

Coming up...

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May 24th, Sunday - Late Spring Drive practice good social distancing
British Motorcar Day TBA in the fall
June 13, Saturday, NGJC Jag 'n Friends Picnic, Cancelled

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

What a strange time with so many mixed messages on what, when, and where it is safe to go and what is safe to do. What I can personally observe is that covid-19 is not good for any of us old people and safety first is always the best policy in my book (a realization I came to after one too many "fender benders"...none my fault of course!).

I am also of the opinion that it is imperative to get out doors and participate in some fashion as we stay in touch with family and friends. So, what I am proposing to do is host a club drive every month where we practice good social distancing in our cars. This is as a way for us to keep in touch until we all feel comfortable gathering as a group again to really socialize. Our May drive will be on Sunday, May 24 to one of several possibilities depending on what is "open" and the status of the covid-19 in our community. Complete details will be sent via email the middle of May.

I also wish all the best to the Mothers in our club as we celebrate your special day on Sunday, May 10. Stay Safe,
Dave Kirkman



Welcome new members

Al and Lita Hanson of Woodstock and Robin Woodsum of Powder Springs.



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Henderson Mountain Drive Sunday, May 24, 2020

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Our Second Spring Drive will take us over the beautiful back roads around Henderson Mountain. Our ultimate destination will be Rocco's Restaurant and Pub in the Jasper, GA area. At the present time I do not know the availability or restrictions on dining at Rocco's only that their facility is large enough to accommodate our club with social distancing in mind for those club members who would choose to dine in. I will contact

them after the first of May to verify availability and, hopefully, make reservations for our club.

We will gather in the Ingles parking lot on Bethelview Road (take Exit 13 on GA 400 going north and turn left. Ingles will be on your right after you cross highway 9) at 9:30 with a leave time of 10:00 pm SHARP!

Complete details will be sent via email the middle of the May.

Update On Local And National Classic Car Events

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Keeping up with the even changing cancelations and rescheduling of the traditional car events that our club members participate in on the local, regional, and national level has become quite a task. Here is what we know as of the first of May.

As previously noted the Cincinnati Concours, scheduled for the middle of June, has been cancelled. I do not have any current update on the rescheduling of the Roswell Motoring Festival that was scheduled for late March. The Keels and Wheels Concours, Seabrook, TX, has rescheduled for the middle of October.

New to the list is the British Motorcar Day, scheduled for the middle of June, has been postponed to a potential date in the fall. This event was to be held in conjunction with the Peachtree Corners Festival and they have not identified a new date as yet.

The Virginia Jaguar Club has rescheduled their club concours from June to the 3rd of October.

Also, our annual club picnic has been cancelled. New on the regional calendar of cancelations is the EURO Auto Festival in Greenville, SC. Originally scheduled for the middle of October this very popular event would have celebrated its twentieth anniversary this year.

On the national level the Pebble Beach Concours has cancelled (I believe for the first time since WWII). Currently, the Chattanooga Concours, scheduled for the middle of October, and the Hilton Head Concours, scheduled for the first Sunday in November are still on. Our annual club concours, scheduled for the end of October is still on the calendar at the present time.



The Georgia Triumph Association July Drive And Cookout July 11th Pools Mill Park, Forsyth Countys

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Mark Post, GTA Activities Director, reached out to our club and asked if we would like to join them for a drive and cookout on July 11 at Pools Mill Park, in Forsyth (yes, I actually know where this is). I would love to

have a good showing of club Jags join in. I have already responded that we would participate and I'll get more details for our June Newsletter.



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Jaguar E-Type Voted Number One In A New Survey

From Hagerty UK Poll

What's the greatest car ever produced by British factories? It's a hot debate, usually battled out by enthusiasts with their own classics parked in the garage.

Recently the discussion was carried out online by classic car owners who were asked to vote for their top choice British model, with the Jaguar E-Type coming out on top in the poll.

While the E-Type's win comes as little surprise, we were surprised to see the Mini down in third place.

The poll of vintage car aficionados was conducted by classic motor insurer Hagerty, with the intention of revealing the overall winner today, St George's Day.

It tasked a panel of motoring journalists to create a shortlist of the best British-built classic cars of all time, then put the vote to thousands of owners of classic cars, asking them to name their top three classics.

More than 1,150 votes were cast on its website in the last few weeks, with the top honour going to the Jaguar E-Type.

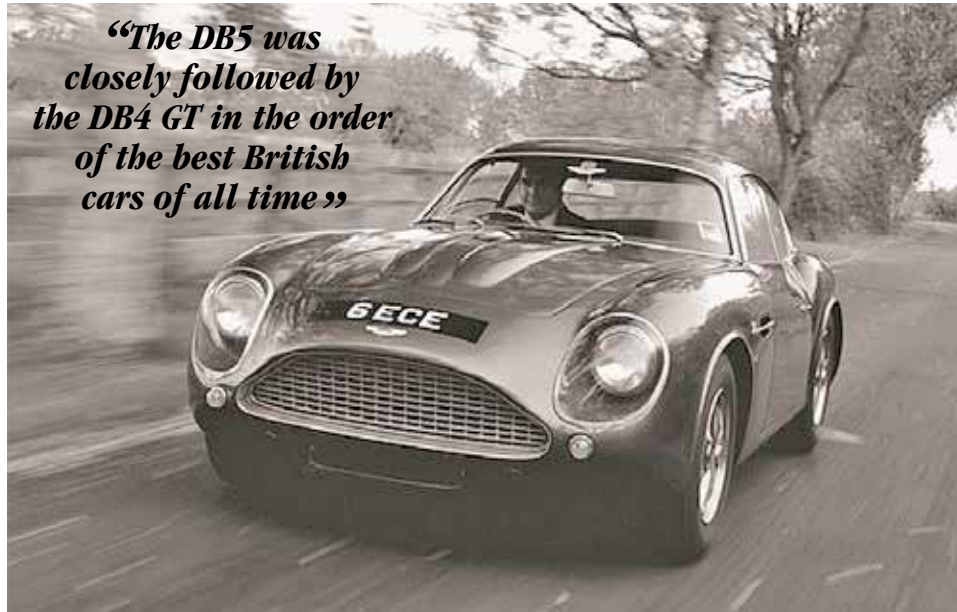
At final count the Jaguar proved almost twice as popular as any other car – even the Aston Martin DB5

Southeastern British Car Festival Scheduled for September in Dillard, GA *Submitted by John Baxa*

Word comes to us from the Peachtree MG Registry that they are planning their annual car show for September 17th to 20th in Dillard. Southern Hospitality at its finest! You've been cooped up long enough, now it's time to play! Come join us for an event to remember, as we play in the North Georgia mountains, enjoy scenic drives, southern food, a Drive-In Movie, tech sessions, and an awesome car show!

The Dillard House is our host venue. You can book your room now: **Dillard House - 706-746-5348** Mention that you are coming for this event!

And stay tuned for more exciting information about this Event, including when to register! Peachtree MG Registry is the host of this event, and our website is: peachtreemg.com and select the Dillard tab.



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2020 NGJC Calendar *tentative details to come*

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

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 13, Saturday – NGJC Jag ‘n’ Friends Picnic, Canton, GA
CANCELLED

TBD in the Fall – Peachtree Corners Festival & British Motorcar Day – Peachtree Corners, GA

JULY 2018

Summer Drive TBD

July 11th Saturday - GA Triumph Assoc. Cookout, Pools Mill Park, Forsyth Co

AUGUST 2019

Summer Drive TBD

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 for NGJC Concours d'Elegance – Gainesville, GA

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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First Spring Drive Well Attended

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Sunday, April 26th was perhaps not the best day for a spring drive with cool, cloudy, and wind warnings, but fourteen club members gathered behind the Canton Olive Garden ready to “get out of the house” for a while. Our original 12:30 start was delayed when a call came in from Brian Black that he had headed to another Olive Garden and the delay gave me the opportunity to visit with some of our new club members who had ventured out for their first club event. Hopefully they enjoyed the drive and will choose to join us again in the future.

The drive finished at a DQ in the Canton area where some of us had a gone before we headed home.

As our drives become more popular, and the number of cars increase, we can no longer just follow the guy in front in situations where stop lights and sharp hidden turns are involved. All of us now have either navigation systems in our car or on our cell phone so I am now providing detailed maps and turn by turn instructions so that we can still all travel together even if we get separated for a short distance. Our next drive is scheduled for Sunday, May 24. Additional details are in this newsletter. Hope to see you there.



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Formula One Driving Legend Sterling Moss Dead At 90

From AP Reports

Stirling Moss, a daring, speed-loving Englishman regarded as the greatest Formula One driver never to win the world championship, has died. He was 90.

Moss died peacefully at his London home following a long illness, his wife Susan said Sunday. It was one lap too many," she said. "He just closed his eyes."

A national treasure affectionately known as "Mr. Motor Racing," the balding Moss had a taste for adventure that saw him push cars to their limits across many racing categories and competitions. He was fearless, fiercely competitive and often reckless. That attitude took a toll on his slight body. His career ended early, at age 31, after a horrific crash left him in a coma for a month in April 1962.

"If you're not trying to win at all costs," he said, "what on earth are you doing there?"

By the time he retired, Moss had won 16 of the 66 F1 races he entered and established a reputation as a technically excellent and versatile driver.

"The sporting world lost not only a true icon and a legend, but a gentleman," Mercedes, one of the many teams Moss represented, said on Twitter. "The team and the Mercedes Motorsport family have lost a dear friend. Sir Stirling, we'll miss you."

Arguably his greatest achievement was victory in the 1955 Mille Miglia — a 1,000-mile (1,600-kilometer) road race through Italy — by nearly half an hour over Juan Manuel Fangio, the Argentine great who was Moss' idol, teammate and rival.

An F1 title didn't follow, though — a travesty to many in motorsport. Moss finished second in the drivers' championship four times (1955-58) and third on three occasions.

In 1958, Moss lost out to Ferrari's Mike Hawthorn by one point despite winning four races to his rival's one. His sportsmanship cost him the title, with Moss defending the actions of Hawthorn following a spin at the Portuguese Grand Prix, sparing his

rival a six-point penalty.

In 1959, Moss' car failed during the final race, in Florida, when leading and again with a chance of the title.

"I hope I'll continue to be described as the greatest driver who never won the world championship, but it doesn't really matter," Moss once said. "The most important thing for me was gaining the respect of the other drivers and I think I achieved that."

When his resolve to drive solely for English teams waned, Moss raced for Maserati,

Ferrari and Mercedes-Benz — partnering Fangio in an all-star line-up. In total, Moss raced in 107 different types of cars and boasted a record of 212 wins in the 375 competitive races he finished.

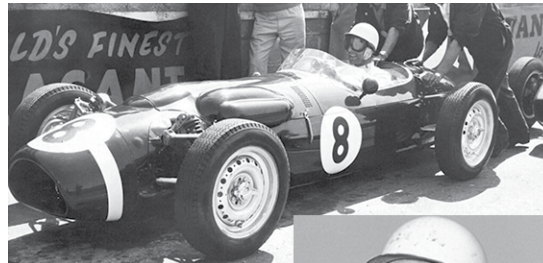
"A prodigious competitor, supremely talented racer, and consummate gentleman, he leaves an indelible mark of greatness on the history of international motorsport," F1 team McLaren said.

Moss was born in 1929 into a racing family. His father, Alfred, competed in the Indianapolis 500; his mother, Aileen, was English women's champion in 1936. The young Moss learned his trade during a racing boom in England after World War II.

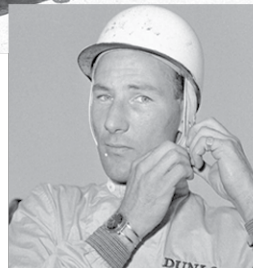
His knowledge of racing cars was second to none and he took his profession to the extreme, experimenting and risking his own safety in the process.

Moss broke both legs and damaged his spine in a crash in 1960. Even worse was the accident in Goodwood, England, two years later, when he smashed into a bank of earth at 100 mph (160 kph) without a seat belt while competing in the Formula One Glover Trophy.

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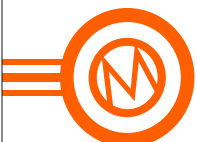
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Sterling Moss

It took 45 minutes to cut him from the wreckage. He suffered brain injuries and his body's left side was partially paralyzed for six months. With his eyesight and reflexes also permanently damaged, Moss quit racing.

"I knew that if I didn't get out, I'd kill myself and maybe somebody else," Moss said.

Moss then became a successful businessman, selling property and designing gadgets out of his state-of-the-art home in central London and working as a consultant to car manufacturers. He received a knighthood in 1999.

In 2010, he broke both ankles and hurt his back in a fall three floors down an elevator shaft at home.

Six years later, Moss was taken ill with a chest infection while on a cruise in Singapore and was hospitalized for 134 days before he could return home. The family described it as a "subsequent slow and arduous recovery" that led to Moss retiring from public life in 2018 at the age of 88.

Six-time world champion Lewis Hamilton paid tribute to Moss.

"I certainly will miss our conversations. To be honest, it was such a unusual pairing, our friendship," Hamilton wrote on Instagram. "Two people from massively different times and backgrounds but we clicked and ultimately found that the love for racing we both shared made us comrades. I am truly grateful to have had these special moments with him."



Captain Tom's 100th Birthday, a Promotion And A Fundraiser Worth \$39 Million

Hurricane and spitfire aircraft performed a flypast over Captain Tom Moore's house in Bedford, UK on Thursday, April 30 marking the WWII veteran's 100th birthday.

Hailed as a national hero, Moore has raised more than £29 million for the National Health Service (NHS) during the coronavirus outbreak, by walking laps of his

25-metre-long back garden.

Armed with his walker, Moore aimed to do enough lengths of the yard at his home in Marston Moretaine, around 50 miles north of London, to raise 1,000 pounds, or \$1,244, by the end of the month.

Soon, news of his campaign went viral, leading him

to raise 18 million pounds in just 11 days.

The effort earned him a flypast of two Second World War-era aircraft on Thursday after he was given the new title of honorary colonel, having previously been a captain.

"That is one of the greatest honors anyone could get," he said late Wednesday when he was presented with the new rank.



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Jaguar E-Type Voted Number One In A New Survey

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that's synonymous with James Bond.
Top 10 British cars of all time in poll

1. Jaguar E-Type
2. Austin-Healey 3000
3. Mini
4. Aston Martin DB5
5. Aston Martin DB4 GT

6. Jaguar XK120
 7. Ford GT40
 8. Lotus Elan (MkI)
 9. Land Rover (Series I)
 10. Jaguar D-Type
- Source: Hagerty UK poll of 1,150 voters



“Surprisingly, the Austin-Healey 3000 was voted above the Mini in the St George’s Day celebration survey”