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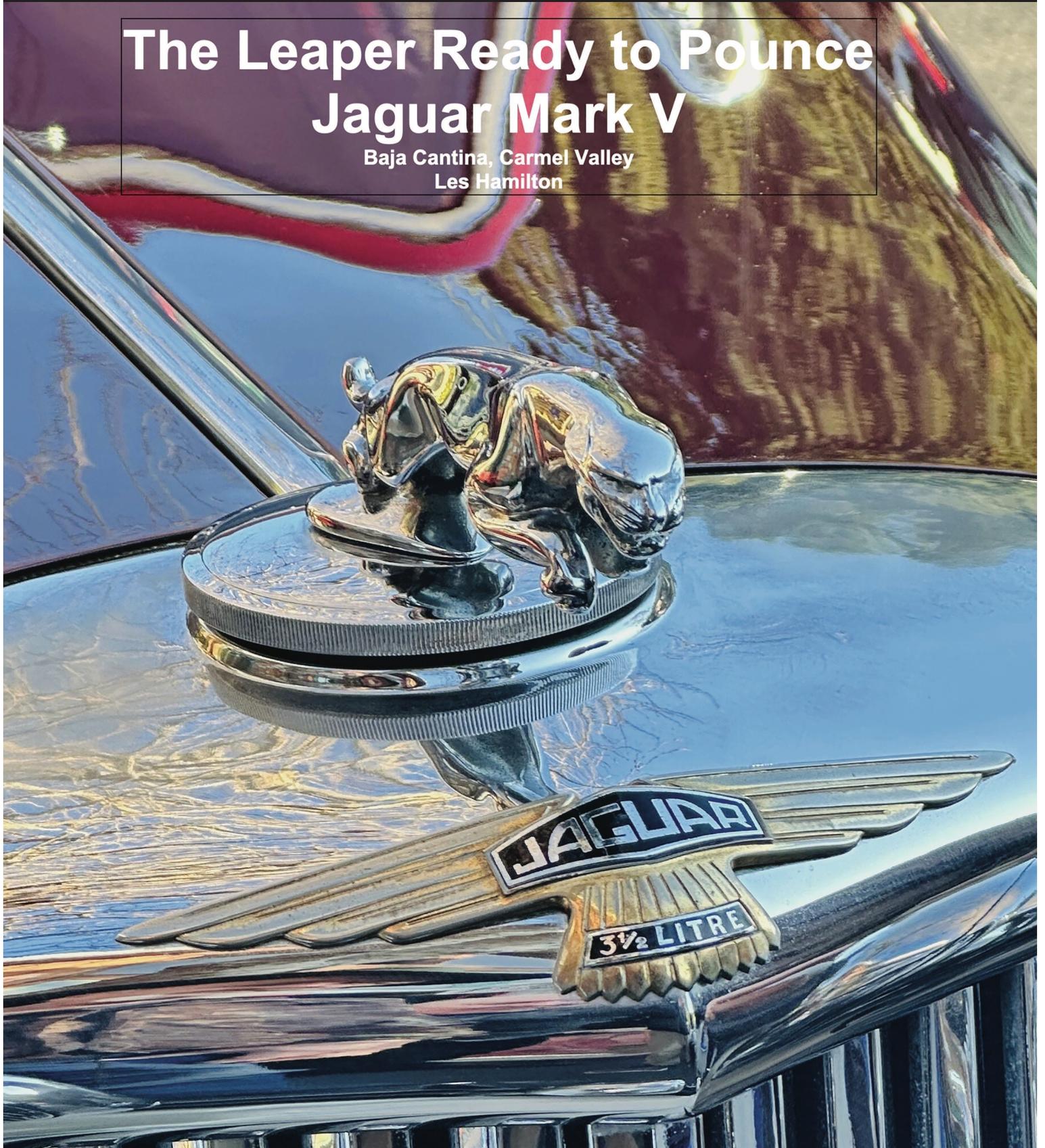


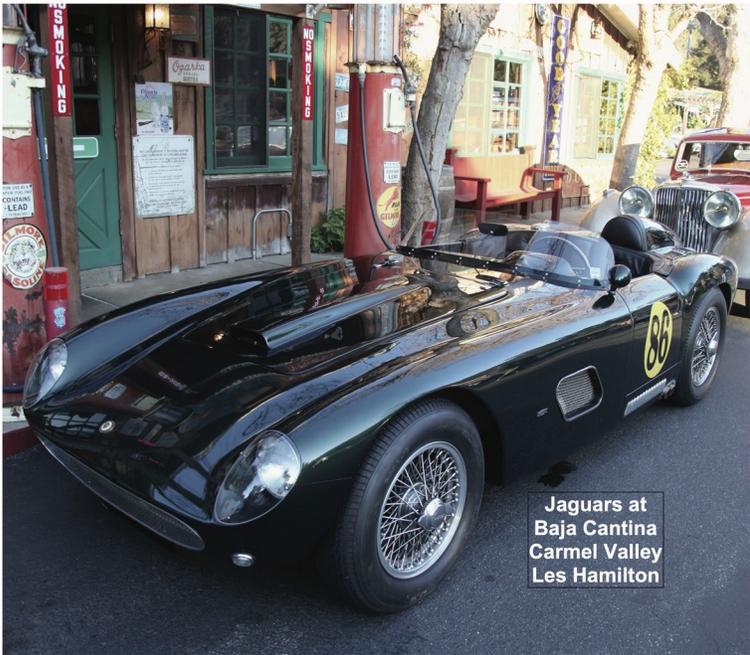
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The Leaper Ready to Pounce Jaguar Mark V

Baja Cantina, Carmel Valley
Les Hamilton





Jaguars at
Baja Cantina
Carmel Valley
Les Hamilton



JAG President's message April 2026

Today, I sit snug and cozy inside my house in the Santa Cruz Mountains, listening to the rain falling rather enthusiastically outside. Although days like this aren't as frustrating as they were when I was a child (ah, Mom—why can't I play outside? I'll wear a raincoat and galoshes, I promise!), rainy weather still nudges my wandering mind toward daydreaming.

Today's cerebral journey took me far into the past, to a time when just about all I thought about was sports cars and driving at breakneck speed along the curvy roads in the southern hills of the San Fernando Valley where I lived. I was fortunate enough to have saved enough money—mowing half a dozen lawns in our neighborhood—to buy my first car: a 1959 Porsche Cabriolet. Lest you imagine the kind of crazy prices vintage Porsche's command today, my wellused '59 convertible cost only \$1,000 in 1970 (about \$8,354 in today's dollars).

Of course, having spent nearly every dollar I'd saved on the car and the insurance, I didn't have much left for repairs—and that bargainpriced Porsche certainly needed them regularly. Luckily, I found a repair shop in the area, R&R Carrera, that specialized in Porsches. Even more fortunately, the gentlemen who owned the shop were incredibly kind to me. Whenever I showed up with a problem—say, the engine misfiring badly—they would not only fix it (in that case, a loose distributor clamp) and charge me only five or ten dollars, but they'd also show me how to do the repair myself. Each time the car broke, I got another lesson in how to keep it running at its best.

Now, more than 55 years later, the whole carrepair landscape has changed dramatically. Unlike my old Porsche, in which the most sophisticated bit of electronics was the dimmer for the dashboard gauge lights, my 2000 Jaguar XKR convertible is packed with interconnected computer control modules regulating everything from the supercharged engine to the transmission, brakes, climate control, and even the suspension—the infamous CATS system (Computer Active Technology Suspension).

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So when something goes haywire now, I'm usually out of luck if I want to tackle the repair myself. And don't get me started on the challenge—and frustration—of obtaining the parts needed for a repair. Yes, modern cars are statistically far better built and more dependable than those from half a century ago. But what we've gained in reliability, we've clearly lost in owner repairability.

Is it a fair tradeoff? Well, if you're like me—someone who grew up enjoying both the mental challenge and cost savings of repairing your own car—it's a brave new world we're forced to live in. Unless you're ready to attend a trade school and invest in expensive specialty tools and diagnostic equipment, you and I are largely at the mercy of our repair shops. Let's hope you find one run by folks as kind and generous as my old mentors at R&R Carrera.

Here's hoping your car keeps purring like a kitten,
Sandor Nagyszalanczy
JAG President

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Keeping your Jaguar on the road

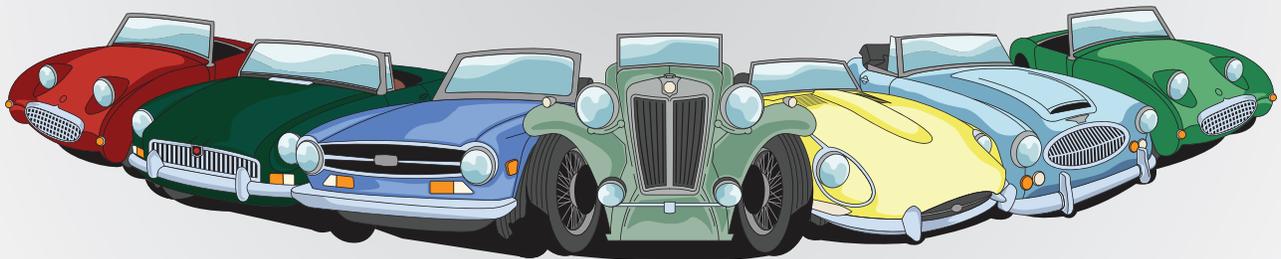


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MARCH 2026

- 7 MOZART MUSEUM & LUNCH, MOUNTAIN VIEW WITH ROLLS ROYCE CLUB**
28-29 CLOVIS BRITISH AUTO ROUNDUP- DRIVE & CAR SHOW

APRIL 2026

- 16-17 JCNA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IN MEXICO CITY**
18 NAPA DRIVE, LUNCH AT CAFÉ BELLINI, PETALUMA
29 RANCHO CIELO TOUR + BBQ LUNCH WITH CCBMC

MAY 2026

- 17 DIXON BRITISH CAR SHOW AND SWAP MEET**
JAG EVENT COMING SOON

JUNE 2026

- 6 BRITS BY THE BAY**

JULY 2026

- 16-18 JCNA International Jaguar Festival in Pittsburgh**

AUGUST 2026

- 7-15 ROLEX MOTORSPORTS REUNION**
10 MONTEREY BRITISH CAR SHOW - CARMEL
16 PEBBLE BEACH CONCOURS

NOVEMBER 2026

- 22 MOSS BEACH DISTILLERY DRIVE & BRUNCH**

March Jaguar Birthday's

Kenneth Allen Zib	March 1
Linda Humber	March 4
Linda Von Merveldt	March 12
Phoenix Kovacs	March 12
Charles DeWitt	March 13
William Medina	March 13
Richard Wiesner	March 13
Barbara Hanek	March 16
Brandy deGrassi	March 16
Michael Stek	March 22
Kristan Neubecker	March 22
Joseph Hanek	March 22
Christian Rowcliffe	March 25
Robert Paulson	March 27
Carol Salinas	March 28
Gordon LaPorte	March 29



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Napa Drive & Lunch at Café Bellini, Petaluma April 18, 2026

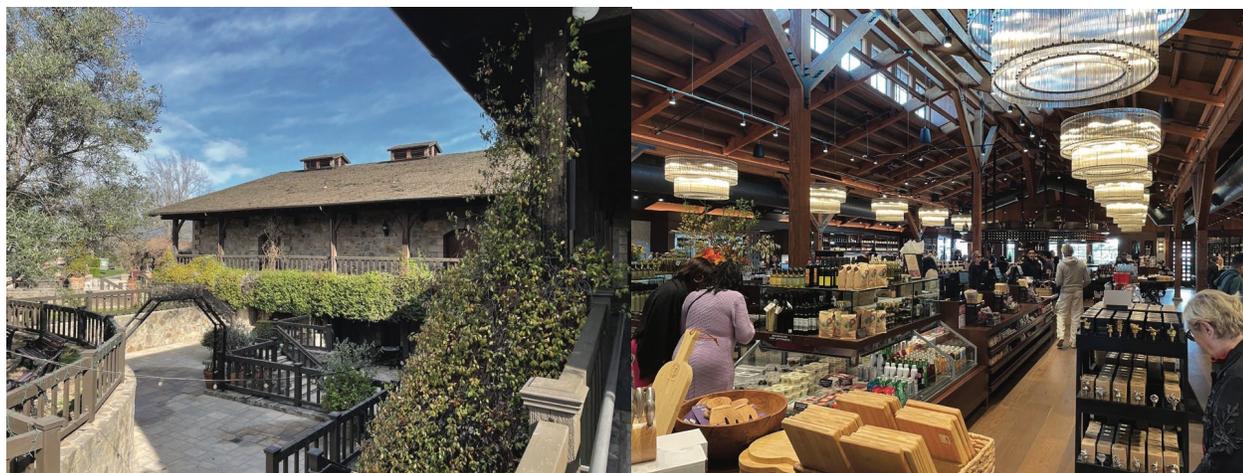
Tour Leaders: Andy and Marla Preston

Meeting place: Starbuck's 1716 East Cotati Ave (Wolf Den Plaza), Rohnert Park, Opposite Sonoma State University.

Time: Meet at 9:30 for a 10:00 departure.

Tour: Our drive will begin in Rohnert Park and we'll drive on some of the lesser known and wonderful country roads of Sonoma county on our way to the Napa Valley. We will drive over Mt. Vedeer as we wind our way through the Mayacamas Mountains on Trinity Rd to an elevation of 2300 feet before we descend into the Napa Valley. As we descend into Napa we are treated to breathtaking views of the entire Napa Valley and at other times we are well above the clouds.

Our first stop will at V. Sattui Winery and Market Place in St. Helena where we can relax and unwind for a short break and give you a glimpse of what they offer on your next visit.



We will leave V. Sattui and travel by country roads again through some of the premier wine growing regions of Napa and Sonoma Valleys, passing numerous vineyards and wineries.

Our final destination and lunch stop will be at Café Bellini in Petaluma where we will be eating in a private dining room. Lunch choices need to be ordered beforehand from the list below and include water, lemonade and iced tea. Other drinks can be ordered from the bar.

Cheeseburger or Veggie burger & fries
Chicken Club & fries
Fish and Chips
Cobb Salad w or w/o meat

Total Cost including tax and tip \$40 per person. All orders must be placed by April 11.
For sign up see www.jags.org or page 17.

On-Board Diagnostics (OBD) II

Les Hamilton. – March 2026 JAGazette

Unless all of your vehicles are vintage or classic, you have probably heard of OBD II. Recently, I purchased a new OBD II scanner, the Ancel AD410 (for my daughter's GM vehicle), and found the User's Manual very informative. I felt some background on OBD II might be useful to members

The first generation of On-Board Diagnostics (called OBD I) was developed by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) (YAY California) in 1988 to monitor some of the emission control components on vehicles. As technology evolved the On-Board Diagnostics improved, a new generation of On-Board Diagnostic Systems, OBD II, was developed.

The OBD II system is designed to monitor emission control systems and key engine components by performing either continuous or periodic tests of specific components and vehicle conditions. When a problem is detected, the OBD II system turns on a warning lamp (MIL) on the vehicle instrument panel to alert the driver, typically by a "Check Engine" or "Service Engine Soon" display. The OBD system also stores information about the detected malfunction so that you or your friendly Jaguar mechanic can accurately diagnose and correct the problem. Three pieces of information are captured:

- 1) Whether the Malfunction Indicator Light (MIL) is commanded 'on' or 'off'.
- 2) Which, if any, Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTCs) are stored.
- 3) Readiness Monitor status.

Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTCs)

OBD II Diagnostic Trouble Codes are codes that are stored by the on-board computer system(s) when a problem or abnormal condition is detected in the vehicle. These codes identify the specific problem area and are intended to indicate where a fault might be occurring. OBD II Diagnostic Trouble Codes consist of a five-digit alphanumeric code. The first character is a letter, which identifies the control system setting the DTC and is followed by 4 numbers, providing information on where the DTC originated and the operating conditions that caused it to be set. Below is an example of the code structure:

P0520

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!!!!_____The last two digits identify the system component causing the alert

!!!_____The fourth digit identifies the Sub-System

!!! 1) Fuel and air metering. 2) Ignition System or engine misfire 3) Auxiliary Emissions Control

!!! 4) Vehicle Speed Control/Idle controls 5) Computer Output Circuits 6) Transmission Control

!!_____Code Type – Generic (P0, B0, C0, U0) Jaguar Specific (P1,P2, B1,B2, C1,C2, U1, U2)

_____The leading character indicates the System.

B – Body, C – Chassis, P – Powertrain, U - Network

Reading OBD II Status and DTC's

To read the OBD II information, a scanner or diagnostic tool is connected to the vehicle by the Data/Diagnostic Link Connector (DLC). The DLC is the standardized 16-pin connector where the diagnostic scanner interfaces with the vehicle's on-board computer. The DLC is usually located under the dash on the driver's side on one side of the other side of the steering column. If the DLC cannot be found, refer to your Jaguar's service manual for the location.

The OBD II scanner has several uses.

1. Reading our fault codes and showing the status of the monitored vehicle systems
2. Clearing/resetting fault codes.
3. Running some diagnostic scans and setting some vehicle parameters.
4. Running calibration routines, such as resetting power seat limits after a battery disconnect or another event.
5. Gathering status and freeze frame data on removable media for offline analysis on a computer.
6. Updating the scanner tables with the latest manufacturer information.

Not all scanners have all functions, and as usual, the price of the unit varies by built-in functions.

I hope the above explanations have not lulled you to sleep and help explain why OBD II is important. If you are self-maintaining your Jaguar, an OBD II is very useful if not essential. If you do plan to acquire an OBD II scanner, ensure that the scanner supports Jaguar's custom codes. To look up Jaguar-specific codes, contact the Coventry Foundation or your dealer. (continued on p 9)

(continued from p 8)

Andy Preston comments.

If you work on your own cars as I do it's essential to have an OBD II scanner tool.

Between my son John and me, we own 5 modern Jags and one Range Rover. I recently purchased an iCarsoft LR 3.0 Diagnostic Tool for Land Rover/Jaguar only for under \$200. This tool is essential if you are doing your own maintenance, especially if you are working on rear brakes that have an electronic handbrake and to reset service intervals.

A longer version of this article that includes OBDII definitions can be found on www.jags.org

The Low Down on CA Registration Plates

With growing highway traffic, stop-and-go conditions give drivers time to notice the many different license plates. A visit to the DMV website (dmv.ca.gov) shows:

The History of California License Plates (1963-present)

Pre-1963 The CA DMV sent a new set of license plates for each vehicle each year

1963 – The earliest license plate that is still valid (black background and chrome yellow characters).

1970 – standard plate changed to a blue background with yellow characters. This was the last year any black/yellow plates were issued.

1976 – year-round registration started, which required a month expiration sticker affixed to the upper left-hand corner of the plate.

1982 – the standard plate changed to a white background with blue characters, a sun graphic and “California” in red block letters. This was the last year any blue/yellow plates were issued.

1987 – reflectorized plates with “California” in red block letters were issued. The sun graphic was discontinued.

1991 – only reflectorized standard plates were issued.

1993 – the word “California” changed to red script.

1997 – stickers were made with background colors that change every year.

1998 through 2000 – standard plates contain the words SESQUICENTENNIAL – 150 YEARS in red block letters at the bottom of the plates.

2001 – standard plate is white with blue characters and “California” in red script. No writing at the bottom of the plate.

2011 – the DMV web address, “dmv.ca.gov”, is added to the bottom of the standard plates.

Of course, the CA DMV now provides a wide range of scenic plates at additional cost, and personalized plates at a premium. On Pages 19/20 there is a variety of personalized plates. If you spot any unusual plates, please send a picture to editor@jags.org

CLOVIS BRITISH AUTO ROUNDUP 2026
FRESNO/CLOVIS- March 27-29, 2026

J.A.G. is again participating in the Clovis British Auto Roundup. Our Jags are always welcome. Drive on your own to Fresno/Clovis on Friday, and that evening we'll all have dinner in Clovis (all walkable).

On Saturday, we will meet up with the Valley British Auto Club for a couple of hours drive through the beautiful valley foothills. Anticipate wildflowers in full bloom, with amazing scenery. The drive will begin at 10:00 am in front of our hotel. After the 100-mile tour ends at approximately 12:00 noon, a no-host lunch will follow at Bobby Salazar's Mexican Restaurant (across the street from our hotel). Saturday evening, we'll have dinner at one of Fresno's best restaurants.

On Sunday morning, you'll enjoy your free full breakfast and meet up in Clovis with the VBAC again to set up for the car show and antique street fair. Car Show participants must be ready to show by 9:00 am. This car show is not a concours; it's better described as a car show and street party. There will be awards with unusual categories like Best Oil Leak to be given out 1:30-2:00 pm and the Car Show ends at 3:00 pm. You 'll then bid goodbye to all your NEW friends and travel back to the Bay Area. Sign up ASAP. The Best Western in Clovis is very convenient for all the events. Rooms will go fast as will spots in the Car Show. Central Valley Veterans is the 2026 Charitable Contribution recipient. 100% of the Car Show Raffle proceeds will be donated to the Central Valley Veterans organization, where \$0.94 of every dollar goes to support Local Veterans.

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No J.A.G. rooms have been reserved.

CAR SHOW: \$35.00 per car. Please sign up with both VBAC & J.A.G. clubs. To sign up, print the entry form found on the VBAC website and mail the form and your payment to the address listed on the form. VBAC website <https://www.valleybritish.org/2026-clovis-british-auto-roundup>.
Or for online registration, use <https://msreg.com/clovisbritishautoroundup2026>.

RESTAURANT INFO: All restaurants will have separate checks; you'll be able to pay for your own.

J.A.G. Club Reservation Form for CLOVIS BRITISH AUTO ROUNDUP & DRIVE FRESNO/CLOVIS,
March 27-29, 2026

Name _____ Name _____

Sign up online or contact Phil Endliss (650-269-0457) to register.

Mozart Foundation Automotive Museum, Mountain View, March 7, 2026

For J.A.G. and Rolls Royce Club members, we have an opportunity on Saturday, March 7th to visit the marvelous collection at the Mozart Foundation in Mountain View. We'll see 60 of the 120 plus cars of this eclectic collection of significant automobiles. Mr. Mozart's automotive passion comes from obvious roots, since he was raised among automobiles in his father's dealership in Palo Alto, one of the first in the country to handle Volkswagens and Porsches, as well as Mercedes-Benz in the early days.

The museum realizes Mr. Mozart's personal dream of combining his interests in history, automotive development, and motorsports. Completed in 2011, the museum has translucent glass walls surrounding black granite floors, with the cars highlighted by grids of ceiling lights.

We have arranged a private viewing for J.A.G. and Rolls Royce members and their guests between 10:00AM to noon. We will be greeted by docents who will show us through the collection and discuss the history of some specific cars. After the docent tours we can focus on the cars that have interested us while the docents are available for any questions.

Photography inside the collection is strictly prohibited.

Mr. Mozart is known for moving specific cars from his broader collection as tangible signs of welcome to individual car clubs and so we may have some surprises waiting.

Entrance to the Mozart Museum is limited to 25 members per club, so make your reservations early

When our visit to the Museum is completed, we will drive about 15 minutes to Sunnyvale for lunch at Marie Calendar's in our own private room. We need your Entrée and pie choice when you signup. **FINAL DAY TO SIGN UP IS FEBRUARY 28. Food choices cannot be changed at the restaurant. Route Directions will be sent to registrants ahead of the event.**

1. BRAISED & SLOW -ROASTED POT ROAST -Tender chunks of chuck roast slow-simmered for full flavor and tenderness, topped with mushroom cabernet gravy. Served with fresh mashed potatoes and fresh seasonal vegetables.
2. HONEY GINGER GLAZED SALMON- Grilled salmon fillet brushed with a house-made honey ginger glaze, served atop rice with seasonal vegetables.
3. ROASTED TURKEY DINNER- Hand-carved roasted turkey served over our apple-sage stuffing and topped with house-made giblet gravy. Served with fresh mashed potatoes, tangy cranberry sauce and fresh seasonal vegetables.
4. SOUTHWEST AVOCADO WITH CAJUN GRILLED CHICKEN SALAD- Iceberg, romaine, carrots, red cabbage, a blend of three cheeses and tortilla strips tossed in spicy chipotle ranch dressing. Topped with Cajun-grilled chicken plus avocado, roasted corn, black beans and Pico de Gallo.
5. PIES: Apple pie, Lemon Meringue pie, Chocolate Cream pie.

FOR ANY DIETARY ISSUES: Call Deborah 415 509-2909

Please see page 17 for the sign up form





Wednesday, April 29th

Tour, Show & Shine, BBQ

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Join us in Salinas for a truly unique experience and be prepared to be blown away! Whether it's your first visit to Rancho Cielo or you are returning to see what new adventures they are up to, this will be a day you will remember for the rest of the year!!

ALL Makes, Marques, Years, and Models are welcome but please drive something fun as this will be an incredible Show & Shine opportunity to share with the students.

We will start with a special guided tour of the campus (including the Classic Car Restoration Program) that will leave you speechless. Then, we'll be on hand to delight in the questions and viewing of our cars before walking over to the award-winning Drummond Culinary Program where Chef EJ and his students will prepare a mouthwatering lunch for us.

We will coordinate drive options to the campus from locations in both Monterey and Salinas.

Register at www.montereybritish.com
Email info@montereybritish.com with any questions

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Monterey British

Monday, August 10th, 2026

Carmel Valley Community Park

11am -2pm

Registration opens in February

The Coventry Foundation

by Les Hamilton.

Overview and Mission

The Coventry Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization devoted to preserving the heritage and promoting the restoration, maintenance, and education related to classic British vehicles, with a particular emphasis on Jaguar automobiles. Founded by a group of dedicated enthusiasts and collectors, the Foundation was established to foster ongoing appreciation and understanding of Jaguar's rich history and outstanding engineering.

Foundation History and Activities

Since its founding in 2010, the Coventry Foundation has developed an extensive archive of literature, technical data, records, and historical artifacts related to Jaguar vehicles and the history of Jaguar North America. The Foundation supports educational initiatives, offers restoration assistance, and collaborates with museums and automotive clubs to make its resources accessible to the broader car enthusiast community. Through grants, events, and outreach programs, the Foundation is dedicated to inspiring new generations of Jaguar lovers while ensuring the preservation of one of Britain's most renowned automotive brands.

Key Services and Programs

The Coventry Foundation provides a variety of services aimed at promoting and safeguarding classic Jaguar automobiles. These include a comprehensive archive of technical manuals, bulletins, historical documents, and rare artifacts available for reference and research. The Foundation also hosts educational programs and workshops on restoration methods, automotive history, and vehicle maintenance, catering to both enthusiasts and professionals. In addition, the Foundation offers restoration project support through grants and expert advice, partners with museums for public exhibitions, and works with car clubs to arrange events that encourage community engagement and knowledge sharing.

Library and Collections

The Foundation's library features more than technical data; it houses sales literature, newspaper clippings, educational videos, and a significant collection of artifacts. Among these are a distinctive Jaguar key fob collection and numerous scale models.

Recent Contributions and Donations

A significant recent addition to the Foundation's holdings came from the estate of J.A.G. member Bruce Marsh. Bruce requested his collection of Jaguar books, posters, and model cars be donated to the Foundation, which involved shipping several crates of materials to Columbia through coordinated efforts.

Tool Loan Program

A notable offering for Jaguar owners is the Foundation's Tool Loan Program, which gives members access to Jaguar service tools. The combined tool collections at the Foundation's three locations constitute what is likely the largest and most comprehensive selection of factory tools available. Most tools can be borrowed for a refundable deposit and shipping costs; exceptionally valuable or bulky tools are available for use at the Foundation's locations in Columbia, SC; Oceanside, CA; and Plainville, CT. The tool inventory, sourced from dealerships closing or relinquishing their Jaguar licenses, includes a large electronic diagnostic machine that is essential for fault checking and resetting early Jaguar electronic systems—similar in function to an OBD II scanner. This specialized tool has been credited with restoring several Jaguars that would otherwise have been undiagnosable and unrecoverable.

Donations and Fundraising

The Foundation welcomes a wide range of donations, including vehicles, parts, tools, manuals, brochures, books, and memorabilia. All donations are cataloged and stored. If duplicate items are received, the extras may be sold through one of the Foundation's two eBay stores.

Jaguar Vehicle Collection

The Foundation has accumulated an impressive collection of Jaguar cars, which includes:

- XK140 FHC
- 1959 MK 2 3.4L
- S3 E type, one owner, approximately 30,000 miles
- 1986 XJ6, one owner
- XJ-S pre-HE, 30,000 miles, one owner
- 1986 XJ6
- XJ-SC
- 1994 XJ40
- 1950 Mk V DHC
- XK140 DHC
- XK150 OTS
- 1961 MK 2 3.8L
- 1964 MK 2 3.8L (Auto)
- 1965 MK 10
- 1973 S3 E Type
- 1987 XJ-S Hess and Eisenhardt
- 1993 XJR S #58 of 100
- 1995 XJ6 (X300) SWB
- 1947 3.5L Saloon (also known as MK4)
- 1972 S1 XJ6, very original
- 1953 XK120 FHC
- 1966 'S' type, one owner, picked up new from Browns Lane and meticulously maintained
- 1986 S3 XJ6 VDP, five-time North America Champion

The 1953 XK120 FHC, previously housed at Autovino in Menlo Park and later San Carlos, was donated by J.A.G. member John Couch along with a substantial collection of spare parts and documents.

British Sports Car Hall of Fame

The Coventry Foundation also oversees the British Sports Car Hall of Fame, located in Philadelphia. The Hall of Fame honors individuals and organizations who have greatly contributed to the legacy, preservation, and

enjoyment of British sports cars. It celebrates designers, engineers, racers, collectors, and enthusiasts who have shaped iconic British marques such as Jaguar, MG, Triumph, and Austin-Healey. The Hall features memorabilia, historical artifacts, and information about inductees, offering visitors an engaging way to learn about the enduring influence of British sports cars on automotive history and culture.

While the Hall of Fame's mission and displays are described, a specific list of honored inductees is not included here. For a complete and current list, readers are encouraged to visit the official British Sports Car Hall of Fame website or contact the institution directly.

XKE-Data Online Database Sponsorship

Most recently, the Coventry Foundation has assumed sponsorship of the XKE-Data online databases. This valuable internet resource allows Jaguar owners and enthusiasts to record information about their vehicles, research their history, and upload and view photos of XKE models. The databases cover six models of classic and vintage Jaguar cars, as well as an Austin-Healey database. As with any crowd-sourced information, data accuracy should be verified when possible; however, for some cars, this may be the only available record of prior ownership.

Learning More and Supporting the Foundation

To find out more about the Coventry Foundation or the British Sports Car Hall of Fame, interested individuals can visit their respective websites (coventryfoundation.org and britishsportscarhalloffame.org) or follow their Facebook pages. On YouTube, there is an informative video showing some of the Foundations, Jaguars, and Tools.

As the Foundation's vehicle collection continues to grow, storing and safeguarding the cars, tools, and documents presents an ongoing challenge. The Foundation is currently seeking an appropriate facility to house its collection safely, and a fundraising campaign is underway to support this goal.

Supporters can become patrons of the Foundation with a tax-deductible annual donation of a minimum of \$50.

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For Sale: Lovely 2003 XJ Sport (X308) Platinum Metallic with Oatmeal Leather Upholstery. Purchased on Bring a Trailer in 12/24. 5k miles added since, currently ~70k. In lovely condition. New rear tires in 2025, and new front tires this year. Recent oil change and alignment. Clean Car Fax. Please reach out if interested. We would love to keep in the family. Jeff Cowan jeffcowanm3@gmail.com for more info and pictures

For Sale: 1938 SS-Jaguar Drophead +1939 SS-Jaguar Drophead + 1950 Mk V Drophead. Each car is a time capsule of Jaguar history. Interested? please contact Les Hamilton, hamiltonl@mac.com (408)759-2921

Wanted: XK120 Bell Housing from a later model XK120/XK140. Contact Les Hamilton

Napa Drive & Lunch at Café Bellini, Petaluma April 18, 2026

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Mozart Foundation Automotive Museum, March 7th, 2026

\$60 per member (Museum fee and Lunch). Total \$ _____

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March Membership Report

Phil Endliss - Membership Director

J.A.G. continues our growth in 2026 with 201 members, including 5 Associates. The efforts of our members referring potential new members is critical to our growth. Continue to use your J.A.G. business cards when you see a Jag on the street, in a parking lot, during a visit to a Cars & Coffee meeting, and especially at car shows. Let me know if you run out of cards, and I'll send you more.

New member signup

To join J.A.G., all you need is a Jaguar and the desire to spend time with others who enjoy socializing while enjoying their Jaguar. Even if you just have a desire to own a Jaguar or lust after one, you can become a Friend of JAG. To join, fill out the application on our website (www.jags.org) under the Membership tab. Your dues will provide membership in J.A.G. and JCNA, the North America Jaguar Association, through the end of 2026.

Welcome new members who joined in January & February

**Joe Laducer & Lucia Navarette-Ladoucer
of Saratoga with their XJ6**

**Ron & Mina Laurie of Palo Alto
with his 1938 & 1939 SS Jaguar, 1950 Mark V, 1953
XK120 & 2010 XJ Super Spor**

Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following members who are celebrating their anniversaries joining JAG in March:

Kelly & Julianne Blythe – 2 years

Marwin Kashkoush & Phoebe Brockman – 4 years

Gordon LaPorte & Mary Van Swearingen – 3 years

William & Cheryl Medina – 3 years

Henry Offer & Cathy Kuhn – 9 years

Christian Rowcliffe & Margarita Rymanova – 8 years

Nik & Ellen Sathe – 5 years

A New Book

Over the past several years, J.A.G. member Vasken Bedirian been working on a novel titled *The Giulietta and the Romeos* and it is now published on Amazon.

The book traces the extraordinary life of a rare Alfa Romeo Giulietta Spider as it travels from post-war Italy through Europe and eventually to Los Angeles.

Link for the book on Amazon.

<https://a.co/d/06p3GaBK>

Editorial Musings: March 2026.

Les Hamilton

This edition of the JAGazette is a little different. There are no board meeting minutes, and The Four Reservoir Drive occurs after our publication deadline. Hence the articles on ODB II, the Coventry Foundation, and California license plates. I'd love to hear your thoughts on the content in this month's JAGazette, or from any previous issue.

I hope the article about the Coventry Foundation whets your appetite to learn more. The information and services available are extensive, and if you can't find what you're looking for, the Foundation President, George Camp, can often point you in the right direction. If you are in Southern California and would like to visit the West Coast Library, please contact Nedra Rummell. The library and tools, etc., are at the Classic Showcase in Oceanside, where restorations are always in progress.

While assembling the classifieds page, I reflected on the few entries and recalled the days in the UK before the Internet, when buying or selling vehicles and parts relied on publications like "Exchange and Mart." This weekly, nearly 200-page newspaper was crammed with brief classified ads covering the whole UK. I spent hours browsing, deciding on purchases and imagining acquiring a surplus military US vehicle or radio advertised in the publication. After moving to the USA, the "Orange County Penny Saver" served a similar purpose alongside the Sears Tool Catalog—both offered great reading and fond memories.

Currently, it is unusually cold and wet here in Monterey, and thoughts turn to the Goodwood Revival. This September event focuses on classic and vintage car and motorcycle racing, much like the Rolex Motorsport Reunion at Laguna Seca. The Revival adds a display of WWII military hardware, including flight displays of Spitfires, Hurricanes, and Mustangs. The Revival is accompanied by an auction and what can be best described as an autocentric swap meet/market. Spectators are invited to attend in period clothing and enjoy period activities and music. The parking lot is filled with hundreds of classic and vintage cars. Of course, getting there and back is non-trivial but well worth the effort.

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