



Newsletter

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LET'S RALLY!!!

In finding a suitable rally route for the Challenge Championship I have found that we are truly blessed with some of the best driving roads that car enthusiasts could possibly imagine. And the neat part is that they are right in our back yard! One of the most enjoyable ways to see and drive some of these seldom traveled byways is via a club sponsored rally. OK, I know everyone has their favorite rally story about the guy who got lost and was never found again. But what if I told you NGJC's first rule is to make sure that no one ever gets lost. Only paved roads are used and I promise an excellent lunch location and good fellowship at the end...plus a prize or two. For those of you who joined us for the drive to Wolf Mt.

Winery last year, it would be very similar to that event...with a few new things added. Starts to sound like this might be fun. Now, I am the first to admit that the last rally I went on LBJ was President, the Beatles were singing about a

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CHARLES SCHWAB TO BE MAJOR SPONSOR OF CHALLENGE CHAMPIONSHIP

After JCNA had been working with us on the CC for quite a while, they began to inquire about any Georgia companies or other companies that might be willing to make a financial commitment to become a sponsor of the Challenge Championship. They asked us to pursue any companies who might be willing to do this. They particularly were interested in any non-automobile related companies. I have mentioned the idea to various individuals but did not receive many offers. One company with whom I discussed such sponsorship was Charles Schwab & Co. and they expressed an interest in discussing the details. Later they did agree to commit to a major sponsorship. In fact, after Jaguar Cars, they are the sponsor providing the greatest contribution. Being business people, they have a reason for doing this. Of course they will receive recognition in the CC program and at the CC events. One thing they mentioned very early in our discussions was the opportunity

to offer to various JCNA clubs an investment workshop. The idea is that they would provide food and drinks and a location and would present approximately an hour long seminar on any investment related topic which a local club might desire. JCNA has agreed to enable them to make this offer; however, JCNA is not providing member addresses or contact information to Schwab or anyone else. They are permitting them to make this offer through contact with local club officials. Thus, I am authorized to make this offer to our membership. Since the sponsorship originated with our club, Schwab would like to "test drive" this workshop idea here with our members. I would like some feedback from the members about this. Would you be interested in such a workshop? When would be the best day of the week and time? We would try to pick a location in the Atlanta metro area (possibly in the GA 400 area). We would like to have the workshop before the CC—probably

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Betty and I had the opportunity to attend the Carolina Jaguar Club Concour and Slalom near Mt. Airy, NC on the 22nd and 23rd of April. It was held at the very beautiful Shelton Vineyards in Elkins, NC. After heavy rain all day Friday, Saturday was pretty but extremely windy and cool. The "Gathering" as it is called encompasses Triumph, Austin Healey, MG and, of course, many beautiful Jaguars. Our club was well represented by Brian & Linda Hernan, Dick Maury, Chris & Pat Engelhorn, Betty & I, Jim & Mary Ann Anderson & much of the crew from Coventry West.

Brian and I were able to recruit several volunteers for the Challenge Championship this September, and we displayed and gave away a framed poster of the event. I think we will get good attendance and participation from this group.

We stayed over Sunday morning to see the slalom, and I have to admit it was much more interesting than I could have imagined—it didn't hurt that Dick Maury beat the reigning JCNA Champion by over 5 seconds—on a 50 second course that's

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huge. I think many of us could get into this once we are comfortable with the format and have a chance to see a slalom first hand.

The Carolina Club is a good group with a great show. I was particularly impressed with their hospitality room—the hostesses had prepared great food, lots of wine, lots of good conversation and, of course, lots of “Good Old

Southern Hospitality.”

We are in the middle of the best time of year for a Jag enthusiast. British Motorcar Day is this coming Saturday, May 7th and the Callaway overnight trip is the 21st and 22nd. If you haven’t made plans to attend either of these events, please do so now!

Happy Motoring
Joe



Charles Schwab - continued from front cover

in June or July.

I have dealt with Schwab for a number of years and if your initial reaction is fear of a “hard sell”, I can reassure you that I have never encountered that. Their seminars have typically been more information oriented and not “sales” oriented. Also, I would appreciate it if we could

have a well attended session for our club. This type of thing is something I generally would not have suggested for our club since it takes us out of “car mode” somewhat but since Schwab is such a significant sponsor for this Georgia hosted event, I feel that we should do it. Please give

me some feedback on this. Will you be willing to attend?

By the way, if you know of any interested companies, JCNA is still accepting sponsorships. The cost would range from \$3,000 to \$8,500.

Roy Cleveland



Advanced Lightweight Coupe Makes Georgia Debut at Hennessy Buckhead on May 13th

The headline says it all. Randy Coile, Hennessy Buckhead Sales Manager, informed me that the Advanced Lightweight Coupe (known as the ALC) will be at Hennessy’s Buckhead location all day on Friday, May 13. He asked me to extend an invitation to all NGJC members to come and view this car

between the hours of 9am and 5pm. If you have friends who would like to attend, they are welcome. For those of you who don’t live in “Jaguar World”, the ALC is the concept car which is thought to provide a strong indication of the appearance of the new XK8 which will be introduced in early 2006. The new XK8 will be the second all aluminum bodied car in Jaguar’s model range.



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 2005

January 29th – Indoor Tech Session - Cancelled due to bad weather.

February 19th – Indoor Tech Session - Flashback Restorations ; 11:00 am to 5:00 pm (*Dave)

March 11-13th – Concours d' Elegance, Amelia Island (*Skip)

March 19th – Indoor Tech Session to be held at Ron Green's garage; See Article in this Issue.

April 16th – Rally (Classroom) training at Hennessy Jaguar, 11:00 am followed by lunch and a Trial Rally Drive (spouses are encouraged to participate) on proposed JCNA 2005 Challenge course layout (*George/Dave)

May 7th – British Car Day @ Chateau Élan (770-804-9380 or www.atlantabritish-

motorcarday.com)

May 21st & 22nd – Overnight Driving Tour to Callaway Gardens (*Larry)

June 5th – Club Slalom to be conducted by Dick Maury. Location to be determined.

June 26th – Club Rally Details to be provided in June newsletters or by e-mail to those interested.

July 16th – Indoor Tech Session @ Panoz car factory, 10:00 am (Tom)

August – No events planned... Preparations/ meetings, etc., for the JCNA Challenge Championship event (*Club Officers & assigned club members)

September 21st to 25th – **JCNA CHALLENGE CHAMPIONSHIP @ Chateau Élan**

October – Club cookout at Joe & Betty Newell's house. Date and time to be announced.

October 14-16th – Euro Fest @ BMW plant, Greer, SC (*Dave)

November – (date TBD) - Southern British Car Day

November – (will work around S. Brit car day) Overnight Driving Tour (weather permitting) to Augusta, area (*Larry)

November 4, 5 & 6 – Hilton Head Concours (*Dave)

November 19 - NGJC Annual Meeting (*Club Officers)

December 4 - Annual Christmas Party at Vinings Club, Atlanta, GA.

* club member facilitator

NEW MEMBERS

We would like to welcome our new members since the last newsletter. They are

Jim and Mary Ann Anderson, Charles and Lynne Harbin, and Meade and Margie Morgan.

Jim Anderson is one of the owners of Coventry West who have been very supportive of our club. Membership lists are available to any member by mail or e-mail. If you would like one, call or e-mail Roy Cleveland.



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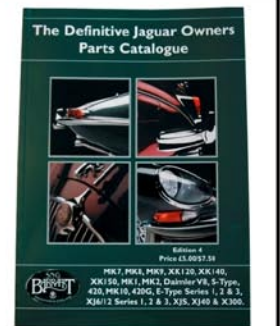
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Yellow Submarine and the Hippies were headed to San Francisco in their VW Micro buses. So, the following is a brief discussion to bring everyone up to speed on what our club intends to do on its first rally.

What is a Rally?

For our purposes a Rally is an event where the following information is provided to a team consisting of a Driver and a Navigator:

1. A set of CLEAR INSTRUCTIONS with the following information to drive from one point to another.
 - A. Road Names (Only those roads with clearly posted signs are used)
 - B. Direction to travel; (Left, Right, Straight)
 - C. Distance to travel (In miles and tenths; just like on your car's odometer)

- D. Speed to travel given distance (in MPH and never over the posted speed limit)
- E. The team's job is to calculate the time it takes to drive distances in the instructions and proceed at that pace.

*Example: GO: Right on Hill St for 4.3 miles at 43.0 MPH to Stop Sign at Maple St.
GO: Left on Maple St for 3.0 miles at 35.0 MPH to Stop Sign at Market S.
And so on to end of Rally.*

2. As noted above, only paved roads are used and posted speeds limits are always observed.
3. The Rally Master will determine specific check points to see how the various teams are doing against the ideal time that it should take them to travel that leg of the rally.



Typically, there will be two or three check points on a rally.

4. The object is to come as close as possible to the ideal time to travel a given leg at the specified distance, time and speed given in the directions.
5. Each leg is scored separately and the team with the best total score is declared the winner.

What do I Need to Bring?

The basic requirements are:

1. A clip board
2. Several pencils.
3. At least one watch with a sweep second hand (two watches are better and two stop watches are better yet). However, our rally can easily be run with a wrist watch that has a sweep second hand. Why two watches? One to keep time for the leg you are on and the other to keep the total rally time.
4. A car odometer that works.
5. A hand held calculator.
6. Yes, you can use the fancy navigational stuff that your new Jag has but it will not give you any advantage over the basics listed above and may in fact just get in the way.

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FIRST CLUB SLALOM PLANNED Sunday, June 5

Plans are being made to hold the first NGJC Club Slalom on Sunday, June 5. Dick Maury who has competed very successfully in the JCNA slalom events with his XJ-S has offered to hold a slalom school and to conduct a slalom for the club. Many of you know that Dick works with Coventry West and they have collaborated to produce a specially prepared E-Type to compete in the slalom event which will be held during the Challenge Championship in September. This car was on display in Orlando at the JCNA AGM in April. If you are interested in observing such an event and learning more about it, plan on coming out to this event. Dick has said that he will offer rides (with him driving

I assume) through the slalom course. We are still looking for a location for this event. We need a paved area approximately 150 feet by 300 feet with no obstructions. If any of you know

of a location, please contact Roy Cleveland or Joe Newell. Since we can't announce a location as of this moment, you will need to let us know of your interest and we will e-mail the

location (or call if you don't have e-mail) to you when it is known. If the next newsletter is published before the event, the location will be included in it.





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How Difficult is the Math?

The math involved is really quite easy. Our Rally will only use one basic calculation.

DISTANCE DIVIDED BY SPEED

Example: 4.3 miles divided by 43 MPH equals: 0.1 (one tenth of an hour) 0.1 times 60 (minutes) equals: 6 minutes and no seconds.

(That is how long it should take you to drive the 4.3 miles from Hill St to Maple St in the first example above)

Example: 3.0 miles divided by 35 MPH equals: 0.086

(.086 of an hour)

0.086 times 60 (minutes)

equals: 5 minutes

and .16 of a minute

0.16 times 60 (seconds)

equals: 9.6 seconds

(round up for more than five)

Total drive time is 5 minutes and 10 seconds.

(That is how long it should take

you to drive the 3.0 miles

from Maple St. to

Market St in the second example above)

How Long Will Our Rally Be?

Right now our First Rally will be around 60 to 70 miles and take between one hour and a half to two hours. We will have two classes: (1) A Rally Class for folks who want only the directions and plan to do the math and (2) A Beginners Class for folks who want the directions and the math (times) also provided. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of each class. The real goal is to rediscover how much fun rallying over interesting roads in scenic country can be for old rally hands and first timers alike. Make plans to join everyone for our club's first rally on Sunday, June 26, 2005. The details are in a separate notice from Roy Cleveland and George Haldane, NGJC Rally Master. See you there!! And Let's Rally!!

Dave Kirkman



FIRST NGJC RALLY Sunday, June 26

Dave Kirkman and George Haldane are planning NGJC's first club rally for June 26. See Dave's article in this issue for information on rallying. More details on the location and times will be published in the June newsletter. If you have questions before then, contact Dave-770-886-7435 or George-770-241-1074.



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