



# JAGUAR NEWS



# PRESIDENT'S CORNER



## Seasons Greetings to Our Jaguar Club Members and all Jaguar Enthusiasts,

As the year draws to an end, thoughts of this past season are on my mind. I am amazed at how creative and thoughtful the car community has been. Many pop up events were created and the turnout was wonderful.

Steve Olson started up a monthly gathering at the Chanhassen AutoPlex. Started small and more owners, Gene and Jana Berghoff, Jeff Cotter and others opened up for a safe and social distance experience. Many drives went forward from there. Forrest Harstad got a lot of them going.

A large thank you goes out to the folks at X-Golf Woodbury for creating a new series of events this summer. With the help and support of the 3M Cruisers Car Club and Eurotech Woodbury the shows were awesome. Free to participants and the public. Prizes and raffles as well. Could not have been a better way to spend a Sunday afternoon.

This Fall we were not able to conduct our new annual banquet. During a conversation with long time member Alan Dahl we came up with the idea to have a pool party, BBQ at my home. At no Club expense, Alan being our benefactor, we had a lovely event. My Sister and dear friend Natalie graciously gave of their time and hard work to make the event a great success. Scott Barren was so kind to offer his grilling expertise and Jeff Sagal was a huge help as well. I thank you all!

With these uncertain times, planning ahead to 2021 will be a challenge. We will not be able to send out a calendar but please know that if we can plan or host an event we will send out email notification and keep you posted. The safety of our friends is of the utmost importance.

I feel blessed to have a garage full of amazing cars. Getting out and going for a drive doesn't make you feel quite so isolated. My wish for everyone is to stay safe, healthy, and happy.

Happy Holidays, fair winds and following roads!!

Holly Richmond  
President JCM

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## New Jaguar XJ Spotted Near Gaydon

There have been plenty of rumors that the Jaguar model lineup will be slimmed down and the new electric Jaguar XJ might be cancelled. Well, as of December 9th 2020, this one in full black and white camouflage is still alive and well near Gaydon England.



## 2021 Jaguar F-Type Heritage 60 First Look: The Swingin' Sixties Are Back!

Sixty years on from the E-Type's 1961 debut, Jaguar is honoring its luminary with a special-edition F-Type coupe and convertible. The Jaguar F-Type Heritage 60 special edition will be painted Sherwood Green, a hue not offered since the 1960s. There are "E-Type 60" badges on the tail and the door sill plates, and they're shared with six restored Series I 3.8-liter E-Type 60 Collection vehicles restored by Jaguar Classic.



<https://www.motortrend.com/news/2021-jaguar-f-type-heritage-60-first-look-review/>



## Jaguar's F-Pace SVR Gets Even More Torque and Tech for 2021

Jaguar has made its F-Pace SVR SUV the best it's ever been for 2021, with more torque, more tech, and more handling talent. The headlights are slightly slimmer, while the inlet vents have an added piece of trim. Jaguar says the new design helps reduce body lift by 35 per cent, and does a better job of cooling the brakes. Horsepower remains the same at 550 ponies, but torque has increased from 502 to 516 lb-ft. All this power and aero translates into a quicker zero-to-60 time of 4.0 seconds, and a higher top speed of 178 mph.

<https://driving.ca/jaguar/auto-news/news/jaguars-f-pace-svr-gets-even-more-torque-and-tech-for-2021>

## Jaguar Land Rover's New Defender Gets Five-Star Safety Rating from Euro NCAP

The new Land Rover Defender SUV has received the top safety rating from automobile safety agency Euro NCAP. Land Rover's most capable and durable model ever has been awarded the maximum five-star rating in the latest round of test results.

<https://www.tribuneindia.com/news/business/jaguar-land-rovers-new-defender-gets-five-star-safety-rating-from-euro-ncap-181986>



## Jaguar Land Rover's Pivi Pro Infotainment System Recognised By Autobest Awards

Jaguar Land Rover's new Pivi Pro touchscreen infotainment has been recognised by the prestigious motoring jury AUTO-BEST, receiving the SMARTBEST 2020 award dedicated to the best connected technologies in the industry. Jaguar Land Rover's new Pivi Pro touchscreen infotainment has an industry-leading design and shares electronic hardware with the latest smartphones.

<https://tiresandparts.net/news/jaguar-land-rovers-pivi-pro-infotainment-system-recognised-by-autobest-awards/>

## Jaguar Land Rover's Castle Bromwich Plant Partially Shuts Until Christmas

Jaguar Land Rover has shut down production at its Castle Bromwich factory until Christmas because "an issue related to Covid" has prevented the delivery of key materials, in another sign of the strains facing the UK automotive industry. Production of JLR's XE and XF cars stopped earlier this week and will not restart for two weeks, in another blow to the UK's largest carmaker as it struggles with the coronavirus pandemic and Brexit preparations.

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2020/dec/10/jaguar-land-rover-closes-castle-bromwich-factory-until-christmas>

# THE JAGUAR 420 (NO PUN INTENDED)

The number 420 had a rough life. On 4/20/1889 a child was born in Braunau, Austria that would later become responsible for the death of six million Jews, communists, gypsies, homosexuals, disabled and special needs people and would leave Germany in rubble and ashes. In 1971, five students met at San Rafael High School in California at 4:20pm after school to find an abandoned cannabis crop in the nearby woods (which they never found).



Luckily Jaguar put a positive spin on the number. In August 1966, Jaguar introduced the Jaguar 420, a compact sporting saloon. Starting point for the design of the 420 was the Jaguar S-Type while the front looked similar to the Mark X (420G). The 4.2-litre XK engine was fed by two carburetors and developed 245 bhp (183 kW; 248 PS). The maximum torque was 283 lbft (384 Nm) at 3,750 rpm. Under test conditions the 420 reached 0–60 mph in under 10 seconds and a top speed of more than 125 mph (201 km/h).



A Motor (UK) road test in May 1967 reported: 'It seems somehow insolent to apply medium [price] standards to a saloon that for a combination of speed, comfort and safety is as good as any in the world, regardless of cost.' Today, less than five hundred Jaguar 420 remain (extrapolated based on UK data). Hagerty puts the average value of a Jaguar 420 at \$16,600 with concours models reaching over \$30,000. Classic and Sports Car, (UK) provides a 420 (car!) buyer's guide on their website.



Hagerty Valuation:

<https://www.hagerty.com/apps/valuationtools/1967-jaguar-420>

Buyers Guide:

<https://www.classicandsportscar.com/features/buyers-guide-jaguar-420-and-daimler-sovereign>



# LAND ROVER - JAGUAR'S DIRTY BROTHER

Sometime in the spring of 1948, a German KdF Type 82 Kübelwagen (1940), a Willy's Jeep (1941) and a brand-new Mercedes Unimog (1948) had a love affair and \*POOF\* - the Land Rover 80 was born. Or something like that. (The first prototype did actually use a Jeep chassis and components.) On April 30th 1948, the first Land Rover was officially launched at the Amsterdam Motor Show.



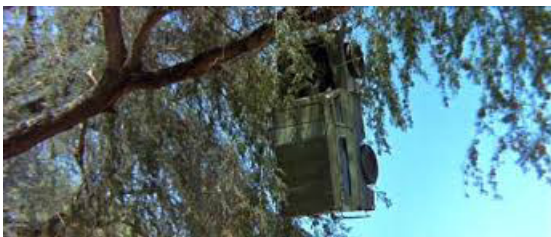
The Land Rover was designed for farm and light industrial use, with a steel box-section chassis and an aluminium body. The early choice of colour was dictated by military surplus supplies of aircraft paint, so early vehicles came in various shades of light green. From 1948 until 1951 the Land Rover was a single model offering, which used an 80-inch wheelbase, a 1.6-litre 50 bhp petrol engine, and a new permanent four-wheel-drive. Tops for the doors and a roof (canvas or metal) were optional extras.



In 1949, Land Rover launched a second body option called the 'Station Wagon', fitted with a body built by Tickford (which later also made the first few hundred Jaguar XJ-SC targas). The bodywork was wooden-framed and had seating for seven people. Originally, these vehicles were simply called the 'Land Rover' – an off-road capable car model of the Rover Company. As 'Land Rover' became established as a brand, the 'Series' indication later became a retronym model name.

The Series II and IIa Land Rover was produced from 1958 to 1971. It came in 88 and 109 in wheelbases and was 5 in wider to cover the vehicle's wider tracks. The 2.25-litre petrol engine produced 72 hp. This engine became the standard Land Rover unit until the mid-1980s. The Series III was produced from 1971 to 1985 with headlights in the wings (fenders, since 1968) and a new plastic grill. In 1974 a marketing genius invented the term 'SUV' for a Jeep Cherokee SJ brochure.

In 1976, the 1,000,000th Land Rover rolled off the production line. In 1980, a Land Rover Series I became a leading character in the South-African comedy 'The Gods Must Be Crazy', winching itself out of a river and all the way up a tree - illustrating the love-hate relationship many owners have with their 'Landy'.



In 2020, Jeep, Land Rover and Unimog are all still in production (the Unimog got a little chubby on the way). The German Kübelwagen had its successor in the Volkswagen Type 181 ('The Thing') from 1968 to 1983 and a reincarnation with the 1991 Golf Country, a factory-lifted four wheel drive Volkswagen Rabbit. Today there are over 200 million SUVs on the road worldwide.

# JAGUAR FOUR EYES (1961-2009)



You might remember 'Four Eyes' as an episode of *Little House on the Prairie* when Mary Ingalls got her first glasses (Season 2, Episode 2, September 17, 1975). However, Jaguar had the same idea much earlier. The SS1 in 1931, the SS Jaguar 1½ litre in 1935 and the SS Jaguar 100 in 1936 were available with two additional lights.



In October 1961 Sir William Lyons presented the first Jaguar that truly had four headlights. The large, luxurious Jaguar Mark X (Mark ten, later 420G), was Jaguar's top-of-the-range saloon car and impressed with its technical innovations. The car featured integrated, unitary bodywork, as well as independent rear suspension. Combined with the 3.8-litre triple carburettor engine it gave Jaguar's flagship a top speed of 120 mph (193 km/h) and capable handling at less than half the price of the contemporary Rolls-Royce Silver Cloud.



The distinctive four headlight design was continued in the compact 1966 Jaguar 420 and the luxurious 1968 Daimler DS420 limousine. But it was the 1968 Jaguar XJ6 that established the four headlight design as a long-stranding Jaguar trademark. All XJ generations and models like the 1973 Jaguar XJ12, the 1975 Jaguar XJC, the 1979 Jaguar XJ6, the 1994 Jaguar XJ (X300) and the 2003 Jaguar XJ (XJ350) continued the tradition all the way to 2009.



The 1999 Jaguar S-Type and 2001 Jaguar X-Type also continued the four headlight design. Two 'half exceptions' were the 1975 Jaguar XJ-S and the 1987 Jaguar XJ6 (XJ40) which both were available with big oval/rectangular headlights (dubbed city bus lights by critics) or with four headlights.



On 9 July 2009, after almost 48 years, the four headlight tradition came to an end when design director Ian Callum presented the new XJ saloon (XJ351) in London with a design 'from this millennium' unveiled by none other than Jay Leno. To this day Jaguar is receiving letters and emails from Jaguar enthusiasts requesting to bring the four headlights back. They sure were a trademark that made many Jaguars recognizable from any distance.



# KINTYRE - A JAGUAR ROAD TRIP



The longer the corona compliance cops urge us to stay home, the more people want to just get out, go on a long road trip and get away from everybody. This (currently virtual) road trip is the perfect opportunity for a Jaguar to stretch its legs.

The Kintyre is a peninsula in western Scotland that stretches about 30 miles from East Loch Tarbert to the Mull of Kintyre in the South. It is about a day trip from London with the British Motor Museum in Gaydon and Jaguar in Coventry almost directly on the way. Or you can fly into Glasgow and rent a Jaguar there.

The beautiful and quiet peninsula was a refuge for Paul McCartney which is why he bought High Park Farm there in 1966 and wrote the bagpipe hymn 'Mull Of Kintyre' in 1977. While not a Jaguar owner, he drove a 1955 Land Rover Series I 86 Station Wagon on his farm. Who knows, maybe George Harrison drove his Jaguar E-Type up here once or twice.

A Jaguar road trip down the Kintyre would take you to beautiful big sky nature with rolling hills, castles and ruins, sheep, wool and cashmere sweaters, distilleries and whiskey. Small art galleries like 'Bole the Gallery' in Kilberry and 'Loch Fyne Gallery' in Tarbert feature artisan bowls and paintings.



The 'Dun Skeig' are ruins of a 3000 year old Iron Age fort just West of Clachan. A few miles down the A83 the ancient Ballochroy standing stones are far less busy than Stonehenge. If you enjoy hiking, the Kintyre Way is a 100 mile waymarked footpath through the entire Kintyre peninsula. Campbeltown on the South East side of the Kintyre features three whiskey distilleries, Springbank, Glengyle, and Glen Scotia, within walking (or stumbling) distance from each other. The Linda McCartney Memorial Garden is right by the harbor.

The South Western tip of the peninsula is marked by the Mull of Kintyre Lighthouse which is a one mile walk from the end of the road. It provides an amazing view across the ocean to Northern Ireland which is only 12 miles away. To get across, the Kintyre Express, an 800hp high speed ferry with just twelve seats can take you from Campbeltown to Ballycastle Northern Ireland which is full of little cafes, restaurants, and bed & breakfasts.

For more ideas on a Kintyre peninsula road trip visit: <https://www.adventuresaroundscotland.com/scotland-travel-blog/kintyre> or <https://www.secret-scotland.com/blog/scotland-travel-blog-october-2014>.

Dear JCM Members:

Annual membership renewal is upon us.

In 2020 COVID has not allowed us to be very social. Therefore the dues in 2021 will be reduced to \$20. This is also an opportune time to update any changes in your status, such as address, phone numbers, and cars.

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