



British Motorcar Day May 17th

To all club Presidents, officers and members:

Registration is now open for the June 2-3 HPDE at Road Atlanta. This promises to be a very exciting event for our JCNA members as Road Atlanta is widely regarded as one of the premier natural terrain road courses in the country. As the site of the annual Petite Le Mans, Grand Am series, several vintage racing events and the AMA Suzuki Superbike series, many legendary drivers and cars have made their reputations on this challenging, twelve turn, 2.54 mile track. The facility sits within a 700 acre park-like setting that is very fan and family friendly.

The event is being organized by TracQuest, an experienced event promoter based on the West coast.

Todd Serota, TracQuest founder, is enthusiastic about JCNA members joining with his organization for this two day track event. Details are found on the TracQuest web site, www.tracquest.com.

Like all our HPDE events, this event is noncompetitive. No special equipment other than a helmet is required and convertibles can run top down without a roll bar. Plenty of lap time is provided, with over six hours of track time assured over both days. A Monday evening dinner at the Chateau Elan is an optional offering that I recommend everyone consider. TracQuest is known

for the gourmet quality banquets they organize, and this one will be no different.

We are still working out the details to make it possible for Burt Levy, noted automotive author and vintage racer, to participate in this event. George Camp, Jaguar Society of South Carolina, is talking with Burt and working out the details. We will let you know of developments as we have more news available.

Please visit the web sites for both TracQuest and Road Atlanta for further information. And, contact me, Pascal Gadamer or Gary Hagopian if you have any questions, concerns or comments. See you there!

www.tracquest.com
www.roadatlanta.com

Lynn Cunningham
SE Region HPDE Coordinator
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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

I have said it before but it bears repeating. There is little in the automotive world to compare with the sight of a line of Jaguars stretched out and gliding down the road. Our March event allowed not only us, but also others on the road to enjoy just such a sight. Chris started our tour in Jasper and took us over Burnt Mountain to Dahlonega where we ate at the fabulous Smith House and shopped at the many stores that encircle the square. We had a large crowd but the family style service at the Smith House easily accomodated all of us. If you have never traveled the road that goes over Burnt Mountain you have missed a great driving experience. Fantastic overlooks with curvy roads and nice inclines make for a wonderful time out in your Cat.

Our April meeting, planned by Tom Koballa, sounds like another wonderful day out. We will be traveling to Athens, home of the best university in the U.S., to visit the car collection of George Bugg. From my talks with Tom this collection sounds awesome. While Mr. Bugg doesn't have any Jags (yet) the size and caliber of his collection is inspiring. When I see beautiful car collections it always makes me want to have one. Sounds like its time to buy another car! I just need a good excuse. Maybe Dianne won't notice.

On a personal note if any of you have tried to call me at work lately and couldn't reach me I apologize. I had to make a little ER trip and haven't worked for a couple of weeks now. Don't worry, nothing super serious; I was just out of commission for a while.

I want to thank Chris and Tom for accepting the challenge and planning events. Participation by a large group of people is the lifeblood of any group.

In May we will be going to British Motorcar Day at Chateau Elan. This is always a fun event with a chance to see people and cars we don't get to see at other times. And there is a car corral just in case you are looking for another car.

Happy Motoring
Terry



An Austin Mini Cooper S with an Italian pedigree stopped when he saw our Cats at Burnt Mountain Overlook .

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Our Athens tour was arranged by Tom Koballa and includes a tour of the George Bugg car collection, lunch at the Hoyt House Restaurant located at the Foundry Park Inn on Daugherty Street, and a visit to the Georgia Botanical Gardens. Seventeen people have already indicated that they are attending.

The times and general directions are as follows:

- 9:30 AM** Meet at the Athens Home Depot which is located at the intersection of Hwy. 316 and the Athens Bypass
- 10:00 AM** Depart from the Home Depot for Bugg car collection
- 10:30 AM** Tour George Bugg car collection which is located just off Newton Bridge Road in Athens
- 12:30 PM** Lunch at the Hoyt House Restaurant at Foundry Park Inn on Daugherty St. in Athens
- 2:00 PM or later** Visit the Georgia Botanical Garden on South Milledge St. in Athens

If you plan to attend, call or e-mail Roy Cleveland (see officers' list for numbers). On Saturday morning, if you have any problems with directions or get lost, call one of the following mobile numbers:

404-218-9717 or 404-386-9868.



June 28-29 for a mountain tour

Mark your calendars for June 28-29 for a mountain tour of N.C. and Tennessee. Our plans are to meet around 10:30 A.M. near Gainesville where we will be led to Clayton by Roy Cleveland. We will have lunch in Clayton at a place to be announced and then motor on to Franklin, N.C. In Franklin, we will tour the Scottish Tartans museum, which has the largest data base of Tartans outside of Scotland. You can preview the museum by visiting www.scottishtartans.org.

After the visit, we will motor on to Cherokee and then Hwy 441 into Gatlinburg. We have a block of 15 rooms being held for us until May 20th. at the Ramada Inn Four Seasons. You may visit this site by going to: <http://www.reaganresorts.com/ramada4.htm>. The one night rate is \$79.50. Gatlinburg is very popular during the summer months and procuring that many rooms for one night required some negotiating, so please call soon as possible to make your reservation. The phone number is (800) 933-8678, and tell them you're with N.G.J.C.

On Sunday morning after breakfast, we will leave and travel the Foothills Parkway to Hwy 129 S through Deals Gap. This area boast of 318 curves in 11 miles. If you have a tendency for car sickness, this may not be for you. On the N.C. side of Hwy 129, we'll venture onto Hwy 28 by Lake Fontana and back into Franklin where we'll have lunch. After lunch, we'll split into two groups, those needing to go back to Atlanta via 985 and those who need to return via I-575/75.

This promises to be a fun filled weekend with much beautiful scenery and twisty roads. Hope to see you all there.

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NEW XJ TEST DRIVE AND TECH SESSION – MAY 10

The plans have been finalized for our tech session on and test drive of the new Jaguar XJ. Hennessy Jaguar Buckhead has invited us to their dealership on Saturday, May 10 from 9:30 am to noon to drive the new XJ. They will have a light breakfast available for our members and will have a technical expert on hand to give a short presentation and to answer questions. Randy Coile, Sales Manager, intends to clear his display area in front of the dealership and have us park our cars there. I hope we can provide a good number of cars to park there. It would be particularly nice to have a few of the older sedans (Mark 2's, XJ6's, Mark IX's, etc.) displayed. You might want to bring a "Do Not Touch" sign if you are worried that anyone would not have proper respect for your car. Also, be sure to bring a drivers license and insurance card. If you are planning to attend, please call or e-mail Roy Cleveland by May 6. If you can bring your car, please call or e-mail as soon as you can.

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JAGUAR SOCIETY OF SC CONCOURS – MAY 30 – JUNE 1

The Jaguar Society of South Carolina is having their annual concours in Columbia, SC on Saturday, May 31 with a banquet that night. Their banquet speaker is Burt Levy who is the author of several books including The Last Open Road. There is a reception on Friday and a rally and slalom on Sunday. They will have guarded, covered parking. Joe Newell and Roy Cleveland from our club are planning to attend. More detailed information and a registration form can be obtained on their web site which is www.jaguarsocietysc.com or by calling George Camp at 803-798-6770 or by e-mailing him at scjag@juno.com. If any of you have trouble with either of these sources, call Joe Newell.



CALENDAR AND SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 2003

- February 15** – Tech session at Hyundai Training Center on automotive fluids, oils, etc.
- March 16** – Driving tour in North Georgia; lunch at the Smith House in Dahlonega
- April 19** – Tour of Athens visit to G. Bugg car collection, lunch & Ga Botanical Garden
- May 17** – British Motor Car Day
- May**– Possibly a one day driving tour in North Georgia
- June 28** – Mountain tour with overnight in Gatlinburg
- July 19** – To Be Determined
- August 16** – Tech session
- Aug. or Sept.** – Training session for judges for JCNA Concours
- September 21**– JCNA sanctioned Concours at Chattahoochee Country Club in Gainesville
- October 11** – Fall Leaf Cruise in North Georgia
- 18** – EURO 2003 Auto Festival at BMW manufacturing plant
- November**– Southern British Weekend in Chattanooga
- 15** – Business Meeting in the Atlanta area – location to be announced
- December 14** – Christmas Party at the Vinings Club

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CHEMUNG CANAL TRUST HISTORIC RACES

Dear Jaguar Enthusiast:

Greetings from Watkins Glen International, the Birthplace of American Road Racing! We invite you to kick off our 2003 season with the Chemung Canal Trust Historic Races, sanctioned by Historic Sportscar Racing (HSR), June 6-8, featuring the Jaguar!

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To arrange your group visit to the Jaguar Corral at The Glen, please do not hesitate to call me at 607-535-2486 x322. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Regards,

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SPECIAL INVITATION FROM JAGUAR

Jaguar is holding special driving events at the Walter Mitty (vintage racing event) which is being held at Road Atlanta from April 25-27, 2003. They have issued a special invitation to JCNA members to be their guests on Friday, April 25 to drive the new XJ on an autocross course at Road Atlanta. Jaguar Cars of North America is offering to pay admission and parking for you and a guest to attend the Walter Mitty on that date. They have said this day will be reserved for JCNA members. They will provide reserved seating, a corral area to display our cars, special tours of the paddock area, and an opportunity to meet the new Select Edition Racing Team.

This offer was made to Lynn Cunningham, NGJC member and JCNA Regional Director, who forwarded it to me on April 13. We know this is late notice and that the event is on Friday, but it is a special opportunity. They need a response from us by April 21 (next Monday) as to the number of NGJC club members who will attend so please call or e-mail me (Roy Cleveland) at the number and/or e-mail address shown in the officer section and let me know if you are attending. Also, let me know if you will be driving a Jaguar.

When you call or e-mail, also give me your opinion on whether we should go ahead with the XJ test drive session at Hennessy on May 10.



GRILL BADGE DESIGN CONTEST

Members have requested that we should have a grill badge for our club. Here are four starting points. If you have any other ideas that you feel should be incorporate please forward them along to John Yates our newsletter producer. If any of these tickle your fancy please submit your vote. Over the next couple of newsletter issues we will be updating the look according to the input from our club members.



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