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President's Letter

Here in Colorado the month of October is one of those tweener months. It sits right in between summer and winter. I grew up in Montana where there were two seasons Winter and road construction. October in more southerly states like Colorado means golden leaves, beautiful drives in the mountains to see the aspen change color and a couple of months of cooler weather that brings you outside to take in the air. Growing up in Montana, October meant digging the snow shovel out of the shed, putting the scraper back in the car and making sure the snow tires had enough studs left to keep you on the road. Aww the memories.

I grew up in the little town of Moore, Montana, north of Billings, south east of Great Falls, next to nothing, population 300. You not only knew everyone in town, you knew practically everyone in the County. Most of my family from both my mother and fathers sides homesteaded the area in the late 1800's and we were prone to having large families so sadly, I was related to about half the population and finding a date was always a bit of a hit or miss proposition. I had to clear any possible dating companions with my Dad to make sure she wasn't my 2nd cousin once removed on my Grandmothers side. During a couple of my chats with my Dad, our topic of conversation came around to cars he'd owned and the stories that went along with them. He always waxed poetic about the "Old Oakland", automobile. Consider that my Dad turned 18 during the depression and cars were not a dime a dozen. A teenager with a car was non-existent. Like the old adage, necessity is the mother of invention and my Dad took that to heart. He found this scraped out piece of junk in a neighboring ranchers yard and volunteered to haul it away. The rancher readily agreed. He dragged it back to the home place on Rock Creek and proceeded to try and resurrect it as a hot rod so to speak. There were no windows, no doors and the canvas top was gone but the engine still turned over. He carved away all the extra-neous rusted body parts and wound up with two seats mounted on a frame with windshield, a steering wheel and a dash. He worked over the engine and got it running. To start it, you had to turn a crank on the front of the engine. He said he drove that thing like he stole it. No license plates, no registration, just pure butt busting joy down the dirt roads hell bent for election. I was at a family reunion in Lewistown MT about 30 years ago. Bill Edwards, a cousin on my Grandma Effae Edwards Estes's side who was about 6 years younger than my Dad, regaled me with his recollection of a ride in the old Oakland in late October for an Autumn dance up

the road at the Rock Creek School house. He described it exactly as my Dad had recollected and he said it was so cold my Dad literally had to build a fire under the "old Oakland" to get the engine warm enough to turn over. They got it running and drove the 5 miles to the dance but it was 5 above zero that day and with no doors, no windows and no heat the only thing that made the drive tolerable was that my Dad had somehow procured a bottle of bootleg Canadian whiskey that they had to take a nip or two out of to steel them for the drive. My Dad never mentioned the whiskey in his version of the story!

When we hop into our warm cozy Jaguars for the fall drive on October 3rd (make sure you signed up with Deanie) enjoying the scenery in the comforts of the beautiful pieces of automotive elegance we have today please remember how far we've come in America in just a few decades. All the way from an "Old Oakland" resurrected from a junk pile to cars literally fit for a king.

As always, I wish you pleasant journeys on friendly roads.

Thomas Edwards Estes, RMJC President

Adrian's Latest Creation

If you have ever been to Deb and Mike's house, you will have noticed the Lego's creations their grand son makes. He has made the Eiffel Tower, the Titanic and now an E-Type, all of which look very correct having been made of Legos. It took Adrian about 6 hours to build the E-Type.



September Minutes

RMJC General Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2026

Bill Beeson, Secretary

Call to Order 7:01 PM

President Tom welcomed everyone to the September meeting at The Blue Bonnet Café.

New Members- No new members attending tonight.

Member Birthdays: (not provided)

Membership Report-Deanie reported, “we have 108 members”.

Treasurer's Report Deanie reported that the club finances remain right on budget.

CCCC Update-Tom reported that it is apparent that almost every car club is having trouble sustaining membership. RMJC is fortunate we have a stable membership. The CCCC car show was a moderate success and there was discussion about continuing the show in 2027.

Tom also reminded folks that Montana provides Montana state collector car registrations for out-of-Staters that may save them money and hassles with emissions testing.

Newsletter-Steve reported that another Cat Tales has been created.

Facebook update Mark K. reported that the Facebook page is up to date.

Upcoming Events

Oct 3-RMJC Fall Drive

Oct 5-RMJC Board meeting at Tom & Judy Estes home

Oct 14-RMJC Monthly meeting

Nov 2-Daylight Savings Time ends - “Fall Back”

Nov 11-Monthly Meeting

Nov27-Thanksgiving

Dec 2-RMJC Board Meeting at the Kennedys, including current and newly elected Board members.

No monthly club meeting in December, (Holiday Party)

Dec 13-RMJC Holiday Party at the Ramirez home starting at 2 PM

Dec 14-Hanukkah starts.

Dec 25-Christmas

New Business- Deanie and Steve reported that the plans for the March 2027 Annual General Meeting, hosted by RMJC at the Denver Double Tree. DIA hotel, will feature a dinner at the Forney Transportation Museum Dinner. RMJC members are requested to assist with the meeting. AND, 2027 is the RMJC 60th Anniversary

Old Business-None

Presentation- “McPherson College Auto Restoration” by Jeff Kern. A look at the summer seminars in restoration techniques that he has attended in order to enhance his restoration efforts. Jeff purchased the basic portion of the pedal car, but he did all the body work, including painting it.

Adjourned



2026 Conclave









Jaguar Sports '74 and older

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|-----|---------------|-------------|
| 1st | Dick Mommer, | 1958 XK 150 |
| 2nd | John Wheeler, | 1950 XK 120 |
| 3rd | David Massey, | 1959 XK 150 |

Jaguar Sports ;75 and Newer

- | | | |
|-----|----------------|-----------------|
| 1st | Paul Cherico | 2017 F-Type SVR |
| 2nd | Brad Smith | 1985 XJS |
| 3rd | Ken Breitkruez | 2017 F-Type |

Jaguar Saloons 72 and older

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|-----|------------------|-------------|
| 1st | George Hoffman | 1954 MK VII |
| 2nd | Chris Barrington | 1960 MK 2 |

Jaguar Saloons 73 and Newer

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|-----|--------------|-----------------|
| 1st | Louis Beard | 1972 XJ6 |
| 2nd | Jamie Svela | 2019 F-Pace SVR |
| 3rd | Joseph Henan | 2006 XK8 |



Conclave

We had a great turnout for the 2026 September Conclave. Although the weather man said all week that we could expect rain, the weather held and it was a great day. Our friend Nedra, (that's like Knee-Dra) from California was here visiting and she helped Deanie make all the sandwiches. Everyone else brought great side dishes. We had lots of club members there and a number of non-club members. Deanie did get a few of them to join. Mike said he counted about 35 Jaguars. There must have been around 350 British cars there all together. As always, it was a great event. It was fun to see lots of Jaguars and club members that we don't see during the rest of the year.

For Sale

For Sale: 1966 Jaguar Mk2 6 cylinder 3.8 Liter paired with manual transmission. Newer correct interior finishes. Option include sunroof and Fog Ranger lights. Excellent mechanical condition, starts, drives and shifts beautifully. Complete with the exception of spare wheel, tool kit and vintage radio, The car is believed to be a matching number example. Asking \$45,000.00. Darcy Gavaldon, 970-646-3473, darcygavaldon90@msn.com



An outstanding 1967 Jaguar Series 1 E-Type OTS is being offered for sale by Dr. Eugene Toner in the Albuquerque area. This is a beautiful example of the marque. Work done since includes: new paint, re-chroming of bumpers and powder coating of exhaust manifold for upgrading its appearance. Heritage Certificate included.



Mechanical work done includes: Upgraded rear main seal, Head refurbished, Transmission rebuild, Pertronix ignition, High output alternator. This is an excellent running and beautifully presented car. Dr. Toner's health has taken away his ability to drive and enjoy this work of art.

This car will go to auction by the middle of April. Serious inquiries only. \$100,000 reserve. If anyone is interested before that time, please contact Dr. Toner at: gtoner350@gmail.com.

1962 Mk2 3.8 manual with factory power steering and overdrive. 92,600 original miles on matching numbers, good frame and body. 1980s white pearl with original red interior. Heritage Certified. Factory spec components other than contemporary radio, positive ground upgrade, and performance muffler set. Correct 2015 tires show little wear. Minor pitting on wheel skirts.



JCNA Southwest Region Concours d' Elegance Champion 2018 and 2019. Includes toolbox, matching spare, manuals, LED tail light upgrade not yet installed, and more. Original windshield needs replaced. Located in Colorado Springs, \$26,000. Rory Andrykowski rory.nrel@gmail.com, email, call or text 720-339-4612.

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2 nd Jaguar	Year _____ Model (XK8) _____ Body Style (Coupe) _____
3 rd Jaguar	Year _____ Model (XK8) _____ Body Style (Coupe) _____

*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.

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Just in, this beautiful 2024 F-Type R75 (P575), Carpathian Grey/Ebony F-Type. It is used, if you can call it that with 6022 miles on it. Give Nick a call, 303-703-6234 direct, if you are interested in adding this beautiful F-Type to your Cat Collection.



Nick

Grandchamp
303-703-6234



Brady Betts

303-703-6248

Contact either Nick or Brady about this F-Type or any other Jaguar they have available

The 2024 Jaguar F-Type **R75** is a specific special-edition trim level commemorating the brand's 75th anniversary, while **P575** refers to the specific 575-horsepower supercharged V8 engine that powers it. The R75 is the final, top-tier model that comes standard with this P575 engine, AWD, and unique aesthetic

2026 RMJC Club Schedule of Events

January

13th, Monthly Meeting at The Blue Bonnet

February

10th, Monthly & Board Meeting at
The Blue Bonnet

March

8th Daylight Savings Time Begins

10th, Monthly Meeting at The Blue Bonnet

April

5th, Easter

11th Judge's School at the Kennedys' 11-4

14th, Monthly & Board Meeting at
The Blue Bonnet

16-19th AGM in Mexico City

May

2nd Spring JCSC/RMJC Drive

9th, Judge's School at the Kennedys' 11-4

10th, Mother's Day

12th, Monthly Meeting at The Blue Bonnet

25th Memorial Day Car Show at Applebee's
on west Colfax & Miller

June

7th ACC Show

9th, Monthly & Board Meeting at the
Blue Bonnet

21st, Father's Day

27st RMJC – Cherry Creek Country Club
Concours d'Elegance

July

4th, Independence Day

4th, Colo. Springs Air Show

11, Summer Party 3 -? pm Lisa Bressler

14th, No Monthly Meeting

25th, Broomfield Air Show

August

8th, Albq Concours

11th, Monthly & Board Meeting at the
Blue Bonnet

22nd, Morgan Adams-Centennial Airport

September

7th Labor Day Car Show at Applebee's
on west Colfax & Miller

8th, Monthly Meeting at the Blue Bonnet

Talk about slate for Candidates for Elections

19th-20th, Conclave

27th, Scottish Highland Games

October

3rd, Saturday, Fall Drive-Ray and Tami

13th, Monthly & Board Meeting at the
Blue Bonnet

Talk about slate for Candidates for Elections

31st Halloween

November

1st Daylight Savings Time Ends

10th Monthly Meeting at the Blue Bonnet
& Club Elections

14-15 Scottsdale Concours

26th Thanksgiving

December

1st, Board Meeting at the Kennedys

8th NO Monthly Meeting

12th Holiday Party at the Kennedys'

25th Christmas

January 2027

12th, Monthly Meeting at The Blue Bonnet

October Members' Birthdays

Nicholas Wilson	Oct 04
Jonathan Galassini	Oct 06
James Poole	Oct 12
Gary Staadt	Oct 13
Bill Denton	Oct 14
Julia Persons	Oct 15
Steve LaHue	Oct 16



Merikay Anderson	Oct 18
Susan Cookenboo	Oct 18
Ray Satter	Oct 19
Steve Weil	Oct 19
Tom Keohan	Oct 22
Keith Emerson	Oct 24

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October 3rd, Saturday, Fall Drive
October 13th, Monthly Meeting at the Blue Bonnet
November 1st, Daylight Savings Ends
November 10th, Monthly Meeting and Club Elections
November 14-15, Scottscale Concours



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