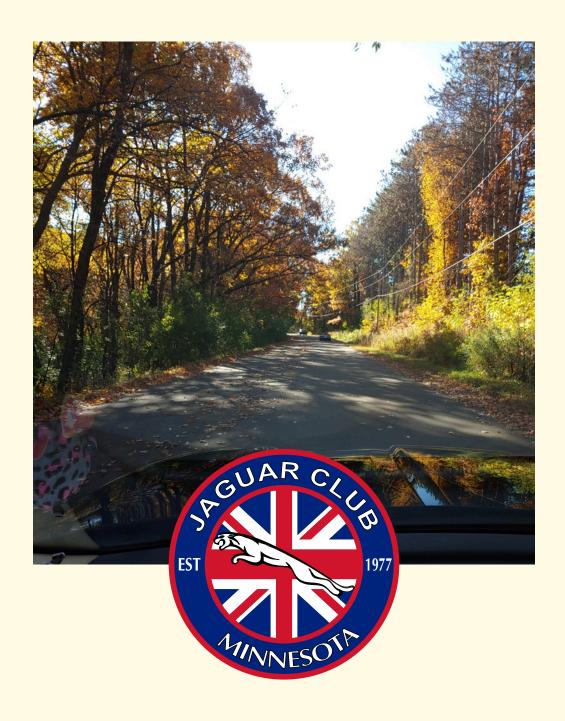
FALL COLOR TOUR



PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Greetings to All of Our Beautiful Jaguar Club Members and Jaguar Enthusiasts!

Fall is once again arrived whether we are ready or not our winter is just around the corner. Living in the Great North, the beauty of our four seasons poses challenges but has many rewards.

This Auto season has been a challenge to all car clubs. Although we have not been able to offer Club sponsored events, many fun alternatives have been available.

Many thanks to the folks at X Golf, 3M Cruisers Car Club and Eurotech Woodbury for hosting four Sunday events. Open to all makes and models, you never knew

what cars you would see. And what an amazing variety showed up. Open and free to all, with perks for the participants. Friendships were cultivated and existing ones renewed.

The Amazing Steve and Sandra Olson hosted and grew a scaled down, safe event at the Chanhassen AutoPlex. The last Saturday of the month was definitely a day to look forward to. The day developed into more members of the complex to become involved. Gene and Jana Berghoff offered fantastic beverages and treats. Other owners opened their doors as well. Drives from there developed and new members were added as a result.

Thank you to the wonderful group that attended the Outdoor Cookout at my home. The consensus about having our Banquet was not positive. Jeff Cotter made sure we had all in place if our Members would participate. The decision was made to cancel the Banquet. A late call about wanting to join us for the banquet by Allen Dahl turned into the idea of making the date on the Event Calendar turn into something we could do. We were finally able to present Jim Harris with his Life Member jacket. Thank you so much Allen for helping me make the day such a success.

This has been a year of surprises. While so much has been shut down, new avenues have opened. The Gentlemen of the Intermarque Group started meeting in the Silverwood Park. Thank you to Todd for your invitation and continued communication about the gatherings. The St Croix Scuba Shop could not use the YMCA for lessons so my pool became the class room for lessons. I was able to refresh my skills and meet more great people. I was able to get my best friend from high school to join me on a dive trip up to my sisters when I received a call...Dear Tom LaClare passed away. He was a very special, kind, wonderful soul. He will be missed!

This has been a difficult time for all. A reaffirmation of how to show kindness and acceptance.

Wishing you all health and happiness. Fair Winds and Following Roads! Holly Richmond Grand Poo Bah Jaguar Club of Minnesota

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

I sincerely apologize for the delayed publication of the Jaguar Club of Minnesota fall newsletter. In the last four months we sold ten Jaguars (two to North Dakota, three to England and four to Czechia), renovated our house including windows, siding, sliding glass doors, new concrete patio, upgraded electric, new interior paint, new exterior paint and new carpet, moved everything that was in the house into storage, sold our house and bought another house.

Now the long nights of painting, installing closet doors, and cutting baseboard trim are over and I finally have time to think again. On the positive side, we actually have quite a few good Jaguar stories in this newsletter, despite Covid-19, lockdown, protests and election.

May the year 2021 be a little more relaxed.

Thanks, Andy Schmieg





CARS AND CAVES

While the large Cars and Cave events at the Chanhassen AutoPlex were officially cancelled, a surprising number of car enthusiasts still met once a month to see, talk, hear, smell and feel cars. The number of adjacent garage condos owned by Jaguar club members seems to increase every few years. Maybe someday club members will own the entire row. :-)

In August a nice assembly of Jaguars was probably the largest group enjoying the perfect weather and blue sky. Highlights included a Jaguar SS100 replica and - not a Jaguar - a beautiful Morgan three wheeler.







2ND ANNUAL CAR SHOW IN EDINA

What would you expect from a car show located at a major shopping mall in September? Not much? Well, then you were in for a surprise. The second annual car show in Edina featured a pretty decent number of very nice classic cars, newer performance cars and Jaguars.

Some of the highlights were an unofficial competition for the most authentic drive-in food tray, a Vanderhall three wheeler (the modern version of a Morgan three wheeler) and a Jaguar XJC coupe with a V8 Corvette engine. Nearby the food at The Tavern On France was also excellent. May the car show organizers be forgiven for waving my boring Jaguar XJ8 into the guest parking lot. :-)

















HOLLY'S POOL PARTY & BBQ

Since our annual picnic at the beautiful event shelter at Emerson Automation Solutions in Eden Prairie was cancelled this year, our club president opened her home for a smaller pool party & BBQ event in Hudson Wisconsin.

The weather cooperated with beautiful sunshine. Briarwood Court was filled with Jaguars and other nice cars. The backyard was filled with people striking a balance between social distancing and enjoying the day. Luckily nobody dared to show up wearing nothing but a Speedo. (You would not be able to unsee that.) Scott Barren served as our grill master supplying a never-ending supply of burgers, brats and chicken. There was plenty of food and snacks to ensure nobody would lose any weight that day.

Jim Harris received his lifetime membership from Holly, including a nice Jaguar Club of Minnesota jacket. And a special thanks goes to Allen Dahl (license plate LUMBER) for sponsoring the event.



















FALL COLORS TOUR

Horace Beale did the usual great job (we are spoiled) picking a scenic route and restaurant for the fall colors tour. Starting at the park & ride in Lakeland the tour went through Afton Minnesota, across the St. Croix river drawbridge in Prescott Wisconsin (which has a great public dock right off main street in case you like boating & shopping), back to Hudson, past Willow River State Park, across the new St. Croix freeway bridge turning Wisconsin state highway 64 into Minnesota state highway 36 and into Stillwater Minnesota.

As you can see the trees cooperated beautifully, the only obstacle on the trip was a Trump rally (not getting into that) and all twenty cars and twenty people made it to the Lowell Inn in downtown Stillwater. No Allen wrenches, flat tires and spare tires this year. The Almond Crusted Walleye on the menu sure sounds (and probably tastes) like I should have been there.















45TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE XJ-S AT GAYDON









On September 10th 1975 Jaguar introduced the best Jaguar ever made - the slick, speedy and sexy Jaguar XJ-S - at the International Auto Show (IAA) in Frankfurt Germany. (Just kidding, E-Types are great as well. I might be a little biased here.) After a rocky start and almost phasing out the model in the early 1980s, the XJ-S and later XJS became one of Jaguar's most successful sports cars with a production run of 21 years and 115,413 coupes, targas and convertibles made.

To celebrate the car's 45th anniversary, the Jaguar Drivers' Club (U.K.) invited all Jaguars to a special Jaguar breakfast and car show at the British Motor Museum and Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust in Gaydon, Warwick, England on September 5th 2020. With over 600 Jaguars in attendance, 150 of them XJ-S, this was likely the largest (and most exciting) assembly of Jaguars in 2020. Some enthusiasts noted that only six of them were Series I (pre-HE) Jaguar XJ-S (1975-1981) which are becoming increasingly rare. (For comparison, a local club member owned eight pre-HE XJ-S until recently.)





THE ONLY JAGUAR IN THE COUNTRY?



Would you be excited to have the only Jaguar in the country? Well, you would either have to remove all the other Jaguars in the country or - much easier - move to a really small country that is not easy to get to or to ship to.

Welcome to Saint Helena in the South Atlantic! Saint Helena is a remote volcanic tropical island in the South Atlantic Ocean and the United Kingdom's second-oldest overseas territory. The island lies in the middle of nowhere (or roughly halfway between Africa and South America), covers about 47 square miles and has a population of roughly 4,500 happy people.

It offers picturesque shopping in colonial Jamestown, the real Jabob's ladder with 699 steps, hiking, fishing, sailing, boating, whale watching and a very relaxed attitude. 21 post box hiking trails to a heart-shaped waterfall, to a black sand bay, to the highest peak or to rock-lined ocean pools offer plenty of nature and a stamp and guestbook at the end of each trail (in a postbox). And lets not forget Jonathan, the 187-year-old giant tortoise born in 1832.

While there are plenty of Land Rovers on the island (because you can repair them with a wrench, a screwdriver and a rock), it appears that only His Excellency, Dr Philip Rushbrook, Governor of St Helena enjoys the sophistication of driving a Jaguar. So does he have the only Jaguar in the country? An enquiry with local authorities revealed that the governor's previous Jaguar is still on the island, driven by the Chief of Justice - which makes it two Jaguars in the country.

Most tourists love the quaint and quirky island where everyone still waves at each other (even though they are currently out of potatoes (again) and garbage bins). No mass tourism here. For more information about Saint Helena visit http://www.sthelenatourism.com/.







JOHN SHORROCK'S TRAVELS

In a regular year, the Goodwood Festival of Speed is an annual hill climb featuring historic motor racing vehicles held in the grounds of Goodwood House, West Sussex, England. This year the virus has cancelled the event. But when life gives you lemons, you make lemonade. And if you have a venue like Goodwood, you turn it into a drive-in movie theater called Secret Cinema. John and Carol had lots of fun with music from DJ Johnny Starlight and sitting in their car with popcorn and pop watching Dirty Dancing.

Next stop was a Land Rover classic car event near Beaulieu, the home to both Palace House and the British National Motor Museum. The British National Motor Museum It is also one of the largest car museums in England.

Lastly, Brooklands was a 2.75-mile (4.43 km) motor racing circuit and aerodrome built near Weybridge in Surrey, England, United Kingdom. It opened in 1907 and was the world's first purpose-built 'banked' motor racing circuit as well as one of Britain's first airfields, which also became Britain's largest aircraft manufacturing centre by 1918. The Brooklands Museum shows its rich history.

For more information, visit the following:
https://www.goodwood.com/motorsport/festival-of-speed/
https://www.beaulieu.co.uk/attractions/national-motor-museum/
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brooklands
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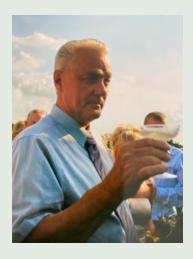








IN MEMORY OF THOMAS EPHREM LACLARE



Thomas Ephrem LaClare, age 76, of Cambridge died August 22, 2020 at Mercy Hospital in Coon Rapids. A memorial visitation to honor his life was held from 5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. Thursday, August 27th at Strike Life Tributes in Cambridge.

Thomas E. LaClare, passed away at the age of 76 after a hard-fought battle with cancer. Tom was born in 1944 in Minneapolis to Thomas J. and Laverne LaClare. While in the Army, Tom met Karen, his wife of 54 years. The two moved to Colorado just prior to their daughter Tammy being born, they then returned to Minneapolis to be closer to family and friends.

Once their son Tom was born, the two moved to Cambridge, MN where they would reside for the next 49 years. Tom worked as a Tool and Die Maker.

Tom was fortunate to be able to spend many summers sailing and fishing on Mille Lacs and winters sailing the waters of Florida. Most recently, Tom was a fanatical British car enthusiast and very active member in the MN Jaguar Club. He is survived by his wife Karen, children Tammy (Sally) and Tom (Nicole), grandchildren Dominique (David), Miranda (Jared), Noah and Mitchell. Tom was one of a kind and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.









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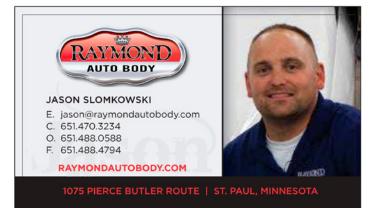
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