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Submitted by Myrna Ruiz

Are you ready for spring to arrive? Are you ready to go for a drive? If that is the case, you can drive your car to beautiful Dawsonville for the first tech session of the year! The March tech session, including doughnuts and coffee, is scheduled for Saturday, March 26 at 10:30 AM.

The speaker will be Mr. Todd Puryear, a master at paint-less dent removal and he will demonstrate his skills.

The tech session will be held at our home just off GA 400 near the North Georgia Premium Outlet Mall. This is an excellent opportunity to learn how small dents are fixed without requiring fillers or paint. Also, you will get to see Ivan's new garage and the ladies will have a good time visiting before we all head out to lunch. The tech session will be held in conjunction with the North Georgia Jaguar Club.

Our address is 274 Summit Overlook Drive Dawsonville, GA 30534 770-998-0923

Note: our house is in The Summit gated community and the gate will be open that morning.

Please RSVP to ivan@thecarnut.com by Wednesday, March 23rd.

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## Spring Drive Saturday Morning, April 16, 2011

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Mark your calendars now for our Annual Spring Drive on Saturday, April 16. The drive on the 16th will be a nice way to put the 15th tax deadline behind us for another year. This will be a morning drive with the final plans still being developed. But you already know the roads will be interesting with a good meal awaiting you somewhere down the road. Our club drives are very popular so plan on joining your fellow club members for a good day on the back roads of Georgia. Complete details will be in the April Newsletter and on the club web site at www.ngic.us. Also note that we have a rain date planned for the following Saturday should the 16th have inclement weather







## Spring Slalom April 3rd at Chicoppee Woods in Gainesville

Submitted by John Baxa

We'll be setting up the cones in the parking lot at 10am for the training school. If you are a beginner or just need help honing your driving skills this is a great time to learn some of the finer points of slalom driving. The timed events begin at noon with five sanctioned runs for each competitor. All levels of competitors are welcome, we have had all types of cars participate from a 1930s SS2 to a slalom-prepared XKE. Come join us for a fun and exciting day of driving.

Last fall we had to reschedule the first slalom date because of stormy weather but not before a few stalwarts made the trip to Gainesville anyway. To keep this from happening again and not have anyone wasting their time driving to Gainesville only to find the gate locked, e-mail or phone Dick Maury rcmaury@gmail.com or 404-219-4678 to let him know that you are coming or even think you are coming. That way, if anything happens, Dick will be able to call you. Otherwise, see you there.

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## Spring Slalom April 3rd at Chicoppee Woods in Gainesville

#### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by Pat Harmon

Are you ready? The groundhog did his thing and Spring is a-coming early. Whether your Jaguar is old or new now is the time to give her a good lookover, cleaning and a good polish. How long has that gas been in the tank? If it is older than three months don't expect it to have the pep it once had. I found a small electric fuel pump (Facet) at the local auto parts store. That and a few feet of tubing can transfer that gas into the family station wagon where it can mix and be gone. Another thing I do this time of year is give the engine a good cleaning (Gunk engine cleaner works good). After it's dry, coat everything in the engine compartment with an entire can of WD-40. A retired NASA Chief of Staff taught me to do this years ago and it keeps the engine looking like new.

There's a full activity schedule planned for this year. Now is the time to look at the Calendar of Events in this newsletter and pick the ones you want to attend. If you are new to our club or haven't attended events in the past I really encourage you to join in the fun. One of the strongest traits of our club is our great membership - a real fun-loving bunch of folks that like to do stuff with their cars. You need to be one of them!

Finally, I have a homework assignment for you. We communicate with our membership in three ways: Newsletter, Website and E-Mail. Would you please do me a favor in the next week or so and send me an E-mail. I need to know

- (1) are you reading the Newsletter (Yes/No)
- (2) Are you using our website (www.ngjc.us)? (Yes/No) and
- (3) Are you receiving periodic messages announcing important items and upcoming events (Yes/No).

All you need to do is send a message to pat@ patsjags.com with three answers into the above order. I sure hope I receive Yes, Yes, Yes from each of you. While you're at it I'd like to hear any comments you may have.

Our next event is March 26th. See the article in this newsletter. Unfortunately, Nancy and I won't be able to attend this tech session as we'll be waiving our club banner at the JCNA Annual Membership Meeting in Richmond. I'll let you know what happened there in our next newsletter.

Now, turn off the TV and get working on that Jaguar!



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## **Spring Slalom April 3rd**

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Follow this 1.4 miles to the Chicopee Ag Center.
Turn right into Chicopee Woods Ag Center.

Slalom location is in the parking lot on the immediate right.

Competition fees are \$10.00 to JCNA members and only \$20.00 to non-members to cover the cost of renting the track. Spectating is free!

## Get Help For Your Cat From JCNA Tech Line

Submitted by Dick Maury

The JCNA tech line has been in the works for a while and is finally up and running. You can dial up the main JCNA phone number 888-258-2524 and select option #3 for the Tech line. At this time, it is for members only

so have your JCNA number available. From restoration questions to general mechanical help from the factory publications are available.







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### North Georgia Jaguar Club 2011 Calendar of Events

Contact Dave Kirkman (kirkmandav1@aol.com) \*Club Member Facilitator

January 22 (Saturday) -Streetside Classic Cars,

Time: 12:30 PM Sponsor: G. Haldane\* Location: Lithia Springs

#### February 12 (Saturday) Valentine Gathering,

Time: 6:30 PM Sponsor: D. Kirkman\* Location: Duluth

#### March 13 (Sunday) -Amelia Island Concours,

Sponsor: N/A Location: Amelia Island, FL

#### March 26 (Saturday) - Tech Session-Dent Repair

Time: noon Sponsor: I. Ruiz\* Location: TBD

#### March 26, 27, 28 (Fri/Sat/Sun)- JCNA **Annual General** Meeting

Sponsor: D. Maury\* Location: Richmond, VA April 3 (Sunday) – Slalom Time: TBD

Sponsor: D. Maury Location: TBD

#### April 9 (Saturday) - Judge's Training

Time: 12:30 - 2:30 Sponsor: P. Harmon Location: Hennessy Jaguar Gwinnett

#### April 16 (Saturday) - Spring Drive

Time: 9:30 AM Sponsor: D. Kirkman\* Location: TBD

#### April 30 (Saturday) - Rain Date for Spring Drive

Time: 9:30 AM Sponsor: D. Kirkman\* Location: TBD

#### April 29, 30, May 1 (Fri/Sat/Sun)

**Walter Mitty Historic** Races Sponsor: P. Harmon\*

Location: Road Atlanta

May 14 (Saturday) - British Motorcar Day Sponsor: D.Kirkman, G.

Haldane\* Location: Berry College

May 22 (Sunday) - Late Spring Drive

Time: 9:30 AM Sponsor: D.Kirkman\* Location: TBD

#### May 29 (Sunday) - Rain Date-Late Spring **Drive**

Time: 9:30 AM Sponsor: D.Kirkman\* Location: TBD

#### June 11 (Saturday) · Start of Great American Race

Sponsor: Coker Tire Location: Chattanooga, TN

#### June 18 (Saturday) – Jags 'N Friends **Annual Picnic**

Time:TBD Sponsor: B.Hernan\* Location: Roswell Area Park

July 7, 8, 9 (Thu/Fri/Sat) - Challenge

## Championship

Sponsor: D.Maury\* Location: Columbus, OH

July 21, 22, 23 (Fri/Sat/Sun)

- Blue Ridge Parkway **Overnight Drive** Sponsor: D.Kirkman\* Location: NC

#### July 22, 23 (Sat/Sun) **North Carolina** Concours

Sponsor: D.Kirkman\* Location: Little Switzerland, NC

#### August 5, 6, 7 (Fri/Sat/Sun) Highland Overnight

Drive Sponsor: B.Hernan\*

#### Location: Highlands, NC August 6 (Saturday) - Make-A-Wish Car

Show Sponsor: B.Hernan\* Location: Highlands, NC

#### August 26, (Saturday)

- Summer Outing Sponsor: TBD\* Location: Lake Burton, GA

#### September 10, (Saturday)

**British Car Favre** Sponsor: TBD\* Location: Norcross, GA

## October 9 (Sunday)

- NGJC Concours Sponsor: TBD\* Location: Gainesville, GA

#### Oct 14, 15 (Fri/Sat) – Euro Auto Festival

Sponsor: N/A Location: BMW Plant, SC

#### October 29 (Saturday) – Fall Drive

Sponsor: D.Kirkman\* Location: TBD

#### November 6 (Sunday) - Hilton Head Concours

Sponsor: TBD\* Location: Hilton Head Island, SC

#### November 12 (Saturday)

- Rain Date-Fall Drive Sponsor: D.Kirkman\* Location: TBD

#### November 19 (Saturday)

– Annual Business Meeting

Time: 10:00 AM Location: TBD

#### December 18 (Sunday)

- Christmas Party Sponsor: TBD\* Location: TBD







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## **Atlanta International Auto Show Coming to World Congress Center This Month**

Submitted by John Baxa

Once again, the 29th annual Atlanta Journal-Constitution International Auto Show will be held at the Georgia World Congress Center March 23-27. Some 35 marques including Jaguar will be represented in the half-million square-foot area of Building C of the convention center. This is an opportunity to examine up-close all kinds of cars from luxury vehicles, economy cars, sports cars, exotics, hybrids, alternative fuel vehicles, limited production cars, concepts and convertibles to vans, light trucks and four-wheel drive vehicles.

According to the Atlanta Journal-Constitution,

this year's show marks the 102nd anniversary of the Atlanta National Automobile Show, which was held Nov. 6-13, 1909, at the then-new Auditorium-Armory, a building that later became the Municipal Auditorium and now is part of the Georgia State University campus.

"The show was the first of its kind held in the Southeast. The driving force behind the Atlanta show was Coca-Cola founder Asa G. Candler. who was the chief organizer of the Atlanta Automobile Association."

"The timing of the 1909 show was just right from an economic

standpoint. That fall, Georgia farmers had harvested 1.75 million bales of cotton, which was valued at \$160 million, including fiber and seed. And in that infancy for the auto business, the Southeast was considered virgin territory for sellers. Among the festivities surrounding the 1909 auto show were automobile races on a piece of property near Hapeville that was owned by Candler."

"Atlanta Speedway, a 2-mile oval patterned after Indianapolis Motor Speedway, held its first race Nov. 9, attracting some of the top drivers of the day, including Barney Oldfield of Indy racing fame. But

or cars themselves, and the track closed a year later. The next venture on the site was an air show. It was better received. Today the old speedway is still in the International Airport."

flying business as the home of Hartsfield-Jackson "Also held that week was a parade, the 'Good Roads Reliability Run' sponsored by The Atlanta Constitution. Reports in the afternoon newspaper, The Atlanta Journal, estimated the total attendance for the auto

show and racing events at 150,000, a sizable number

the races didn't prove as popular as the races at Indy

for a town where only 1,300 cars were on the roads."

Show hours are 10 AM-9 PM Wednesday and Thursday, 10 AM-10 PM Friday and Saturday, and 10 AM-8 PM Sunday March 27th.

Tickets prices are Adults, \$10, children (6-12 years old), \$5; children

Discounts of \$3 off adult admission are available Wednesday-Thursday with a coupon from any participating new car dealer or in select ads in The Atlanta Journal-Constitution. There are no Friday, Saturday or Sunday discounts.



## Georgia's New Tax on "Special Issue" License Tags

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

With my birthday rapidly approaching in mid March I received the annual notice to renew my Georgia state auto license tags for the coming calendar year. Imagine my surprise when two of our vehicles had an additional \$35.00 tagged (pun intended) on our tags. A quick review found a new charge of \$35.00 listed for "Special Issue Tags". Ok, now as far as I am concerned I don't have "Special Issue" anything that I have ever been charged for in the past . . . So, a quick call to the local county revenue office informed me of a new state law that took effect May 10th of last year.

Now most of us are aware of the initial setup costs and annual fees associated with "Vanity Plates" but what is a "Special Issue Tag"? Turns out that, other than handicapped tags, the state now apparently considers

any tag with any additional symbols and information on the left side of the tag to be a "Special Issue Tag" and subject to a thirty-five dollar annual surcharge.

Do you like to show your love of horses and hummingbirds...that will be 35 bucks please. How about wild flowers, eagles, and trout...vep, 35 smackers. Give Wild Life A Chance...not a chance. The official Georgia Auto License Tag web site has over ninety such entries from A (Abraham Baldwin Ag College to Z (Zoo Atlanta) including the Antique / Hobby Auto tags that the nice lady at the local tag office gave me way back when I first registered the E-Types.

Many of you with birthdays after May 10th of last year are probably already aware of this new effort on the part of the state to raise additional revenue. Obviously,

Some of the folks that I have talked with who have Antique / Hobby Auto tags on their car just plan on paying the surcharge. Others, particularly those with multiple vehicles with "Special Issue Tags" have chosen to return these tags to their local tag office and receive new Georgia license plates with just the usual letters and numerals in some combination. This is what I choose to do and the state immediately waived the thirty-five dollar "Special Issue Tag" fee. So, now I have new ubiquitous Georgia plates and I guess everyone is happy.

The good news is that I was not charged for tying my new Georgia license tag in with the 1969 Georgia license plate that I run on the back of our 1969 E-Type. But there is always next year.

## **Valentine Gathering Another Very Successful Club Event**

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Due to family illness Vail and Linda Frost were not able to host the much anticipated club Valentine Gathering at their lovely home on the Chattahoochee River. Both Linda and Vail are feeling much better and hope to have us at their home for another event later in the year.

Fortunately, Sugo's Restaurant in Roswell was able to handle our group of over thirty club members and guests in one of their private dining rooms on the Page 4



same evening and at the same time we had planned on being at the Frosts'. Final arrangements were made with Sugo's for a choice of three items on a special menu or we were welcome to order off their traditional menu. As might be expected on a Valentine Day weekend the restaurant was very busy and some confusion did occur but everyone handled the situation with good humor.

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## **Annual Concours Judge's Training April 9th**

Submitted by Pat Harmon, Chief Judge

All Members – If you are a Concours Judge, want to be JCNA Rule Book in detail, discuss the proper techniques one, or just would like to learn

more about the JCNA Concours d' Elegance Please read this.....

The Concours d' Elegance is our club's biggest event of the year and a qualified judging team is critical. As the CJ for our club, I'm required by JCNA to annually train and certify our judges so we may continue to improve and be aware of the latest rulebook changes. This is

also the perfect opportunity for any of you that (1) would like to become judges or (2) become more familiar with the Concours Rule Book and procedures. Like any sport, the Concours is much more enjoyable if you know the rules and this is your chance to do just that.

We'll be holding two training sessions on Saturday, April 9th. The first session will be open for everyone but is designed specifically for folks who have never judged before and want to take that first step. We'll be going over the of judging and judge a car together. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A JAGUAR EXPERT TO BE A JUDGE.

The second session, starting at 12:30, will be for all of our Judges, old and new. Here we'll be giving everyone an update on any new rule changes, review how we did on our last Concours, and spend time on polishing our judging skills.

**Judges** – Be sure to bring a current copy of the

JCNA Concours Rule Book to this session. This can be downloaded from www.jcna.com go to the Concours

#### Mark this date:

Saturday, April 9th, Hennessy Jaguar Gwinnett, 3393 Old Norcross Road, Duluth 30096

(Pleasant Hill to Satellite to Old Norcross) New Judge Training: 10:00 - 11:30 (Hennessy Conference Room)

> Judge Training: 12:30pm - 2:30 pm (Hennessy Conference Room) IMPORTANT: Please contact Pat and let him know if you will be attending. This is especially important for the new judges so we can prepare for the training. All NGJC judges need to attend this annual training to maintain your certification. If you are not able to attend this session, Pat will hold a make-up session at his house at a later date to be determined





## **Valentine Gathering Another Very Successful Club Event**

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

All was forgotten as we headed for the dessert table. Indeed, a very special thanks goes to Myrna Ruiz, Linda Ray, Linda Hernan, Carolyn Sikes, and Beverly Kirkman for bringing some of their favorite Valentine Day deserts for all of us to share after dinner. For many of us that was the dining highlight of the evening as nothing beats homemade. How good was it? There was nothing left but a few scraps as we headed for home.

Based on the level of conversation and laughter everyone enjoyed what has become a very special annual event. Thanks to all who attended: Bill & Carolyn Armstrong & their Daughter
Roy & Linda Cleveland
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#### **Recession? What Recession?**

Submitted by John Yates



So, it seems that this "global recession" has not impacted negatively on everyone. Check this out! It's a Mercedes Benz owned by an Abu Dhabi oil billionaire (naturally).

Featuring the newly developed V10 quad turbo with 1,600 horsepower and 2800nm of torque 0-100km/h in less than 2secs, 1/4 mile in 6.89 secs running on biofuel.

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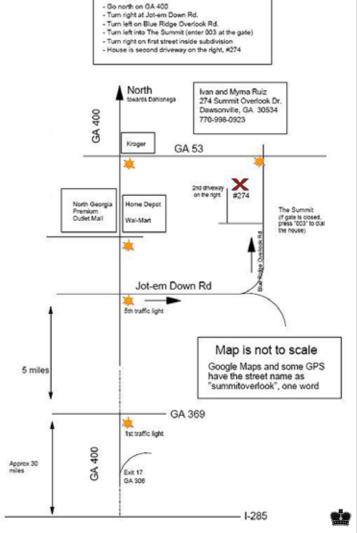
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