was consulted and agreed to this action.

An alternative event will be the **2023 CalClubs Reunion in Morro Bay, California, October 26-29**. This event will welcome all JCNA members from the Western States, Southwest, Central, Southeast and Eastern Regions. The La Serena Hotel, Masterpiece Hotel, and the San Marcos Inn will be the official event hotels. The City of Morro Bay is located on the Central Coast of California. Morro Bay, San Simeon, Cambria, and Paso Robles locations will host the attending club members. This successful relaxing event will include driving Rally/tour, museum tours, wine tastings, Hearst Castle tours, luncheons and dinners in Morro Bay and the seacoast town of Cambria.

I regret this action, but it is our responsibility as the host club, JOCLA, to give JCNA members the most responsible and best value for dollar possible, this also includes the event sponsors and their support of JCNA.

Thank you for your understanding of the situation as described.

Respectfully, Mark Mayuga

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January

10th, Monthly Meeting at The NY Deli
28th, Polar Bear Swap Meet, Adams County
Fair Grounds

February

4-5 Tri-State Swap Meet at National Western
Complex*
7th, No Board Meeting
14th, Monthly Meeting at The NY Deli
Valentine's Day

March

10-12 **AGM in San Francisco, CA**
12th Daylight Savings Time Begins
14th, Monthly Meeting at The NY Deli

April

4th, Board Meeting at **Oakleys**
8th, Tune-Up at Oakleys
9th, Easter
11th, Monthly Meeting at The NY Deli
15th Judge's school at Kennedys

May

9th, Monthly Meeting at The NY Deli
13th, Judge's school at Kennedys
14th, Mother's Day
20th, Spring Dust-Off Chris & Bill
29th Memorial Day Car Show at 1st Bank
on west Colfax & Miller

June

4th ACC Show
6th Board Meeting – **Blue Bonnet 6:30 pm**
9-11 Glenwood Rallye
13th, Monthly Meeting at the NYD
18th, Father's Day
24th RMJC – RiNo (Forney's) Concours

July

4th, Independence Day
11th No Monthly Meeting
15th Summer Drive/Party at Jeff Schroder's

August

1st, Board Meeting – **Eisnachs**
5th, CCCC Airport/Car Show
6th Bid for the Kids– Brent McGibbon
8th, Monthly Meeting at the NYD
19th Albq, Club **Slalom**

September

4th Labor Day
12th, Monthly Meeting at The NY Deli
16th-17th Colorado Grand in Vail
16th-17th, Conclave-Gary
Talk about slate for Candidates for
Elections

October

3rd, Board Meeting at **Ramirez**
8th, JCSC Concours
10th, Monthly Meeting at The NY Deli
20th Bid for the Kids
26th-29th CalClubs Reunion in Morro Bay, California
Talk about slate for Candidates for Elections

November

5th Daylight Savings Time Ends
14th, Monthly Meeting at The NY Deli
Club Elections
23rd, Thanksgiving

December

5th, Board Meeting at the **Kennedys**
10th Holiday Party _____

June Members' Birthdays

Frank Oakley
Henry Platts
John Pucci

Jun 15th
Jun 18th
Jun 29th



**If we missed your birthday
during the year,
please let us know.**

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