

# A JAG IN THE U.S. BANK STADIUM



# PRESIDENTS' CORNER



## **Greeting to all Jaguar Owners and Enthusiasts!**

Happy 40 th Anniversary to the Jaguar Club of Minnesota.

Spring has finally arrived. Feels so great to get the covers off and the engines revving again. I feel blessed to also have winter drivers. I purchased a new F Pace this year. I

finally have the space for Maxamillian and to transport larger items. The garage is full now.

We have so many wonderful events on the calendar this year. Mark the date of June 24 th for our Anniversary celebration at the Motorplex in Chanhassen. Thanks to Jeff Cotter and many others for leading the way for this event. Be sure to check our Web Site often for additional outings that we may have added.

Thank you to our members for spreading the word about “Must Love Jags”. We have many new Jaguar lovers in the Club thanks to your efforts. With Beth Pursley at the Membership helm we will be able to keep in touch and make sure forty years from now another celebration can go on.

Special thanks to Johnny and Crew at JR Custom Plating for hosting a very informative and welcoming open house. The homemade cookies were the best!!

On a personal note, I can't believe what a Jaguar Junkie (not an expert) I have become. I am honored to be your President and promote our organization. We are a wonderful, diverse group of car lovers.

All enthusiast of Jaguars are very welcome to any events on our calendar or to contact any of our Board Members for more information about us.

I wish you fair skies and rolling hills for the season ahead.

Cheers,  
Holly Richmond

# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: BOB ANDERSON



My Jaguar affair started in August of 2014; and my Jaguar found me! At that time, my wife Cheryl and I were down to one vehicle – a VW Touareg. Now don't get me wrong, the VW is a fine SUV. Its great for driving around MN; and It's an outstanding trip car as well. However, I have always had a "hobby car" in the back of my mind, as something that would fire my love of automobiles. A friend of mine in Northfield has a Mercedes 500 SL roadster. It's quite a car! In fact, this car lit up my roadster enthusiasms. I test drove a few Mercedes 500 SL's. I liked them. Later, I took Cheryl with me to test drive a late model used Corvette. We found it to be a bit harsh around the edges – rough riding, loud, etc. I put my car "casual looking" on hold for a while.

In August of 2014, lightning struck. My roadster-to-be suddenly appeared here in Northfield. Clancy Dockmo, a local car dealer, was selling a Jaguar for a friend of his.

This news showed up on line. I shot over there. There, on his new car showroom floor sat a 2005 Jaguar XK R roadster. It was love at first sight! After test-driving it, I drove it home to show my wife. She liked the way it looked and rode. I couldn't resist this black beauty. It had only 15900 original miles on it – virtually a new car! I bought it. From then to now, I have really enjoyed my Jaguar. Its' an aesthetic "knockout", and with its supercharged V8, it can move like a bat out of Hell. Yet beyond these superlatives, it's a gentleman's sports/touring vehicle. Its comfortable, very well-built, and it has that beautiful burled walnut dash! Who could ask for anything more?

# BENTLEY SPEED SIX

In 1930, British motor company Rover advertised that it beat the world-famous 'Train Bleu.' This was a luxury express train, and designed to take British aristocrats and celebrities from Calais to the French Riviera. Following the advertisement, Captain Joel Woolf Babe Barnato, a British playboy millionaire and chairman of Bentley, wagered £100 that his Bentley Speed Six could beat the train as well. (Back in 1930, the average annual income in the UK was £165). Originally, the Bentley Speed Six was introduced in 1928 as a more sporting version of the Bentley 6½ litre.



The vehicle's interior is made of red leather, velvet carpeting, and walnut trimmings.



The original version also had a champagne and crystal glass holder, but no namby pamby seat belts.

Despite being off to a bad start, Barnato managed to beat the train by a few minutes, but when the French authorities got wind of his exploits, he was fined for illegally racing and paid a hefty fine. The story became infamous and the Speed Six became a legendary vehicle.

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The engine was restored to perfect running order, using original and custom-parts.



The boot of the car holds a beautiful surprise as well.



A fancy tool organizer, recreated according to the original specs.

The toolbox (not a metric spanner to be seen) folds up to reveal a red velvet trunk, with ample room for the discerning 1930's man of wealth.



The Blue Train version produced 200 hp, reached a top speed of 200km/h (125mph), and won the 24 Hours of Le Mans race in 1929 and 1930. In both races, the driver was none other than Barnato – the Chairman of Bentley Motors.

*Can you see yourself cruising around in this great looking car!?!?*

# HISTORIC CLUB, NEW MEMBERS!

We're "on the grow" in our 40th year as a Club, creating new memories with members who have been onboard for years, as well as a new generation of Jaguar aficionados.

Please greet these new members at the next club event:

David & Monica Leck  
Erhard Baehni  
Jesse Bergland  
Kevin & Tamara Wall  
Art Jech  
Brennan & Jennifer Cleveland  
Jack & Naomi Scholes  
Patricia Boehland  
Bill & Nancy Eastman  
John & Ellen Piegras  
Andreas Schmieg  
John & Diane Kroska  
Philip & Linda Rosso  
Rick Grelson  
Michael Marter  
Jeff Schlemmer

Be on the lookout for your copy of our 2017 Membership Directory. Arriving soon in your mailbox, featuring historic photos from the early years of our club!

Also enclosed are a few Jag Club business cards. Please keep them in your car or purse, and when you see a shiny Jaguar parked somewhere when out in your travels, please write "Join Us" on the card and slip in under the windshield wiper to help spread the word about our club!

Own a Jaguar-related business? Offer a complimentary one-year sponsored membership for your customers at no cost to you! Call Membership Coordinator Beth Pursley for more details at 952-221-4717.



# A JAG IN U.S. BANK STADIUM

Last year I received an invitation to display my 1970 E-Type inside the new U.S. Bank Stadium at the World of Wheels car show. The show took place March 16-19, 2017. What an experience!



According to the rules, display cars cannot have more than ¼ tank of gas to enter the stadium; my car's fuel gauge showed a ¼ tank, but the low fuel light was on. Not to worry. I've driven it lots of times with the low fuel light on. As I rounded the corner to enter the stadium the car ran out of gas! I coasted to the side of the road and called AAA. As I sat there, numerous car trailers came by presumably with cars headed to the show. They probably were thinking, "Typical Jaguar. It broke down before it could even make it into the stadium." In about 20 minutes a fellow arrived and put 2 gallons of gas in the car. It started right up and I drove into the stadium without incident.

Each car had an assigned spot and my Jag was on the southeast corner in the end zone area. The floor was covered with hard plastic squares over the playing surface. Next to me was a 55 Chevy with a 58 Pontiac behind that. The only other foreign car in the show was a 48 Austin hot rod.

Some of the displays were magnificent! Several cars were supported by stands over a full carpet underlay. Lights were used to accent the paint. Mirrors were placed under the cars to show the undercarriage and the entire displays were encircled by various chains, ropes and wires. Quite a sight.

Gene Winfield (a classic hot rod legend) was there. Over the course of the show he chopped the top on a 51 Chevy. Retired NASCAR driver, Mark Martin, as well as Catherine Bach and Tom Wopat from the old Dukes of Hazzard television show were other celebrities present.



I was able to sit by my car which was great fun. I was amazed by the number of people who thanked me for showing my car -- a treat to see a foreign sports car among all the American iron. The biggest thrill of all was being inside U.S. Bank Stadium right on the playing surface. Driv-

ing into the stadium for the first time took my breath away. All the lights were on and I can only imagine how players must feel when they emerge from the tunnel into the lighted stadium with all the fans cheering. Experiencing just a bit of that was quite fun for me! Then winning first in class! (Did I mention I was the only car in my class?).



The sponsors indicated they were going to hold the show again next year at U.S. Bank Stadium over the same March weekend. They give an award for the best club display. Let's get some Jags together and win that award next year!

Dennis DeGroodt



# VISIT TO THE BRITISH MOTOR MUSEUM AND JAGUAR MUSEUM

The pictures below are from the Museum at Gaydon, a brand new facility that houses many cars and has many events in the summer. I was there for a day and toured all round. There are cars there that I have never seen - like a Triumph TR8 in a coupe version. In the Jag Museum - also brand new, there were many Jags that I've never seen. Included were many race cars that did not make production and the 220 that did in low volume.

The Gaydon Festival of Transport is a general transport show for all the family and aims to bring all sorts of classic vehicles together highlighting some of the best vehicles ever made. The show featured all sorts of motorised transport from cars through to fire tenders and tanks as well as a falconry display and children's activities.

This year the show looked at classic emergency service vehicles in action, featuring working vehicle demonstrations highlighting the power of fire truck pumps and military vehicle capabilities.



These rare jags sold to a collector for \$150 M!



# IT'S HERE NOW! THE 2017 JAGUAR F-PACE

The F-Pace has been running in England for the past two years, but finally has come to our shores, and many thanks to the new owners of Jaguar to bring us this fabulous sport “station wagon.” It’s available in a base model, and five other configurations: Premium, Prestige, R-Sport, S, and the limited-run F-Pace Limited Edition

The interior includes an 8.0 inch touch-screen information system that responds to smart-phone-style swipes, or drag gestures, and works with Apple and Android apps. It comes with a 17 speaker, 825 watt Meridian surround system, ultra-fast Ethernet Wi-Fi connectivity and a 60GB solid-state hard drive. It rides on a 113-inch wheelbase, with variable-ratio electric steering.

There are two supercharged 3.0 liter V6 engines, rated at 340 and 380 horsepower, both transmitted through a ZF 8-speed automatic transmission. Advanced driver assists include lane departure warning, a lane keep assist, driver condition monitoring, emergency braking with pedestrian detection, blind spot monitoring, reverse traffic detection, adaptive cruise control, part assist, and a laser-based heads up display.

All models will be covered by the Jaguar EliteCare ownership packages.



Jag Club President Holly Richmond's F-Pace



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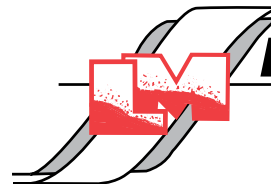
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# UPCOMING EVENTS

Jag Club sponsored Intermarque Spring Kickoff

**MAY 13 @ 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

Osseo Town Square, Osseo, MN

Spring Vintage Weekend at Road America

**MAY 19 - MAY 21**

Road America, N7390 State Hwy 67

Elkhart Lake, WI 53073

Rendezvous

**JUNE 1 - JUNE 4**

Sugar Lake Lodge, 37584 Otis Lane

Cohasset, MN 55721

Cars and Coffee

**JUNE 3 @ 7:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

Auto Motorplex, 8150 Audobon Rd

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Crown Rally

**JUNE 9**

St. Paul to Chicago

Walleye 1000 Vintage Rally

**JUNE 10**

SCCA June Sprints at Elkhart Lake

**JUNE 15 - JUNE 18**

Road America, N7390 State Hwy 67

Elkhart Lake, WI 53073

Jag Club "Art of the Car Show"

at Stone Arch Art Fair

**JUNE 17 - JUNE 18**

St Anthony Main, 115 SE Main Street

Minneapolis, MN 55414

Coulee Classic Car Rally

**JUNE 24 @ 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

Jaguar Club of MN 40th Anniversary Party

**JUNE 24 @ 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM**

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Cars and Coffee

**JULY 1 @ 7:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

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Jaguar Club Annual Picnic

**JULY 9 @ 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

Rosemont Engineering park, 12001 Technology Drive

Eden Prairie, MN, MN 55344

Scottish Fair and Highland Games

**JULY 15 @ 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

Jaguar Club sponsored Mexican Fiesta

**JULY 16 @ 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

Lynch Residence, 6630 Horseshoe Curve

Chanhassen, MN 55317

10,000 Lakes Concourse Car Show

**JULY 30 @ 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

Cars and Coffee

**AUGUST 5 @ 7:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

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Horses and Horsepower at the Polo Match

**AUGUST 6 @ 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

Britfest Car Show

**AUGUST 12 @ 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

Downtown Hudson, WI, 111 Walnut Street

Hudson, WI 54016

Jaguar Club Sponsored Royal British Car Show

**AUGUST 19 @ 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

Jaguar Dealership 1, 8905 Wayzata Blvd.

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Jag Club Country Cruise

**AUGUST 26 @ 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM**





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