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Hello Cat Lover!

September ushered in my favorite season, Autumn. It may have been non-existent for many club members, but there has been a bit of a drop in temperature in Ponte Vedra Beach, on the northeast coast of Florida, from where I am currently writing. The cooler temperatures are most appreciated by Guinness, who most of you will know is my playful pup and not a perspiring pint. She can now make a full five-mile Florida walk without having a lie-down in the shade along the way! She particularly enjoys trotting on the beach and dodging incoming waves.

CAT TALES

Member Articles



JAGUARS IN THE MOVIES

By Anthony Charles LoBalbo

Of course we're speaking of the cars, not the big cats. But when a Jaguar motorcar appears on the screen, it is immediately noticed and catalogued in the minds of Jaguar aficionados, much like a leading man or a beautiful woman is recognized and celebrated at once. The following screen appearances of Jaguar motorcars are noted in a similar way. From my very first remembrances of



Naturally, she is not above having a pint, after we return home from strenuous walks!

SEPTEMBER MEETING



The September Monthly Meeting was held at IHOP, in Sanford, FL. By all accounts it was a delicious and engaging event! Members enjoyed fluffy stacks of pancakes and hot coffee, while Andy

Jaguars, they are unique and memorable.

The 1968 Italian film, DANGER: DIABOLIK, was an attempt to bring to the screen a comic book hero. It starred Adolfo Celi among other European actors. But the real star of the film is a Jaguar E-type, which the hero is found driving throughout the film. I am tempted to believe that the reason it is included in an Italian film at this time, is due to a comment made by Commendatore Enzo Ferrari, who is quoted to have said that the “....E-type Jaguar was the most beautiful design he ever saw.” (This is very similar to Elon Musk calling another businessman, ‘very successful.’) One would think that this film being made in Italy, with mostly Italian actors and settings, would feature the great marques of that country, but the leading character is driving a Jaguar.

In the film DEADFALL (1968), Michael Caine plays a burglar who, after a particularly successful burglary, is seen driving away in a Jaguar E-type. Giovanna Ralli and Eric Portman co-star in this thriller set in Spain.

In the 1972 John Wayne film, BRANNIGAN, the star plays a Chicago police detective sent to England to extradite a criminal

Atkinson, aka **The Jaguar Doctor**, gave a presentation about Jaguars and fielded questions from members. Gary Berglin, our club VP, headed the meeting and his wife, Dee, did an excellent job of taking minutes, in Secretary Sandy's absence. During the meeting, attendees were inspired to participate in the 50/50 raffle. The lucky winner took home \$55; next time it could be you! 😊

COMEDY CORNER 🤔

George Carlin on Aging

Do you realize that the only time in our lives when we like to get old is when we're kids? If you're less than ten years old, you're so excited about aging that you think in fractions. "How old are you?" "I'm four and a half." You're four and a half going on 5.

You get into your teens, and you simply jump to the next number. "How old are you?" "I'm gonna be 16." You could be 12, but you're gonna be 16. Eventually.

Then the great day arrives and you become 21. Even the words sound

(played by John Vernon) back to the United States. Stalking him throughout the film is a hired assassin who is driving a Jaguar E-type coupe, which is sadly destroyed at the end of the film.

THE GUNBALL RALLY (1974) portrays an illegal cross country race with a Cobra, Ferrari 365 GTBr/4, Camaro, a vintage Mercedes 190, a van, Porsche 911 Targa, a phony police car, a motorcycle, and a Jaguar E-type convertible. Sadly, the Jaguar never gets to enter the race, as it doesn't start in the parking garage, where the race begins in New York City. A rather snide comment is spoken by the Jaguar driver, when he turns to his partner and says "... it's a beautiful design...." Michael Sarazin and Raul Julia appear in the film with Julia playing the Formula One driver that the Ferrari owner has hired to drive, determined to win the race.

In the 1980 comedy, THE BLUES BROTHERS, the most expensive comedy ever made up to that point (\$80 million), the English model, Twiggy, is seen pulling up for fuel at a gas station where Dan Akroyd, "Jake" of the Blues Brothers duo, is making romantic advances toward her.

like a ceremony. You BECOME 21!!

Then you turn 30. What happened there? Makes you sound like bad milk. He TURNED; we had to throw him out. What's wrong? What changed?

You BECOME 21. You TURN 30; You're PUSHING 40. You REACH 50. Then you MAKE IT to 60. By then you've built up so much speed, you HIT 70. After that, it's a day by day thing. You HIT Wednesday...

You get into your 80's; you HIT lunch, you HIT 4:30. And it doesn't end there...

Into the '90s, you start going backward. "I was JUST 92." Then a strange thing happens; if you make it over 100, you become a little kid again. "I'm 100 and a half."

CATting AROUND

New-ish member Dr. Dan Kunz attended the Lake Mirror Classic Auto Show, in Lakeland, FL, on October 19th. Lake Mirror is one of the most interesting shows in Florida. Around the lake and up

Appropriately, Twiggy is driving a Jaguar E-type convertible.

The 2002 James Bond film, DIE ANOTHER DAY, has 007's usual Aston Martin but he is pursued by actor Rick Yune in a Jaguar XKR convertible outfitted with multiple weapons systems chasing Mr. Bond. The XK8 is a beautiful design and it was a pleasure to see it included in this action film.

In the 2012 Bond film, SKYFALL, "M", played by Judi Dench, is seen being quickly chauffeured away from danger in a latest model XJ, driven by Bond himself.

In the 2015 James Bond film, SPECTRE, Ralph Fiennes is the new "M". He is seen driving Bond in a XJR sedan which is "t-boned" by the bad guys as they successfully abduct 007. It is painful to watch such a beautiful vehicle destroyed but at least "M" gets away to continue the struggle of MI6 against, S.P.E.C.T.R.E., the evil organization.

Television is not without many inclusions of the Jaguar motorcars. The 1980s series, THE EQUALIZER, starring Edward Woodward as the protagonist and driving a beautiful XJ sedan throughout the series which ran from 1986-1989. It was shot in and

and down the city streets, spectators can find vehicles of all types, from modern sports cars to antique steam cars, and everything in between. If you missed the show this year, check out this great video, and make plans to attend next year's show!

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OCTOBER MEETING



Panera Breakfast Meeting and Driving Tour to Lakeridge Winery

The October meeting began at Panera Bread, in Orlando, FL. After JCOF President Jay Hixson concluded the business of the meeting, he donned his Rally Master hat, and lead five beautiful jaguars on a scenic road trip to the Lakeridge Winery, in Clermont,

around New York City and the XJ sedan appears very much at home whether it be Manhattan or the suburbs.

In the HBO series, MAD MEN, actor Jon Hamm and his advertising agency is portrayed in one episode courting Jaguar motorcars for their advertising account in the United States in the early 1960s. Many scenes show those early Jaguar Series I cars on display in showrooms and on the street.

In the very successful TV series, MIAMI VICE, which ran from 1984 through 1989, occasionally a drug dealer or politician can be seen driving a Jaguar XJ-S.

In conclusion, there is a scene in GOLDFINGER where Colonel Smithers, head of the Bank of England is having dinner with “M” (Bernard Lee) and Bond (Sean Connery), and they’re discussing “bait” to entice Auric Goldfinger. A Nazi bar of gold is placed on the table and the Colonel says “...this is the only one we have; there are undoubtedly others.” These appearances of Jaguar motorcars in films and television are memorable, but “there are undoubtedly others.”

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FL. The weather was perfect for a top-down drive, on the back roads of central Florida! Once there, JCOF members enjoyed a self-guided tour of the winery, lunch, and live entertainment, under a bright blue sky. If you didn't make this driving tour, sign up for the next one!

If you have any stories, fond memories, or outings you'd like to share, please email them to:

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EVENTS CALENDAR

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jill A. Casiple". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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