



34th Annual Anniversary Picnic



Anniversary cake provided by Ruth & Ken Smith



PRESIDENTS' CORNER



Hello to all Jaguar Lovers,

Hard to believe that we are coming in on the home stretch of another year. Overall we can reflect on the cold of last winter and the heat of this summer and be proud we made it through another year. I feel I can safely say that we had a pretty positive year of diverse and enjoyable events. Something to satisfy almost everyone.

It seems so long ago already that we had our Annual Picnic. We had a great turnout. The display of cars was pure eye candy. Thanks to all who attended and made it such a great success. I tried to get around and talk to all of the members. I know I fell short of that accomplishment, but I tried. I really enjoyed the day and hope that you all did too! I apologize if I missed any of the new members - Welcome!

I would like to mention the British Car Event that was held at the Autoplex in Chanhassen. By mid-day I had counted 22 marvelous-looking Jaguars. Far outnumbering the other British Clubs. This could become an annual event. If you have not already been to the Autoplex, try to make a point of going to one of the "Cars and Coffee" events held the first Saturday every month from April through October. We look forward to your input. Your input is always invaluable in the shaping of an event and it's success. Participation is a strength of our club. I would also like to thank Bruno Silikowski, the owner of the Motorplex for arranging the event.

This may be a little premature, but start to think of things you can bring to the table when we have our planning meeting in December. Put some thought into what you would like to see on our next years calendar.

Looking forward we may be coming into the most pleasurable time of the year. Fall! Fall drives, great temps, great colors, minimal bugs, and usually a great meal at the end of each drive. I hope all of you take advantage of these great fall events. Or at least one or two of them.

Have a great Fall and I will hope to see you at an event soon and if not, hopefully at the Planning Breakfast in December.

*Dick Bass
Jaguar Club President*



Some of the many fine Jaguars in attendance at the AutoMotorPlex Car Show.....as well as a Beatles Tribute band!

Rendezvous on the Red

2011

This year nine Jaguar Club "member units" made the yearly trek to this year's host city Fargo. Hosted by a small but highly motivated club called the British Iron Society, all participants were thoroughly delighted in the high quality level of the events. 2011 was the first year the British Iron Society were hosts. Over one hundred cars from Canada and the US attended this Thursday through Sunday event. I'm sure their owners were all well satisfied.

If you think Fargo is kind of a hick town, you are wrong, wrong, wrong. Clean, modern, industrious are more apt descriptors. The events planned allowed for a nice appreciation of the Fargo/Morehead area. There were so many events available that it was impossible to participate in all of them.

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Lynch's Austin Healey



This one can probably scoot. Note the V-8 underhood.



"Flower Powered" Roger and Elaine and their E-Type Coupe, possibly contemplating lunch at Buffalo Wild Wings (background).



Lynchs, Sue Werner, and the PoppenBergs at the Saturday car show. It was a perfect afternoon.



Dale Martin in his 3 wheeled Morgan, obviously prepping for a wild ride.

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Nickleski's E-Type



In town transport vehicle...all electric



Werner's Corvette

So here's what was available.....

Fargo Air Museum self-guided tour, Bonanzaville, USA Pioneer Prairie Village self-guided tour, Hjemkomst Center self-guided tour, Warbird Restoration Bus Tour, Historical and Arts Bus Tour, Two Man Caves tours, Trivia Tour Art Buffalo Hunt, "Bonnie & Clyde" Parking Lot Fun-khana, Saturday show & shine car show, as well as a Saturday night awards banquet.

Next years Rendezvous will be hosted by the Canadian AH, TR, MG, and Mini Clubs in Kenora, Ontario. I believe registration will begin this fall. Me and my co-pilot will be there.

Glenn Nickleski



34th Anniversary Picnic



.Jim and Sharon Condon and Gloria Lynch having a good time

Can you believe it? Jaguar Club of Minnesota has been a club for 34 years. Our annual anniversary picnic was held this year at Eagan Central Park on Sunday July 24th. Will we make it to 40 years as a club? My answer would be a resounding “yes”.

As usual, Dick Bass and Wendy Tweed were the lead team in getting the picnic scheduled and set up. Wendy, Dick, and Mike & Gloria Lynch were in charge of the food. What a spread! The menu consisted of ribs, pork chops, hamburgers, brats, assorted salads, fruit, cheese & crackers, beverages, and Ken and Ruth Smith providing the anniversary sheet cake. Door prizes were arranged by Mike, Dick, Beth Flynn, and Jaguar Minneapolis. The grand door

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Dick Bass with helper Dan Flynn announcing door prizes. Everyone came home a winner.



A nice facility in Eagan



Quite a variety of door prizes.



Joe & Sue Werner



Diggin' In



Nice to see Peggy & Tom Ryan

prize of Twins tickets was donated by Jim Orrichio. Thank you so much! I doubt if there is any car club in the cities that provides its members a no charge picnic meal plus door prizes! Tough to beat that one. Rounding up the volunteers included Gloria (those Lynchs are everywhere), Beth, and Elaine Brahms for set up and clean up. And let's not forget Dan Flynn for general assistance on everything.....and Dick Jones who provided the sound system and special photography. Everyone who brought their Jags had their pictures taken. The photos will be posted on the website soon.

All in all a great day. Too bad we will have to wait a full year for the next one.

Glenn Nickleski



Looks like Ken landed a big one



Mighty fine looking bunch



William and Sally-Ann Henry.
Dale Martin in back wondering why the line is moving so slow

MEXICAN FIESTA JULY 31



Jeff Flynn and Brent Poppenhagen checking out the machines



Cali Flynn always is a big help



In what has become a really popular event, Mike & Gloria Lynch once again put on a fine afternoon at this year's Mexican Fiesta. Combining with the Healey Club, attendance this year hit an all time high of 50 people. As in a lot of days this summer, it was hot and muggy, but everyone toughed it out.



Gary Ronning from the Healey club and Gene Berghoff from the Jag Club undoubtedly debating the virtues of both.

The menu included salads ensalada con chorizo and ensalada myota. Entrees featured tacos, enchiladas, and tamales. Sides included arroz a la poblana, frijoles charros, and acelgas guisadao. Add some sopapillas for dessert, all washed down with some margaritas, corona, or sangria. The final result. a Mexican Fiesta. Ole!

Glenn Nickleski



You like my enchiladas, hombre!



Annual East Side Drive

AUGUST 6



Appropriate picnic food after a nice ride in the country

This year Kenn and Karen Kopitzke once again gracefully organized a drive and picnic on the “east side”. The Kopitzke’s live in Afton. They fashioned an approximately 80 mile trip across the St. Croix River and cruised around the 2 laners in western Wisconsin before heading back to their home for a picnic.

After a few stops along the route the group was ready for some good eatin’. And that we did. Burgers, brats, beans, fresh corn on the cob (Kenn knows a nearby farmer), brownies, and liquid refreshment of all kinds. There were also some new additions to Kenn’s Wacky Workshop in the form of some worn out horse drawn carriages. Kenn restores carriages that need some TLC, then sells them according to his own philosophy. If a prospective buyer appreciates the carriage and will use it well, the price is low. If a prospective buyer is looking to buy and resell for a profit, then the price is either really high or suddenly off the market. Hmmm.....I wonder if this philosophy also might apply to their Mark II Jaguar?

This was the 2nd year in a row where the “K’s” have organized this tour and picnic. That’s all it takes to be known as an annual event in Jaguar Club land! We will all be looking forward to next year’s Annual East Side Drive.

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A view of the nice cars in the front lawn!



Jags slumbering in the shade after a run



Another view of visiting machinery on the front lawn

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HUDSON CAR SHOW *August 13*

Early MG, I believe



A few vendors



Most all of you probably either remember or have heard of the annual sports car event held at Ellingson's in Maple Grove each year. Well, this event is no more. I'm not sure why this event was canceled, but it was nonetheless. The Ellingson's event traditionally had been a combination car show and swap meet for mostly British type automobiles. You would pay maybe \$5 for entering the car show and maybe \$20 to set up a table to sell your unwanted parts. Over the years the number of swap participants gradually dwindled to just a few, although the car show and overall attendance was still solid. The Minnesota MG Group always has organized this event.

This year the MG Group decided to move the venue way east, all the way to Hudson. Since I live in Stillwater, I welcomed this change. The new venue was held in the parking lot of a Family Fresh grocery store, just off exit 4 on Hwy 94. There was plenty of space for cars, there was a lot of foot traffic, and even a Caribou Coffee in the grocery store. The Family Fresh store had set up a grill outside and was handing out free grilled steak samples, too. Want to read more? The local high school cheerleader booster club was giving away free bratwurst and hot dogs in exchange for a goodwill offering. They were also doing the same for hand car washes. What more can you ask for on a summer Saturday morning?

Not a lot of Jaguar club members attended, but the Jag club was represented. Kenn Kopitzke staged a grand entrance to the show after most of the cars were already there, and ended up taking first place prize in the Jaguar category. Nice job, Kenn! You will have to ask Kenn personally to describe the fierce competition he faced.

If they have the event again next year in Hudson, I hope I will be able to make it.

Glenn Nickleski



Kenn Kopitzke's Prize Winning Mark II



Jim Harris' Morris Minor

Architectural Supports

Examining the Jaguar XJ-S's controversial "flying buttress" roof

BY MARK J. McCOURT

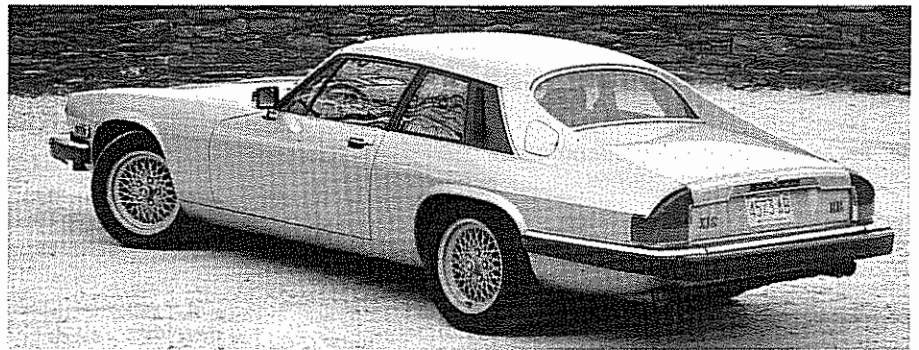
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How do you follow up a modern legend?

During its 1961-1974 production run, Jaguar's E-type (commonly in America, XKE) was often hailed as one of the most beautiful cars in the world. Its curvaceous—some might say salacious—lines combined aerodynamics and aesthetics into a masterful whole. Those lines had become quite familiar by the end of the V-12 Series III's life, dating the car to the decade from which it sprang. This car's replacement, the first prototype of which was completed in 1969, took a different tack in both demeanor and design; the XJ-S was a polarizing design that, against the odds, stood the test of time.

Jaguar's founder, William Lyons, hired talented aerodynamicist Malcolm Sayer in 1950 to develop his sports cars for endurance racing at France's famous 24 Hours of Le Mans race, with the famously successful XK120 C (AKA the C-type) and subsequent D-type as stellar results. With Lyons's input, Sayer designed the E-type, which owed its shape to the aforementioned racing specials; he also drafted the luxury grand tourer that became the XJ-S.

This new GT traded voluptuous curves for crisp, beveled edges and taut surfaces, as was the style in the 1970s. The long-hood/short-deck proportions were still there, but unlike the E-type, the XJ-S wouldn't come as a convertible—at least, not until a factory-developed one was built in the mid 1980s. Very differ-



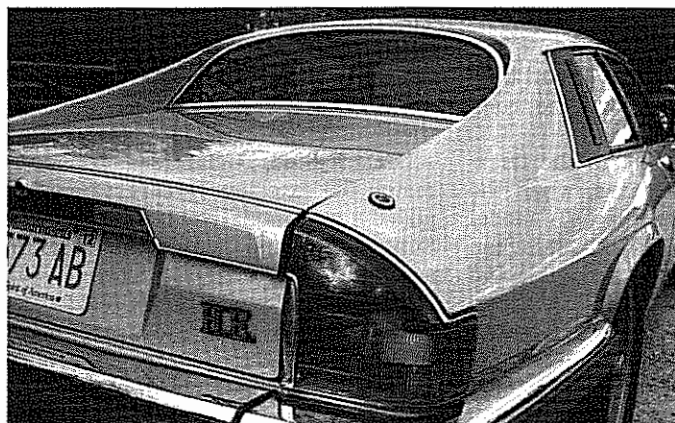
ent from the fixed-head E-types and their side-opening rear hatch was the new coupe's roof and rear deck treatment, which was a traditional notchback trunk with unusual C-pillar sail panels that cradled a small rear window.

Author Heiner Stertkamp discusses the car's roof treatment in his tome, *Jaguar: The Complete Story*; "A distinguishing feature of the new development line was its so-called 'flying buttresses'—extended C-posts à la Ferrari [Dino] 246 GT, a car Sayer had much been impressed by. Sayer had finished the styling of the project car before his premature death in 1970. He was convinced that the extension of the rear pillars to the rear of the car would perfectly guide the passing airstream to the typical rear vortex. For this reason, they had already been added to some of his later race designs."

Jaguar's own dealer literature reinforced this conclusion, as the car's 1975 launch brochure explained: "Aerodynamic forces are harnessed to contribute quite dramatically to the extraordinary roadholding and stability of the XJ-S.... The aerodynamic profile of the Jaguar

XJ-S owes much to the flair of the late Malcolm Sayer, whose work was so successful on the famous sports racing Jaguars. The airflow pattern has been specifically designed not merely to reduce drag, but to harness the aerodynamic forces to increase stability and hold the car down firmly on the road at high speeds." Indeed, this competitor to the Mercedes-Benz 450 SLC could reach 150 MPH in home-market form.

The XJ-S raised eyebrows upon its introduction at the fall 1975 Frankfurt auto show, and its wide black quarter window trim and avant-garde flying buttresses would remain the car's hallmark, despite being modified for a smoother appearance in 1991. Outside of mid-engine exotics like the Lamborghini Countach and Ferrari 308 and Testarossa, this roof styling treatment was not otherwise copied, reinforcing the Jaguar's uniqueness. The more than 115,000 XJ-S variants built during its 20-year production run confirm that a select group of enthusiasts liked their luxurious V-12s wrapped in a uniquely styled package. 🍀



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JAGUAR CLUB BOAT CRUISE *August 28*

This year Dick and Wendy decided to change things up a bit for the Jaguar Club Boat Cruise. Normally the cruise is held on Lake Minnetonka. This year our intrepid leaders decided to head east to Stillwater to board the paddlewheel *Avalon*. A nice crowd of 16 took advantage of this event for a brunch cruise.

Gwen and I had been on a paddlewheel on the St. Croix a time or two in the past. These boats are nice and stable and seem to glide along the water without fuss. Nothing has changed here. The *Avalon* was one of the largest of maybe 5 tour boats in Stillwater. It rode like a limousine. What we did remember though was the food was not that good. Well, times have changed. The food was really good! The menu included scrambled eggs w/bacon and sausage, a Chef's special beef stroganoff, creamy hash brown potatoes, fresh fruit, pastries, and orange juice. Oddly enough coffee was extra. Lucky for us we spent some time before the cruise at one of the local coffee houses in downtown Stillwater.

I believe some of the Jag Club members headed off to downtown Stillwater to peruse the shops for a while before driving home. I believe I can speak for everyone.a nice time was had by all.

Glenn Nickleski



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Check out the Jaguar Club of Minnesota's new Facebook page. It's easy. Just go to www.facebook.com. If you don't have an account, follow the easy instructions and set one up for yourself. Then you can search for Jaguar Club of Minnesota and....Ta-Da...you're in.

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TIME FOR A CHANGE! *New Editor Wanted!*

Do you enjoy writing a bit? Do you have a digital camera? Maybe a weird sense of humor? Basic computer skills? Of course you like Jaguars of all denominations. How would you like to try editing the Jaguar Club Newsletter?

After four years as editor, two years prior to that as club president, and two years prior to that as club treasurer, it's time for me to take a breather. I'd like to get "back in the field", so to speak. I'm thinking I'd like to organize some drives, maybe some tech sessions, and definitely spend more time in my garage.

I'll take the newsletter through the fall edition which will probably come out in November after the fall drives. If some budding writer could take over the winter edition, that would be great. I would co-edit until a comfort level is reached. Most of the job is just organizing. Our graphic arts person, Jill Bean (my daughter) does all the tough layout work. Plus she is fun to work with!

So think about it. Contact me for more details.

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Jaguar Club of Minnesota Calendar of Events (June - August)

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	INFORMATION
Every Saturday: 8:30 AM	InterMarque Breakfast	Square Peg Restaurant, Minneapolis, MN	Daniel Buchen: 651.222.3899 dwbuch@hotmail.com
Saturday, September 10	Wings & Wheels Car and Plane Show	Classic Motorbooks Osceola, WI	
Saturday, September 10	St. Boni Car Show	St. Bonaventure Church 901 E 90th St Bloomington, MN	Tim Keseluk (952) 846-9526
Sunday, September 18	**September Drive and Luncheon	Wisconsin backroads	Brent Poppenhagen Kari Berg (952) 906-1541
September 22-25	SSCA National Championship Runoffs	Road America Elkart Lake, WI	Brent Poppenhagen (952) 906-1541
Saturday, September 24	**City Tour Drive	Minneapolis and St. Paul	Dale Martin (651) 436-5902
October 8-12	**Great River Road Tour	Mississippi Scenic Byway - Minnesota to Missouri and Return	Brent Poppenhagen Kari Berg (952) 906-1541
Tuesday, October 18	**Jaguar Club Board Meeting	TBD	Dick Bass (952) 933-2490
Saturday, November 5	**Feed My Starving Children	990 Lone Oak Rd, #160 Eagan, MN	Dale Martin (651) 436-5902
Saturday, December 10	**Jaguar Club 2012 Planning Breakfast	TBD	Dick Bass (952) 933-2490

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