Summer Tech Session Hennessy Jaguar Saturday, August 23

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Terry Hulsey will be conducting a technical session at Hennessy Jaguar's Gwinnett location on Saturday, August 23 starting at 11:00 am. Terry has his own classic car restoration business and has completed many award winning projects for our club members over the years. Terry was also instrumental in the formation of our club along with Joe Newell and Roy Cleveland and served as our first club president.

Terry will be discussing the proper preparation and storage of classic cars. As many of us have cars that are frequently stored for some period of time this should not only be a very interesting session but could save you big dollars in repair cost down the road. Even if you currently do not own a car that you anticipate storing at some point Terry's insights may well prove valuable to you in the future.

Trisha Williams, Hennessy Jaguar Sales Manger, has graciously offered the use of their conference room for Terry's presentation. Please plan to arrive around 10:45am with the tech session starting at 11:00 am. We will break for lunch and then a new XF Jaguar will be available at the Gwinnett dealership starting at 1:00 p.m. for our inspection.



Virginia Jaguar Club 2008 Concours D'Elegance September 14, 2008 Brown's Island, Richmond Virginia

Submitted by Ron Gaertner

The Virginia Jaguar Club wishes to share an invitation at the 2008 Classics on the James. This is a unique European car show representing all makes and models of British and European automobiles. Last year's featured marque was the Ferrari, and this event was considered one of the largest gatherings of such fine automobiles as seen on the eastern seaboard. The unique and historic site in downtown Richmond, overlooks the city, the James River, and offers a beautiful park to host this event.

This year the featured marque will be the Jaguar automobile. Our club hopes to offer "a Cavalcade of Jaguars". Automobiles of each vintage model and year will be introduced as they are paraded to a special concours arena. This will be unique for any Jaguar concours, and greater than 300 British and European cars are expected to attend.

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Atlanta British Car Fayre September 6th

Submitted by Pat Harmon

It's time again to polish up the Jag and bring her out for some more fun! It's the Atlanta British Car Fayre in historic old Norcross. Be sure to mark your calendars for Saturday, September 6th. The event has been rejuvenated with new organizers (British American Business Group) and now has a charitable element with Soccer In The Streets receiving the proceeds. Car owners can win prizes to include transatlantic airline tickets. The entry fee is \$20.00 per car which includes a free breakfast and prize drawings.

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Corn Ethanol... Who Is This Stuff Really Good For?

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Remember the stories about the shady snake oil salesmen of yesteryear who would ride into town and promise the good folks that his "elixir" would cure all their aliments? Well, there is a whole new generation of these guys and they are as slick as their forbearers. Meet the "Corn Ethanol Boys."

Corn ethanol has been around for quite sometime in this country but it really started to sound pretty good to our politicians when "going green" became the politically correct thing to do (corn ethanol isn't "Green" by the way). With the cost

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Following up on John Baxa's article in last month's newsletter about Ratan Tata, his company's acquisition of Jaguar, and his very positive visit to Jaguar dealers here in the U.S, it appears that we have now entered into that lull that always seems to follow a change in ownership as new management sorts out the "what, where, when, how, (and probably most importantly), who" going forward. I have personally lived through several of these during my years working in corporate America and learned to expect announcements of new directions, products, and key people changes during the Forth Quarter in time to take effect for the next year. Let's see if past experiences hold true this time around.

The summer drive to Wolf Mountain Vineyards was well attended and I want to thank everyone who took advantage of the opportunity to spend a day driving on the back roads of North Georgia with fellow club members. The reward for the time and effort that it takes to plan one of these drives is when we have good participation. Thanks again for a very fun day! Also, a big "THANK'S" to Jim Anderson, Mary Ann Kretz, Ivan and Myrna Ruiz for helping make the drive successful by leading two

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of the groups (without any prior notice by the way) on the drive. By breaking into smaller groups we were able to keep sight of everyone and that helped in making sure we all got to where we were going.

A very special 'CONGRATULATIONS' goes to Marlene and Don Hart as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this month!

I know it is hot outside and, if you are like me, you are hiding out in the air conditioning. But keep in mind that September is almost here and that month sees the start of many exciting late summer and early fall car events. Saturday, September the 6th is British Cars on the Square in Old Norcross. This is our official club event for the month. Sunday the 14th is our fall slalom and the next weekend is the Southeast British Car Festival at Dillard. There is a little something for everyone so make plans now to bring the Cat out and spend a day with fellow club members.

More Comments on June's Picnic in Roswell

Submitted by John Baxa

We continue to receive feedback on the picnic held in June at Roswell Area Park which was well-attended by our club members and those of the Alfa Romeo Owners' Club of Atlanta. Brian Hernan, chief organizer for the event passed along this letter he received from the Alfa club which we reprint here so that all of our members can enjoy it. If you have thoughts about this event, particularly as to how we might do this again next year, be sure and let Brian know what you think. To Brian Hernan,

On behalf of the Atlanta Alfa Romeo Chapter we want to personally thank you for letting us participate in the Jaguar event at the Roswell Area Park this past Saturday, June 14, 2008. We all enjoyed socializing with the Jaguar members and comparing notes on the different cars present. The weather held out (thank God!) and the BBQ was excellent. All in all it was a fun day sharing with other car enthusiasts.

Again thank you for all your hard work putting this together and inviting us to be part of the day.

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North Georgia Jaguar Club 2008 Calendar of Events

Submitted by Tom Koballa (tkoballa@uga.edu) *Club Member Faclitator

January

Saturday, 26th -Tour of Todd Emily's Car Collection *Tom Koballa

February

Sunday, 10th – Valentines Gathering * Dave Kirkman

March

Sunday, 9th –Amelia Island Concours d' Elegance

Sunday, 15th – North Florida Jaguar Club Concours

Friday, 28th & Saturday, 29th– JCNA 50th General Meeting, Pittsburgh

April

Courant

Sunday, 6th - Spring Drive and Rally * Dave Kirkman Larry

Sunday, 20th –Spring Slaloms * Dick Maury

Saturday, 26th & Sunday, 27th – Abbeville Opera House Overnight Drive

* Ned Lowder

May

Thursday, 1st – Sunday, 4th –Walter Mitty Challenge

Saturday, 17th – British Motor Car day, and Drive * Dave Kirkman Tom Koballa

24th, Annual Judges Training with Pat Harmon

June

Saturday, 14th – Second Annual Picnic and Car Show * Brian Hernan Pat Harmon

Saturday, 28th – Tech session for Judges covering the XK models* Pat Harmon

July

Saturday 12th- Joint Club Drive and Lunch at Wolf Mountain Winery

* Dave Kirkman

26-27: Music City Jaguar Club Concours -Belle Meade Plantation -Nashville, TN (www. jcna.com/library/ concours)

August

Saturday, 2nd – Western States Car Meet, Grand Junction, CO

Saturday, 23rd. – Tech Session – Storage and Use of Cars That Are Not Daily Drivers * Terry Hulsey

September

Saturday, 6th -Car Parade and British Car Fayre Norcross * Pat Harmon

Sunday, 14th – Fall Slalom

* Dick Maury

14: Virginia Jaguar Club Concours - Browns Island - Richmond, VA

(www.jcna.com/library/concours)

Saturday, 20th & Sunday, 21st – Southeast British Car Festival at Dillard

October

5th - Petit Le Mans at Road Atlanta

12 – NGJC Annual Concours

* Pat Harmon

Saturday, 18th EUROFest * Dave Kirkman

November

Sunday, 2nd – Hilton Head Concours

Sunday, 9th Fall Drive with Dave Kirkman

Saturday, 29th – Annual Business Meeting * Dave Kirkman

December

TBA - Gainesville Christmas Car Parade *Pat Harmon

Sunday, 14th - NGJC Annual Christmas Party 6:00pm to 11:00pm at Vinings Club

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A Mid Summer's Drive To Wolf Mt Winery

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

What better way to spend a mid summer's morning than heading into the beautiful countryside of North Georgia on winding roads knowing that your destination holds the promise of good food, hearty fellowship, and a glass or two of Georgia wine.

The gathering at Ingles on Saturday morning was indeed well attended and a wonderful display of Jaguars covering some fifty years of Coventry's best. We

welcomed new club members David and Ena Singleton, Jody and Angie Foster, and Bob and Melanie Wallace (Bob was also celebrating his birthday) all of whom were on their first outing with us. The Singleton's, true Brits indeed, won the unofficial award for being the best at following the written directions and map provided at the start of the drive (I was really impressed as they did better than the guys with the navigation systems!). **Bob and Barbara Collins** left home very early from La Grange to make the 9:45 am start. Don and Marlene Hart and Ivan and Myrna Ruiz brought friends to enjoy the drive and the day and we were glad to have them along. Glenn and Kathy Michalski drove their impeccable XK140 coupe while the XK120's were represented by Bob and Linda Ray and Vail and Linda Frost. Wayne Fears dropped by with his XK150 to say "hello" but, alas, he had to return to Atlanta for a family gathering. XK8's, XJS's' and sedans were also well represented with Jim Anderson and Mary Ann Kretz, George and Sandy Haldane, Ray and Margaret Gore, Larry and Jo Ann Courant. Toni Swanson and her guest drove her beautiful red XK8. Brian and Linda Hernan and Roy and Linda Cleveland met us at the winery (It was the official

first outing for Roy's brand new 2008 XKR coupe...a thing of beauty indeed!). If I missed anyone please accept my apologies as the morning got a little hectic.

The Austin Healey Club had been billed as our guests for the drive, but I did not make the necessary arrangements in time. However, Ashford Little, of the Georgia Triumph Club, and I had been discussing this event so he rounded up several of his

club members including a vary rare late 1940's Triumph 2000 sports car. Chris Sloan brought his C-Type recreation to round out a very nice selection of guest cars for the drive.

In fact there were so many of us that we broke up into three groups. Jim Anderson and Mary Ann Kretz thankfully "volunteered" and lead the first group of KX 120's, the C-Type, and the Triumphs. Next Ivan and Myrna Ruiz graciously "volunteered" and let the two E-Types, the XKS, and the XK8's and I followed them in my E-Type leading the five sedans.

I take great pride in reporting that everyone made it to the Wolf Mt and no one got lost (this might be a first for a group drive of this size!). I counted forty-two at lunch and judging by the noise and laughter it was a huge success. After lunch Karl Boegner, Wolf Mt Vineyards owner, invited those who wished to ioin him on a tour of the winery. Others headed into Dahlonega to shop or back to Atlanta to get ready for evening events. Me? I took the long and winding way home, listened to my E-Type sing its song, and enjoyed the countryside in all its mid summer glory...and felt very blessed indeed!



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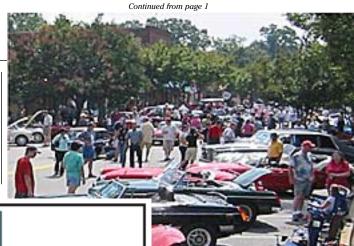
Virginia Jaguar Club 2008 Concours

D'Elegance Submitted by Ron Gaertner

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Atlanta British Car Fayre

Submitted by Pat Harmon

Some of you have attended this event in the past with excellent reviews. This year the NGJC plans to arrive in style by parading our cars through Norcross and onto the show field. This ain't no Concours so feel free to decorate at will. There are several good restaurants located on the square so there's no need to pack a lunch unless vou want to.

Here's the plan....We will first meet at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant located near Jimmy Carter Blvd and I-85 at 9:30. The address is 6175 McDonough Drive, Norcross, 30093. We will leave the parking lot at 9:45 and drive to the Norcross town square (3.4 miles - 6)minutes). If you can't make "Our Parade" one address on the square is 29 Jones Street, Norcross, GA 30071. If you need to reach me my cell phone is (678) 677-4954.



Corn Ethanol...Who Is This Stuff Really Good For?

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

of a barrel of oil at \$140.00 bucks I got to thinking that perhaps this "renewable resource" really could serve as a good economical alternative to fossil based fuels. That prompted a little research to see what is currently going on.

Three factors were used to judge whether corn based ethanol is the real deal or not. First, is it economical to produce relative to fossil fuel? Second, what is E85 and

can we use it in our current fossil fuel based motors and, if so, is E85 as fuel efficient as fossil based fuels? Thirdly, if we shift our corn production to ethanol what impact would that have on the costs of other corn, and non corn, based products?

The "economical to produce" question appears to depend on what goes into the "production" calculation and who you want to believe. Dr. Pimental, of the University of Cornell, says that, counting all of the planting, growing, cultivation, and processing results in a fuel that is so inefficient and costly to produce that we would have to plant the entire country in corn to meet our current energy needs! Not so fast Lone Ranger says EPIC. While they do not provide complete information on what went into their production calculations EPIC maintains that there is a 35% increase in fuel over cost of production. And who is EPIC? Ethanol Promotion and Information Council. Best place the emphasis here on "Promotion". The one thing that everyone does agree on is corn ethanol is subsidized by the Federal

Government at between One Billion and Five Billion dollars a year. Pardon me Tonto but if this stuff is so cheap to produce why is it being subsidized at all?

Next, what is E85? It is a fuel that is 85% corn ethanol and 15% fossil based fuel. The "Corn Ethanol Boys" love this to say the least! Can we use E85 in our current combustion engines? Simple answer: NO NEVER. Why? Corn ethanol is so corrosive that, unless you have a new "Flex Fuel Engine" it will destroy your motor straight away if used in large concentrations like E85.

General Motors, and others, have either started, or will start, to build these Flex Fuel Engines that can use traditional fossil fuels, E85, or other non traditional fuels (you will no doubt be hearing a lot about these engines in the future). However, as consumers, we are being very naive if we think the General, or anyone else, is going to build a motor that requires parts to stand up to corrosive E85 at the same or lower prices than their present conventional internal combustion engines (this stuff is so caustic it apparently cannot be shipped through normal distribution systems but must be moved in special tanker trucks). Anyway, a quick check of Kelly Blue Book verified that a 2008 Chevrolet Tahoe 4 door 2 wheel drive SUV HYBRID (which I understand can use E85) carries a \$5,000 plus premium over the equivalent vehicle with a standard combustion engine. That is an increase in excess of 10% on the price of an already expensive base vehicle. Ugh! (Yes, I am aware that there are Federal rebates on some types of motors. However, they vary and they are not based on actual

fuel mileage and, therefore, only make the matter of conservation even worse. You can get a rebate on a motor that can only average 11 MPG but not one that averages

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Submitted by Dave Kirkman

37 MPG

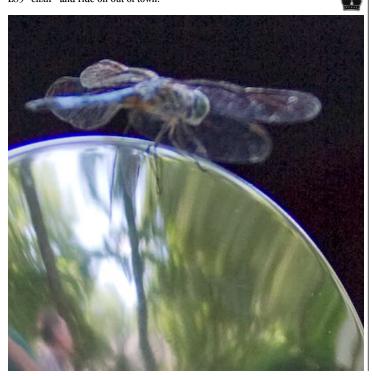
Currently E85 sells for about the same, or slightly less, than regular unleaded. But hey, I don't want to be all doom and gloom so what happens if we all could use corn based ethanol instead of fossil fuels and the price was the same at the pump? Oops, we would still loose big time again. Why? AutoWeek, Newsweek, USA ToDay and others have all printed articles stating corn based ethanol is at least 35% less efficient than fossil based fuels in combustion engines. Even the U.S. Department of Energy says a vehicle uses 1.4 times as much E85 as gasoline to go the same distance. One article quoted a guy with a Flex Motor who got 18 MPG with fossil fuel and 11MPH when he used E85. That is over a 40% loss in fuel efficiency and this guy was paying a premium for the E85 too!

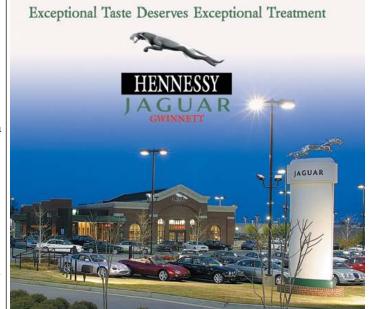
By the time you pay a premium price for the Flex Fuel motor, higher sales and tag taxes, purchase E85 and lose 35% to over 40% in fuel efficiency for your trouble the use of this stuff starts to make no common sense at all (If you drove your current fossil fuel burning vehicle 100,000 miles, averaged 20 MPG, high test unleaded gas would have to sell at \$7.84 a gallon to cover the costs of driving the same distances, including the cost of the Flex Motor, and using E85 at \$4.00 a gallon).

Not so fast Masked Man! Won't the supply and price of oil eventually make the price of corn ethanol very attractive? Nope, Tonto, "Corn Ethanol Boys" have heap big plan. See the "Corn Ethanol Boys" are as much for profit as the big oil companies so their price at the pump will always follow the price of gas going up...and the higher the better. This is particularly true as they start to lose those billions in government subsidies. Their fuel is so inefficient and the price of a Flex Fuel motor is so expensive that the only way the "Corn Ethanol Boys" can ever succeed is if they become the only fuel alternative. At that point we will all be riding bicycles or taking the bus to the club picnic!

Lastly, has the diversion of corn to produce ethanol driven up the costs of other corn, and non corn, based products? Not according to the "Corn Ethanol Boys". All I know is the price of my Corn Flakes and Corn Chips has gone way up and Joe Newell tells me that the diversion of land to corn production has caused sugar prices to double in the past two years...and there is no end in sight. So I'll leave you to draw your own conclusions here.

Now I am completely in favor of finding alternative fuel sources but who wins with corn ethanol? Not some corn farmer in Iowa but the big AgriGrow Corporations who fund EPIC and spend the bucks to keep those Billions in Federal subsidies rolling in! For the rest of us it just might be best if we told the "Corn Ethanol Boys" to take their E85 "elixir" and ride on out of town.





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The operation of the plan is simple. First go through the normal purchase procedure at the dealership. Then show your JCNA membership card and the dealer will apply the discount. Jaguar will take care of crediting the dealer.

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