

**Sunday May 23rd. Dipuma drive and luncheon**  
**Saturday June 26th. Jaguar and Friends BBQ Picnic, Canton GA,**



**In Memoriam Frank Sessions**

We learned recently that long time NGJC member Frank Sessions passed away recently. There is little information including the date of his passing but we found some information from the Facebook page of Atlanta Pizza & Gyro in Conyers where Frank liked to spend some time.

“Saddened to learn of the passing of a good friend and longtime regular at the restaurant, Mr. Frank Sessions. He was an Air Force veteran and a lifelong classic car collector, amateur photographer (that photo he is posing with was one of his favorites from a chance encounter with a lovely pair of ladies at Atlanta Motor Speedway in the early 1970s), and historical aircraft aficionado. He always had interesting stories about his travels and his many friends he made over the years (he was close friends with caretaker and “phantom of the Fox theater” Joe Patton before his death in 2016). So much loss in the past year, but we all are blessed to be friends with and enjoy the company of those that bring meaningful experiences, stories and

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**JCNA Concours d’Elegance Season Now Underway**

*Submitted by Philip DiTrolio, Chief Judge NGJC*

This past month marked the start of the 2021 Concours season, with the first event being held in Lake Mary, FL. The event was hosted by the Jaguar Club of Florida and was very well attended with 33 judged cars. The Marriott, Lake Mary hosted the Friday mixer, the Concours on Saturday as well as the awards dinner Saturday night. They did a great job and together with JCoF put on a first-class event.

As almost everyone had been vaccinated, mask usage was noticeably on a decline. It was refreshing to see things starting to get back to normal! This is a not so subtle reminder that getting vaccinated is the quickest way for all of us to get back to normal.

That said, there were some truly incredible cars in attendance, including Ian Crawford’s 1993 XJ220 (9.998) with 7,000 original miles, Chris Labinski’s 1934 S.S.I. Tourer (99.830) and Eduardo Zavala’s 1935 S.S.I Coupe (97.80). Craig Kerins brought his 2013 XKR Coupe (9.994) and it was as well prepared as always. As Craig is our Southeast Regional Director it’s always good to get his perspective on the status of our club.

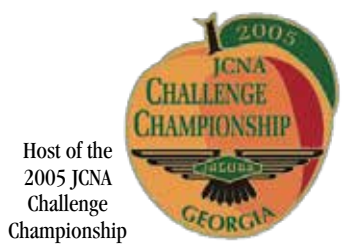
Fielding enough qualified judges is an ongoing problem for most clubs and I was asked to help out

as a visiting judge. This is something I have truly come to enjoy, as it provides an opportunity to see how other clubs handle their Concours as well as their judging techniques. As always, I received some great suggestions. I will share these with Terry and hopefully we can add some to our Concours this fall.

One thing I think we should implement is to add more photography to our events, anyone want to volunteer? We can add these to our club website and upload some to the JCNA website. This can be a valuable tool in attracting new members.

I am still working on our Judges training and will have a further update in the June newsletter. I am still looking for members who can help out with presenting judging training for specific early cars. My goal remains to make our judges the best trained, most consistent in the JCNA.

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**LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Now that the weather is breaking we can look forward to the upcoming outdoor events. Last month’s lunch and drive was an example of a picture perfect day and The Rally Master’s route did not disappoint. Thank you David for shepherding the cats through the backwoods country side.

This month’s drive and luncheon is to a winery that is being repurposed into a small event venue just outside of Helen. Our host David is a Porsche car guy, but don’t hold that against him. This months drive will be more straight forward. Look for the article with details and sign up directions in this newsletter.

The Coventry Foundation has been busy collecting and expanding it’s special repair tool program. Special tools are now available on both coasts. Look for the article on their continued vision of preserving and expanding the Jaguar heritage here in the USA.

We have some future events that will be shaping up in the fall so stay tuned for calendar updates.

There are some spots open in our club officer positions, **Vice President** and **Vice-President for Activities** are available.

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**Welcome new members**

Dennis and Linda Habrat of Canton, GA

Think about throwing your hat into the ring and get involved with this club. We have 20 years of past officers who will support you in any of the open and upcoming positions. New blood and ideas are needed to keep this club going strong.  
Stay safe and keep the shiny side up.  
John



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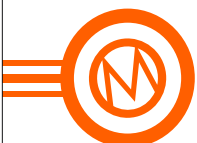
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# 2021 NGJC Calendar *Tentative*

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

## NGJC EVENTS: May

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						

## 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				

Club Event  
 Other Event  
 Holiday

### JANUARY

Nothing planned

### FEBRUARY 2021

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

### MARCH

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

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

18 - Sunday, Spring Drive  
Sponsor: D Kirkman

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

### MAY

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

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

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

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

### AUGUST

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

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

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

### SEPTEMBER

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

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

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

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

### NOVEMBER

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

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

### OCTOBER

2, Saturday - Roswell Motoring Festival – Roswell, GA

### DECEMBER

? - *NGJC Holiday Party*

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## Dipuma drive and luncheon May 23rd.

Submitted by John C. Yates.

Enjoy a drive to a beautiful setting just outside of Helen for lunch overlooking Yonah mountain.

David Dipuma has purchased a small vineyard over looking a picturesque farm with Yonah Mountain in the background. Space will be limited to 25 cars.

### THE DRIVE:

We will meet in the back parking lot of the North Georgia Premium Outlets behind the Nike Factory Store at 10:30, heading out at 11:00 for the drive to lunch (800 GA-400 S, Dawsonville, GA 30534).

### THE MENU:

Your choice of either  
Grilled Burger on a Bakery Bun, with lettuce, tomato, onion, ketchup, mustard.

Or

Mama Dipuma's Chicken Salad on a Bakery Fresh Croissant

Sides include: Potato Salad, Cole Slaw  
Dessert Platter of cookies and brownies,  
Ice Tea and Lemonade

### THE COST:

Lunch is \$25 per person.

To sign up and pay go to [www.ngjc.us](http://www.ngjc.us), select the Calendar tab, click on the highlighted HERE under the May 23, 2021 tab and fill out the form and submit. Payments are made via PayPal. The cutoff date for this event is Wednesday May 19th.



## Some Of What's In Store At Amelia Island Auction

From Hagerty Media

The May 20th Bonhams' Amelia Island Auction will bring together many of the usual suspects—Porsche, Jaguar, Cadillac, Volkswagen, MG—as well as a few marques that may be completely unknown to you.

Bonhams, which postponed its Florida event in March and rescheduled it for May 20, recently unveiled the auction's first group of prewar and vintage cars. Three of them caught our attention because they're rarely seen on the auction stage—or anywhere else, for that matter.

### 1953 RGS Atalanta

In Greek mythology, the Goddess Atalanta was renowned for her swiftness of foot, and so is this 1953 RGS Atalanta (Jaguar C-Type) race car. The rare factory works car features an all-aluminum body built by John Griffiths (most Atalantas were fiberglass) and a 3.4-liter, straight-six Jaguar XK series engine (no. F-1632-8). It was highly modified at the time, fitted with special valves and a 16-quart oil sump, plus a racing Warren Pearce intake manifold with triple SU H-8 Sandcast carburetors. Additional features include independent front and rear suspension, inboard rear alloy brakes, 16-inch wire wheels, original Rey-Dot mirrors, and a Le Mans filler cap.



Like most "non-essential" businesses, Great Britain's Atalanta Motors ceased production at the start of World War II. In 1944, British Major Richard G. Shattock, then working in the Department of Tank Design at Chobham, acquired an Atalanta chassis and parts and began tinkering. Five years later, Shattock bought a garage, along with the rights to Atalanta Motors' name and inventory, and opened RGS Atalanta in 1951.

This 1953 Atalanta, finished in British Racing Green with a Fly Yellow nose and stripe and wearing a green leather interior, carries registration number UKL 852. In 1955, it was purchased from Shattock's Brookside Garage by David Smallwood and registered in Kent, England, as a "sports tourer." It was imported to the U.S. in 1978 by Sam Tayloe, who parted with it in 1988.

All Atalanta models benefited from lightweight construction and were revered for their solid handling and tenacious cornering ability. The best news for its next owner (who should expect to pay six figures): It can be

licensed for driving on the street.

For other surprises check out <https://www.hagerty.com/media/auctions/3-cars-at-bonhams-amelia-island-auction-that-you-didnt-know-existed/>





# Perfect Weather For Our 2021 Spring Drive

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Sunny day and temperatures in the low 70's. Nothing better for a spring drive on narrow twisty back roads in a Jaguar; especially one that winds up at a DQ for ice cream!

Beverly and I were delighted to see a nice collection of Jaguars parked in front of the Olive Garden when we arrived shortly after 11:00 am. Bob and Linda Ray, Tom and Marie Clearman (a special award to the Clearman's for attending this event as Marie's knee was in a cast from a ski accident), David Singleton and Ena Hammond, John and Judy Hoffman, Peter and Janell Helman, Tom and Midge Gose, and Brian Black and his guest all joined us for brunch before the drive. It was obvious we were all just glad to be among friends again after a long year of being shut-ins. Patti Fox, Bill and Jane Flavelle and Laly Davis passed on the brunch and met us shortly after noon for the drive. We even had a surprise visit for club President John Yates before we set out.

The traffic was light as we wound our way along the tree lined streets around Canton and out into the beautiful green countryside and the previously mentioned narrow twisty roads that eventually lead us back to the DQ in Riverstone Village where we all enjoyed ice cream and swapped more stories before heading home. A perfect Jaguar day; beautiful cars and good friends.



## What is the Coventry Foundation and what does that mean to you?

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All this and more is available on the Coventry Foundation website at [www.coventryfoundation.org](http://www.coventryfoundation.org). Or, go to the Coventry Foundation's Facebook page. Additional information is also available on our website at [www.jaguarminnesota.com](http://www.jaguarminnesota.com). Click on "Heritage" at the top of the home page and scroll down.

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## Example of a XK-150 Parts Donation

After doing a restoration of an XK-150, this donor decided to donate the remaining parts including an extra transmission to the foundation. With the permission of the donor, the parts will be liquidated for cash, and the cash will be added to our scholarship fund.





## In Memoriam Frank Sessions

share their memories into our lives. Rest in peace Frank.

### Collection History

1932 Ford 3-window Deluxe Coupe. This car was owned by Frank Sessions of Atlanta and Conyers from 1953 to 2012. In 1953 Sessions and a few friends installed an Olds 88 engine in the car, one of the first such modifications in Georgia. In 1953 Sessions also had the chance to drive a friend's XK120 Jaguar and saw the 120 mph the car was capable of--very fast for this time period. Sessions also had his own XK120 from 1956 to 2010. With this car he set the fastest Jaguar time of the day at an SCCA Solo One event at his Air Base in Columbus, Ohio in 1957. He was also 2nd over all, beaten only by a then-new 1957 Corvette with the 270 hp engine package--270 hp vs. 180 hp in



the 1954 Jaguar. The time difference was only 3-tenths of a second over the 1.6 mile course, a simulated road course with 100 mph straights.

Earlier, in 1954, the '32 Ford coupe raced in the first legal "drag races" in Georgia on a dirt air strip at Fairburn, Georgia. The little Ford went into storage in the early '60s. Before that it was driven to New York State, Watkins Glen, New York City, and out to Denver, Colorado. It is now part of the Wester Family Collection, Okatie, South Carolina, and is being maintained in "preservation" state. It has its almost 90-year-old original interior. All its sheet metal is original to the car. It was in a special invitational area at Hilton Head Island Councours in 2015.



## Cars Wanted & For Sale

**For Sale: 1995 Jaguar XJS Convertible 4.0** . Car has 50,000 miles. It is garage kept. It drives and runs well. It needs some work and the ask is \$7000. The perfect price for someone wanting an entry point car or possibly an avid collector. This car has been shown in the past.. The car is located in Temple, GA near Carrollton. Kyle Rowan 864-704-7798 rowan945@bellsouth.net



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**Wanted to Buy: Jaguar E-Type Series 1 or 2 convertible 1961 – 1969.**  
David Peck, 770-559-3943 or davidhpeck@aol.com.

**For Sale: Jaguar Super V8 - Rare limited production model** I am posting this ad for a JCNA member whose husband has recently passed. She is offering for sale his 2008 Super V8 in Lunar Gray with Ivory leather and charcoal piping. The car has a clean Car Fax and a binder with extensive maintenance records. Recent (within the last 20,000 miles) include pads and rotors, Coolant system updated with flush, hoses and grommets, Transmission flush with software update, all O2 sensors replaced and both front air spring suspension assemblies with factory originals. Current mileage is 109,900. It has a recent oil change and new battery.

The Super V8 has a 400 HP supercharged 4.2 liter V8 with 6 speed Auto. Rear door window shades, long wheel base, rear entertainment



system, Reclining rear seats, heated and cooled front seats, heated rear seats, dual rear video screens, DVD and CD player, rear window screen and more.

This isn't a special model just because it has a different model name or special colors. It is truly a limited production model with unique features and styling with only about 200 worldwide in 2008. It is a future classic in the real sense of the words. It is originally a California car that made its way to the Carolinas. It listed new for over \$94,000. She is asking \$15,000. Serious inquires only. More photos upon request.

Car is located in North Carolina. Contact Judy Meyers at judyhpm@gmail.com. Call Brian 404-275-8200.