

# *DESERT CHAT*



March 2022

JCCA—JAGUAR CLUB OF CENTRAL ARIZONA  
(ARIZONA MOUNTAINS SKY—PHOTO: PIXABAY )





**Jeff Gennaro,**  
**President**

Wow, this is proving to be a great year of terrific Jag Experiences! The cats will continue to roar with our Arrowhead and Chandler "Jags and Java", the annual BEAR Run in late April, a new Sonoita tour and culminating with our annual Concours d' Elegance, November 4-6th . We have many tales and pictures of events on each newsletter bi-monthly issue. Our volunteers are small, but mighty. I thank you for your continued support. Participants, keep coming, we need the help. We always have a variety of event pictures in each newsletter issue and on our website, as well as a link to our newsletters. A new JCCA Club merchandise feature is in process on the website for selection and buying this year.

This year, we have made 2nd and 4th Saturdays as "event days" throughout the year, making planning easier to join us. Check the website for info @ jcca.club. See you soon!

**JCNA membership and clubs benefits offered.**

**MEMBERS**

- Score keeping for Concours, Slalom, Rally, for those clubs that participate.
- Bi-monthly magazine, technical articles, history, features, club doings along with Classified Ads in JJ, JCNA Website, Club Newsletters and Club Websites.
- A common communications network for intra-club activities, calendar of events with historical and technical information library access.
- JCNA Tech Hot Line is just a phone call away. Access to Coventry Foundation "JAGUAR TOOL LENDING PROGRAM"
- JLR NEW CAR PURCHASE discount program (where available).
- 5% discount on collector automobile insurance (HAGERTY).
- A common communications network for intra-club activities, and calendar of events.
- New JAGUAR owner membership referrals, PASSPORT TO SERVICE.
- JLR NEW CAR PURCHASE discount program (where available).
- Book and Gift Store inventory in the JCNA Store
- Authenticity Services for everyone through the Coventry Foundation
- An excuse to bring like-minded good people together

**NATIONAL AND REGIONAL CLUB**

- Blanket insurance for Club Events and all Club Officers and Directors
- The trophy awards program for Concours, Rally, Slalom, Club Newsletter, Service Awards.
- Annual Awards for individuals/clubs outstanding in several categories.
- Automobile Advertisers resources in the JAGUAR JOURNAL
- North American and Regional hosted events
- North American inter-club networking



**Mike Sbraga**  
**Membership Director**

Welcome, Jaguar Club Central Arizona (JCCA) Member Aficionados, to the March 2022 Desert Chat. At the end of 2021 JCCA had 100 Active Members and 7 Associate Members. We are now preparing the current JCCA 2022 Roster for Jaguar Club North America (JCNA) which has to be submitted by the end of February. As of now, we have 83 Active Members and 3 Associate Members. There are 37 JCCA members who have not renewed at this time. Before March, these current members need to renew their membership. It is extremely important so you can continue to participate in our JCCA and JCNA sanctioned events and receive JCNA benefits and the JCNA Bi-Monthly Jaguar Journal magazine.

JCCA is an active car club. If you look on our JCCA website (jcca.club), you will see events in 2020, 2021, and in 2022 we are not slowing down. We have our monthly "Jags & Java", taking place the 2nd Saturday of every month at either the Arrowhead Jaguar Land Rover Dealership or the Chandler Jaguar Land Rover Dealership, and our monthly "Drive & Dine". Check the website or the Newsletter for dates and locations. Either is an excellent way to stay in touch with your Jaguar friends. We are looking for club members to get involvement. We have an urgent need for someone to manage the club website, as well as someone to manage our presence on social media. Also, we can always use more help in planning & executing our events and suggestions of places to go and things to do.

Contact me at [membership@jcca.club](mailto:membership@jcca.club)

**Stay well my Jaguar Aficionados.**

**PS: Welcome new JCCA Members:** Syd Saperstein, Chris Gennone and Sandra Bencic. We look forward to seeing them at events in 2022. as well as "renewed members".

**Officers:** Jeff Gennaro, **President**

Robert Morgan, **Vice President, Treasurer**

Kim Morgan, **Secretary**

**Directors:** Phil Parker

Dennis Eynon

Membership: Michael Sbraga

**Chairpersons:** Dave Tuttle

Activities: Dave Tuttle

Photos::Tim Martin

**2022**





February Drive 'n Dine  
Long Bow Golf Club



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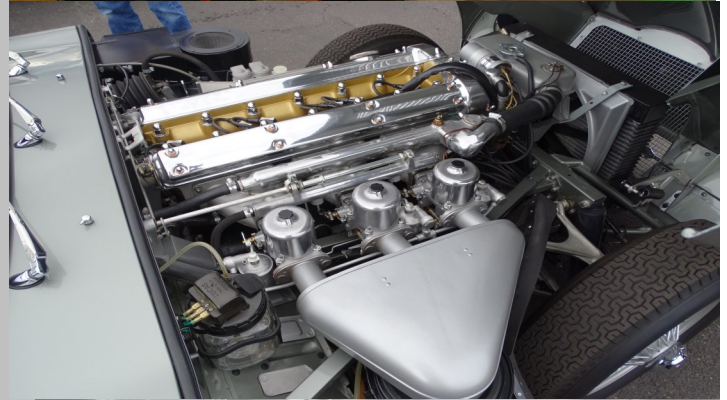




# January Drive & Dine



Italian-American Club Car Show





## Leaving a Legacy of your Car Hobby.

Rosemary Price



In 2015 Marvin was quite ill in the last month of his amazing life that included a life-long relationship with buying, restoring, driving and selling cars. He believed cars should be cared for and driven regularly. Whenever anyone asked Marvin which was his favorite car, he replied "Whichever one I am currently driving." He intended to have our fleet go into the hands of true appreciators of our cars. Marv had 3 adult children. Let's say that three of our 12 hobby cars were given away to his family. I like driving a manual-shift transmission in modern cars, but not so much in the 1940 decade that was majority of our collection. So, for me, I needed an automatic transmission and power brakes, only a few of which our cars satisfied that need.

OK, if we cannot leave our collection, what do we do with them? We were not against selling the rest and dividing the proceeds as a last resort, but we wanted others to enjoy our cars as much as we did. Sitting in a museum or parked outside in poor weather was not an option we thought.

For example, Lee Shapiro, a member of JCCA, donated his E-Type to the East Valley Technological automotive school. Many car hobbyists donate tools and Shop Service Manuals for reference and guidance as well. The school is a great depository for a mechanics library.

I found a museum in Amarillo TX that had every 1956 Cadillac model except the 1956 Sedan Deville. I had that car!



**Guide by Your Philanthropy**  
*How to Write a Legacy Statement –  
The Most Important Gift You Will  
Leave Behind*

by [Dawn Franks](#), Mar 20, 2018

Photos: R. Price

Marvin and I entered it in the 2012 Great Race, driving it from Phoenix (on original style bias-ply tires) to Washington D.C. Then leaving Washington D.C. July 4th from the steps of the U.S. Capitol. We ended 14 days later in Tacoma WA and drove the car home to Phoenix. The entire trip was over 11,000 miles in all sorts of weather without a hiccup. We had comfort and a/c inside our beautiful touring vehicle. Now, she is in the museum in Amarillo, playing with her other car family now. After Marvin passed, his children took what they wanted. I sold the rest that were not the automatic, more modern vehicle suited to my lifestyle and ability to maintain their wellbeing.

What are you about as a car hobbyist or collector of cars, memorabilia etc.? How do you enjoy your collection? Do you attend or participate in car shows that have charity elements, car shows designed to inform children to the types of cars in the past or even exotic cars of this modern era?

Here are some Legacy guidelines. These may help you, whether you leave your legacy of your life-long affair with cars or perhaps any other legacy you want to share with others. Now is the time to write your story. Begin with a Legacy Statement, include photos that make you smile, or sit in your garage and admire your toys while imagining how your life was enhanced by 1-2 tons of steel.

Why did you purchase or how did you inherit your hobby inventory?

Where did you drive or take your hobby products?

Review your photos of you or others enjoying your hobby.

How did your hobby improve or enhance your life or the life of others?

Reflect on stories of how you became interested in your hobby? What stories of your family or others can you use to describe your love of your hobby?

**Write a legacy statement!**



## More than a Jaguar, it's a "vehicle"



A veteran of Jaguars and JCNA, Bob's garage has its share of Jaguars, as well as other collectibles. Bob and his wife have been seriously active since they bought the beautiful Yellow Mark pictured above at an auction in Ftn Hills 13yrs ago. Bob is seen here receiving the JCCA "J&J People's Choice" award at January's dealer event. Notably, it was the 1st unanimous vote. But over the years, cars have been quite literally "a vehicle" for them. A vehicle for travel and making friends throughout the west by attending concourse, events, caravanning and "fun-runs" that they continue to enjoy. He could write a "book of stories from the road" from the adventures.

Currently, they keep an Austin Healy and a Lotus Elan in the garage along with the other 6 cars company, including a 1960 XK150, and his wife's F-type that is a 100pts car as is the Mark. In the past there have been an Opel GT, a few Porsches and some other Brit examples. A unique aspect of Bob's affinity to cars is shown by his adaptation of the "workings" of the XK 150 to make it a daily driver by adding A/C, among other changes to improve reliability. Healy is SUPERCHARGED as well!

The variety of cars has brought Bob and Lynn all over the western states to join other like-minded people for new experiences and fun. Along the way, they have won multiple trophies to include the prestigious *Muchenthaler* Trophy. The awards and accolades are not what gives them the greatest pleasure. No. It is the people and places that is *the vehicle* that drives them.

# Jaguar going all electric!



Jaguar will get its own EV platform under JLR's re-imagined electrification plan JLR CEO Thierry Bolloré said in an interview in 2021 with *Autocar*.

Called **Panthera**, the new platform will be "absolutely bespoke," Bolloré said. Designers and engineers are aiming to give Jaguar EVs distinct proportions to set them apart from those of sibling brand Land Rover, and that's being baked into the platform from the start.



According to reports, this will continue as new EVs arrive in 2022 and beyond. Announced last February, the Re-imagine electric strategy *canceled the new electric Jaguar XJ* sedan after years and billions of dollars in development but promised six new electric vehicles within the next five years—with an emphasis on SUVs. The plan for all new Jaguar model launches to be electric beginning in 2025 with 100% electric sales by 2030.

Recent reporting, using newly collated data, new car production switch is faster than its European rivals. **34%** of 2021 new car sales in the UK were electric models. This compares to some large companies, i.e. Ford, Volvo, Honda and Toyota producing less than 10% of their line. Major competitors like Porsche, Renault and Audi were well below. Sadly, the Land Rover release has been pushed to 2024. Investing 2.5 billion pounds and 44,000 new employees has positioned Jaguar as a European leader in EV models and on track to meet production targets of 2025-2030.

Jaguar has made some hard decisions to move into the 2020's and beyond. Among them is to eliminate the iconic sedans from production. The XJ flagship, along with the "baby Jags" X-type and S-type, have given way to SUV's and the very last remaining sports car. Since the early 60's the XJ in its various guises have always been the Gentlemen's car. Now, markets and sales are changing the face of Jaguar. Watch for a detailed article in future newsletter issue on the venerable XJ.



## ***All British, European, American Run (BEAR)***

*We have returned the 4th Annual BEAR to the spring with a newly planned tour. Dates are on Sunday and Monday due to a safer and less congested drive on the roads and freeways.*

*The Tour is not only a driver's dream but one for photographers too. See spring desert blooms, the majestic Superstitions and Mazatzal Mountains as you pass into the Tonto and Coconino National Forests. Explore sites along the Mogollón Rim and in the quaint "winery" town of Cottonwood. You can climb the red rock switchbacks of Sedona and Oak Creek and catch a whiff the fresh scent of the ponderosa pines in Flagstaff. After arrival, don't rest too long.*

*Be ready for the reception/dinner.*

**April 24 & 25, 2022 (Sunday & Monday)**







# Trippin' in Arizona



Arizona is unique in a number of ways. none the least are its vistas, points of interest and history. To enjoy them you need to go there, usually by driving. As the lyric begins “*If you get hip to this timely tip...*”, Route 66 is one such route to drive across the state. Coming east from Gallup, New Mexico going west, Rt. 66 crosses the state to the Colorado river, adding nostalgia to a drive of breathtaking beauty, charm and discovery that is uniquely Arizona.

Much of the discovery is just finding Rt. 66. Originally 350mi of the first “all-weather” U.S. highway linking Chicago to Los Angeles, it started in 1926 roughly following the 35<sup>th</sup> parallel taken by explorers and travelers for centuries. Today, most of the route lies beneath or parallel to Hwy 40, but a sharp eye will spot signposts along the way to draw you off into the past.

**Holbrook** is the first town from Gallup, NM after driving through the Painted Desert and Petrified Forest on the way past Meteor Crater, dubbed as Arizona’s 2<sup>nd</sup> most distinctive hole in the ground. Notably, the 1-mile wide crater is privately owned, but is a National Landmark. You can take a guided tour, view the meteorite causing the crater 50,000 years ago, an Apollo 11 space capsule, or the museum and gift shop.



The next stop is in **Winslow**. Check out the public park with a statue to the Eagles’ song of “a girl, my lord, in a flatbed Ford” fame. They hold an annual festival that draws crowds from around the country. (and a few flatbed Fords, lol.)

Again the song lyrics guide you thru **Winona** and **Flagstaff**. Don’t miss the attractions on this stretch of the Winona Trading Post and Walnut Canyon. Before Flagstaff proper and its notable historic downtown you can take a detour north on 89 to Sunset Crater Volcano. Flagstaff has hotels and cafes to make a welcome stop for hungry or tired travelers.

**Williams**, the gateway to the Grand Canyon, leads to **Seligman** where the first of Route 66 signs are painted on a stretch of the highway. The signs can be found along the route of some fun shops, eateries, museums, and historic buildings along with a working barbershop from 1927.



Don’t miss a stop in **Peach Springs**. the administrative headquarters of the Hualapai people, at the Grand Canyon Caverns and Grotto. The Caverns are the largest dry caverns in the U.S. You can explore along paved walkways, or take “off-path” Explorer Tours.



In **Kingman** be sure to stop for a homemade rootbeer float at Mr. D's diner. The Historic Route 66 Museum is housed across the street in an old power plant building. You'll find Rt 66 shields abound on the asphalt to lead you on .



Lastly, **Oatman** is a true old-west 1800's mining and ghost town. A village in the Black Mountains of Mohave County, it is named after an Illinois girl captured by local Native Americans in 1851. \$10 million in gold was discovered in 1915. Wild donkeys still roam the dusty streets of old shops where can they can be fed while watching the daily gunfight show. And be sure to say hello to the mayor of Oatman. He's a donkey! Really.



**Topock** is the last stop in Arizona before crossing the Arizona line into California. It lies between Bullhead City and Lake Havasu. With a population of 2100 the little town may be hard to miss but this ends a journey like no other you'll drive in the USA.

Whether you plan short excursions or the full experience, you can "get your kicks on Route 66".

*A unique drive across Arizona of wonder, charm and a renewed love of this great country and it's history that is sure to create lasting memories!*



# 2022 JCCA Calendar of Events

## "Jag & Java " Meet-Ups



### 2022 "Jags n Java"

**March 12th 2022, 10-noon**  
Arrowhead JLR, 101 loop and  
W Beardsley Rd.  
**Glendale, AZ 602-767-4611**  
*People's Choice Award Winner*

**April 9th 2022, 10-noon**  
Chandler JLR, I-10 and Ray Rd  
**Chandler AZ 480-900-1512**

**NOTE:** All J&J's 2nd Saturday of each  
month. Check website for details.

## Social Drives & Events



### Major 2022 events

#### 2022 BEAR RUN

**April 24-25th**

#### Sonoita Wine Run

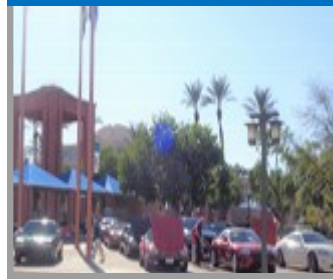
**Sept 30-Oct 1st**

#### Concours d'Elegance

**Nov 4-6th**

**The McCormick,  
Scottsdale**

## Meetings/Fun



### Visit these internet sites for 2022 Jaguar events:

CARSHOWZ.COM

ARIZONACARSHOWS.COM

EVENTBRITE.COM

JCSAZ.COM

Check the internet for other  
local and state events, as  
well as the JCSA (Jaguar  
Club of Southern AZ) and,  
of course, GOGGLE

## Special Events



### Coming non-JCCA local events:

#### **Arizona MG Club**

**March 5-6 Sat/Sun**

Annual Highland-  
Scottish Games Gilbert  
this year.

Car Show and Games

#### **Annual BWOC**

**November 7th, 2022**

Peoria Centennial

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