



# PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Our long, long awaited Summer has finally arrived!

We have already had some very successful events that many of you have attended. The Osseo Spring Kick Off was the best turnout to date. 22 Jaguars made the trip.

Welcome to all our new Members. Our Club gets bigger and better all the time.

They say you never forget your first love, and my first Jaguar is my XJL. My four-year-old Niece, Abigayle feels the same way. If I have to explain you wouldn't understand.

I do have a great appreciation and respect for all the Classic Jaguars out there. But all the Classics were new cars at one time. To love and appreciate where the breed is today and enjoy the new models shows we all can stand the test of time.

Make sure to mark your calendars for the Jaguar Club Annual Picnic, July 7th. Always the highlight of our year and the best opportunity to get to know other Jag Lovers. Many more events are on the schedule so make sure to check your e-mails and the web site for future outings.

It has been my greatest pleasure to serve as your Club President, but it is time to pass the torch. I was a new member when I took the position so if you feel you are up to the task please come forward.

If you just want to get your feet wet, consider an assistant position on our Board of Directors. We promise not to throw you into the deep end right from the start.

Looking forward to another fun filled year and the pleasure of the open road.

Fair Winds and Following Roads to you all!

Holly Richmond  
President, Jaguar Club of Minnesota

# CARS AND CAVES IN CHANHASSEN

Ten years ago the idea of Car Condos where grown-ups can meet to play cars might have seemed a little odd and sounded like a risky investment. Today it has become clear that Car Condos are a long-term trend, a sound investment, and more and more common. The AutoMotorPlex in Chanhassen was one of the first developments with a new one in Medina taking shape. A Garage Solutions Car Condo complex in Columbus is also expanding.

The AutoMotorPlex in Chanhassen hosts a car show once a month on Saturday mornings starting early in the morning. So you still have several opportunities to check out some of the finest classic and modern collector cars as well as some of the nicest man caves. Unfortunately you missed the opportunity to have your car snowed on earlier this spring.

New this year is a professional event management with food trucks. So the dilemma of stopping somewhere for breakfast or getting there early has been resolved.

<http://www.automotorplex.com/>

<https://www.garagesolutioncondominiums.com/>



# SPRING KICKOFF CAR SHOW IN OSSEO



If you could design a small town that is ideal for car shows, you would probably start with a wide enough main street, put a few restaurants on it, add a few side streets for more classic cars, put a park in the middle of it and route all traffic around town. Then you would hide the clouds, bring the sun out and turn up the temperature to the upper 60s. Welcome to Osseo, May 11th 2019!

This small town at the outskirts of the Twin Cities does not have a car show, the entire town turns into a car show. Over one hundred cars of all brands with 22 of them being Jaguars. If you enjoy looking at classic cars that you rarely see anywhere else, this is the show to visit. The only thing that could be more perfect would be a breakfast restaurant at the end of a cul-de-sac to stage all those Jags, MGs and Triumphs prior to the car show. Wait, they have that too!

Great show, great weather, great conversations and great food. What else could a car show wish for?



# ISANTI CAR SHOW AND BMC AUTO OPEN HOUSE

What if you could go to a car show that is FREE (my favorite word besides Jaguar and chocolate), eat burgers and hot dogs that are free, have free drinks, and stuff whatever space is left with free desserts? What if you could donate all that money you just saved to a local charity that helps cancer patients? And somewhere between cars and grub you could explore Isanti's best-kept secret?

BMC Classic British Automobile Restorations and Conversions in Isanti specializes in services and restorations of classic British cars like Austin Healey, MG, and Triumph. This year the facility was especially nicely set up showing cars in all stages of restoration. They can also convert all your classic car lights to everlasting LED.

The June 2019 turnout was great with 18 Jaguars and a over a dozen other cars. One of the highlights was an original unrestored XK120 fixed head coupe that the current owner purchased from a pastor that needed the funds to quit his job and marry his favorite nun.



# VOLUNTEERS ACCEPTED!

The strength of any organization lies in its ability to attract and retain bright, inquisitive and hard-working talent. The Jaguar Club of Minnesota is no exception.

Several years ago, President Holly appealed to the membership to fill several organizational positions and the response was terrific! That appeal resulted in our current Treasurer, Tom Healy, our Newsletter Editor, Andy Schmiege, our Communications and Email Coordinator, Horace Beale and our Membership Coordinator, Don Wolfe. All are continuing to serve in their respective capacities.

The call is going out again for new volunteers! One of the Marketing Co-Directors, Dennis DeGroodt, wishes to step down next year and President Holly is still looking for someone to become the President-Elect so she can step down some time soon.



Now is the time to answer the call! The Marketing Co-Director position is responsible for selling advertising that appears in our newsletters. Most of the activity takes place from September through December, so the bulk of the volunteer time occurs in a small window. Dennis does not plan to step down until 2020 which will give him time to work with the new volunteer this fall. Plus, the other

Marketing Co-Director, Tom LaClare, intends to remain for a while, so that expertise is also available to help the new volunteer.

President Holly would like for the President-Elect to spend a year in that position working side-by-side with her to learn the position. So, if you're interested, plan on at least a two-year commitment.

There are no real terms to these positions. People generally serve multi-year terms because the work is fun and the other volunteers are easy to work with. Our club has been very successful both in attracting new members and new volunteers. The club is financially stable. So, you will be joining a talented, dedicated and hard-working group of volunteers all devoted to Jaguar automobiles – a volunteer's dream if there ever was one!

If you're interested in volunteering, contact Holly Richmond at 715-377-0557 or at "richmonds2@comcast.net" no later than June 30, 2019. You may also contact any board member (board member contact information is contained in the 2019 Directory sent to you previously). The Board will review the applicants and make the final decision.



# JAGUAR CLUB OF MINNESOTA

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# HONEY - THE NEIGHBORS BOUGHT A ROLLS ROYCE!

Hannelore was right. What the neighbors just bought looked indeed like a Rolls Royce. And the similarities to the aristocratic marque were intentional. The year was 1951 and William Lyons was not a Sir yet. He also was not shy to directly attack Rolls Royce and Bentley with a luxury four-door sedan named the Jaguar Mark VII (later Mark VIII and Mark IX). The similarities to Rolls Royce ended abruptly when comparing price lists. The Jaguar Mark VII cost less than half of a comparable Rolls Royce. Take that, Emily!

Launched at the 1950 British International Motor Show in London, the Jaguar Mark VII was powered by the newly developed XK engine also used in the XK120. The 3442 cc (210 ci) DOHC straight-six provided 160 bhp which propelled the 3,696 lb (1,676 kg) car to over 100 mph. Soon after its start in 1951, production was moved to a new factory at Browns Lane (Jaguar-style, moving one department at a time, usually over the weekend). The brand-new slogan 'Grace Space and Pace' seemed a fitting description for the beautiful car. In 1952 the Mark VII became the first Jaguar to offer an automatic transmission.

In 1956, the Jaguar Mark VII evolved into the Mark VIII which retained its Lyons-signature design and featured a new grill, relocated fog lamps, a chrome strip along the waistline and a one-piece slightly curved windshield (sorry, windscreen). In 1959, the Jaguar Mark IX increased the engine size to 3781 ci (231 ci) and 220 bhp, offered four-wheel servo-assisted Dunlop disc brakes and recirculating ball power steering. Between 1951 and 1961 a total of 47,205 cars were built.

Today, the Jaguar Mark VII / VIII / IX is a sought after collectible luxury sedan and - you might have guessed it - it still costs less than half of a comparable Rolls Royce. The fact that it looks better than a Rolls Royce is heavily disputed by Rolls Royce enthusiasts. In March 2013 Hemmings Sport & Exotic raced a Rolls-Royce Silver Cloud III and a Jaguar Mk IX down the quarter mile and the Jaguar outperformed the heavier Rolls at 17.6 seconds (almost identical to a 1961 Austin Healey 3000 MK I).





# JAGUAR COMPANY NEWS



**Jaguar Losing Money (That's News?)** – Jaguar Land Rover reported a record loss of £3.6bn for its April 2018 to March 2019 fiscal year. A weak Chinese market, people falling out of love with Diesel engines and a one-time write-down of £3.1bn in property and machinery (read: internal combustion engine machinery) did a number on the numbers. Excluding one-time items, JLR lost £358m with revenue down to £24.2bn (from £25.8bn). Sales fell by 5.8% to 578,915 vehicles. On the positive side, fourth quarter profit is up to £120m and sales in the UK and US are up over 8%.

**Tata Selling Jaguar or Not** – Large corporations run dozens of merger, acquisition and divestiture scenarios and most of them end up in an archive and never get executed. Any scenarios with merit will likely get denied until the deal is either finalized or cancelled. This prevents wild speculation in the stock market. Therefore, Tata's denial does not have much weight. French Groupe PSA (€74b revenue, 3.8m vehicles in 2018) which owns Chrysler Europe, Citroen, Opel, Peugeot and acquired British Vauxhall in 2017 is open to talks. More to come.

**End Of Production for the XJ** - Jaguar Land Rover will end the production of the Jaguar XJ by July 5 2019 after 51 years and about 950,000 cars. This is what early retirement looks like: "Thank you for fifty years of service. Please don't come back." The current generation of XJ has been on the market since 2010. The next generation four door luxury sedan will be all electric and come sometime in 2020. Whether it will once again have an XJ badge has not been decided yet.



**Ian Callum Resigns** - Jaguar Creative Design Director Ian Callum will resign from Jaguar effective July 1st 2019 after twenty years of service. Callum has been credited with "blowing the dust of Jaguar's classic, old-world designs" with the XF in 2007, the new XJ in 2009 and more recently the F-Type, XE, F-Pace, E-Pace and I-Pace. At age 64 he will pursue other projects and passions but continue to work with Jaguar as a design consultant.



# DRIVE JAGUAR - GO TO CAR SHOW - ADD CLASS



Is it a beautiful summer weekend and you have nothing to do? Just hop into your Jaguar and drive to any car show in town. Chances are you might be the only Jaguar there, the jewel between all the American muscle cars, German cars and Japanese cars. Enjoy the drive and most of all: Have some fun this summer!!!



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **June 20-23**

Back to the Fifties Car Show  
State Fairgrounds

## **June 29 @ 7 am - 12 pm**

Cars and Caves at the Motorplex  
Auto Motorplex  
8150 Audobon Rd  
Chanhassen, MN 55317

## **July 1st or 2nd week**

Blueberry Picking Event  
Blueberry Fields Farm  
Stillwater MN

## **July 7 @ 11 am - 4 pm**

Jaguar Club Annual Picnic  
Emerson Park  
Eden Prairie, MN

## **July 20 @ 8 am - 5 pm**

Scottish Fair and Highland Games  
Eagan Central Park

## **July 27 @ 7 am - 11 am**

Jaguar Club at Cars and Caves  
Auto Motorplex  
8150 Audobon Rd  
Chanhassen, MN 55317

## **July 27 @ 3 pm - 8 pm**

Jaguar Club Mexican Fiesta  
Lynch Residence  
6630 Horseshoe Curve  
Chanhassen, MN 55317

## **July 28 @ 10 am - 4 pm**

10,000 Lakes Concourse Car Show  
Excelsior Commons, Excelsior, MN

## **August 10 @ 9 am - 12 pm**

Britfest Car Show  
111 Walnut Street  
Hudson, WI 54016

## **August 17**

Drive and Cookout

Lakeland Park & Ride to  
the Presidents Home

## **August 22 - August 25**

Crown Rally 9  
St. Paul to Chicago

## **August 31 @ 9 am - 9:30 am**

Royal British Car Show  
Location TBD

## **September 7 @ 9 am - 1 pm**

Wings and Wheels  
Osceola Airport  
Osceola, WI

## **September 13 - September 15**

Elkhart Lake Vintage Sports Car Festival  
Elkhart Raceway

## **September 28 @ 7 11 am**

Jaguar Club at Cars and Caves  
Auto Motorplex, 8150 Audobon Rd  
Chanhassen, MN

## **October 5 @ 4 - 9 pm**

JCM Annual Banquet  
Auto Motorplex, 8150 Audobon Rd  
Chanhassen, MN

## **October 19 @ 11 am - 3 pm**

Jag Club Fall Color Tour  
Lakeland Park and Ride  
1450 Rivercrest Rd. N, Lakeland, MN  
Meet at Lakeland Park and Ride.  
RSVP to Horace by 11-10.

## **November 9 @ 3 - 6 pm**

Wine & Cheese Party, Lynch Residence,  
6630 Horseshoe Curve, Chanhassen, MN  
RSVP to the Lynch's at 952-474-5642  
or mikegloria.lynch@gmail.com

## **November 30 @ 8:30 am - 12 pm**

Planning Breakfast for 2020  
Machine Shed, 8515 Hudson blvd  
Lake Elmo, MN

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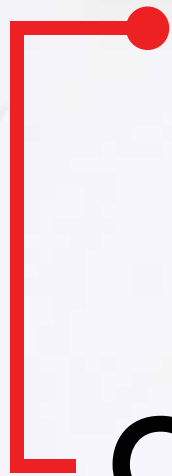


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