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## Editor's Corner

Dear JCOF friends,

Here's to those longer summer days, beach sunsets, and road trips! The heat is on here in central Florida as we scramble to get in a few more moments of vacation. You'll find photos and write up from the latest Rally event in this slightly "lighter" summer issue of the JAGWire. We are looking forward to chilling out at our annual Pool Party this month. What's next? Check the Event Calendar and come out to play!

Following membership input and steering committee meetings, you will begin to see the implementation of some exciting changes and improvements within the Jaguar Club of Florida. For me, the biggest change will occur when I can pass the Editor torch along in a smooth transition. Yes, after 14 *glorious* years as your **JAGWire** Editor, I am looking for a replacement. It has been a passionate journey for me, and I thank you for the opportunity to fill the post and keep you informed. I believe that JCOF is one of the best clubs in JCNA, and our newsletter has been a pretty sporty "vehicle" to promote the club by sharing the fun we have! Let's maintain that spirit as we grow with the times.

Stay tuned to see how these will be rolled out. One thing is certain, our club leaders intend to continue to listen to the membership. That means providing the opportunities that will encourage and welcome participation.

Many thanks to Associate Editor, Phil Mannino, for faithfully emailing the members with updates. I also appreciate all of our **JAGWire** contributors: Mike Baker, Peter Betterman, Robert Delmar, Steve Handler, Jaguar Heritage, and Jay Hixson.

PURRRZZZ,

*Ginger Corda*

JAGWire Editor



*Ginger with Mike Cook (above)  
& Norman Dewis (below)*



*(Photos by Mike Baker)*

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**Front:** Robert & Judy Delmar's 2007 XK Coupe, frost blue, on the recent Rally; Photo by Robert Delmar

**Back:** Ford Heacock in his XK120 at the Lakeland Cars & Coffee monthly meet; Photo by Mike Baker

## President's Message

Dear Members,

We are in the middle of the hot, humid days of summer and driving with the top down can feel like a wind driven steam bath. Before the really harsh climate set in we enjoyed a super driving tour called the **Rheinlander Rally**. This was a sanctioned and scored Monte Carlo event starting at the Yalaha Bakery and ending at the Willow Tree Restaurant in Sanford – both of these eating establishments possess a strong Bavarian slant to food and ambiance. We had a great time so please see the article in this issue for more details and pictures. Currently, we are looking at scheduling another driving event in late September or early October when the weather is hopefully cooler.

In addition to my duties as President and Rally master for JCOF, I am also a member of Jaguar Clubs of North America' (JCNA) Membership Committee. This committee's charter is to understand and improve the membership experience. To that end we have several initiatives in the works, with the most immediate and most important being a survey of all JCNA members concerning their likes and dislikes with their local affiliate club and JCNA as a national organization. Each of you should have received survey instructions in the latest Jaguar Journal. Please take a few minutes to follow the directions and fill out the survey – the results will help us understand where we can improve your experience as a member of both JCOF and JCNA.

On the immediate horizon we will have our annual pool party on 23 August at Tom Curren's house. Detailed information is included on the website and also in the email updates that Phil Mannino sends periodically. Because of the pool party there will be no monthly dinner meeting in August. Although the September dinner meeting will be at Mimi's Café near the Mall at Millenia, we are looking at a totally different approach for the October meeting. It has been suggested that we meet at a location that is more centered on the cars and we can have discussions on technical and mechanical issues. This is still in the planning stage so be on the lookout for more information as this settles out.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with many aspects of the club. If you would like to be more involved, please just call me and we can discuss your desires and ideas.

Warm regards,

*Jay Hixson*  
President

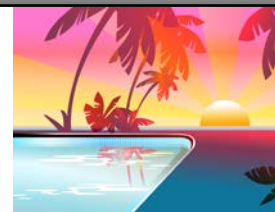


# Event Calendar

Official Club activities indicated by \*

\* **NOTE: No August club dinner meeting – come to the Annual Pool Party instead!**

\* Saturday - Aug 23 - JCOF Annual Pool Party, Tom Curren's Home, Longwood, FL – Please RSVP to Tom at **407-298-1358** or email [coventryclassics@bellsouth.net](mailto:coventryclassics@bellsouth.net) and let him know what you are planning to bring to share. Don't forget to wear or bring your swimsuit if you'd like to cool off – pool dipping is not required, but on a hot August day, you may be tempted!!



- Tuesday-Saturday - Sept 2-6 - JCSC Western States Meet, Colorado Springs, Colorado. Contact Jack Humphrey at [Jagluver2@cs.com](mailto:Jagluver2@cs.com) or 719-930-4801. See Page 13 of the *Jaguar Journal* for the registration form. More information online at [www.jagclub.org/event-calendar](http://www.jagclub.org/event-calendar) & [www.jags.org/jagazette/2013/Nov13/1113-13.pdf](http://www.jags.org/jagazette/2013/Nov13/1113-13.pdf)

\* Thursday - Sept 18 - JCOF Dinner Meeting, Mimi's Café, 4175 Millennia Blvd, Orlando, FL, 407-370-0333 (Located adjacent to Jaguar Orlando and in front of The Mall of Millenia).

\* Thursday - Oct 16 - JCOF Dinner Meeting, (Location TBA)

- Saturday - Oct. 18 - Lake Mirror Classic, Lakeland, FL – Applications being accepted NOW for show cars. See details at [www.lakemirrorclassic.com](http://www.lakemirrorclassic.com) (Fri. night Hot Rod Rendezvous, Sat. Concours d'Elegance, Auction, Sun. Rally)

- Saturday - Oct 25 - All British Field Meet, (Safety Harbor, FL) See info online at [www.tbahc.com/html/car\\_show\\_2014.html](http://www.tbahc.com/html/car_show_2014.html)

- Saturday & Sunday - Nov 1 & 2 - 13th Annual Hilton Head Island Motoring Festival & Concours d'Elegance.

- Friday-Sunday - Oct 24-26 - Savannah Speed Classic

\* Thursday - Nov 19 - JCOF Dinner Meeting 7 pm, (Location TBA)

\* **NOTE: No December club dinner meeting – come to the Annual Holiday Party in January!**

More JCOF events at [www.CATDRIVER.org](http://www.CATDRIVER.org) -- JCNA events at [www.jcna.com/calendar/events.php](http://www.jcna.com/calendar/events.php)



## Membership News

### Message from Steve Handler, JCOF Membership Chairman:

Hi All, We continue to enroll new members, most of who have become active. We also continue to have events which have a good participation rate. I just would like to remind you of a few things ( at the risk of being repetitious). If you meet someone that has an interest in Jaguars please give them my phone number (352-751-6760) and I'll get in touch with them. An alternative is to get there email and/or phone number and I'll make the contact.

Another reminder: in the *Jaguar Journal* that you recently received, there is a link to the "JCNA Membership Survey." CLICK the link, [www.surveymonkey.com/s/VJF9MLT](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VJF9MLT), or copy and paste it into your browser and complete the survey online. It is important that we get some feedback from you so that the club can continue to grow and move forward.

Please Join together to welcome our latest new members. Hope to see everyone at our next event.



#### Names

Jeanette and Frank Santeiro  
Carmen and Juan Prieto

#### City

Palmetto  
Vero Beach

#### Cars

1995 Jaguar XJS coupe, Roze Bronze  
1951 XK120 Roadster Cream,  
1953 XK120SE FHC BRG



If you are reading this and have not renewed your membership please complete the form on the back of this issue of the JAGWire and mail it with a check to the address on the form. Just as a reminder, you can also renew on the JCNA website and use PayPal to pay your dues.

If you have any questions, please feel free to e-mail [shandler@embarqmail.com](mailto:shandler@embarqmail.com) or call me at 352-751-6760.

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# Club Business

**JAGUAR CLUB OF FLORIDA** – Minutes and Understandings of Meeting held on June 19, 2014, at Mimi's Café, Orlando.

**Officers present:**

- . Jay Hixson – President
- . Joseph Tarnowski – Vice President
- . John Falco (Treasurer)
- . Peter Betterman – Secretary

**Members & Guests in attendance:**

Marina Tarnowski, Steve and Iris Handler, Dan Middleton, Ray Pirino, Juan and Genie Sierra, Mac McFarland, Ian Crawford, Tom Curren, Delilah Davis, Janice Falco, Judy and Robert Delmar, Tom and Liza Wright, James Kuhlmann, Asa Fulton, Ray Mitchell

The President called the meeting to order at 7.06 PM.  
Minutes of the April 2014 meeting were approved by unanimous vote.

Jay Hixson reminded everyone of the Rhinelander rally coming up this weekend.

Tom Curren is graciously hosting the 2014 annual pool party at his "Taj Garage" house on August 23, 2014. There will not be a monthly meeting in August since we will be enjoying the pool party instead.

Jay asked for opinions on the Mimi cafe venue for the meeting. members agreed this is a good location and we should try and hold the July meeting here. The July meeting is 17 July, 2014.

John Falco gave the treasurers report. The club has a positive balance of \$3,370.29. John gratefully acknowledged the contribution of \$400.00 from the British Car Day event. Given the lower balance a resolution was unanimously adopted to give \$100.00 to the Michael J Fox foundation, this is lower than the \$250.00 we have contributed in previous years. Steve and Iris Handler very kindly offered to make up the difference with a \$150.00 contribution so the total club contribution will remain

\$250.00. Many thanks to Steve and Iris.

Steve Handler gave the membership report. Current membership is 95.

Jay informed the club that Phil Mannino had agreed to be Concours chairman for 2015. Phil would welcome any inputs, suggestions or help.

Jay discussed a contact he had received from Disney relative to holding events at Disney. There was much opposition to this suggestion due to our very bad experience in holding our Concours there once before. This item was held open with no commitments, Jay will tell Disney of the past problems and see if Disney comes back with anything.

Tom Curren reminded the club that registration for the 2014 Winter Park Concours was now open. The event will move from downtown Winter Park to the Winter Park Country Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 8.04PM

Respectively submitted  
by **Peter Betterman**  
**Secretary/Historian**

**JAGUAR CLUB OF FLORIDA** – Minutes and Understandings of Meeting held on July 17, 2014, at Mimi's Café, Orlando.

**Officers present:**

- . Joseph Tarnowski – Vice President
- . John Falco (Treasurer)
- . Peter Betterman – Secretary

**Members & Guests in attendance:**

Marina Tarnowski, Paul Harder, Tom Curren, Delilah Davis, Iris handler, Steve Handler, Phil Mannino, Denise Mannino, Dan Middleton, Ray Perino, Genie Sierra, Juan Sierra

The Vice President called the meeting to order at 7.28 PM.

The minutes of the June 2014 meeting were approved by unanimous vote.

Phil Mannino reported on plans for the 2015 concours. The date was set as 21st March, 2015, the concours to held at Celebration, the same venue we used in 2014. The host hotel will be the Melia hotel with anticipated room rate of \$119.00 to \$159.0. The awards banquet meal is anticipated to be in the \$18.00 to \$25.00 range, with an addition to the meal price for club funds. There was discussion of inviting other British cars, however there were concerns that the 11 April, 2015 All British Car Show would conflict. The invitation together with other suggestions will be firmed up as concours plans are made.

John Falco gave the treasurers report, Club balance is \$3,936.84

Paul Harder gave the Badge Masters report. He is trying to set up a way to order and pay for club merchandize using Pay Pal,

this effort is in progress. He anticipates samples of the new club badge in a couple of weeks.

Tom Curren reminded everyone of the upcoming pool party to be held at his house on 23 August, 2014. Thanks, Tom, for your hospitality.

The raffle raised \$38.00.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 8.36PM.

Respectively submitted  
by **Peter Betterman**  
**Secretary/Historian**



For additional information on events please see [www.catdriver.org](http://www.catdriver.org)



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# RHEINLANDER RALLY

**ACH DU LEAPER! Das was ein Schönen Tag!**  
*Story & photos by Robert Delmar*

June 21, 2014 – Where the H\_\_\_ is **Yalaha**? Welllll, those who played in JCOF's Rheinlander Rally now know it's just north of **Howey In The Hills** and has one of the finest Bavarian bakeries in Florida. Eleven gorgeous Jaguars leapt from there onto the narrow two lane roads and competed for awards which would be presented 73 miles later.

Jay Hixson synchronized stop watches with Tom Wright to begin this JCNA-sanctioned Monte Carlo Rally at approximately 8:50am on the beautifully clear and cool morning of June 21. Competition and temperatures warmed up quickly as navigators decided which of three alternate routes their drivers would take to get from point A (Yalaha) to Point B (**Montverde**) to Point C (Mount Dora) and, finally, Point D: Hollerbach's famous Willow Tree German Café in **Sanford**.

Onlookers in each of those small towns, not to mention a few policemen, must have been amused, if not completely confused to see the beautiful Jaguars driving in circles and in all different directions while searching for the cleverly concealed checkpoints where they would be scored for time accuracy.

Arriving early at a checkpoint is an egregious error and terrible sin, soooooo there are waiting station "standoffs" which allow carefully timed crossing at each checkpoint (unless, of course, some highly competitive driver is blocking the standoff). WARNING! As Judy Delmar learned, smartphone stopwatches lose seconds each time they go to sleep. Though Judy's smartphone showed them crossing each checkpoint within one second of the required time, the Delmar's 2007 XK coupe was up to 1 minute and 32 seconds late. Judy ordered a 'real' stopwatch later that afternoon.

After 3 hours of heated competition and in an increasingly hotter afternoon, what could be better than a cold beer? Hmmm. Perhaps two or three? Add some of central Florida's finest German food and lots of friendly fun and fellowship and you've described Jaguar Club of Florida's Rheinlander Rally!

Participants in the event (not all folks ran in the Rally): John and Janice Falco, Bill and Carol Robertson, Joseph and Marina Tarnowski, Robert and Judy Delmar, Ian and Paula Massey, Danny and Diana Bogdany, Tom Curren and Delilah Davis, Mac Ballard, Bill and Roxanne McCormac, Tom and Liza Wright, Jim Kuhlmann, and Ian Crawford.

#### Class and Awards:

MC 1: John and Janice Falco

MC 2: Tom and Liza Wright

MC 3: Bill and Carol Robertson

MCN 1: Ian and Paula Massey

MCN 2: Robert and Judy Delmar

*(Continued, next page)*





*Rheinlander Rally, cont.*

Who would have believed there's a round-about traffic circle at the bottom of two very steep roller-coaster hills in northern Lake County? But that's not all! Beautiful horse farms, citrus groves, blueberries and lots of other interesting things were seen along the Rally's challenging routes.

What? You weren't there? Tsk-Tsk-Tsk! Don't miss out next time! Meanwhile, Click here to [check out 98 photos](http://tinyURL.com/JaguarRheinlanderRally) or copy and paste this URL into the address bar of your web browser: <http://tinyURL.com/JaguarRheinlanderRally> .

Playing the slideshow is highly recommended.

**Gemütlichkeit und Prost ihr Säcke! ;-)**

**(More photos, next pg)**





thank you, mac, jay & tom,  
FOR A GREAT RALLY  
EXPERIENCE! WELL DONE!

# News From Across the Pond



**Shiny:** Dr Hull spent tens of millions of pounds filling a number of warehouses in Hertfordshire with classic motors from the past 80 years. Above, one of his warehouses



**Rare:** Dr Hull has travelled extensively around the world tracking down some of the rarest, original British models. Below, one of his classic motors, a red Jaguar E-Type



**Another warehouse:** John Edwards, managing director of Jaguar's Special Vehicle Operations, refused to disclose the sum the car company has paid for the collection.



**Multi-million pound:** Dr Hull, who sold the collection due to health issues, described Jaguar Land Rover as the perfect custodians for the fleet.

Courtesy of Jaguar Heritage:  
[www.jaguarheritage.org](http://www.jaguarheritage.org)



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## JAGUAR HERITAGE

There has been the dramatic announcement by JLR that it has purchased James Hull's collection of some 543 cars which includes over 130 Jaguars. Read on for full details...

### STOP PRESS – JLR Acquires James Hull's Car Collection:

Jaguar Land Rover announced on July 25 that it had purchased the largest-known privately owned collection of British classic cars in the world securing this important collection for the nation. The collection assembled over many years by British enthusiast James Hull, includes 543 mostly British classic cars and features many significant Jaguar models including XKSS, C, D and E-types. The acquisition underscores Jaguar Land Rover's increased support and focus on heritage. The cars in the collection will be actively used to support brand and experiential marketing to develop the brands and business in existing and emerging markets.

The collection which has been painstakingly assembled and restored by James Hull, British car enthusiast, entrepreneur and philanthropist, has at its core over 130 Jaguars. These include early Swallow Sidecars and Swallow coachbuilt Austin Sevens, plus a full and diverse range of pre-war SS models, 7 XK 120s - including a rare alloy-bodied example, C- and D-types, an XKSS, 8 E-types, 30 classic Jaguar 'Mark' model saloons plus 19 XJS models and over 20 XJ saloons with interesting and famous previous owners. The majority of these cars are in truly outstanding condition, with many having fascinating histories behind them. The collection also features many other iconic and famous British cars and models.

This acquisition is part of an increased commitment by Jaguar Land Rover to protect and nurture the rich heritage possessed by both brands. It follows the recent creation of Special Operations, which has been established to develop and oversee heritage and the creation of special vehicles, such as the recently announced Jaguar F-TYPE Project 7.

There is a seven page feature on this amazing collection in the August edition of Jaguar Enthusiast which has pictures of the majority of the SS, Swallow and Jaguar cars. The price JLR paid for the collection has not been disclosed. For further information, visit the Jaguar Media centre by clicking [here](#). ■

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# Jaguar Pirana

The sleek 2+2 GT car was based on the chassis and powertrain of the 4.2 litre Jaguar E-type but was re-bodied with a unique steel monocoque body and luxurious interior. The Pirana was designed by Marcello Gandini, perhaps best known for styling the Lamborghini Countach.

The initial concept for the Pirana was conceived by The Daily Telegraph which commissioned Marcello Gandini at Bertone to redesign the Jaguar E-Type into an "ideal car" with direct help from Jaguar and its partners. Starting with an E-type 4.2 litre 2+2, Bertone crafted a new body more in line with the Italian supercars of the period – there are obvious design cues in common with the Alfa Romeo Montreal prototype and the Lamborghini Espada.

The Pirana made its debut at the 1967 London Motor Show at Earl's Court on the stand of Carrozzeria Bertone S.A.S. and went on to be shown at the Turin and New York motor shows.

At the request of John Anstey from the The Daily Telegraph, the Pirana was delivered as a fully-functioning car that retained the entire E-Type running gear. Bob Berry from Jaguar PR fully supported the project and opened up the door to Jaguar's suppliers.

Sold by The Daily Telegraph for \$16,000 to recoup some of its investment, the Pirana's history from 1968 to 2010 is sketchy. It seems it was owned by a British national who had a second home in Palm Springs.

Apparently around 1980, the car was painted a shade of British Racing Green, a colour not well-suited to its angular lines. In Autumn 2010, the Pirana surfaced in an advertisement for sale on eBay with a starting price of \$150,000 but didn't sell. Later, through a brokered deal, it was bought for \$350,000 by Ed Superfon, co-founder of the VIP Toy Store in Los Angeles, who still owns it.

Knowing the Pirana's provenance, Superfon had the BRG paint stripped and replaced in a shade of silver metallic that is very close to the original colour used for the 1967 Earls Court debut. He has also refurbished the trim and mechanics. The Pirana was displayed publicly at the 2012 Concorso Italiano, the first time in almost 45 years.



The decision to cease production of the XK is part of Jaguar's wider strategic vision and brings to an end a production run of 56,798 XKs made since 2006.

The XK was the first new Jaguar production model to be entirely styled under the direction of Ian Callum and was previewed in the guise of the ALC (Advanced Lightweight Coupe) which made its debut at the Detroit Motor Show in January 2005.

## End of the Line for the Jaguar XK

A sad but historic milestone was reached on July 24 with the production of the very final XK of the current X150 all-aluminium series introduced in 2006.

A special celebration event was organised at the Castle Bromwich plant where the last two XKs to come off the production line were lined up alongside the very first X150 XK, a 2006 coupé that is already part of the Jaguar Heritage collection.



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