



THE
MARQUE



AJS

Newsletter

Vol. XXXIX, num. 8

www.atlantajaguarsociety.org

August/September, 2018

From the President

By Judy Scarborough, President

WOMEN IN THE AUTO INDUSTRY #6 MICHELLE CHRISTENSEN

Michelle has placed herself in the history books as the first woman to lead a supercar design team. As a small girl, working on muscle cars with her father inspired her desire to improve upon a car's design, and led to her graduation from the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena, CA.

Shortly after Acura unveiled its NSX concept at the 2012 Detroit auto show, Michelle signed on with the Honda team for the production car.

She knows cars and the importance of proper dynamics, but most importantly she knows what we want as a consumer.

WOMEN IN THE AUTO INDUSTRY #7 LEILANI MUNTER

While not as widely known or highly revered as Danica Patrick, Sports Illustrated has labeled Leilani Munter as one of the top female race car drivers in the world. She continues to push back against stereotypes in the ARCA Racing Series while advocating environmental stewardship. Not only is she a race car driver, she is also a biologist and lifelong vegetarian who has lobbied on Capitol Hill for environmental change, exposed the cruelties of Japanese dolphin hunting, and has set up solar panels on the roof of her home to charge her electric car.

Glamour Magazine has called her an "Eco Hero" and several years ago ELLE Magazine

awarded her its Genius Award for being an all-around awesome environmentalist and leader.

Leilani likes to blog for the green section of the Huffington Post, serve as Ambassador to the National Wildlife Federation, and relishes in the title of being the No.1 Eco Athlete in the World, according to the Discovery Channel.

Now that you know her name and something about her, see how often she is mentioned in auto-related publications!

Recent Events!

AJS has had two big activities in the past few weeks. Thanks to Dick and Johnnie Preston for hosting the Lake Party at their home on Lake Lanier. I was out of town and missed what is always a fun day, but was told there was a **LOT** of good food and the weather was wonderful!

Our second activity was participating in the Atlanta British Car Fayre in Norcross. Jaguar was the featured marque this year, and the cars were parked on the main street of downtown historic Norcross. Thanks to J.P. Summers and Alan Talbott for getting there at 8 a.m. and erecting the tent, table and chairs. It was great exposure for the club; we talked to everyone who walked by and handed out more than thirty brochures. Thanks to Lew George for doing such great public relations work! And thanks to everyone who brought their cars and helped promote AJS!

Our next activity will be the concours weekend - Saturday October 13 and Sunday October 14. Please note the date change - the pre-concours party will be Saturday evening and

the concours will be Sunday. More details will follow.

I hope to see you soon at an AJS activity!



JAGUAR SOCIETY MEMBERS

All you need to know and more!

By Sheila Brower, Health & Hospitality Director

AUGUST 27, 2018

- Dennis Larry was with us at our meeting and shared again his excitement about his upcoming trip on a Viking Ocean Cruise with 3 stops in Spain and others in Portugal, England, France, Belgium and Norway. They will be gone for 15 days. Again, we look forward to seeing pictures and hearing what you have to say about the exciting trip.

- Don & Marlene Hart had a visit from their nephew and his fiancé. They also had an exciting time gambling....apparently, Marlene won. I believe it was \$170...not bad!

- Ted Anderson is having hip surgery October 15th. Prior to that time, Ted and Rita are looking forward to a visit from their cousin who is also bringing her boyfriend. They are from Minneapolis and will be visiting September 8th and 9th.

- J.P. Summers said his daughter, Cindy, moved to "L.A." She got a good job with a media group that manages record artists! Sounds like a fun job!

- Dick & Johnnie Preston's son is going to Afghanistan and will be going to be Base Commander. Be safe young man and our prayers are with you! I would also like to thank Dick & Johnnie for their wonderful hospitality and for opening up their home for our Lake Party. Everyone enjoyed the food and the opportunity to party with everyone....they had a great attendance. Lew took many pictures to show us.

- Linda Frost was with us and it was great to see her. She just returned from Chicago and has plans to travel to North Carolina to visit with grandchildren. Then she will be headed to St. Louis, Idaho and then Philadelphia! We look

forward to hearing about all your trips, Linda, and we will be thinking of you on your new journey in life...bless you lady!!!!

- Paul & Sheila Brower will not be able to attend the shows on September 8th as we will be in Point Clear, AL for the Georgia Association of REALTORS Conference. This will be my last as a member of the "Leadership Team" and I have mixed emotions after serving over 8+ years--it will be an adjustment. The conference goes from September 4-8th and then we will head over to Mobile and visit our daughter and family. Anxious to see the grandsons!!! So this will be a happy time, too. (FYI: Yes, we will be taking our new Jag XJL....first time out of town for it.) We will return and at the end of September, we will be headed out St. Louis, but we will see you before we leave and I'll provide more on what took place there.

THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

-I would like to ask for your prayers as I am having a colonoscopy and endoscopy on September 17th....no, I don't look forward to it!!

SEPTEMBER 24, 2018

- Randy Shaw is headed to his nephew's wedding set for October 13th in Raleigh, N.C.

- Alan Talbot also has a nephew who is getting married on October 13th in Jefferson, GA. I guess these couples aren't superstitious..."13" will be their lucky number!

- Joel & Maryanne Blackford are going to West Virginia on what they refer to as a "nostalgia trip." Maryanne has property on the Cheat River and they are going there. They are also going to the Buckwheat Festival in downtown Kingwood! We know you two will have a great time. I, along with those who attended on the 24th, would just like to thank you both for a wonderful presentation of your hobbies....Maryanne your jewelry and vases were beautiful and Joel, I know you will get orders for knives! You two are awesome!

-Jim & Maidee Spencer were with us and Jim informed me that he is having a pacemaker put in October 22nd. He will have to tell you the story of how all of this happened...it is a rather "freakish" story. Prayers for you both!

- Paul & Sheila Brower are headed out tomorrow (09/26) for St. Louis for a real estate commission meeting. I hope to get the time to call and meet up with a cousin who lives in the area. I haven't seen him in years so it should be fun.

THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

-Please remember Ted Anderson. I mentioned above that he will have hip replacement surgery on October 15.

- Remember Jim & Maidee Spencer as mentioned above.

- Also keep Ken & Irene Carr in your prayers. I talked with Irene last night and she said Ken has been placed in rehab and as I learn more, I will let everyone know. She really prefers to be bothered as little as possible so she can devote her time to Ken.

Please let me know other members who need us, those who are ill in the hospital or ones that I can send a note letting them know we are thinking of them. Contact me anytime either by phone 770 355-5735 or email sheilabrower@bellsouth.net.

Thanks and bless you my friends!

Sheila Brower
Director, Health & Hospitality



Georgia Lands Another International Auto Facility

Jaguar Land Rover Classic to Open Operations Hub in Savannah, Lured by Low Wages and Tax Breaks

Georgia's stature as a top state for international automakers lured by tax breaks and laws curbing union growth is growing with Jaguar Land Rover Classic's selection of Savannah for its first U.S. operations hub,

The United Kingdom-based luxury automaker's Classic division plans to start construction in autumn on the facility - its first outside of Europe - that will create 75 jobs in the seaport city. The 75,000-square-foot facility will be a place where owners of Jaguar and Land

Rovers that have been out of production for 10 or more years can have their cars serviced and maintained.



Jaguar Land Rover becomes the latest international automaker to select Georgia for a new location or U.S. headquarters. In the past five years, metropolitan Atlanta alone has attracted the North American headquarters of Porsche Cars, Mercedes-Benz and Groupe PSA, the French manufacturer of automobiles and motorcycles, including Peugeot and Opel. The Porsche headquarters facility near Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport also features a Porsche Experience Center complete with a 1.6-mile racetrack.

In addition to the headquarters, Atlanta just landed the first U.S. location of Mercedes parent Daimler's Lab1886 innovation center. On the manufacturing side, Korean automaker Kia opened a huge auto plant that produces 300,000 cars annually.

Georgia is attractive to automakers in particular because of its lower wages and cost of living. Georgia is a state whose laws forbid employees in union workplaces from being required to pay for union representation. In 2012, a group of former union autoworkers sued Kia, arguing the automaker discriminated against them and did not hire them at the West Georgia plant because they were members of the union. The lack of union workers also helped Alabama win a Mercedes-Benz plant and South Carolina land a BMW auto plant.

Jaguar Land Rover Classic said it selected Savannah for its first U.S. operations hub because the city is home to a thriving hospitality market and existing Jaguar enthusiasts, in addition to the Port of Savannah, North America's largest single-container shipping

terminal. The new facility will be located near Savannah-Hilton Head International Airport and the Georgia Ports Authority's Garden City Terminal.

"Creating a dedicated facility in the U.S., one of the largest markets for classic car enthusiasts, is an important and exciting step for Jaguar Land Rover Classic," said Tim Hannig, director of Jaguar Land Rover Classic.



Jaguar Land Rover's restoration and refurbishing facility will feature 42 workshop bays and be staffed by mechanics and other employees who will work on the collectable cars. The building also will include a sales showroom for certified pre-owned Jaguars and Land Rover from its Works Legends collection.

Georgia is home to several clubs for Jaguar enthusiasts, including the Atlanta Jaguar Society and North Georgia Jaguar Club.



Jaguar XE Project 8 Demolishes Laguna Seca Sedan Lap Record

Jag supersedan makes a case for fastest production four-door in the world

Jaguar is taking a page from Porsche and smashing a lap record, this one at the newly renamed WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca with Randy Pobst behind the wheel. Pobst laid down a lap of 1 minute, 37.54 seconds in the new Jaguar XE SV Project 8 sedan. It beat out the previous record holder by a second (2016 Cadillac CTS-V, 1:38.52) and the 2017 Alfa Romeo Giulia Quadrifoglio by about two seconds.

The Project 8 gets an upgraded version of Jag's 5.0-liter supercharged V8 making 592 hp

and 516 lb-ft of torque with an eight-speed automatic transmission sending power to all four wheels. Top speed is 200 mph, and 0-60 mph takes just 3.4 seconds.

By the way, Jaguar also claims the Project 8 clicked off a 7-minute, 21.23-second time at the 12.9-mile Nurburgring. That, stunningly, puts in right next to the original Ferrari 488 GTB.

Compared to the standard XE, the Project 8 is completely changed. Only the roof panel and aluminum front doors remain. Here are just some of the differences: modified front firewall and rear subframe to accept the upgraded V8 and rear differential oil cooler, F1-style ceramic wheel bearings, larger fenders to fit the bigger wheels, new front uprights, two-part upper wishbones, ball joints in place of rubber bushings, twin-coil springs, dampers, lower suspension bushings, antiroll bars and carbon-ceramic brakes. *So a lot.*

Deliveries of the Project 8 begin later this year from Jaguar's Special Vehicle Operations team. If you have the skill, dropping a sub-eight-second lap time at the 'Ring will cost you \$187,500.

[Jaguar Project 8 Video](#)



The Jaguar XK May Make A Return **New Jaguar 2+2 could use extended F-Type bones**

Before the perfectly proportioned Jaguar F-Type made its debut, the XK coupe was one of the best looking cars on the planet. Tough too -- I was rear-ended in an XKR a few years ago and can honestly say even with a flat tire and bent rim, it still gave chase to a hit-and-run drunk driver. The XK was discontinued in 2014 and for a while had a foggy future considering the proliferation of crossovers and SUVs. But according to Autocar, plans of a relaunch are gathering steam.

"The F-Type has been a huge success," Hanno Kirner, who oversees product strategy for the next decade at Jaguar said. "We love sports cars -- and I use the plural quite deliberately. Whether that is delivered by a body variant or something else remains to be seen, but for now let's just say that the body type is very important for us."

Jag's head of design hinted about a new 2+2 last year saying, "We're working on something now." Autocar is guessing we won't get a whiff until at least 2021.

The current F-Type still uses a shortened version of the old XK platform, but the next one will get new bones to ride on. In theory it should be flexible enough to stretch it back to the XK's longer proportions. A hybrid version isn't out of the realm of possibility either, which would have scared us at one point, but not now. In a world with hybrid McLarens, Porsches and Ferraris, there's no reason engineers can't do a fast, flexible, hybrid Jag.

There are plenty of engines for the new car to choose from. The F-Type's Ingenium four makes 296 hp and of course the rip-roaring 572-hp 5.0-liter is also an option. Imagine an XKR SVR, bumped up to 600 hp or so.

We love, love the F-Type here at Autoweek. We had an R for a full year and relished every minute of it. And, personally for me, I think it's one of the best-looking and best-proportioned cars of the decade.

Let's do it Jag. Put the V8 in there, make it a little bigger than the F-Type but nearly identical and call it a day. It can start at \$90K and go up from there. Both convertible and hardtop versions please, thanks!



Lake Party

August 2018





Atlanta British Car Fayre



AJS Tech Session





**Vehicle Service,
Sales, Storage
Concours Detailing,
and Acquisitions**

770.578.0066

www.ClassicAutoSmith.com

1819 lower Rosswell Road. Marietta GA, 30068



PermaFinish

EXCLUSIVE CHEMICAL PROCESS FORMULA XV9

**RESTORE & PROTECT YOUR
INVESTMENT AGAINST:**

- Acid Rain
- Stone Chips
- Scratches
- Tree Sap
- Bird Droppings
- Aging Paint

**NO WAXING GUARANTEED
FOR SIX YEARS!**



WHAT IS PERMAFINISH?

Permafinish is a one-time treatment that protects an automobile's finish for a guaranteed six years, completely eliminating the need for waxing!

2558 MOUNTAIN IND. BLVD | TUCKER, GA 30084 | 678.382.1000 | WWW.PERMAFINISH.COM

Event Schedule for 2018

January –

February – 10th - Valentine Brunch
23rd – 25th – Boca Raton Concours
d'Elegance

March – 8-11 – Amelia Island Concours
17th - St. Patrick's Day party

April – 27-29 – Walter Mitty Road Atlanta

May –

June – 10th - British Motorcar Day
16th - Pig Roast, Erlinda McCabe

July –

August – 25th – Lake Party

September – 8th Atlanta British Car Fayre
22nd AJS Tech Session

October – 13th – AJS Concours Dinner
14th – AJS Concours d'Elegance

November – 3rd -5th - Hilton Head Concours

December – 9th – AJS Christmas Party



Kartoon Korner



Atlanta Jaguar Society

www.atlantajaguarsociety.org

Officers & Directors

President: Judy Scarborough

(H) 770.772.9734 judyscar@bellsouth.net

1st Vice President: Don Hart

770.956.7165 blondething@comcast.net

2nd Vice President: Ted Anderson

770.855.2894 tedanderson@bellsouth.net

Secretary: Marlene Hart

(H) 770.956.7165 blondething@comcast.net

Treasurer: Fran McNair

(H) 770.497.9980 fmcnair@bellsouth.net

Activities Director/ Alice Thyer

(H) 770.887.1312 athy@att.net

Newsletter Editor: Lew George

(H) 404.401.6102 lewatl@bellsouth.net

Membership Director: Ken Carr

(H) 404.843.0681 jkennethcarr@yahoo.com

Health & Hospitality Director: Sheila Brower

(H) 770.509.6830 shebrowe@bellsouth.net

Concours Director: Ray Fry

(C) 404.245.4440 rfry@mindspring.com

Advertising Director: Paul Brower

(C) 770.241.5725 pgbrower@mindspring.com

Website Director: Del Champion

(C) 678.557.0513 delchampion@yahoo.com

Technical Director: Dick Preston

(C) 678.427.4813 dpres01@gmail.com

Honorary Chairman: Alan Talbott

(H) 770.621.9854 talbotta@bellsouth.net

AJS Founder: John B. Steen

Deceased

The AJS Newsletter is published monthly except December and is emailed free to all Society Members. For mail delivery send request to:

judyscar@bellsouth.net

Submissions for publication should be supplied to the Newsletter Editor by email or in other electronic readable form by the 1st of the month. Material is subject to editorial revision and may express the sole opinion of the submitter.

AJS Newsletter Editor
Lew George
220 Renaissance Pkwy.
Unit 1113
Atlanta, GA 30308-2352
lewatl@bellsouth.net

FOR YOUR JAGUAR

PARTS MADE IN HOUSE
UPGRADES
SERVICE ESSENTIALS
BIG NAME BRANDS
GENUINE JAGUAR PARTS

PARTS & ACCESSORIES
FOR
CLASSIC & MODERN
JAGUARS

WWW.SNGBARRATT.COM



SALES.USA@SNGBARRATT.COM  TOLL FREE: +1 800 452 4787

Submit your car of the month to the Newsletter Editor!