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From the President

By JP Summers, President

Hello everyone,

Well we are off to a New Year! The Board of Directors met and discussed the events of last year and how we could do them better along with planning the events of the coming year. We have a new web site thanks to our Web Master Del Champion. Please take a look at the site at: theatlantajaguarsociety.org. The site is very classic and looks great. Lew is looking into our Face Book Page. It seems we have had this for some time, however we have not been utilizing it or keeping it up dated. Hopefully in 2017 we can utilize the new web site and our Face Book Page to the betterment of the club.

It saddens me to say we lost two members of our club the last quarter of 2016, Marvin Sikes and Wil Somer.

Marvin had a true passion for the automobile and owned several collector cars. He was also a member several car clubs which included Corvette, Studebaker and Jaguar. He and Carolyn traveled extensively showing their cars and won many awards. I was watching the Amelia Island Concours on TV when he and Carolyn appeared on the screen in their 1954 Corvette. Marvin had a real knack for solving an issue with a car as well as making one exactly as it came off the showroom floor.

We also lost Wil Somer. It seemed Wil attended every event and club meeting. He was a true promoter of The Atlanta Jaguar Society. He has been our membership chairperson for as long as I can remember. Wil worked very hard

at boosting our membership and his efforts are very much appreciated. He loved Jaguars. He had a beautiful XK 150s, that he was extremely proud of and that won many awards.

Wil and Marvin will be missed.

It seems Jaguar went out for tea and didn't come back for 60 years.

0 to 60 mph in 5 seconds! Think of that in 1957. It's still impressive today. I am talking about the Jaguar XKSS. I think the XKSS was really the world's first Super Car.



I thought it would be interesting to see what was coming out of Detroit, by comparison in the same time frame. In 1957, Chevrolet went from a 265-cubic inch V 8 engine to a new 283- cubic inch V 8 with a new system fuel management system called fuel injection. This engine passed a mile stone in automotive history. It was the first engine to match cubic inches to horsepower, 283 cubic inches 283 horsepower. This engine in a 1957 Corvette with a 4- speed manual transmission would do 0 to 60 mph in 5.6 sec.

Think of the advancements the Jaguar had over the Corvette in 1957. The Corvette engine

was a push rod V8, which was a great engine but nothing as sophisticated or as advanced as the double overhead cam of the Jaguar. The new fuel injection system of the Corvette was more advanced than the side-draft carburetors of the Jaguar even though it was in its early stages. The Corvette's engine was cast iron while the Jag's was aluminum with iron sleeves. The Corvette's rear suspension was a live axel on leaf springs, while the Jaguar used a far more advanced independent rear suspension. With regards to brakes, Jaguars was using the then new Dunlop disks all around while the Corvette was using drums. Lastly, and I have passed over numerous things, the body work of the Jaguar was all aluminum while the Corvette's was fiber glass. A 1957 Corvette weighted 2985 lbs. with its 283-hp. engine while the Jaguar weighted 2030 lbs. with a 262-hp. engine. The Corvette weighs 955 lbs. more while only having 21 more horsepower. Cost of a 1957 fuel injected Corvette with a 4-speed transmission in 1957 \$4200. Cost of a 1957 Jaguar XKSS in 1957 \$6900.

January 2017 sees the 60th anniversary of the XKSS; February sees, the anniversary of the fire at the Jaguar factory which ended XKSS after only 16 of the 25 cars had been converted from unsold D-Types.

I am sure you are aware that Jaguar Classic is beginning to build the nine "missing" XKSSs. This may seem strange but several other modern car makers are doing this as well. The most obvious other example is Audi with its Auto Union.



I know people will argue that it's not a real XKSS. It won't be road legal and it cost over \$1,500,00.

I still think it's a great idea to build the last nine as a continuation. Just like the lightweight

E-Types that went before it. I have read numerous articles about this build. It is amazing to read about the process, and the people involved, the passion, the knowledge, the hand work, and the extraordinary lengths taken to ensure authenticity.

As it is, each of the nine XKSS continuations cars were sold long before the unveiling of the prototype at November's Los Angeles Auto Show. Nine buyers will have an XKSS with none of the history but all the appeal of an original, for a tenth of the price.

Additionally, the owners of the original XKSSs now have access to previously long unavailable spare parts. What's not to love!

My best to everyone and be well,
J.P. Summers



Next monthly meeting
February 27th
Hudson Grille, 6317 Roswell Rd
Social hour- 6:00 pm, Dinner-7:00 PM



Jaguar Recalls!
Lew George, Newsletter Editor

Jaguar owners take note. Here are a couple of pending recalls:

January 10, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17V027000

Components: AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 8,114

Summary:

Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC (Jaguar) is recalling certain 2012 Jaguar XF vehicles originally sold, or ever registered, in Alabama, California, Florida, **Georgia**, Hawaii, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Texas, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands (Saipan), and the U.S. Virgin Islands, or "Zone A."

Unless included in "Zone A" above, Jaguar is recalling certain 2009 Jaguar XF vehicles, originally sold, or ever registered, in Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, District of Columbia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia, or "Zone B."

Vehicles not originally sold or ever registered in either Zones A or B are not subject to this safety recall.

These vehicles are equipped with certain air bag inflators assembled as part of the passenger frontal air bag modules, and used as original equipment or replacement equipment. In the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the front air bags, these inflators may rupture due to propellant degradation occurring after long-term exposure to absolute humidity and temperature cycling.

Remedy:

Jaguar will notify owners, and dealers will replace the passenger frontal air bag assembly, free of charge. Parts are not currently available. Owners will be sent an interim notification around March 3, 2017. A second notice will be mailed when remedy parts are available. Owners may contact Jaguar customer service at 1-800-452-4827. Jaguar's number for this recall is J070.

November 1, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V796000

Components: FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 5,081

Summary:

Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC (Jaguar) is recalling certain model year 2013-2015 Jaguar XF vehicles manufactured May 22, 2013, to June 15, 2015 and equipped with 2.0L GTDi engines. The affected vehicles may have insufficient clearance between the underfloor fuel delivery lines and the under shield and body allowing the fuel lines to chafe, possibly resulting in a fuel leak.

Remedy:

Jaguar will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the fuel line for abrasions, replacing it as necessary and install additional clips, free of charge. Parts are not yet available and second

notice will be sent when parts are available. The recall is expected to begin January 2017. Owners may contact Jaguar customer service at 1-800-452-4827. Jaguar's number for this recall is J077.



JAGUAR SOCIETY MEMBERS

All you need to know and more!

By Sheila Brower, Health & Hospitality Director

- Alan & Dabney Talbott said they had a wonderful Thanksgiving spent with Dabney's sister. Dabney said it was good to relax and have others cook (she usually cooks for everyone....next year we can all come over too, right?)
- Gayle Hale went to Pelham, AL to see her grandchildren. I know that was fun as grandkids have a way of stealing your heart quickly!!!
- Joel & Maryanne Blackford recently returned from Gulf Shores State Park....they really love traveling and being on the go....good for you two!!
- Randy Shaw said he has always wanted a profession tire changing machine and finally bought one. If anyone needs a tire changed, contact Randy....make his day!!!
- Ted & Rita Anderson are going to Minnesota this week to visit Ted's mother. Safe travels our friends!!
- Ray Fry was busy going around showing pictures of his grandson who turned 2 on November 27th.
- Barry & Janet Morgan are going to New Jersey to visit her family for Christmas. Please pray for no snow while they are there...we all know how Barry loves snow!
- Wayne Harris said all of their grandsons were here for Thanksgiving. They all played football, basketball and went shopping! They now plan to go to Fort Hood, TX before Christmas to visit their great granddaughter, Aleia, and then they are headed to Nashville for Christmas to visit with a grandson. (Notice they don't address their children, only the

grandchildren...we see where their priorities are...and we can all relate.)

- Paul & Sheila Brower are having a busy time. I just returned from San Francisco (beautiful there) and have a busy month installing new officers at local REALTOR organization in various parts of Georgia. At least our life is never dull.

- John Nichols said he had no news to report, however, he mentioned that he had to go to Albany after the tornado as his mother's home was severely damaged. Fortunately his mother was not injured.

- Philip and Pualini will be at Jekyll Island Convention Center, on March 17th. (A three day weekend)

- John Hoffman - Invites Atlanta Jaguar Society to International Jaguar Fest at Lake Lanier Island. This will be on October 13th - 15th. A not to be missed event.

- Joel and Maryann Blackford will be attending the Blacksmith Convention at Spruce Pines, N.C. on March 26th, for camping and kayaking. Sounds like a great time.

- Jim Spence had his hip replacement surgery and is at home recuperating. It was not an easy surgery due to other issues. Maidee is doing a great job nursing back to health.

- Erlinda is headed to the Philippines for 2 to 3 weeks at the end of February to visit family. Have a wonderful time Erlinda. We will miss your smiling face at the meetings.

- Ted and Rita Anderson are back from Minneapolis visiting family and enjoying the freezing weather. Rita has the flu so she missed the Monday night meeting, but Ted was there and happy to be back home.

- Rick Duff will be celebrating his 29th birthday again on March 4. I complimented him on his Armani tie. He said he thought the maid had thrown it away, so he was rooting through the garbage and found she had only thrown the boxes away. Lucky you Rick!

- Lew George said his foreign student, Andy is back for 6 weeks and has only one more

semester of school to graduate. Congratulations Andy, good to have you back.

- Fran McNair is enjoying a cruise in the East Caribbean with her daughter for 2 weeks. Wish it was me, come back with a nice tan, Fran.

- Joel and Maryann Blackford will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on July 26th in Norway. Congratulations to both of you and many more to come.

- Wayne and Melissa Harris' granddaughter Shelby and Great Granddaughter Aleia are on their way to Fairbanks Alaska. They are both in the Army. They will be there a couple of years. I know they must be very proud of these wonderful girls.

- Gayle Hayle is retiring for sure this time. Congratulations Gayle.

- Ray and Marilyn Fry are expecting their 5th grandchild. It is due on February 10th. It is a girl and will be named Adelaide. They live in Decatur. How blessed you are! Congratulations to you and the parents.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

- Keep Don & Marlene's daughter in your thoughts. She is doing much better from her dog bite but the hospital stay was very expensive!

There may be other members who are going through illness or other issues, so just remember our members. If you know of a member who is ill, in the hospital or would appreciate a note that we are thinking of them, contact me anytime either by phone 770 355-5735 or email sheilabrower@bellsouth.net .

Bless you my friends!

Marlene Hart and
Sheila Brower
Health & Hospitality Director



The Atlanta Jaguar Society 2016 Christmas Party







EAST COBBER TO SHOW HIS JAMES BOND MARINE CAR AT THE ATLANTA BOAT SHOW



East Cobber James Strickland will be showcasing his 1976 Lotus Esprit and 1976 Lotus Esprit Marine, a functioning boat, at the Atlanta Boat Show January 12-15. The cars are based on the submarine car featured in the James Bond film, "The Spy Who Loved Me."

In the movie, the Lotus goes under water and becomes a submarine. A designer in England took a real Lotus Esprit car without an engine or interior and sealed the bottom. The car designer then added the submarine fins on the side, a periscope, a revolving license tag, and guns in the back. James Strickland couldn't resist and bought it at an international auction. He had the car imported it to go along with his other James Bond car.

Commander 007 "James" Strickland and his girlfriend, "Agent XXX" Billie Leonard, will be in Bond attire hosting the display of the James Bond Lotus Esprit Marine at the Atlanta Boat Show. 2017 marks the 40th anniversary of the movie which actually debuted on 007/007/77. Scenes from the movie involving the Lotus and the Lotus submarine will be displayed on a monitor along with the cars.

James Strickland has launched the 1976 Lotus Esprit Marine at Lake Lanier many times and the car successfully stayed above water, right where its current owner, "James", wants it to be.

Strickland grew up watching the James Bond movies and identified with the protagonist, as they share a first name. After hearing the girls in the movies say "Oh, James", there was no way he would ever be referred to as "Jim". "There was no way I could ever be a 'Jim' after that," he says. Strickland has fifteen cars altogether and drives all but one, he says. He has five Jaguars, six Loti and the rest are miscellaneous, he said. He enjoys the history surrounding his cars and used to work on them himself when he was younger. With no wife or kids, he hasn't had anyone telling him to spend less time on his cars, he said with a grin.

The Atlanta Boat Show is Georgia's premier boat show to see and buy boats, gear and accessories. Hundreds of new boats, including powerboats, center consoles, ski boats and personal watercraft, and booths showcasing the latest in engines, marine gear, electronics, docks and accessories fill the Georgia World Congress Center. The 4-day event is a once-a-year chance to compare makes and models, secure insurance and financing and gear up with the latest accessories all at one time!

The Atlanta Boat Show will be held January 12-15 at the Georgia World Congress Center, Hall C, 280 Northside Drive, NW in Atlanta, GA 30314. For more information visit atlantaboatshow.com.

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March – Tech Session
April – Gibbs Gardens Day Trip
30th - British Motor Car Day (Roswell)
May –
June – 25th - Annual Pig Roast, Erlinda
July –
August –
September –
October – 28th – Thyer's Halloween Party
November – Hilton Head Concours
December – 10th - Christmas Party



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