

Coming up...

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**June 28th, Sunday, June Club Drive** practice good social distancing  
**August 15th, Concours Judges Training**  
**October 25th, Club Concours**

### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

We have had two very successful club drives in April and May and we will continue to do a drive each month as the best way for us to maintain good social contact with each other. I believe this is particularly important at the present time as all of the local car events that our club would typically participate in have either been moved to a later date or cancelled altogether. We will keep everyone posted on future make up dates and additional cancellations.

I want to take a moment to thank John Baxa and John Yates for getting the newsletter together each month as this is by far the best way to stay informed on club activities.

Please reach out to me with any suggestions for club events that we might participate in.

Stay safe as we all try to make sense of these strange times

Dave Kirkman



### Triumph Club Picnic Postponed

Mark Post called and informed me that the Triumph Club picnic scheduled for July as been postponed until a later date this summer or early fall. The invitation to our club still stands and Mark will let us know when a firm date and location have been arranged.

### Welcome new members

Don and Roxie Dodge of Newnan and Donald and Nancy May of Union Springs, AL.



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### June Club Drive, Sunday, June 28th, 2020

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Our June Club Drive will take us on the back roads around the Dawsonville area. We will gather in the back parking lot behind the North Georgia Outlet Mall (GA 400 and Highway 53) near the Nike store sign at 9:30 AM with a leave time of 10:00 AM. At the present time I am not planning on a club lunch in association with

this drive. There are plenty of restaurants in the area for you to choose from should we not be able to all dine together.

Text me if you know you are coming by Friday, June 26, so I can prepare instructions 678-699-4170 or email at [kirkmandav1@aol.com](mailto:kirkmandav1@aol.com)

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### Club Concours Scheduled for October 25th Judges Training For August 15th

Submitted by Phil DiTrollo

October 25th is the date for our club's 2020 Concourse d'Elegance to be held at the Chattahoochee Country Club on the shores of Lake Lanier. This is our club's most attended event and offers the opportunity to present your Jaguar and see other members' cars at their finest.

This event offers many opportunities for all members to get involved, renew old friendships, meet other members and learn more about their cars. To continue this traditional club event at the level it has maintained in past years, we need approximately 35 volunteers.

Opportunities include judges, registration, parking guiders and scoring helpers as well as others. In conjunction with this event, we will be holding a judges training day on August 15th in Suwanee GA. For those of you who have not participated in a Concourse before, this is a great opportunity to learn the intricacies of your marque.

If you would like to be a part of this event, please reach out to: Philip DiTrollo at [jaguar@georgiaexpo.com](mailto:jaguar@georgiaexpo.com).



### 22 Jaguars Make Henderson Mountain Drive Memorable

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

I believe this was the largest group we have ever tried to coordinate for a drive and I want to especially thank Tom and Marie Clearman, Charlie Fantauzza and Amelia Davis, and Rick Watts and his grandson navigator for

being such good sports and helping us all enjoy the day by "volunteering" to lead one of the multi car groups. (You won't have to lead the next one I promise!).



### "Car 54, Where Are You?"

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

(OK, so you have to remember the early 1960's comedy TV series to catch this pun but you probably get the general idea)

Despite all our best efforts we all missed or made wrong

turns (OK, so my maps and instructions were a bit much for a sixty-mile drive and I'll try and do better next time) but thanks to cell phones, and a lot of good natured cooperation,

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### Aston Martin Chief Leaves After 94% Share Price Collapse

From the BBC

Struggling luxury UK carmaker Aston Martin has announced that chief executive Andy Palmer has stepped down. Tobias Moers is taking over from 1 August, with Keith Stanton filling the gap as interim chief operating officer. Mr Moers joins from Mercedes' high-performance subsidiary AMG, where he is currently chief executive.

Aston Martin was struggling before the coronavirus crisis hit sales and its share price is down 94% since the company's flotation in 2018. "The board has determined that now is the time for new leadership to deliver our plans," Aston Martin said in a statement.

Mr Palmer said it had been "a privilege" to serve Aston Martin for almost six years. He thanked management and staff for "their hard work and support, particularly during the challenges presented by Covid-19".

In other management changes, the firm said three of its directors - Richard Solomons, Imelda Walsh and Tensie Whelan - had departed on Saturday. They had already indicated that they would not seek re-election in June. The news was well received

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# How Jaguar Are Supporting The Fight Against COVID-19

From Jaguar Enthusiasts

Jaguar and Land Rover have now deployed 362 vehicles globally to support charitable organizations and front-line workers tackling the spread of coronavirus. Most recently, a fleet of 15 Jaguars has been supplied in Britain to support the Help NHS Heroes campaign – a nationwide effort delivering vital supplies to National Health Service staff.

Boxes containing foodstuffs and other essential supplies can be ordered via a bespoke app before being made ready for collection at their NHS place of work. The scheme is helping thousands of frontline NHS staff and care givers by providing easy access to fresh, nutritious food. The fleet of Jaguars will now allow for convenient home deliveries too.

Jason Mawer, Founder of Help NHS Heroes said, "This fleet of Jaguars will make a huge difference in our ability to deliver essential supplies to NHS staff at a time when we have a duty to support these heroes in our communities."

Jaguar Land Rover is working closely with the UK government and has offered its research and engineering expertise, as well as digital engineering and design, printing of 3D models and prototypes, machine learning, artificial intelligence and data science



support. Furthermore, throughout May the company was also scaling up production of its protective face visors in a continued effort to support the fight against Coronavirus. New tooling, developed by WHS Plastics, will produce a further 14,000 visors each week for key workers across the UK.



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# 2020 NGJC Calendar *tentative details to come*

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

## NGJC EVENTS: June

M	T	W	T	F	SAT	SUN
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

## NGJC EVENTS: July

M	T	W	T	F	SAT	SUN
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

  Club Event  
  Other Event

  Holiday

### JANUARY 2020

Nothing planned

### FEBRUARY 2020

Feb 15, Saturday – Valentines Lunch, Pearl Lian, Duluth, GA

### MARCH 2019

March 22, Sunday – First Spring Drive – D. Kirkman

March 28, Saturday Roswell Motoring Festival, Roswell City Hall – Roswell, GA

March 28-29, Saturday-Sunday SVRA Historic Races – Road Atlanta, Braselton, GA

### APRIL 2020

April 19, Sunday – Spring Drive Canton GA  
 sponsor Dave Kirkman

April 24-26, Friday-Sunday, HSR Walter Mitty – Road Atlanta, Braselton, GA

### MAY 2019

May 24, Sunday Late Spring Drive, sponsor Dave Kirkman

### JUNE 2020

June 28, Sunday, June Club Drive. Dawsonville, GA - D. Kirkman

TBD in the Fall – Peachtree Corners Festival & British

Motorcar Day – Peachtree Corners, GA

### JULY 2018

Summer Drive TBD

### AUGUST 2019

August 15, Saturday - Judges Training, Suwanee, GA – P. DiTrolio

### SEPTEMBER 2020

September 12, Saturday – Atlanta British Car Fayre – Norcross, GA

Sept 17-20 Peachtree MG Registry British Car Festival, Dillard, GA

### OCTOBER 2020

October 7-10 Thursday-Sunday, Motul Petit LeMans – Road Atlanta, Braselton, GA

October 25, Sunday - NGJC Concours d'Elegance – Gainesville, GA – T. Mathewson, P. DiTrolio

October 30-November 1, Friday-Sunday Hilton Head Concours – Hilton Head Island, SC

### NOVEMBER 2020

November, Saturday – NGJC Business Meeting

### DECEMBER 2020

December NGJC Holiday Party

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# Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust (JDHT) Is Planning A Tour To Geneva in March 2021 To Celebrate The 60th Anniversary Of The Launch Of The Jaguar E-type. *From Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust*

JDHT ran a very successful tour in 2011 to celebrate the 50th anniversary and for 2021 we plan on taking at least 60 E-types to Geneva – including two from our own historic collection – the first roadster 77 RW, and the last, HDU 555N.

Rather than just having JDHT personnel driving the 'First and the Last' E-types all the way to Geneva, we are planning to give some of the Tour participants the opportunity to drive them. The plan is to offer a limited number of 1/2 days, in each car, although this won't include the session on the Dijon-Prenois circuit. We have decided to allocate these 1/2 day slots by ballot – and will pull names out of a hat in the 1st week of July, from those participants who have booked and paid their deposit by the end of June.

The event will start over the weekend of Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th March 2021, based at the JDHT Collection at the British Motor Museum in Gaydon and will include a 'Start of Event' dinner. The tour participants will be flagged

off on the Monday morning from the Collection Centre heading across the south of England crossing the channel via the Eurotunnel.

Unlike Norman Dewis who completed his 'Dash to Geneva' overnight we will take a leisurely route over several days to reach Geneva on Thursday 11th March for the Geneva Motor Show. The tour will be accompanied by a JDHT support team including trained Jaguar technicians. We are pleased to be working in partnership with Jaguar Classic on this Tour and together we are sure participants will have a truly unique experience.

Despite the problems with working under COVID-19 lockdown conditions, we have managed to complete the planning of the itinerary for the Tour which has now been published ([jaguarheritage.com](http://jaguarheritage.com)) and sent out to all those who have expressed an interest in participating in the Tour.

A number of those who originally registered their interest have now said they no longer wish



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*The first roadster 77 RW, and the last, HDU 555N*



to attend so we have re-opened the entry list. Please send an email to [Etype60@JaguarHeritage.com](mailto:Etype60@JaguarHeritage.com) if you wish to join the Tour.

The plan for the Tour is now set and we have booked hotels for all the nights. We are still working to confirm some of the daytime checkpoint locations and lunch stops and inevitably this is taking longer than would be the case under normal circumstances.

The outline route has been planned but this needs to be driven, a couple of times, once we are allowed to drive across France and Switzerland, for us to complete the route book.



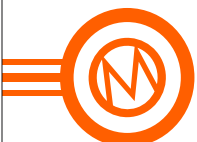
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## “Car 54, Where Are You?”

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

we all were able to gather in a long conga line of Jags heading into the tricky turns and picturesque parts of the drive. Once we got everyone together, the chosen back roads for this drive were perfect for Jaguars on a nice sunny day and we encountered no traffic as we toured along making for a very pleasant outing.



## Speedwell Engineering (Lunch among E-types Galore)

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Another special “Thank You” to Robert Farris for opening up his shop for us to visit at the end of our drive. Speedwell Engineering is dedicated to the restoration and repair of older Jaguars; especially E-types. Robert’s shop is large and airy and provided us with plenty of space to spread out and enjoy conversations, our picnic lunches, and visit with Robert about the various Jaguars under restoration. Club members Glenn and Kathy Michalski had made previous arrangements to meet us at Speedwell for lunch and to check up on their XK140 FHC that was there for repairs.

Heading home in the warm afternoon sun I thought “all is well that ends well” and I hope all who came enjoyed the day as much as I did.



## Aston Martin Chief Leaves After 94% Share Price Collapse

From the BBC

by the markets, with Aston Martin’s share price surging more than 40% in Tuesday morning trading. Neil Wilson of Markets.com described the share price rise as “a pretty damning indictment” of Mr Palmer’s tenure.

### Significant Ambition

Aston Martin sales halved in the first three months of the year, as the start of the coronavirus crisis took hold. The company sold 578 vehicles in the first quarter, down from 1,057 in the same period last year. It caused loss before tax to soar to £118.9m, up from £17.3m the year before.

In January this year, Aston Martin announced plans to raise emergency funding worth £500m, with a consortium led by billionaire Lawrence Stroll putting in £182m. Mr Stroll, who is now executive chairman of the firm, partly owns the Racing Point Formula 1 team, which will be branded Aston Martin from 2021 under the deal.

Mr Stroll said Mr Moers was “the right leader for Aston Martin Lagonda as we implement our strategy for the business to achieve its full potential”. He added: “Our ambition for the company is significant, clear and only matched by our determination to succeed.”

Mr Moers said: “I am truly excited to be joining Aston Martin Lagonda at this point of its development. I have always had a passion for performance cars and relish the chance to work for this iconic brand.”

Mr Palmer oversaw a product revamp and launch on the stock market. Aston Martin’s illustrious name has never been reflected in financial success. The 107-year-old company has gone bankrupt seven times, hence a long history of different owners and restructurings. But Andy Palmer looked at first to have found a winning formula.

When he joined in 2014 after 23 years with Nissan, the luxury carmaker was again close to bankruptcy. Palmer returned Aston to profitability, revamped the products, opened a factory in South Wales, and oversaw the company’s stock market launch.

But sales slowed, partly because of Aston’s own making and partly because of global economic conditions.

Investments in electric and sports utility vehicles raised eyebrows among purists, and Palmer’s stretching of the brand into projects including a speedboat and property in Florida was just plain odd. The company ran up huge debts.

The collapse in the share price - £19 in 2018, 35p the last week of May - underlined the urgency for change. The new team at Aston Martin have indicated a back-to-basics strategy - high performance cars and racing. Investors seem to like what they are hearing. The shares soared more than 40% on news of Palmer’s departure - a blunt verdict on his tenure.

## The 107-year-old company has gone bankrupt seven times



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*Submitted by Dave Kirkman*

**Nike Outlet Meeting Place for Drive**

