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JCCA “Thinking Outside the Box

Jags & Java, Car Shows, Concours...Judging, Scoring & Training



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Jaguar Club of Central Arizona

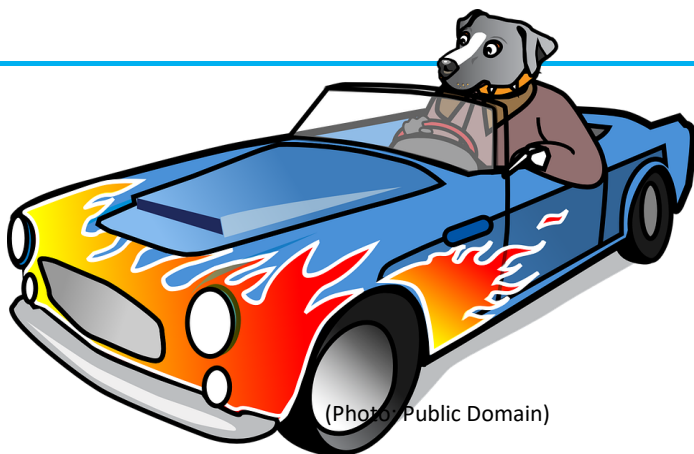
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Jeff Gennaro
President



"Thinking Outside the Box" is the theme for this newsletter. Beyond the obvious Jags & Java and Dine and Drives, there have been many questions about our different Car Events. We have combined our normal "Jaguar Life" segments threads of tech ideas with a new exploration of Jags & Java, Car Shows, Concours, Scoring, and Judges Training.

With the increasing costs of venues, we are attempting to "Think Outside the Box" for our events. Partnerships with Chandler J/LDR (Service Center Only, no sales) and Arrowhead Dealerships are still economical for us to meet. JCCA pays for the pastries, and dealerships provide the coffee.

Concerning Car Shows (See Definition p.13), partnerships have been solicited. This approach allows us to share the costs of venues. Costs for food, drink, and other items are on us. We postponed our 2023 Concours, trying to be more creative for 2024 in approaching the intricacies of the more involved JCNA-sanctioned event.

We are in need of "Thinking Outside the Box" to create a new team of Judges. I can't thank our JCCA Board enough for exploring and executing new ideas—a big Thank You to Dave Champion for stepping up to create new approaches to Judges Training. Kudos to Joleen Harrison for her work on FaceBook and X (old Twitter); we have attracted more guests and new members.

Our planning, marketing, humor, and cocktail experimentation are strengthened with Jim Vranich's help. (See Jim's first one-page Ad taken by Euro Sport, p. 6). Thanks to our newsletter authors and photographer, Mike Sbraga, Phil Parker, Rosemary Price, Andrea St. Gelais, Tim Martin and the Schafers, for their efforts. Sincere appreciation to the Morgans, Martins, and Harrisons for their support, problem solving, and gift giving.

It's time to see some of our "Thinking outside the box." Sign up on the website for the Nov. 18, Roaring '20s Event. (See Details p.5)

As we transition into 2024 the JCCA Board remains committed to the excellence and quality of the JCCA club member's experience. I look forward to seeing you on Nov. 18th. - Jeff



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Michael Sbraga
Membership Coordinator

Welcome Jaguar Club Central Arizona (JCCA) Member Aficionados to the Desert Chat Sept-Oct 2023 Edition. I am sure the first thing you saw and got excited about when you opened this Newsletter was the front cover. You are seeing a shadow, on the Superstition Mountains in Apache Junction, of a Cougar (Jaguar) chasing his meal. This shadow only appears twice a year for approximately one week, as the sun is setting.

Our current membership is 86 Active and 4 Affiliate Members. Our monthly Jags & Java (J&J) is starting up again. The fall J&J was held on October 14th at the Land Rover Chandler dealership. Please go onto the JCCA website to stay updated on when and where the J&Js and Drive & Dines (D&D) will occur.

Our Website, Newsletter, and Facebook page are great ways for our members to stay on top of upcoming events. We are keeping a record of what members are attending our events and will have year-end prizes for those who have attended the most events, traveled the furthest, etc.

JCCA is working on having a Car Show in November as part of our Annual General Meeting (AGM). We will also use this car show for Judges' Training, culminating in our Concours in April 2024. If you are a Judge, were a Judge, or are interested in becoming a Judge, please get in touch with Dave Champion, Chief Judge, @ wingnutchamp@yahoo.com or 602.702.2062.

If you know anyone who owns a Jaguar and does not belong to JCCA, please tell them about our Club and ask them to join. The yearly dues of \$85.00 pay both the JCCA and JCNA Memberships.

Don't forget to become involved with JCCA. We can always use more help in planning and executing our events. The more involved you are, the better the events.

Please provide me with any ideas you think you would like to see. Contact me at membership@jcca.club or 480-560-3057.

NOTE: We still need members to help JCCA with their website and Newsletter. Anyone experienced with Wild Apricot software, please come forward.

We need to go "High Tech" and save credit card fees. Forms and instructions will be on the website. Please use Zelle, Apple Pay, Venmo, or check instead of a credit card. Make your payment out to JCCA. If you need help, contact Robert Morgan (Treasurer) at rmorgan59@cox.net.

Stay well, my Jaguar Aficionados, Mike

JCCA 2023 CALENDAR



November

11/11/2023 Jaguar Club of So. AZ

Join the Ambassadors Group at Tucson's 50th Concours d'Elegance. La Encantada Shopping Plaza, 2905 E. Skyland Dr., Tucson. Registration now closed for car entrants, but come for the day to cheer on, the Flemings, Browns, and Schafers vying for national points from their 3rd Concours.

11/18/2023 JCCA'S Roaring '20s Car Show, Introduction to Judges Training, Elegant Brunch, Annual General Meeting, Awards and Tour of Janet Cussler's Auto Collection. Registration now open on website.



December

12/3/2023 JCCA's Jags & Java Holiday Partnership w/Arrowhead Dealership 19350 AZ—101 Loop, Glendale, AZ 85308

Joy Drive



Stop at the Dealership for J&J and donate toys to the children supported by H.E.L.P. This organization brings aide and comfort to at-risk displaced and homeless children in the local community. The Joy Drive benefits children ranging from newborn to 18 years of age. Toys must be new and unwrapped.

Watch your email and JCCA website for additional Holiday events.

J & J: p. 8, Photo IDs: Left Top & Bottom : Ken Hicks & son
Right Top: M. Schafer, Bergeses, L. Schafer, Pennypacker, Greenback, S. Champion, Wiseman, D. Champion, Gennaro
Right Center: Gorrie, Gennaro
Right Bottom: Browns & L. Schafer

JCCA's Event of the Year

November 18, 2023 , 11 a.m.– 4 p.m.

Roaring '20s — Car Show, Judges' Training, Elegant Brunch, AGM, Awards

Janet Cussler Auto Collection Tour

Scottsdale Air Park 16055 N. Dial Blvd. #B,516

Register— JCCA.Club



Janet, a JCCA Member



Car Show & Hands-On Judges Training



Roaring '20s Brunch & AGM/Awards
Among the Cars

Attire: Vintage Clothing Optional



See Janet & Clive's Collection of classic cars, fire engine, & air planes

This event is a **MUST DO** at the sprawling 7500 sq. ft. museum created by the famous Author Clive Cussler and his wife Janet. Register now on the website: JCCA.Club. This is our "Thinking Outside The Box" - experience hours of ingenious vehicle immersion created among the Cussler ambiance. In preparation for the 2024 Concours, use this event to show your car and gain judging knowledge. Although this is not a sanctioned JCCA Concours, newer cars and classics will be judged with a Car Show format. You may give your car a theme as well as attire for yourself—prizes for creativity.

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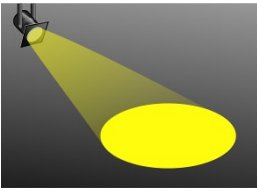
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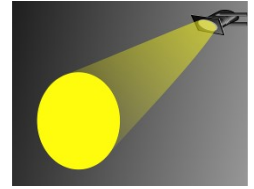
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Membership Spotlight



Martin Popov



One of JCCA's newer members is Martin Popov, born in the Republic of Bulgaria before moving to the United States with his parents. As a bilingual undergraduate student in both Slavic languages, Bulgarian and Russian, Martin worked extensively on individual and group projects, with a main focus on researching and investigating the former Intelligence Services as well as Intelligence Officers of the Eastern Bloc and their involvement in shaping the current geopolitical events in the Balkans, particularly in the Republic of Bulgaria and the Russian Federation (from 1991 till present day). He is an author of numerous course projects throughout his undergraduate career that required research skills, organizing and analyzing various types of information from various databases.

Some of these projects include, "*Russian Media and Law Enforcement*," with emphasis on the problems related to Russian media and law enforcement during Vladimir Putin's Presidency 2000-2023, as well as retrospect on the war in Chechnya and the involvement of the Federal Security Service (FSB) in the poisoning of the ex-FSB operative Alexander Litvinenko in England in 2006. "*Female Suicide Bombers: The Chechen Black Widows*", with emphasis on the Chechen women and their struggles with centuries old Muslim traditions versus present Islamic fundamentalism.

With an interest in government service, Popov worked at the Arizona Attorney General's Office, Special Investigation Division, where, through excellent teamwork, communication,

interpersonal, analytical, and computer skills, he was awarded a *Certificate of Appreciation* in 2011.

He also worked as a Senate Page during Arizona State Senate's 51ST Legislature, 2nd Regular session, where he performed various duties such as attending to the needs of the Senators while on the Senate Chamber floor and delivering correspondence to the Secretary of State, the Governor, and the Chief Clerk's Office. As a result of his performance, he was awarded a Certificate "Page of the Month" in January 2014 and a "*Certificate of Appreciation*" by the President of Arizona State Senate in April of 2014.

Popov is a recipient of the prestigious FBI National Academy Academic Scholarship and the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners Academic Scholarship. Martin is also a member of the Association of Former Intelligence Officers (AFIO), working closely with active and former members of the US intelligence community, the International Association for Intelligence Education (IAFIE), The OSINT Foundation, and the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement (IDGA). He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminology and Criminal Justice from the College of Public Programs, Arizona State University, Class of 2013.

Popov enjoys outdoor travel in his spare time with his personally maintained 1995 and 1996 Jaguars Vanden Plas, US specs/ or Daimler Sovereign UK specs. Late Jaguar Chief Designer Geoff Lawson originally designed both X300 models in production from 1994 to 1997.



(Photos: Popov File)

Jaguar Life — End of Summer @ AZ Casino Drive & Dine - Breakfast - 8/26/2023

THE WILLOWS RESTAURANT

Photos By Jim Martin



Top: L/R Schafer, Gorrie, Morgans

Top Center: Two Guests, Braly

Center L & C: Gennaro, St. Gelais, Randalls, M Schafer, W. Martin, L. Schafer, Gorrie, Morgans

Top R: Andersons & Pearcys

R: P. Martin, L. Schafer, Gennaro, Randalls, M. Schafer, W. Martin

JCCA's Tech Car—Waiting for Paint



JCCA's Jags & Java - Fall Meet 10/14/2023 - East Valley Chandler: Jaguar Service Center

Photos by Jim Martin



Car of The Day.
Engine Wrap WOW!
Bolts, Nuts, Skeletons



(See Name IDs, p.4)

Hot Rods Visiting





JCCA's Annual Wine Country Tour—Sonoita/Tombstone,

Sept. 22-24, 2023

By: Larry Schafer

(Photos by Editor & Tim Martin)

See the overview of our October Wine Tour. Go to Tim Martin's meet-up [YouTube](#) interviews at [JCCA Sonoita Wine Tour 2023](#). Wait for the pauses between interviews. Some of the slower and anxious Cats left early and missed their appearances. Kudos to Tim for experimenting with the "live" digital age. Watch for Tim's signature, his **WHITE SNEAKERS**.

Our Treasure Hunt started roaring toward Tucson, AZ. If you have been on this trip before, you know that the President, Jeff Gennaro, gives only oral directions. First stop: "When on the I-10 freeway, look for sign on Grant Street."



Drivers with navigators and cell phones had the advantage. While driving his Maroon 140 sans navigator, Jack Braly was distinctly handicapped, leaving first but cruising in last. Rosemary Price, driving an F-Pace consulted her navigator, Larry Schafer, who declared no up-in-the-air sign was seen. As Price approached Grant Street in the inside lane for a left turn, Marj Schafer spotted the sign on the façade of the building. With a gunning of all paws, the F-Pace quickly leaped 3 traffic lanes and made a right turn onto Grant. Ah ha! the First Treasure found.

The Cats were off again. Oral Directions: Go East, miss the Nogales turn, and look for the Sonoita exit sign. Again, Braly led thinking that his classic Jag was a bit slower. It was assumed all made the Sonoita turn onto the two-lane rolling hills road. Arriving at the hotel, no Jack! No cell answer. Being close to the Border, questions circulated around the

nefarious motives of others. Treasure found! Jack's 140 rolled in with a gas stop explanation. Cats corralled, the group unleashed at the Sonoita "Steak Out" Saloon.

Day Two: In preparation for whipping up the "feline pack," President Gennaro presented his creative Italian Continental Breakfast, complete with Bellinis, Bloody Marys and Brats.



Pres. Jeff

With "rags" (napkins) down, it was time for the Treasure Hunts: follow signs to Tombstone, AZ. Streets closed to cars, find the dirt parking lot, and meet at "Big Nose Kate's for lunch and Sarsaparilla." Although, "Tall Jack" warmed up



Harrisons, Schafers, Gennaro, Price, Vranich, & Adkinses

his 140 starting ahead of the faster Oncas, he was not in Tombstone's south parking lot. Possibly out looking for the next Treasure, Mexican Vanilla, needed for Sunday Brunch.



With the XJS, F-Pace, and F-Types parked, the group of hearty street walkers explored the town "Too Tough to Die." Sites included Wyatt's Hotel, Blacksmith's Shop, Tombstone Sarsaparilla, the town's own vintage wine-tasting store with a brewery in the back.

Although not seeing Jack, the group found Big Nose Kate's roaring with country music, corseted waitresses, and fun galore. Jack Found Us.



Considering Gary Harrison's "Rump" dancing technique, he's nominated for JCCA Activities Director. (Photo Censored)



Sheriff sends G. Harrison back to Jolene

Wine Country Tour—Continued—Los Milics Vineyards + More (Photos: Winery, Editor, Fleming, Anderson)

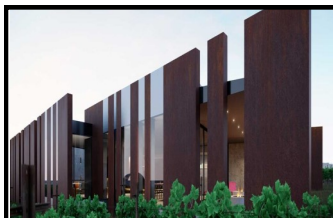
Giving up the Stagecoach and rolling on to the “Winery” Treasure Hunt, our mighty band was teleported to what appeared a Stonehenge facsimile in the



Salisbury Plain of Wiltshire, England. While most drivers understood Jeff's directions, had a map from the hotel, or used their phones, both Tall Jack and the Schafers, chauffeured by Rosemary Price, missed the transporter. Just a few miles from the hotel, both passed each other in opposite directions. Jack's 140 made a second try at finding the road leading to Pavel Milic's winery.



Framed by the Mustang Mountains and the iconic Biscuit ridge stood vertical and horizontal sarsen concrete, metals, glass pillars, and walls reaching to the heavens surrounded by acres of ripening grapes.



This magnificent environment housed a tasting room, restaurant, and guest casitas, giving an unforgettable wine experience. One-way glass walls looking out at the vines entertained those on the inside with selfie picture takers, not realizing their frolics were seen. USA Today selected Los Milics' Vineyards as one of the country's top 3 wine experiences. JCCA drivers indeed found the Treasure of this tour.

Back at the Sonoita Inn, while Cats were dusted and drivers and navigators napped, the Italian Dynamo Chef, Jeff, put on his apron to prepare the next gourmet dinner. Drivers wore colorful Jaguar T-shirts sporting the theme,



"Jaguars and Wine Makes Everything Fine."

Eighteen awards were given, with Ron and Josey Atkins, newbies picking up the most. Jolene and Gary Harrison collected the Clean Car and the Dionysus of Frivolity & Wine Awards. Jim Vranich won the Crazy Chemist Award with his cocktail concoctions replacing the wine.



Four unexpected guests joined in, two from Tucson's Pantera Club, who saw our Jags and decided to stop in. Two University of Arizona medical school residents, suddenly appeared and were double booked with the Atkins; the problem was quickly resolved. Maybe possible new Jaguar Owners.



Gennaro, Harrison, J. Atkins, Braley, R. Atkins.

Sunday's farewell Treasure Hunt Breakfast found an earlier exiting Jack trying to get back to Phoenix before the temperature hit the 3 digits. Others enjoyed another leisurely breakfast cooked by Jeff and Gary Harrison. Like Saturday's menu offerings included: farewell toasting, pastries, mouthwatering cooked veggies, omelets, and French toast. (Not Mexican; no one found the Vanilla; maybe not valuable enough for smuggling.) So, the sun set on a successful 2023 JCCA Wine Tour.

JCCA missing two of our tour members: off on their own European Tours.



Larry & Janelle Fleming @ Ferrari Plant, Italy



The Andersons @ Hellenic Motor Museum, Athens, Greece

JCCA's Ambassadors' Trip



By Larry Schaefer
(PHOTOS: Editor's File)

Rip Van Winkle's Saga: It wasn't a dream; I remember Bob and Lynn Brown as Ambassadors traveling to different Concours with their pristine Jaguars seeking camaraderie and national points. Several years ago, they introduced JCCA members to the Inland Empire Concours held in the mountainous town Idyllwild, CA, above Palm Springs. Leaving the desert floor and climbing over 7000' on a two-lane road with only a few turnouts, is a La Mans challenge. But wait...the challenge is more demanding; try pulling your car ensconced in an 18' trailer.

To my surprise, Mike Savos, Inland Empire President, Mark Mayuga (JCNA Dir.), and Charlie Hallums (LA Club) created a double Concours. First Saturday was the local IE Show, followed by Sunday's Southwest Regional Concours. Gaining points from two shows offered an incentive to accept the road challenge and unforeseen dramas.

On Sept. 27/28, in remembrance of the 19'20s classic song, "California Here I Come," 8 JCCA "Trailer Queen" Ambassadors set out for an eventful Idyllwild, CA, trek.

Bob and Lynn Brown left early Sept. 27, trailering their 1962 Yellow, MK2 Jaguar Saloon.



Bob Brown

earlier hurricane washing out road. Freeway: La Mans, running for a position with multiple semi traffic on two lanes. Implementing Le Mans' driving skills as semi's tire explodes in front of us.

Drama: Mountain Road – 2 lanes, newly paved and widened after a fire several years ago. Implemented Le Mans skills again to dodge faster passers-by.

Drama: Slight. Arrive in Idyllwild – Register in a rustic cabin and house. Registered too late to get everyone in a cabin. Good start. Unhooked trailers, attended Inland Empire hospitality reception, received participants "Goodie Bag" full of swag.

Drama: Discuss fixing Schafers' tailpipes and Muffler – need to drive into Concours under the car's own power. Guest trailer hauler Radoccia will get up early, push E-Type out of the trailer, and reconnect "bungee cords" to hold up the irritant mechanisms.

Drama: Schafers have nightmares of Radoccia having a heart attack at 7000' or jack releasing, and car falling on him. E-Mail Radoccia, Saturday, 1 a.m. "Forget the early repair. We will scratch the Idyllwild Concours and use the time to fix the car for the Regional."

Drama: Schafers Saturday, 6:30 a.m. call to Mike Zavos, "Scratch car for today's show!" Answer: "NO, there is time; we will send Inland Empire's Restorer, Jim MacLaughlin, to aid Radoccia in the fix." 9:48 a.m. E-Type enters the Concours Judging area under its own power; we're back in the race for points!

Drama None: Robert & Marcia McNeese, JCCA members arrived as spectator Ambassadors.




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Larry and Janel Fleming, Sept 28, leaving from Schafers trailering their newly restored 1965 E-Type (first time out of the garage).



Marj & Larry Schaefer (that's us) with guests Janelle & Chris Radoccia assisting in trailering the 1968 restored E-type.

Drama: Developed immediately. **Tech Tip:** Our E-type was too low for the enclosed trailer and knocked off the muffler. Q. Do we go or not? How do we fix it? A. Tie the Muffler and pipes up with  "bungee cords." Problem solved!

Drama: Continues in the driveway. Larry falls over his cane and breaks or bruises his ribs. Q. Go for X-Ray? A. No, go to CA. We are off. Uneventful drive on the freeway to Ehrenberg, AZ, lunch, gas up, plan mountain road exit. Q. to use the Brown's exit plan at the Monterey exit or go further on the freeway and use the Banning exit. Q. Who wanted to see the "save the environment, windmills?" A. Banning won, saw the white giants spinning their arms.

Drama: Freeway to Palm Springs: road construction due to

Drama: 11 a.m. Flemings' 65 E-Type having its first Championship judging following restoration. Mountain thunderstorm begins with sprinkles. Judges spend an excessive amount of time discussing point infractions. Fleming, listed by many as an E-type expert, prepares appeal.



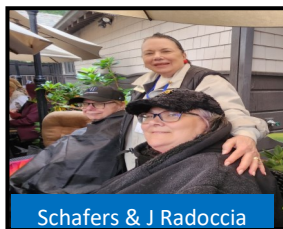
Drama: None for Browns' MK2 Saloon. Maybe it pays to be a member of both clubs.

Drama: Schafers Judging S2 Modified: (Not competing against Fleming's Championship Class.) Sprinkling increased to rain. Like Fleming, a possible appeal of the same deduction on the length of rubber around the front bumper area.

Drama: Heavy thunderstorm expected at 6 p.m., corresponding to the time for the Idyllwild outdoor gourmet dinner and awards ceremony. Event moved to 3 p.m. No time to re-dress. Put on car covers and, with less than a recognizable rendition of "Singing in The Rain," moved to Ferro's restaurant.

MAJOR DRAMA: At 3 p.m., the street started to flood in front of the restaurant. Participants are seated for \$70 each OUTDOOR event. Wine ordered, appetizers served, RAIN GUSHED DOWN. Cocktail glasses filled with H2O, olives, bread sticks, and garlic butter floated on ceramic plates. My \$300 Pebble Beach car jacket defied its label of "Do Not Get Wet."

Awards in the Rain – U-Haul blankets offered, dinner entrees, and dessert packed as "To Go." Deluging downpour: Mike



Schafers & J Radoccia

Savos carried on with the first-day awards: Browns: First Place Championship: Class C8/SLS, (99.75).

Fleming: ←
Championship



Second Place: Points under protest and appeal pending.

Schafers' Modified First Place (S2) (9.986). (Thanks to Radoccias & McNeeses for being our Cheerleaders.)

Day 3: Southwest Regional Concours. –Cool/Sunny

Drama: None. Browns touched up their Cat, Flemings un-trailerred Black Beauty, and Schafers uncovered E-Type's British Flag protective shroud. Ceramic glaze did its job!

Drama: Some. "Rags Down," Judging started, mostly the same judges as the first day. Schafers were off and running with

mechanicals. All lights and horns worked. Browns continued conversations with LA members. Judges again logged errant infractions from day one against Fleming.

Drama: Judging Over: in preparation for the Champagne Car Parade through Idyllwild and a drive to Inspiration Point, Schafers couldn't get the T-Type started. Inland Empire LA clubs all provide diagnostic help. Bob Brown and Keith Webb (LA CLUB) provided diagnosis, replaced the Coil, and cleaned the connectors. (Brown just happened to have an extra Coil.)– DIDN'T WORK. Put the old Coil back on.

Keith Webb's (LA Club) son car buff and Concours photographer connected the Noco Boost Pro Quick Charger–NOTHING HAPPENED.

Flemings' Cat meowed for comfort and was re-trailerred. Fleming, Radoccia, and others bonded in a Viking pushing match, re-trailerred the errant maroon beast. The muffler and tailpipes fell off again.

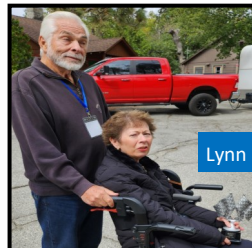


Fleming, C. Radoccia, et.al.

Drama: None. Wives checked out quaint shops while waiting for the touring group to return for the Awards Ceremony.

Drama: Medium, another first Champion.

Browns racked up place with a 99.99



Lynn & Bob Brown

Schafers' wayward Cat (power not questioned), scored another first with 9.994. Flemings' Trailer Queen, came in again with points under protest and appeal pending.

Drama: Limited. Gastronomic Restaurant Dinner combined the Phoenix teams with Charlie Hallums (Regional Show Coordinator, other CA members, and John Adamson entertaining IE member who lives in Idyllwild.

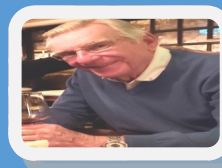
Drama: Shocker – Tech Insight: Day 4, Gas fill-up, California prices, almost \$7.00 a gallon. Smooth running back to Phoenix. We dropped E-Type at Fleming's shop. Two hours later, the mechanic put the battery charger on. The car started and ran fine! \$450 for Muffler, tailpipes, and spring on the accelerator. We're not done. Trailer rental beyond the original price of \$600, added \$200 for floor wood repair from tailpipe gouge. Overall, being a part of the Ambassador Group was a blast. However, it may have cost the same as a 7-day Viking cruise.



"Thinking Outside the Box"

JCCA's Jags & Java, Car Shows, Judges' Trainings, Concours, Overview

(Photos: Parker, Editor's file)



By Phil Parker

Passion is the word for many of us who love Jags & Java, Car Shows, and Concours d'Elegance. The Jaguar Marque (a word used with classic brands) became my vehicle of choice. As a teen learning to drive, my father's XK140 OTS roared out the driveway, and the "Jag Passion Bug" bit. I have had a long history with the Jaguar Clubs of North America (JCNA), the Jaguar Association of Greater Indiana (JAGI), and I later became a member of the Jaguar Club of Central Az (JCCA). The "Jaguar Bug" became a disease of passion when I purchased the 1956 XK140 OTS, 1988 XJSC, 1997 XJ6 VDP, 1999 XJ8 OTS, 2000 S Sedan, and 2008 XK. When asked to be an officer, coordinate clubs and many show events, participate as a judge, and serve as a Chief Judge, my pride tugged a bit. This is not just a "guy thing!" We have many women owners, officers, and committee members. For many new to our gatherings, the following descriptions may give you insight into our car hobby's enjoyment, excitement, and pride.



Cars & Coffee (Jags & Java)

"Thinking Outside the Box" JCCA, wanting to advertise our Marque, changed the name to Jags & Java. These meets are generally held at the Chandler Jaguar/Land Rover dealership on the East side of the valley and the Arrowhead Jaguar/Land Rover dealership on the west side. J&Js are open to all members, friends, and passersby. We often pick up a few guests (potential members) waiting for their cars in dealership service areas. If you are thinking ahead, you can make a dealership reservation, come to J&J, and have your car serviced at the same time. We often feature a "class" of Jags to discuss and view members' cars. During the inside coffee and pastries gatherings, informal meetings are held covering the latest events of the Club.



Car Shows – Multiple & Single Marques

JCCA's Car Shows are another way for us to "Think Outside the Box." It is the informal way of "learning about our Marque and its different Classes. While it is not a sanctioned Jaguar Club of North America (JCNA) meet for national points, it establishes a camaraderie between our members and others (potential members) wanting to show off their Jags. This is a great place to learn about the pitfalls and advantages of owning a particular year, make, and model Jag. Owners look forward to sharing

details about their car and how difficult, easy, or expensive a restoration was. JCCA's Car Shows judging offers viewers and owners the opportunity to pick awards like People's Choice, Best Theme (creative idea based on car year, Class, or season, often with decorations and owner's attire to match). Many owners display history items or pictures of cars in restoration. **PLAN TO**

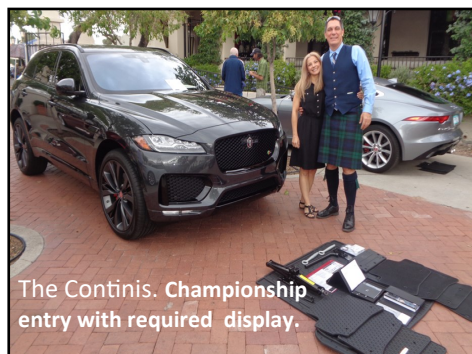
SIGN UP FOR OUR "ROARING '20s CAR SHOW EVENT OF THE YEAR: NOVEMBER 18, 2023, IN SCOTTSDALE (See p.5 for Event Details).



Concours d'Elegance – JCNA Sanctioned Events & Judges Training

Surviving the COVID age, our Club is "Thinking Outside the Box" for new approaches to our Concours d'Elegance. While using the old weekend approach, hotel and food prices have escalated, fewer trained judges exist, and fewer spectators participate. As we prepare for our 2024 Concours, we are looking at partner participation with other events as a venue for additional spectators. Use our November 18th JCCA Car Show as an introduction to hands-on Judges Training to gain knowledge about classes, become an apprentice judge, or aid in renewing your JCNA certificate. The following are some history and current procedures for sanctioned JCNA Concours.

Wikipedia's [Concours d'Elegance](#) History: (French: *Concours d'élégance*) is a term of French origin that means a "competition of elegance" and refers to an event where prestigious vehicles are displayed and judged. It dates back to 17th-century France, where aristocrats paraded horse-drawn carriages in the parks of Paris during summer weekends and holidays. Over time, carriages became horseless, and the gatherings became a competition among vehicle owners to be judged on the appearance of their vehicles.



The Continis. Championship entry with required display.

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The sanctioned Concours d'Elegance competition events sponsored by the Jaguar Clubs of North America, Inc. (JCNA) have operated from JCNA's beginning under rules agreed upon by the affiliated Clubs. "Guidelines for JCNA-sanctioned events have evolved by conscientious trial and error over the last several decades, says former JCNA President Les Hamilton. They are not perfect by any means, but the JCNA Rules have set the owners of Jaguar automobiles on a correct course, seeking originality and authenticity. The desire is to promote uniformity of judging at JCNA-sanctioned Concours d'Elegance competition events." Only the most current edition of the Rule Books is used in operating and judging any JCNA Sanctioned Concours.



The rules are mandatory for all events leading to the North American JCNA Concours d'Elegance Division Championships. A summary of key rules follows below. If your passion is developing, complete Rule Books, including specific car Classes, can be downloaded or purchased online at the JCNA website.

The primary purpose of the JCNA Concours is to encourage the owners of Jaguars to preserve, maintain, and present their Jaguars in as clean and authentic a condition as possible (see Chapter II for exceptions to authenticity in Special Division Classes). A secondary purpose is to celebrate all Jaguars and their owners by creating an event where people may share all degrees of interest in owning, driving, maintaining, and restoring Jaguars.

JCNA's Concours year runs from January 1 through November 30. Concours levels include Club, Regional, and National events, e.g., the International Jaguar Festival. For Concours scores to be eligible for annual JCNA Concours Standings, Champion Division, Special Division, and Driven Division competition must be offered at each Concours. Whether you show or not, many members become "Concours Groupies" and set their vacations based on US, Canada, and Mexico visitations. Not only are there Concours to view, but often, there are speakers, tours, and award activities.

Winning an award often helps with the provenance when selling your car. Locally prepared trophies are provided at the Club's discretion; some Clubs present perpetual trophies (engraved with the name of the yearly recipient) and return them to the Club for re-presentation each year. Clubs may also present trophies (of their design and at their own expense) in recognition of accomplishments such as Best in Show, Longest Distance Driven To Compete, Longest Distance Trailered To Compete, Oldest Jaguar in Show, Best Engine Compartment, Hard Luck (En-Route Damage), Display Peoples' Choice.

At the conclusion of each JCNA Concours year and at the next North American Annual Meeting, Concours d'Elegance Awards are presented three deep, in each of the Champion, Special, and Driven Division Classes. These annual awards are determined by averaging the Entry's 3 highest scores during the Concours year. Entries competing in 3 or more JCNA Concours automatically become eligible for a North American award in their particular Division and Class.

The Champion Division is the most demanding JCNA Concours Division. It challenges its Entrants to research, prepare, and present the judged portions of their cars in their original, authentic, factory-delivered configuration and condition. All Entries in the Champion Division will have their interiors, exteriors, engine compartments, and boots judged for authenticity, condition, and cleanliness.

The Driven Division also challenges its Entrants to research, prepare, and present their Entries in their original, authentic, factory-delivered configuration and condition. However, Driven Division is for Jaguars that, regardless of age, are in regular use. In consideration of this usage, Driven Division Entries do not have their engine compartments or boots judged, and certain convenience and safety-related authenticity exceptions are allowed. The exteriors and interiors of Driven Division Entries are judged to the same standard as Champion Division.

The Special Division Classes include S1/PD Factory-produced and prepared Competition Jaguars, factory-sponsored Competition, and Limited Production Jaguars.

The S2 Modified Class is for Jaguar vehicles of any year and model that have been substantially personalized, modified, or customized. Entries must be equipped with functional horns, headlights, taillights, brake lights, parking lights, license plate lights, backup lights, and turn signals appropriate to the vintage. To be eligible for this classification S2/MOD, entries must be submitted in advance with a list of 40 points or more of deductions for judged, non-authentic, or missing features or components.



I hope I stirred your 'bite of passion' for our Marque. **Sign up for JCCA's "Thinking Out of the Box," November 18, 2023, Roaring '20s Event of the Year: Car Show, Judges Training Introduction, Brunch, Annual General Meeting, and Awards Ceremony (See Details, p. 5). See You Soon, Phil**



“Here Comes The Judge!”

By: Rosemary Price; JCCA Past Pres., Certified Judge

At a Concours, the non-communicative glance scrutinizes and critiques your prized and super clean hobby car, all with one sweep of the eyes. Ugh, was that a good or bad jerk of the head as the judge picks up the clipboard with your car's score sheet attached.

The judging team, (Championship=3/4; Driven=2/3) who have earned the status of Certified or Apprentice judge, break into their individual judging responsibility: interior, exterior (paint, scratches, and body fit) engine compartment (Championship only, screws, bolts, rubber, etc.), all areas are judged on cleanliness and authenticity. Your responsibility is to stand aside without comment. The appropriate judge will make a technical observation by having you turn on and off lights, turn signals and using the horn. Multiple horns must have the correct tone and each horn must be heard during the one-tap of the horn demonstration.

Judgement is against the condition the car was originally delivered in. Judges are not supposed to communicate with each other about the vehicles unless they need help determining things like if the wipers work, lights come on, etc. Points are taken for damaged, dirty, or missing parts.

What are the judging criteria?

The judges are instructed that a car does not have to be perfect but to look for an “excellent car”

Judgement is not given based on the car it's parked next to or any other car in the show. Judgement is against the condition the car was originally delivered in.

Authenticity points are taken away when a part is chrome when it was originally painted/brushed/etc.

How Jaguar Marque and Model Cars at Concours Are Usually Judged (or How They Should Be)

You have an impressive ride, there is no doubt about that — so why didn't it sweep the board at the latest Concours you entered it in? Mainly because the standardized Concours takes a lot of the “fun” aspects out of judging. That super custom paint job, or Gen-III engine swap isn't going to get a trophy at sanctioned Jaguar Concours. What most Concours judges value is authentic restoration, which some people view as “correct” and some view as “boring.”

Therefore, if you want to take top prize at a Jaguar Concours, a 100-point restoration is the “easy” way to do it. But of course, there's nothing easy about a 100-pt resto, not to mention, there's a LOT to be said for classics that aren't 100% classic. (See Modified Categories.)



Southwest Regional Concours Judges 2023 (Photo: Editor's file)

How to be disqualified In Championship Concours

- The car has a replica body
- The braking system isn't authentic
- There is no approved fire extinguisher
- Non-safety glass in exterior windows
- Non-authentic transmission
- Non-authentic engine

Finally, here are the main authenticity deductions entries have to deal with. (The exception to any of these would be if the factory included these details):

- Turn signals are modern or commercial
- The car has sealed beam headlights
- Hose clamps are incorrect for the era
- The exterior of the wiring is plastic
- Upholstery is made of synthetic materials
- Vinyl or plastic is used on tops or boots
- Non-authentic air conditioning
- Non-authentic power steering

The key take-aways: The purpose of entering your car is simply to see where your car stacks up to the authentic check-list or approved modifications checklist. Showing your car sets you apart from the club membership simply because you enjoy your car so much; you want others to enjoy it also. Championship or Driven categories; either one is a great way to see if there are any improvements you can make to your car to bring up your score. It is all optional.

There Goes The Judge; a nice person without the clipboard!

(References: JCCA judging rules; CCA – Classic Car of America judging rules; Lessons and hard knocks learned by author as a Judged Concours entrant and information learned in the JCCA Judge's Training Course and Test.)



Note from Editor: Like many female JCCA members, Andrea became a member because of her spouse having a love for Jaguars. "That was 30 years and a few months ago, she says. I was the woman behind the JCCA Newsletter Editor, President (several times) and Head Judge for many years. At some point I got talked into being the Membership Director and head of the Concours

A competition is an event in which many people participate to determine who is best at a particular activity. It could be purebred dogs, bodybuilding, baking apple pies, or Jaguar cars. Hence, the Concours d'Elegance was born to determine the best of Jaguar cars. Competitions like Concours require judges and clear criteria for determining the best.

Starting in 1975, the JCNA Concours Committee compiled the first edition of the Rule Book. The Rule Book was created to set clear judging criteria so participants know how their entries will be judged. The criteria will also tell the judges what to look for and how to assign values. It minimizes the bias and provides a guideline to educate new judges. They are not perfect by any means, but the JCNA Rules have set the owners of Jaguar cars on the correct path, seeking authenticity, cleanliness, condition, and appearance.

Judging a competition can be a challenging task. It requires a lot of attention to detail and fairness, but does not require a judge to be an expert in every detail of every Jaguar car ever created. To become a judge, an individual must pass an open-book test on a range of Jaguar car questions. Judges' training can be carried out with in-person, video sessions, and studying the rule book for a specific class. **"Thinking outside the box," JCCA proposes to use a Car Show approach giving future judges or those looking to improve their skills a hands-on experience in addition to other types of training. This approach gives judges a chance to know what they are looking for during a Concours.**

JCNA Concours committee(s) developed a score sheet (checklist) with simple items such as working horn, lights, and cleanliness. The scoresheet also includes values for each infraction for fairness. Judging is done in teams of 2-3 judges, and the Chief Judge should include an experienced Judge in each group. If there is a question regarding any item on the scoresheet, the Judges can defer to the Chief Judge, who has access to the Rule Book library.

Here's a sample portion of a score sheet:

INTERIOR

Woodwork, Vinyl & Leather (except seats) Min Max
Deduct Deduct

BOOT (Champion & Special Divisions Only)

Paint, Side Panels, Mats, Carpet, Battery Min Max
Deduct Deduct

28	Scratched/chipped/etc.	0.1	7	.	1	Scratched/torn/ cracked	0.5	11	.
29	Poor finish/repair/dented	0.2	7	.	2	Dented/dimpled	0.5	11	.
30	Faded/worn/hole	0.3	7	.	3	Faded/peeling/worn	0.5	11	.
31	Corroded/pitted/rusted	0.2	7	.	4	Poor fit	0.5	11	.
32	Cleanliness	0.1	26	.	5	Cleanliness	0.1	16	.
Total					Total				

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JCNA Concours events have 3 divisions of competition: Champion, Driven, and Special. You can select the Division that best suits your needs based on your car, experience, and competitive nature. If you are not ready for competition, you may place your car in Display. The club will set award parameters for cars in this Division.

When scoring, Judges mark any deductions on the 3–4-page score sheet and turn them over to the Scoring team to calculate the final score. If the Scoring team has questions regarding a deduction, they will bring the score sheet to the Chief Judge or individual Judge for clarification. Therefore, judges must write (print) clearly. After the judging, the Chief Judge reviews the score sheets and assigns the appropriate award, if warranted. These awards are typically given shortly after the Concours event.

Note that you cannot judge in that category if you entered a car. If there is only one car in a category, it must pass at least 90 points to receive an award. If you are not showing a car but have a penchant for numbers, volunteer for the scoring committee. It takes at least 3 scorers per Concours to validate all scoresheets. Once the awards are given, the Chief Judge and an assistant validate the sheets again and forward scores back to the participants and JCNA. When participants enter 3 JCNA-sanctioned shows or more, they are placed into the regional and national competition for yearly awards. Judging is essential to the Concours event and a great way to broaden your Jaguar knowledge. In addition, you will get to see some amazing Jaguars up close.



David Champion, our new Chief Judge, comes to JCCA with a British accent and a wealth of car experience. In preparation for our 2024 Concours, Dave is soliciting members who would like to take an easy walk-through learning to Judge or those who need to renew their certificates. In "Thinking Outside the Box," a hands-on compare and contrast of cars within classes offers an excellent introduction to training—other trainings to be scheduled later in the year and early 2024.

Sign up for the fun Judges' Training at the November 18 Roaring '20s Car Show - Event of the Year!

To view JCNA's 2023 judging items go to the JCNA website. You need to be sure you are registered with your JCNA number. On the left side menu, it may say logout, hit it and it will change to member log in. If you are registered your user name is your JCNA number, enter your password. Go back to the left menu, drop down to Events, hit it and select Concours. Select any items you are interested in. Scroll about 2/3rds down to see a full 2023 sample Score Sheet. Remember, Jaguar regional and national award points are often helpful in getting full value when you decide to sell your car.

Judge Certification Status

In accordance to JCNA Concours rules, the following certification codes are used:

- After receiving Rule Book and Score Sheet training, taking the written JCNA Judge's Test, and performing practice judging, all successfully and under the supervision of a Chief Judge, a candidate is listed as an Apprentice Judge, (status "A"), and becomes eligible to serve as an Apprentice Judge.
- After successfully serving as an Apprentice Judge, and with the Chief Judge's approval, the Apprentice Judge becomes a Certified Judge (status "J").
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"Thinking Outside the Box:"

*Electric Formula—E Tech: Tata (TCS) Reimagines Jaguar Racing - Update
Article Oct. 17, 2023—TCS Racing (www.jaguarusa.com/jaguar-racing)*



Jaguar TCS Racing head into the 2024 season of the ABB FIA Formula E World Championship off the back of their best performance to date and with one of the strongest driver line-ups on the grid.

- The British race team produced their highest ever points haul in 2023, surpassing their 2022 success.
- The Jaguar I-TYPE 6 claimed both first and second position in the 2023 Teams' World Championship, certifying its status as the most advanced and efficient electric racecar in Formula E.
- The technology learnings and transfer from the Jaguar I-TYPE 6 will continue to support reimagining Jaguar's future as an all-electric modern luxury brand from 2025.
- The black, white and gold asymmetric livery makes a return after becoming a recognized frontrunner on the track, with a unique car for each driver.
- Jaguar TCS Racing are preparing for the official test in Valencia, before the tenth season of the ABB FIA Formula E World Championship gets underway in Mexico City on 13 January 2024.
- The team also continue to be joined by their world-class portfolio of partners that support and vehicle technologies and provide inspiration for the next generation. This includes title partner Tata Consultancy Services (TCS-Jaguar), WolfSpeed, Dow, Castrol, and OpenText. Official suppliers Alpine Stars and AERO will also continue to support the team.
- Formula E continues to be a real-world test bed for Jaguar TCS Racing, as the team innovates and develops new technologies, improving efficiency and ultimately performance in their aim for World Championship success. This cutting-edge development powers race-to-road learning for JLR to support future road car programs. The innovation and technology transfer from the Jaguar I-TYPE 6 will support the imagination of Jaguar as an all-electric, modern luxury brand from 2025.

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