

April Concours Judge Training postponed to later this summer

April 18, Sunday Spring Drive

April 21-25, The Mitty



**The Mitty Now
In Its 43rd
Running!
April 21-25**

*Submitted by
Rick Goolsby,
Series Manager for
Historic Sportscar Racing*

I would like to invite North Georgia Jaguar Club to the 43rd running of The Mitty.

Below is the link to the HSR Mitty website and includes the link to the ticket page. You can also see the link to the schedule and entry list as we get closer to the event.

2021 The Mitty –
Historic Sportscar Racing
(hsrrace.com)

Once you order your tickets and get to the checkout section, enter the PROMO CODE: Brit2021

This will give you \$5 off your TOTAL ticket order online. (This will ultimately save you at least \$10 off the gate price)

Parking for the corral will be on the hill towards the Fan Zone on the left side. You will see the British flag and parking will be in that location.

You can purchase Touring Lap tickets on the website or do the Parade Laps for free on either Friday or Sunday.

Here are some other important links to share with your club:

Video link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cl7w-_Z_km8
Event page: https://hsrrace.com/2021_events/themitty/
Ticket link: <https://www.hsrtickets.com/42-2021-the-mitty>



North Georgia Jaguar Club Members

April Judge's Update

Submitted by Philip DiTrollo, Chief Judge NGJC

With the vaccine now becoming more widely available, Covid finally appears to be winding down and hopefully it will soon be nothing more than a bad and distant memory. I have decided to postpone our annual Judge's training from early spring to later this summer. Hopefully by then everyone will have been vaccinated and we can hold our training 100% in person.

As the JCNA has postponed the Annual General Meeting, we will again be using the 2019 rules for the 2021 season. I will be asking all judges to take the Judge's test prior to training and based on last year's results this worked out really well and saves time.

After a review of the test we will break out into smaller groups and have some of our members go into greater detail on what to look for when judging specific Jaguars. To save time I would like to run at least some of the sessions simultaneously, each should take no more than thirty minutes to an hour. We will again be doing training in my factory so weather should not be a problem.

Ivan Ruiz has agreed to share his expertise on Specials and hopefully on early XK's. Alan Taylor and Dave Kirkman will present E-Types. I can handle newer cars since much of this group is more focused on presentation rather than authenticity. However, I still need a few volunteers who have expertise in early Saloons, Sedans XJ's, etc. If you have an area of expertise and would like to help out or if you have a suggestion, please reach out. jaguar@georgiaexpo.com or (404) 372-9071.

This should also be a great opportunity for those entering the Concours to develop an understanding of what the Judges will be looking for or, perhaps to pick up some details on your particular car.

As the time gets closer, we will select a date based on what works best for most of the club. In the meantime, enjoy your Jag and join Dave on one of his fabulous drives



Spring Drive Sunday, April 18, 2021

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

The Spring Drive will start at 12:30 pm from the back parking lot of the Olive Garden Italian Restaurant, 2040 Cumming Highway (Highway 20). Our current plan is to meet for lunch at 11:00 am at the restaurant (this will be dependent on what restriction are in place the middle of April and I'll keep everyone informed by the tenth of the month of our final lunch plans).

The drive will take us over back roads to White, Ga and back to the Canton area for a final stop at Riverstone Village for ice cream before we all head home.

COMPLETE DETAILS WILL BE
EMAILED THE TENTH OF APRIL



**LETTER
FROM THE
PRESIDENT**

Ahh the challenges of group outings with COVID still hanging over our heads. We have had to postpone the April trip to Huntsville. Our alternative was Gibbs Gardens but group tours are not permitted at this time and the trolley isn't running due to social distancing. But never fear the rally master has come in to save the day this month with a great drive. Check out Dave's article in this issue.

The tech session/tour to Metal Union in Lilburn was well attended and had something of interest for everyone. Thanks again to Brandon, Field, Jason and John for opening their facility to us on a Saturday. More pictures and details in this issue.

As you are becoming aware we have lost several of our long time advertisers. Is it the perception that only our club members own old XK's and XKE's? In reality most of our members drive late model Jags. So I am reaching out to all members to ask whomever you purchase your parts or services from on your Jag "Why don't you support our club?". Maybe if enough of us ask this question it will make an impression.

With winter in the rearview mirror we can all look forward to a great springtime driving weather.

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Roswell Motoring Festival Rescheduled

Submitted by Philip Carroll

Enjoy, and watch out for that other driver on the road it might be me.
John



No sooner did we announce the Oct. 9th date than City Officials "pumped the brakes" and urged us to go the week before due to The Annual Roswell Youth Day Parade. The week of 10/17 is a conflict for many due to Chattanooga

Motoring Festival so we are now and forever October 2nd. No more flip flopping I promise.

We have largely got all the planning for the grounds done and we will revisit that.



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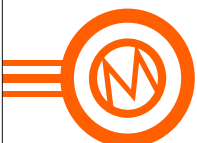
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2021 NGJC Calendar *Tentative*

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

NGJC EVENTS: April

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NGJC EVENTS: May

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Club Event
Other Event

Holiday

JANUARY 2020

Nothing planned

FEBRUARY 2020

24 - Wednesday, Porsche Experience Tour & Lunch.
 Sponsor: J Yates

MARCH 2019

20 - Saturday, 10:30 AM, Metal Union Speed Shop tour and metal tech session. Lilburn, GA,
 Sponsor: J Yates

20 - Saturday, *GTA Spring St. Paddy's Day Drive, 10:30 AM*

25 - Thursday, AGM, COLUMBIA, SC

27 - Saturday, Roswell Motoring Festival

25-28 - Saturday-Sunday, SVRA Historic Races – Road Atlanta, Braselton, GA

APRIL 2020

10 - Saturday, ceramic coating tech-session. Detail Life with Jose Soto, Sponsor: J Newell
RESCHDULED

18 - Sunday, Spring Drive
 Sponsor: D Kirkman

23 - 25, Friday - Sunday, HSR Walter Mitty – Road Atlanta, Braselton, GA
 Jaguar car corral

MAY 2019

23 - Spring Drive Luncheon at Dipuma Venue, Helen, GA,
 Sponsor: J Yates

20 - 23, Thursday – Sunday, Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance, Amelia Island FL

JUNE 2020

10 - 13, Thursday - Sunday, Highlands Motoring Festival, NC

13 - Sunday, Cincinnati Concours, Ault Park, OH.

26 - Saturday, Jaguar and Friends BBQ Picnic, Canton GA,
 Sponsor: J. Yates

JULY 2018

22 - Thursday, North Carolina Jaguar Club, Concours d'Elegance, Little Switzerland, NC

? - *Dick Maury's Garage, driver train tech session*
 Sponsor: Dick Maury

AUGUST 2019

15 - Sunday, Pebble Beach Concours, Pebble Beach, CA

21 - 22, Saturday - Sunday, Huntsville Overnight, U.S. Space & Rocket Center

26 - 28, Thursday - Saturday, AGM Annual Meeting, Columbia SC

? - Dawsonville Track, Georgia Racing Hall of Fame tour.
 Optional Go-Kart track time.
 Sponsor: D. Kirkman

SEPTEMBER 2020

? - *Summer Drive Brasstown Resort, Young Harris, GA*
 Brunch
 Sponsor:?

4, Saturday British Motorcar Day, Tellus Museum, Cartersville, GA

11, Saturday, Atlanta British Car Fayre – Norcross, GA

26, Sunday, Atlanta Concours d'Elegance at Tylor Perry Studios

OCTOBER 2020

2, Saturday - Roswell Motoring Festival – Roswell, GA

6 - 9, Thursday-Sunday, Motul Petit LeMans – Road Atlanta, Braselton, GA

15 - 17, Chattanooga Motorcar Festival, Concours d'Elegance, TN

22, - Friday, International Jaguar Festival (IJF), Ft. Myers, FL.

31, - Sunday, NGJC Concours d'Elegance – Gainesville, GA – T. Mathewson, P. DiTrollo

NOVEMBER 2020

5 - 7, Friday-Sunday, Hilton Head Concours d'Elegance – Hilton Head Island, SC

? - Saturday, 10:30 AM, NGJC Business Meeting - Ga Expo, Suwannee, GA

DECEMBER 2020

? - *NGJC Holiday Party*

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The Jaguar E-Type Turns 60 With A Two For One Sale

From *jalopnik.com*, José Rodríguez Jr.

Jaguar is debuting a dozen E-Types to celebrate the car icon's 60th birthday, which it will sell to drivers as pairs. Jaguar calls the six matched pairs, made up of one coupe and one roadster, the E-type 60 Collection.

The matched pairs concept rests tenuously on the story of the original E-Type's unveiling, which was so successful Jaguar had to blitz across the continent to get a second car to the debut, the company said in its release:

The E-type made its world debut in Geneva, Switzerland on 15 March 1961. The public reaction to the lone coupé available for test drives was so strong that Jaguar rushed a second E-type, a roadster, from Coventry to Geneva overnight.?

These E-Types will be outfitted with the 3.8 liter six-cylinder XK engine and will have upgraded five-speed manual transmissions. They'll have other tweaks, too, such as electric cooling fans and electronic ignition for "everyday usability," as Jaguar puts it. I doubt these will be anyone's dailies, though I suppose buying two of the (almost) same car means you don't have to worry too much about beating one up.

It all sounds like a very convoluted way to sell a dozen cars by roping in six buyers who will pay for two a piece, but I suppose if you are an E-Type fan and have the

money, this could look like a bargain. Especially with the limited edition paint finishes and center console artwork which commemorate the original pair's debut. And don't forget the tool roll!

Oh, and buying these gets you a trip in the Summer of 2022 to take part in an "E-Type pilgrimage" from Coventry to Geneva to recreate the trip the original roadster undertook to join its stablemate for the debut. Of course, no pricing was announced. The old saying applies: If you have to ask, you can't afford it.

Well, for those of us who cannot even begin to consider ownership of one E-Type — let alone two — I've just the thing to cheer you up:

It's a little bit of music from Donald Byrd, who loved the Jag E-Type so much he put it on the cover of his LP, *A New Perspective*. The jazz trumpeter was a fan of cars on covers and did so on more than one occasion.

Also, trumpeter Maynard Ferguson's album "Straightaway" featured him behind the wheel of an E-Type.

Feel free to blast Byrd's or Ferguson's music while enjoying images of the E-type 60 Collection



Metal Union Speed Shop Is So Much More

Submitted by John Yates

We all had a real eye opener of true craftsmanship thriving at our tech/tour of Metal Union's 15,000 sq/ft facility in Lilburn on the 20th. We were greeted by Brandon Smith the manager and shop coordinator in the front showroom where he showed us a Lincoln Zephyr that started out as a four door sedan and now is a two door coupe! Besides making parts for these models that they ship all over the world they craft metal and aluminum into all sorts of custom applications.

Vehicles they have in the shop range from a rare Packard to a convertible Camaro. Major rejuvenations include a Ferrari with a racing history to an Allard with a one-off Cadillac engine and automatic transmission. The Ferrari went into a wall racing years ago which shortened it 2 feet and the Allard was hit by a train! Both are being brought back to life after languishing in storage or shops for years. Look around--they are

building 10, 12 and 14 foot all aluminum speed boat prototypes from scratch! Soon to be marketed as kits to drop a v-8 or watercraft drive train into. There are also Hot and Resto Rods in all different configurations and stages of competition.

The real show stopper was the demonstration of their metal shaping machines that make all this fabrication a reality. Even though they have an English Wheel which every Jaguar owner is aware of to shape metal, that machine is too slow for this shop. Huge aircraft metal shaping Yoder machines that you can feel shake the floor during the demonstration --to a wood tree trunk to shape material by hand the old fashion way.

Future expansion includes a water bath cutter that will be able produce curved metal to glass parts programmed from photographs of the desired subject.



