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30TH Annual British Motorcar Day Saturday, May 11, 2013 Roswell, Georgia

Carolina Club Concours, Saturday, June 8th, 2013, Little Switzerland, NC Highlands Motoring Festival Highlands, NC June 6th through 9th, 2013

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Our April club calendar was filled with a wide variety of car related activities and I hope you were able to make it to one or more of them. A good turnout is the best reward for all the time and effort that goes into planning a club event and I want to personally thank all those members who support our club activities. It makes it fun for everyone.

Our featured club event for May is the British Motorcar Day on Saturday, May 11, in Roswell. This charity event, sponsored by all the British car clubs in the greater Atlanta area, is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year. The large majority of Jaguar's the past several years have come from our club and I hope we continue to support this event in its new location.

June is also a very busy month with numerous events so check the club calendar and make plans to attend those activities that are of interest to you. Pat Harmon will host his annual Judges Training the 1st of June; there are several Concours and car shows to choose from; the Challenge Championship in Richmond, VA, is the middle of the month; and our club picnic is the last Saturday of the month. If you have any questions, or need additional information about an

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Seventh Annual "Jags And Friends' Picnic Saturday, June 29, 2013

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Linda and Vail Frost will host our Seventh Annual "Jags and Friends" Picnic at their lovely home on the Chattahoochee River on Saturday, June 29, 2013. Arrangements will be made again this year to have a catered lunch with complete details in the June Newsletter. This is one event where everyone is encouraged to invite a friend with a neat car to come and share the day with us.



Highlands Motoring Festival Highlands, NC Friday, Saturday, Sunday June 6th through 9th, 2013

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Early June in Highlands, NC is a wonderful way to start celebrating the coming of summer. The nights are still cool and the days warm and the town of Highlands is always fun to visit. Now in its sixth year the Highlands Motoring Festival, with proceeds going to help support several different charities, kicks off with a charity cruise on Friday June 7th. The featured car show is Saturday, June 8th, and the Festival concludes with a road rally on Sunday morning. The Skyline Lodge is offering a \$99.00 nightly rate for the weekend. Contact Brian Hernan for information on the Skyline Lodge. Car show entry is \$30.00 in advance and \$40.00 day of show. Entry forms for all events are on the Festival's web site at: www.highlandsmotoringfestival.org.



photo by Jim O'Dell

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Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Saturday, May 11th, will mark the thirtieth anniversary of this annual charity event sponsored by all thirteen British car clubs in the greater Atlanta area. Aston Martin is this year's honor mark as the company is celebrating its 100th anniversary. Roswell City Hall is the site for this year's celebration of the British automobile from 10:00 am until 4:00pm. The parking area is tree lined and will provide plenty of shade but plan on bringing water as the day can be warm. Food is available at any number of nearby restaurants and a free shuttle will run all day from City Hall to the shopping areas.



Carolina Club Concours Saturday, June 8th, 2013 Little Switzerland, NC

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

If you are looking for JCNA Concours points the Carolina Club hosts one of the best ones each year at Little Switzerland, NC. Set high on the Blue Ridge Parkway, the Little Switzerland Inn has played host to the Carolina Club's Concours for the past several years. There is a reception on Friday evening and an awards banquet following the Concours on Saturday. Complete information is on the JCNA web site.



NGJC Spring Slalom Results For Sunday, April 14th

President's letter continued from front cover

event, please feel free to contact me.
Cheers,
Dave K



Welcome new members

Alan Merkel of Sandy Springs, Roger and Diane Mogford of Brunswick, and returning members Mac and Alice Barksdale of Hartwell.



Submitted by John Baxa

Class	Name	Car	Score
C	John Baxa	1961 MKIX	54.036
C	Lori Smith	MKI Blue	56.694
D	Eddie Cole	1961 E-Type OTS White	49.765
F	Jim Odell	1985 XJ6/3	47.948
H	Jim Odell	1971 XKE Coupe Green	40.091
H	Richard Maury	1971 XKE Green Coupe	40.659
J	John Hoffman	XJS White Conv. 1995	53.1
SPL	Ed Overmyer	1962 XKE Blue	48.818
Z	Luke Carretto	Maxda Miata Orange	43.149
Z	Philip Ditrolio	Volvo C-30 Orange	47.174
Z	Karen Ditrolio	Volvo C-30 Orange	55.166



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2013 NGJC Calendar

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

JANUARY

19 (Saturday) Ron Green's Garages and Car Collections, Time: 10:00 AM
Sponsor: R. Farris*
Location: John's Creek

FEBRUARY

15 & 16 (Fri/ & Sat) – Mini Car Auction (Bruce Weiner Microcar Museum (www.hanslewithfun.com))
Sponsor: G. Haldane*
Location: 2950 Eatonton Rd., Madison, GA.

16 (Saturday) – *Valentine Gathering*, Time: TBD
Sponsor: Brian Hernan*
Location: Duluth

MARCH

7 – 10 (Thurs/Sun) - *Amelia Island Concours*, Sponsor: N/A
Location: Amelia Island, FL
16 (Saturday) – *Visit to Robbie Farris's Restoration Garage and to Brandon Smith's Classic AutoSmith's Facility*
Time: TBD
Sponsor: R. Farris*
Location: Marietta, GA.

21– 23 (Thurs/Sun) JCNA

Annual General Meeting
Sponsor: D. Maury*
Location: Dallas, TX

30 (Saturday) – *Early Spring Garden Drive*
Time: TBD

Sponsor: Dave Kirkman*
Location: TBD

APRIL

14 (Sunday) – *Spring Slalom*
Time: 10:00 AM
Sponsor: D. Maury*

Location: Chicopee Ag Center
20 (Saturday) – *Spring Drive to Wolf Mt. Winery*
Time: 9:30 AM
Sponsor: D. Kirkman*

19-20 Jaguar Club of Florida Concours d'Elegance

The Villages, FL
26, 27 & 28 (Fri/Sat/Sun) – *Walter Mitty Historic Races*
Sponsor: P. Harmon*
Location: Road Atlanta
28 (Sunday) – *Cars for Canines sponsor*
Sponsor: Carolyn Sikes*
Location:

MAY

11 (Saturday) - *British Motorcar Day*

Time: 10:00 AM
Sponsor: D. Kirkman, J Hollier*
Location: TBD

JUNE

1 (Saturday) - *NGJC Judges Training*

Time: TBD
Sponsor: P. Harmon*
Location: Hennessy Jaguar, Gwinnett

8 & 9 (Saturday & Sunday) - *Ault Park Concours (www.obiocourse.com)*

Time: TBD
Sponsor: G. Haldane
Location: Cincinnati, Ohio
6-7 Highlands Motoring Festival

Time: TBD
Sponsor:*

Location:
6-7 Carolina Club Concours @ Little Switzerland, NC

Time: TBD
Sponsor:*

12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 (Wed/Thu/Fri/Sat/Sun) – JCNA

Challenge Championship
Location: Richmond, VA

29 (Saturday) – *Jags 'N Friends Annual Picnic*
Time: TBD

Sponsor: Vail & Linda Frost*
Location: Frost Residence

JULY

27 (Saturday) – *Evening @ Hennessy (F Type Introduction)*

Time: 3:30 PM
Sponsor: Dave Kirkman*
Location: Hennessy Jaguar, Gwinnett

AUGUST

17 (Saturday) - *2nd Summer Drive, "Cowboys",*

Time: TBD
Sponsor: C. Sykes*
Location: Cartersville, GA.

24 (Saturday) - *NGJC Judges Training Make-Up Session*

Time: TBD
Sponsor: P. Harmon*
Location: TBD

SEPTEMBER

7, (Saturday) - *British Car Fayre*

Time: 10:00 AM
Sponsor: G. Haldane*
Location: Norcross, GA

22 (Sunday) – *Fall Slalom*

Time: 10:00 AM
Sponsor: D. Maury*

Location: Chicopee Ag Center

OCTOBER

6 (Sunday) – *NGJC Concours*

Time: 10:00 AM
Sponsor: P. Harmon*
Location: Gainesville, GA

9, 10, 11 & 12 (Wed/Thu/Fri & Sat) - *Fall Overnight Drive, North Ga. & Sky Line Drive @ Snow Bird Inn*

Time: TBD
Sponsor: Larry Klute & D. Kirkman*

18, & 19 (Fri/Sat) – *Euro Auto Festival*

Time: 10:00 AM
Sponsor: D. Kirkman
Location: BMW Plant, Greer, SC

NOVEMBER

1, 2 & 3 (Fri/Sat & Sun) – *Hilton Head Concours*

Time: TBD
Sponsor: D. Kirkman*
Location: Hilton Head Island, SC

9 (Saturday) – *Annual Business Meeting*

Time: 10:00 AM
Sponsor: D. Kirkman*
Location: TBD

DECEMBER

15 (Sunday) – *NGJC Christmas Party*

Time: 6:00 PM
Sponsor: D. Kirkman*
Location: The Vinings Club, Vinings, GA.



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For Our New Members What's This Thing Called a Concours?

Submitted by Pat Harmon

I am thrilled to see so many new members in our club and I am writing this article just for them. As many of you have found out we are a do stuff with our cars kind of club. All you have to do is look at the event calendar in our monthly newsletter to see the diverse things we do—tours, drives, slalom competition, picnic and something called a Concours d'Elegance. In this article I'll do my best to explain this extremely popular event, how easy it is for you to be a part of it, and start you on the process of joining our Concours team.

What is a Concours d'Elegance?

Throughout the year almost all of the clubs in JCNA hold a nationally-sanctioned Concours d'Elegance. Basically it's a car show but a very special one. By entering their Jaguars, club members compete for local, regional and national titles. JCNA has thus prepared fairly detailed rules to make sure judging is consistent from one club to the next. Clubs have judging teams (we have 22 judges in ours) who receive annual training in the JCNA rules and judging techniques. Now, when we hold a Concours, the cars are divided (and separately judged) into divisions and classes to make sure everything is fair and equal. That way we don't have a one year old car competing against one that was made before many of us were born. It is very common to see brand new cars on the field right along with cars made before WWII. Everyday driver cars are judged as well as those that have gone through very expensive restorations. There is literally something for everyone.

Cars are judged and scored in three main divisions: Championship, Driven and Special. Each of these divisions are further broken down into classes basically by model type and year. The Championship Division is the most rigorous as everything

is judged except for the underneath side of the car. Here we judge the engine compartment, boot, interior and exterior. The cars are judged in three areas: condition, cleanliness and, most importantly, authenticity. A perfect car must look exactly as it did when it left the factory. Now Driven Division is less stringent and designed for people who like to drive their cars. When they do that, things get dirty and a bit worn so, in this division, we only judge the exterior and interior. Finally, we have the Special Division, which is designed for race cars, replicas and Jaguars that have been seriously modified with non-authentic parts.

Cars must be driven onto the Concours field under their own power and presented by their owners. Champion and Special Division cars are then judged by three person teams and the Driven Division cars are judged by two person teams. The teams are allowed no more than 15 minutes to judge each car. Following the physical inspection the cars are then given Operational Verification inspections. Here the judges want to make sure all the lights and horns work.

So here's how the North Georgia Jaguar Concours goes (it is one of, if not the, most popular events in the Southeast). We have been holding our Concours in October in Gainesville at the Chattahoochee Country Club which is a great venue. People start arriving

around 9:00 am and are directed to their assigned parking spots. They then get out the rags and polish and start making the final touch-ups. Remember the cars have to look just like they came from the factory so dead bugs on the bumper is a no-no! This is also a great time for meeting people, looking at other cars, swapping stories and generally having a fun time with others who share your passion for Jaguars.

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A photograph of a classic red Jaguar XK140 MC convertible, shown from a front-quarter perspective. The car is in excellent condition, with a shiny finish and wire wheels. It is parked on a light-colored floor in what looks like a showroom or garage.

1956 XK 140 MC, restored by Speedwell Engineering.

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Then at noon, comes one of the reasons our Concours is so popular the famous CCC luncheon buffet. Then it is back to the cars and wait for the call—Rags Down. At this point the judges enter the field and start their tasks. Owners are asked to stay by their cars and await the judges arrival. The team will then introduce themselves, verify that the entrant is the owner/lessor of the car, and begin their inspection. Each judge is assigned a component such as Interior or Boot and uses a special score sheet for that component. Deductions are then made for anything they find wrong.

Normally entrants are not to talk to the judges except if the judges find something they feel is non-authentic or missing. If they do, they give the entrant the opportunity to prove authenticity. Here's a quick example: All Jaguars were shipped with a front license plate holder. In many cases, in states where there is no requirement for front license plates, these holders are discarded. In a Concours the holders must either be on the bumper or displayed beside the car. If it isn't, the Judges will ask about it and then make the deduction.

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First Spring Drive Sunny Day and Beautiful Cars

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

We had thirteen cars on our First Spring Drive that took us on the winding country roads through four counties and back to a delicious lunch at Brase Restaurant. The weather was pleasant as we visited in the parking lot waiting for everyone to arrive. And what a wonderful display of automotive excellence was on display! Ken and Melissa Hussey brought their new XK and Foster Finley arrived with his red E after a long, and rather frustrating, mechanical upgrade to a five speed gearbox. Speaking of red cars none were more outstanding than John Hollier's Lotus, the Sikes SL Mercedes, or the Ruiz's Maserati Ghibli that was out for the day. Ted and Rita Anderson were with us for their first drive with the club and we also welcomed new member Elliott Rosenberg. Although we were able to stay together I do want to thank Ivan and Myrna Ruiz (really Myrna as all Ivan has to do is what Myrna tells him!) for leading the second group of cars that was following my group. A big thank you also

goes to John Hoffman for taking the time to do the pre drive with me to make sure the directions were correct. The following folks came out and enjoyed a spectacular early spring day: Ted and Rita Anderson, John Baxa, Foster Finley, John and Judy Hoffman, Kent and Melissa Hussey, Ron Jenson, Lynn and Linda Newport, Bob and

Linda Ray, Elliott Rosenberg, Ivan and Myrna Ruiz, and Marvin and Carolyn Sikes. Chris and Patty Engelhorn could not come for the drive but did join the group for lunch at Brase. Next drive will be to Wolf Mountain Winery!



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The judging is typically over in 2 hours or so. All the score sheets are then collected and a scoring team totals and records the scores. Everyone then gathers for the awards presentations. Each class is awarded first, second and third place trophies which, in our case are very nice pewter plates. It is then time to pack up the cars and head home.


I said at the beginning of this article that I was writing it primarily for our new club members who probably know very little about these events. I am hoping this will whet your appetite to bring your car and start participating in our Concours program. I have been doing this for quite a while and, as the Chief Judge for our club, I am responsible for training and orientation. I'll make you an offer you can't refuse.

If any of you would like to learn more about how to enter your car in a Concours d'Elegance or would like to try judging (starting as an Apprentice, no stress) I will be more than willing to schedule a meeting and explain this process in more detail. Before we try to schedule anything please give me a call or send a message that you would like to attend. If enough of you are interested we will then schedule a time and place convenient for all. Give it some thought. It's time to take your Jag to the next level.



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