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March 31 marks the end of the First Quarter of the New Year and the beginning of the JOC

Quarterly Newsletter format. First, I would like to hear back from the membership on the NEW LOOK of the Club, the new website headers, EBLASTS, EClubNEWS, improved MEMBER ROSTER format, our new Masthead, and our improved event announcements. We are aware how busy most of you are these days and the BOD decided to take advantage of technology and have it work for us. The benefit is that you get reminded of upcoming events with the EBLASTS, that way you don't miss-out on some fun stuff, The EClubNEWS is an ongoing club news stream that we are going to expand and include a chat room and Q&A feature to come. By going all electronic, we now can have as many pages to the newsletter, add more advertises and services, expand our CAR FOR SALE and LOOKING FOR A CAR segments, more colour pictures of events, more articles on maintenance and restoration, and post interesting historical articles about the club and Jaguar Land Rover goings on. You can now go to our advertisers LINKS by clicking on their logos. Our first event of the year was the "MEET

THE BOARD" at the Whale and Ale, British Ale House in San Pedro, 40+ members attended of which at least 50% were new

## **President'sMuse...**

members, we all feasted on FISH 'n Chip's, Prime Rib Sandwich, Pasta, and Shepard's Pie. washed it down with Newcastle Ale and Guinness Stout. By the sound of the crowd everyone was having a "jolly good time", some members contributed ideas on future events and volunteered to help on up coming events. The parking lot was a wide selection of Jags, XK's to F-Types and everything in-between, Sedans, roadsters, coupes, and SUV's. The second event was the K1 SPEED GO-CART Event, unfortunately we didn't get enough sign-ups in time to meet the minimum group rate and had to cancel, though some of us went to Golden Cove Cars 'n Coffee instead, that was fun, every third Sunday of the Month on the south end of Palos Verdes Drive South and Hawthorne Blvd. All British cars, great bunch of guys and gals, lots of nice British cars too! The third event was the "GO GREEN" RALLY on St. Patrick's Day organized by Ralph Gidwitz our 1st VP. Ralph had us start from the Pacific Palisades Village just developed by Rick Caruso, fabulous place, great shopping. The event was a Time Distance Speed Rally through the hills of Brentwood, Beverly Hills, Hollywood Hills, Hollywood and into Downtown Los Angeles. The Rally ended at one of LA's Historic Landmarks, Philippe's French Dip Restaurant where many a Jag event has ended in the past. 17 cars and 38



people feasted on their famous French Dip Beef Sandwiches or lamb dip or

pork dip. I got the lamb dip with their killer potato salad and 2 pickled eggs, wonderful, been going to this place since my high school days in the '60's. By the way, they have a small Pacific Electric Trolley Museum in the restaurant which is very complete with scale models, old train schedules, advertising, etc. worth the visit. Ralph and Karen Gidwitz did a terrific job putting on the rally, the instructions were clear, and the route was beautiful, well done Kids! Our next event is the JCNA CONCOURS JUDGES SCHOOL in Long Beach APRIL 13, look for the EBLAST with details and location direction, the ANNUAL JCNA CONCOURS will be held at the MUCKENTHALER ARTS CENTER IN FULLERTON on MAY 19, our Chief Judge Charlie Hallums will be sending out the entry forms for the Champion, Driven, Specialty and Display classes shortly. Well, the club has started out on the right foot and things are going great, membership is up, and event participation is growing again. So, let's see more of you out there and enjoying your cars, we are planning more driving events this year and more social events too! See you soon!

Cheers, Mark Mayuga, President

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## **JOCEvents**:





#### MAY 4-5, 2019:

The "British Extravaganza" at Buttonwillow (May 4-5) in the Westside Central Valley sponsored by VARA (Vintage Automobile Racing Association). Jag Owners, here's your chance to blow the carbon off the valves and experience the true performance of your mighty steed. VARA is the oldest vintage racing group on the West Coast and many of the members are serious vintage racers. We are talking about cars that raced during the "Golden Age" of sports cars. GT 40's, Alfa's, Austin Healey's, MG's, Jaguar's, Aston Martins, Triumphs, and a host of really neat cars that you might see at the PETERSEN AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM in static display actually racing on the track. It's not too late to register, go to the club website (lajagclub.com) and register or contact Steve Kirby at (949) 903-0957

#### May 19, 2019:

The Annual JCNA CONCOURS 'd Elegance at the Muckenthaler Cultural Center, Fullerton, May 19 Sunday. The JCNA

Concours staged by the JOCLA is one of the premier concours events on the West Coast and many a national champion gets started at this event. This year's registrations are ahead of schedule and we have over 25 cars already registered. The "MUCK" is an old Fullerton landmark with broad grass areas and shade trees, an art museum, live entertainment, food vendors, and we are a car show within a car show. The Muck puts on this event to benefit the arts programs for youth and cars that attend are invited to show at this event, in other words, you will see the cream of the crop, historic cars, brass cars, race cars, vintage, and classic, all in better than new condition. JOCLA is the only car club to show at this event and our display always attracts many car guys and many compliments for all attending. If you would like to show your car in Judged or Display Division contact: Charlie Hallums, JOC Chief Judge/Concours Chairman (949) 733-1097 for information on event registration

#### June 15, 2019:

"Meander to the MISSION IN" is another one of Mark's diabolical Time Distance Speed Rally's. This time we start in Brea at the "The HAT" Restaurant at State College Blvd. and Imperial Highway just west of the 57 Freeway. We proceed through Chino Hills and have a one hour stop at the "Planes of Fame" Airplane Museum featuring mostly vintage WW1, WW2, Korean, and Viet Nam Warbirds and all the memorabilia that represents those brave airmen who flew in those incredible machines. From the Museum we wind our way to the MISSION INN in Downtown Riverside for a "order off the menu" lunch, we will be seated in the central outdoor patio. For those who wish, there is a terrific tour of the old Mission Inn Hotel that is a flash back to the glory days of Hollywood and rich and famous. More information: Ralph Gidwitz (310) 310-3991

#### July 13, 2019

#### The Annual Concours by the San Diego Bay, "Survivors Park"

The San Diego Jaguar Club will be holding their annual JCNA Concours at a new venue, SURVIVORS PARK which is just east of the current location. For those who are competing for national points this show is a must and the venue is spectacular. You are right next to the San Diego Bay which means cool breezes, beautiful views, grass venue, food stands, and a great bunch of SD club members to meet. The San Diego group are a bunch of jolly folks who really care more about having a great time and showing hospitality. Look for an EBLAST on the event or contact: Charlie Hallums, JOCLA Chief Judge/ Concours Chairman for details (949) 733-1097

#### July 27, 2019

#### The Annual JOCLA "Summer Get Together"

This year's "Summer Get Together" will be a little different. We start out at the Golden Cove British Cars and Coffee (8-11 am). This year you can choose a Time Distance Speed Rally or Scenic Tour of the Palos Verdes Peninsula viewing all the estates, gardens, ocean views, historic landmarks, and great driving roads between shaded trees, first car out at 0930. The event ends at a British Pub in San Pedro, "Whale & Ale" where the club will once again pay for 50% of your food bill, does not include drinks or brews. This restaurant has been quite popular with our members and was requested as the end point of the rally. The Menu is Fish 'n Chips, Prime Rib Sandwich, Shepherd's Pie, Pasta Primavera, and a killer salad! Look for the Eblast Announcement in June or contact: Ralph Gidwitz (310) 310-3991, Mark Mayuga (909) 772-1075

#### OTHER EVENTS TO LOOK FORWARD TO:

#### August 10, 2019 - Mullin Museum, Oxnard

September 19-22, 2019 - Cal Clubs Reunion, MORRO BAY October 26, 2019- PETERSEN AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM "VAULT TOUR" and Lunch at DRAGO November 10, 2019 – Angeles Crest Tour/TDS RALLY to Wrightwood December 7, 2019 – Annual JOCLA Holiday Luncheon, Shoreline Yacht Club Long Beach





#### "Go Green Rally" Recap

On a sunny and warm St Patrick's Day 17 JOCLA drivers and 17 navigators met at the General Porpoise Donut shop in Pacific Palisades to check-in and begin a 36.5 mile 90 minute rally through the Hollywood Hills, part of the Cahuenga Pass and ending up at the Original Philippe's near Union Station in Downtown Los Angeles for a lunch of Philippe's famous beef (or lamb, pastrami or turkey) dip sandwiches. Participating Jaguars ranged from F-Type Rs to a Mark IX sedan; with a spread of XKs, XKRs XK8s, XFs, XJs and E-types in the middle along with an Alfa Romeo. A good time was had by all, maybe except for Charlie Hallums and Elena Browdy. Charlie's XKR OTS sprung a leak enroute to Pacific Palisades and had to be towed home. Elena's 2000 XKR didn't make it out of the driveway due to brake issues. So she brought her Alfa Romeo Giulietta and Charlie became her navigator.

The top three finishers were 1st, Team Friel, 24.30 avg spd., 2nd Team Hinkley, 24.40 avg. spd., 3rd Team Evans, 24.125. **The actual average speed was 24.330.** For a complete listing as to how everybody did see the tally sheet below. The route of the rally itself began on Sunset Blvd West End, followed Bellagio Rd, Roscomare Rd, Mulholland Dr, Benedict Canyon, Sunset Blvd East End, Alameda, Union Station, you get the idea, up and down through Brentwood, Westwood, Hollywood Hills ending up at Cahuenga Blvd and the 101 Freeway and onto Downtown Los Angeles.

This Rally was a sanctioned JCNA Time, Distance, Speed Rally, this type of rally is a test between navigator and driver on how well they communicate and do simple time-keeping and math. The speeds are dictated by the posted speed limit signs and instructions are very explicate, any deviation from what's written and you're lost. This year we are going to have several of these types of driving events, Palos Verdes, Moro Bay, Paso Robles, Riverside County just to mention a few locations. More of the members have requested driving events with a social event afterwards and this event was our kick-off for 2019. Based on the laughing and tall stories and excuses heard, I think these events will become popular again. Ralph Gidwitz did a great job selecting the route and writing the Rally instructions, everyone made it to Philippe's, and we all had a great

time. Come and join-in next June when we have another Rally to the Planes of Fame Museum Tour and Mission Inn Riverside for lunch too! Thank You Ralph, good job! Now if we just can hear from that one last member who is still out there!









#### "Go Green Rally" Recap





RESULTS:		Miles:	Avg. Spd.	JCNA#
1.	Jim and Betty Friel	36.4*	24.300*	47466
2.	Tom Hinckley	35.8	24.400	64096
3.	Bruce Evans	38.3	24.125	64345
4.	Clyde Kendzierski	37.4	24.150	12238
5.	Anthony Santarelli	39.1	24.550	64351
6.	Jimmy Sorensen	36.1	25.010	26963
7.	Donte Neal	38.3	25.100	57504
8.	Tom Meinhold	35.7	25.200	64215
9.	Marc Arnold	38.0	25.350	44766
10.	Olga Quale	36.3	25.890	51325
11.	Ben Washington	36.8	25.950	64313

\*Actual Miles: 36.5

SPRING 2019

\*Actual Average Speed: 24.330 MPH



#### JOC CALENDAR **OF EVENTS 2016** JOC EVENTS IN BOLD

(For more information on all events please refer to the JOC website calendar www.lajagclub.com or contact Ralph Gidwitz, 1st VP Activities, (310) 310-3991, lajagclub.com)

#### MAY-

4-5 British Cars at Buttonwillow Race Track, Mojave 11- BOD MEETING, MARK'S HOME, 0900 19- JOCLA Annual JCNA CONCOURS, **MUCKENTHALER CENTER** 

#### JUNE-

1-BOD- MARK'S HOME, 0900 **15- SCENIC TOUR TO PLANES OF FAME OR** MISSION INN, LUNCH, Anaheim Hills Jaguar

#### JULY-

6- BOD, MARK'S HOME, 0900 13- SAN DIEGO JCNA COUNCOURS, SPANISH **I ANDING** 27- JOCLA ANNUAL PICNIC, Golden Cove C&C, Palos Verdes FUN Rally, Lunch at "Whale and Ale"

#### AUGUST-

3- BOD MARK'S HOME, 0900 00- OPEN, Any Suggestions?

## **JOCCalendar:**

#### SEPTEMBER-

7- BOD MARK'S HOME, 0900 19-22- MORRO BAY CAL CLUBS MEET, SFO JAG, Sacramento JC, IEJC, JOCLA 27-28- INLAND EMPIRE JAGUAR CLUB CONCOURS, Idyllwild CA

#### OCTOBER-

5- BOD MARK'S HOME, 0900 23- PETERSEN AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM "VAULT TOUR" 40-60 DOCENT TOUR? 75minute/\$35 (40-45) Lunch at DRAGO PATIO

#### **NOVEMBER-**

2- BOD MARK'S HOME, 0900 10- Angeles Crest to Wrightwood TDS RALLY, Tom **Hinkley Rally Master** 00- PHOENIX AND TUCSON CONCOURS

#### DFCFMBFR-

7- ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCH, SHORELINE YACHT CLUB LONG BEACH

#### Make Plans Now to Join Us!

### **MembershipReport:**

#### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION ALERT: NEW DUES STRUCTURE

The JOC has a two-tier membership dues structure for new and renewing members. The amount of your dues depends on whether you want to receive the JOC newsletter, Jaguar Tales, via email only or via the US Postal Service (a printed copy) and via email.

The annual dues amount for the newsletter email-only digital edition is only \$60. The annual dues amount for the newsletter USPS mail paper edition is now \$80. Membership in the JOC also includes membership in the national organization, Jaguar Clubs of North America (JCNA).

### **BirthDays...**

#### **APRIL Birthdays:**

- Daniel Jett 4
- 8 John A Carey
- 8 Hilda Bennett
- Gerry Willburn 10
- 10 Lonnie Sutter
- 16 Cy Evanguelidi
- 20 James O Friel
- 22 Denis Lootens
- 27 Neale Perkins
- 27 **Bill Lyons**
- 27 Jason Ryan
- 28 Debbie Roberson

which is included in your dues. Also, we are pleased to announce that beginning in July you will be able to enroll as a new member or renew an existing membership online at www.lajagclub.com. Payment may be made by credit card or PayPal account. You will also find links to Membership and Renewal Forms at this website which can be downloaded and printed if you prefer to pay by check. If enrolling or renewing by mail, please send your Form and check, made out to JOC.

JCNA also publishes a quarterly magazine



28 Jimmy Sorensen Sydney Darnell 28

#### **MAY Birthdays:**

1 Lisa Ellis 1 Jennifer Washington 1 Benjamin F Washington 3 Charles S Sargent 7 Domenic Valvano 8 Jim Lindsay 9 Chuck Keas 11 Elaine Henderson 11 Jacob Cherub

16 Millie Arnold 17 Susan Turner 17 Olga Quale 19 Phillip G Cook **19 Bruce Gibbons** 19 Roland Quintero 20 Gloria Moore 23 John Muckel 24 Robert Sutter 25 Jean Gauer

11 Thomas Henderson

- 28 Robert w Baumhefner
- 28 Terri Keas



#### HUGE JCNA ARCHIVES SALE

In order to make some room for new arrivals JCNA Archives needs to clear out a bit of lingering materials. Almost every item has been reduced to half of the market price. Several Items in the JCNA publications section have been drastically reduced also. As always with the archival material you should assume that these are the last we will have of any item as the steady supply dried up the year the publication was printed. Orders over \$100 will rec 2 surprise publications both collectible and desirable. www.jcna.com/shop

#### **MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

	<u>As of</u> 04/01/18	<u>As of</u> <u>4/01/19</u>	<u>Change</u>
No. of Members	223	285	28%
No. of Households	108	153	41%
Number of Jaguars	273	286	4%

New members joined between 3/5/2019 and 3/17/2019:

Phillip Cook California City, CA

**Michael Stone** Downey, CA

Peter M. Whittington Huntington Beach, CA

New Jaguars:

1963 MK X – Phillip Cook 1985 XJ6 WHITE – Phillip Cook 1998 XJ8 WHITE – Phillip Cook 2001 XJ8 ROYAL BLUE - Phillip Cook

XK8 - Michael Stone Xi8 - Michael Stone Xi6 - Michael Stone

Total number of members: 285 in 153 households. Total number of cars: 286



## 2019AGMREPORT1:



The Jaguar Clubs of North America had its annual business meeting on March 21-24, JLR HQ., Mahwah NJ. The AGM (Annual General Meeting) is an opportunity for all JCNA Jaguar Clubs in North America to come together and discuss, share, update, and propose new ideas and ways to promote membership recruitment and retention; evaluate the JCNA Concours Program; discuss Concours Judging criteria; make suggestions on participation in JCNA RALLY and SLALOM programs; and improve the communications between Clubs within the JCNA Regions.

Also, a new President and Vice President were elected as well as Regional Directors were confirmed. Last year's President, Jack Humphrey had to step down for personal reasons and VP Barbara Grayson took the position of acting President until the AGM. This year the new JCNA President is our very own Les Hamilton from the JAGUAR ASSOCIATE GROUP of the Bay Area. Les has been serving as South West Regional Representative for the past year. Mike Meyer from the Jaguar Club of Ohio was elected Vice President taking over from Barbara Grayson. Mark Mayuga was appointed South West Regional Representative by President Jack Humphrey when Jack step down as JCNA President and South West Regional Representative. Pete Reith, SDJC, was appointed to the Jaguar Rules Concours Committee on my recommendation to the Rules Chairman. Mark Mayuga is the only Regional Representative ever to have been appointed by a JCNA President, a great honor indeed.

This year there were many interesting reports from the various JCNA Committees having to do with Membership, Rally, Slalom, and Concours. The most controversial item was the proposed splitting of the Concours Divisions into two distinct groups, VINTAGE and MODERN CARS. The ideas were to create a different Judging criterion for the MODERN CARS which have less areas to be judged and authenticity was not really an issue. The presentations were made, then the fireworks began, and the issues were returned to the Chief Judge and Rule Committee for further study, it got a bit steamy in the room from the comments and differing opinions.

The other Committees that heard a lot of comments were the MEMBERSHIP Committee, of which I am Chairman, and the IJF COMMITTEE, again I am Chairman of that committee too. There was much discussion that centered on how JCNA could help local clubs recruit new members and retain current membership, new ideas were presented in the committee report and many clubs were happy to see new approaches and ideas. The Executive Committee also asked me to serve as Chairman of the IJF Event Committee, based on our successful event in 2018. I submitted two articles to the Jag Journal which are in publication and will become the official guide for clubs that want to put on an IJF or major regional event. JOCLA is making a difference at JCNA once again. There is more to report once the Secretary publishes the minutes of the meeting, this was just a quick report to let you know about the more important items.

Cheers, Mark Mayuga, JOCLA President, South West Regional Representative Chairman, JCNA Membership Committee and IJF Committee





#### CLANG, CLANG & Ole TOO!

The "All Aboard and Margarita Fiesta" was a wonderful event and we missed you guys! The weather gods brought us warm temperatures, 85 degrees. The day started at the Jaguar Land Rover Training Center with 38 members, 21 beautiful Jags and a couple of Land Rovers were all queued-up in the parking lot. The Rally Master, Mark Mayuga, wrote a simple TIME-DISTANCE-SPEED RALLY, just to get people use to such early club type events. Mark planned out some high and low speed sections with tricky long segments through the neighborhood of Mission Viejo and finally joining the much-improved Ortega Highway, SR74. This is where the rally got to be fun, twisty bits, wonderful views, hairpin turns, narrow roads, and a fantastic downhill section that tested your brakes and driving skills. Oh, there was a mistake in the instructions, so each team got the correction at the drivers meeting, it wasn't Linda, you were supposed to go to the end of Antonio Drive then make a U Turn then come to SR74, but I made a correction. We arrived about 20 minutes off the planned time with everyone in tow. No lost souls, everyone was accounted for and some IEJC members joined us too.

The Orange Empire Rail Road Museum is a train museum full of memories and history of how this country grew on the tracks of old locomotives, trollies, innovation, blood and sweat of the immigrants, coolies, engineers, bridge builders, steel works, and men with lots of money. Many of these moguls became famous and generous with their monies, they founded universities, banks, trust funds, ship building, steam ship lines and more.

My favorite ride was the one a lot us took, the old RED CAR INTERCITY LINE Trolley, many of the trolley cars were running and on special weekends they bring out the steam locomotives. This is a huge property, over 100 acres of railroad history with unique rolling stock. After two hours of walking and riding the museum we all went to have lunch at the Tarasco Mexican restaurant. This is a quaint outdoor restaurant with terrific food and atmosphere. We all ordered off the menu, it took a bit longer this way but most of us spent the time talking and catching up on friends we hadn't seen in a while. When the food finally came we were not disappointed in the quality or quantity. Everyone ate hearty and there were no doggie bags going home that day. Mike and Jen Zavos won the time segment and Scott Seban won the mileage segment, a bunch of folks were within 1 minute of the actual time and five teams were separated by 35 seconds, so, great job you guys. Let's do this again.

Thanks to all who attended! Quale, Cohen,Browdy, Hallums, Burger, Friel, Zavos, Graven, Scheer, Henderson, Hodges, Looten, Wright, Soreson, Foote, and a few more

Cheers, Mark Mayuga, 1st VP





#### International Jaguar Festival SLALOM RESULTS:

CLASS	Driver	Car	Time/Place	
В	L. Walker Willson	1953 XK-120M	47.429	1st
D	Jack Wade	1966 Е-Туре	51.726	1st
E	Dominic Valvano	1973 E-Type V12	52.165	1st
Н	Brian Boyce	1963 E-Type Modified	50.488	1st
К	Jack Humphrey	2002 XK8	46.781	1st
L	Mark Hodges	2014 XKR	46.372	1st
Μ	Eugene Cohen	2016 XF-R	126.32	1st
Р	John Svenssen	2009 XK	54.471	1st
R	Glen Barker	F-Type	45.787	1st
Z	Bob Matejek	2018 Corvette GS	41.433	1st

#### TDS TALLY:

Overall winner: Carolyn Arnquist/Cameron Sheahan, 50 miles, 34.884 average MPH /35 MPH actual Best Mileage: Marc & Mille Arnold, 49.2 miles Best Average Speed: Tod & Wendy Willson, 34.889 average MPH





#### International Jaguar Festival SLALOM RESULTS:









#### Petersen Museum Vault Tour by Kevin Easton

Our IJF Festivities this year included a private JOC tour of The Vault at the Petersen Automotive Museum. This event was sponsored by Heacock Collector Car Insurance and yours truly.

The event was well attended with two groups of 35 taking the tour followed by dinner and cocktails at Drago, the restaurant inside of the museum. Appropriately for Halloween, Mark Mayuga and Judy Graven provided Marti Gras masks for all of the participants!

The Vault at the Petersen is not always accessible to the public, but is well known for the cars that are thought to be contained within. A few noteworthy cars includes movie cars like the Porsche 928 from Tom Cruise's 1980's film Risky Business, Kenicke's '48 Ford Deluxe from the movie Grease and Magnum Pl's Ferrari 308 GTSi. There were also super cars including a McLaren P1, Ferrari GTO and ex-Michael Schumacher F-1 race car.



For us Jaguar aficionados, the Vault holds ex-Steve McQueen Jaguar XK-SS, a 1994 Jaguar XJ220 (it actually went 219) and the very first leaper, a 1937 S.S. 100. But it's the stories about the cars that make a visit to the Vault a treat. Our docent Jim told us that McQueen was known to drive Mulholland late at night in the Jag at high speed. The CHP Sargent offered dinner at Lawry's for the officer who caught him. Mind you, this was a time when the police were driving Plymouth Furys. Dinner was never claimed!

A special thanks to Mark Mayuga and the IJF Committee for envisioning such a great event and making it a reality!



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## JOC visits the Funari Collection with a Surprise Bonus at the End by Jim Friel





In Long Beach, off a main road down a side road into a dead end, there are several non-descript warehouses with treasurers within. On January 12th, 2019 a limited number of JOC members were treated to a visit to the collection of Robert and Pam Funari. Bob and Pam have been long time members of JOCLA (and many other automobile clubs). Upon arrival, members viewed the collection of cars, as well as a car lover's washroom and a library. The collection of cars was rather eclectic, containing many unusual cars (including a beautiful BRG Jaguar XKE) and many others, original or modified, primarily European high-performance sports cars from the 1960's onward.

After everyone had time to see and chat about the collection, Bob led a guided tour of each of the cars indicating specifications and some of the reasons that this car was in his collection.

More time to talk and observe these cars and then an unanticipated event occurred. One of the other nearby warehouses also contained a collection of cars of a different type. And we were invited to observe this collection! The cars were entirely American cars, some pre-war cars and cars from post war up to roughly the 1960's.

There were several Lincolns, Cadillacs, Packard's, a Duesenberg and quite a few others: All, of course, in showroom condition. Not entirely what we expected but then we didn't know what to expect as we walked to the second warehouse. Between the two exhibits, we were able to see a wide variety of the best of European and American cars from the last Century: Quite a treat.



Our thanks are due to both Pam and Bob for allowing some of our Club members into the inner sanctum. There was a waiting list for other members who would have liked to be able to visit the collection. Perhaps another visit might be scheduled at some future time.



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## **MemberNews**:

#### **JOCLA Club History**



#### Jaguar Owners Club, Los Angeles

Founded 1955, Los Angeles California Club Sphere: Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside Counties

#### History:

The Jaguar Owners Club, Los Angeles is celebrating 64 continuous years as an official Jaguar Clubs of North America Jaguar Club in the United States. Founded in 1955 by a group of local sports car enthusiasts, the JOC became one of the premier Jag Clubs in the USA. At the time of formation many a HOLLYWOOD personality could be seen driving the XK-120 and XK-140's around the HOLLYWOOD scene. Many a starlet's or leading man's pictures were taken posing in and on the bonnet or seat of a XK-120. Such personalities included ZSA ZSA Gabor, Anne Miller, Debbie Reynolds, Natalie Wood, Walter Pidgeon, Frank Sinatra, Clark Gable, Wendall Corey, Ricardo Montauban, Alfred Hitchcock, and Trevor Howard to name a few. In those days the club members gathered at certain "watering holes" in Hollywood and Los Angeles, the Tam 'O Shanter, Tail 'O Cock, and Brown Derby were regular meeting venues where the old club members would gather and brag about how they out ran the local police cars, went to Palm Springs in record time, and what road race they were running in, Goleta, Torrey Pines, Palm Springs, or Riverside. Other notable members were Vilem B. Hahn, Phil Hill, and Charles Hornburg. These were a colorful group and they set the foundation that continues today.

The Club today still has the close comradery that those early members enjoyed. Today's club members are drivers, collectors, gearheads, backyard mechanics, and just folks who like to drive their cars and enjoy meeting folks with the same passion for Jaguars. Whether you have a Classic XK-120, E-Type, XJS or a XJ8, F-Type, F-PACE, I-PACE, you will be welcomed by our members. The Club has at least one or two events per month, which usually includes a social meal after the event. Rally's, Concours, Tech Sessions, Scenic Tours, Picnics, swap meets, and more, round out the year's events with as many as 12-15 events in a calendar year. We also support the other nine Jaguar Clubs in the Greater Southwest Region, including Colorado, Utah, Arizona, and Nevada. Many of our members attend Concours and driving events with other car clubs with many of our members participating in local Cars & Coffee events throughout the LA Basin. There are several members who also have mechanical and restoration expertise and they are happy to share their knowledge with members. Our advertisers are also very supportive of the members and offer discounts on parts and services or recommendations on restoration services. Whether you're a gearhead, a lead foot, or just like to tour to interesting places, the Jaguar Owners Club offers something for everyone. We are a friendly group with a rich history of fun, tradition, and passion for this unique English Marque. We invite you to visit our **WEBSITE**: lajagclub.com to become a member and start enjoying member benefits and meeting some terrific folks. Old car, used car, or new car, you will be welcomed to enjoy a great club with some fun members!

Hope to see you on the Road,

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## **MemberNews**:











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#### Richard Darnell, the Evil One! "DAD" ...

There are individuals that come along in a great while that make a difference in the day to day bump and grind BUT Richard Darnell was the "Difference". He joined the Jaguar Owner Club in 1966, drove an E-Type Coupe, had a typical life of a business man in the oil industry, played hard, drank hard, liked pretty women, lived life to the fullest. UNTIL he met Sydney, he was smitten! he cleaned-up his act and became the GENTLEMAN that we in the Jag Club enjoyed and respected. His passion for the cars was his undoing, he decided to get into the car restoration game to which he excelled and enjoyed, probably added to his long life and enjoyment.

Richard did nothing less than 100%, his love of life and his attention to details were tempered by his wisdom of experiences and his affable personality made working with him fun, a joy, and you always got the straight dope from him! NO BS! Darnell was a competitor, whether it was racing around California City with the Jag or showing his cars in the JCNA Concours, he did it all with style, grace, and a genteel attitude that you just don't see anymore. I think he looked at life from the 30,000-foot level, knowing full-well that you don't sweat the little stuff, you look for the greater good and the possibilities of success and personal fulfillment.

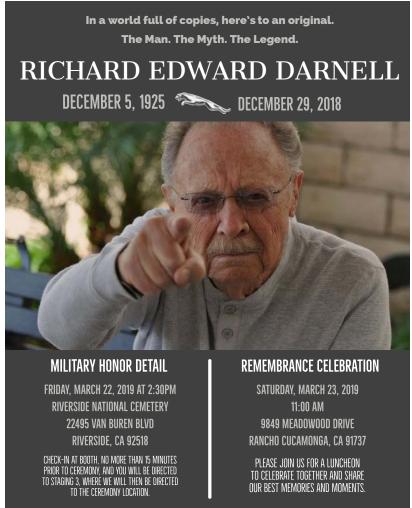
Darnell was a mentor to several club members, a Dad to some too, and he always was the "go to guy" when wisdom was lacking, or decisions needed a second look. Richard was my friend for 50 years, he was a "Dad" figure for me, a fellow Jag Nut, and truthful sounding board many times over. His accomplishments are too

many to list, suffice to say that he lived life to its fullest, without hesitation or reserve, being an old Navy man, he appreciated his relationship with friends and acquaintances giving them all the same value and respect. His laughter and stories embellished his way were the stuff of many a good joke or assurance that your ideas weren't crazy just needed to be re-adjusted a bit, I know this, his voice was always in my ear guiding me as a young Jag Club president. Will I miss him, of course, we all will! His influence and counsel will live on in many of us who knew him and worked with him. Richard Darnell was a hand full, Sydney will confirm that, but she will also tell you he was her life and her best friend to her and her family, once again, Richard did it with style and grace.

In the words of the BARD (RICHARD DARNELL), "Farewell Sweet Prince, parting is such sweet Sorrow", "now cut the BS and let's PARTY!"

Richard Darnell, my friend for 50 years

Cheers, Mark Mayuga, JOCLA President



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