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More Events Coming soon!

Check out the calendar and pages 10 - 11, the coming weekend of June 18th has two events you can decide on.

The annual Highland Games and a new event at a restoration shop. Both sound like a lot of fun, unfortunately I will be on an Alaskan cruise and cant make it. SO! Somebody email me some photos!

July 10th is the annual Mad Dogs and Englishmen in Kalamazoo Michigan. Very nice event with lots to see. We are not doing this as a club event so you are on your own. Find a friend or a group and have a nice time. August brings in another group of events. Heartland British Auto Fest, Irongate, Wisconsin Concours & the Geneva Concours. Stay tuned for some email updates or check our website

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for more info.

Rod



Cover Photo

Ken Katch's photo of the Henderson castle, nice shot!



The Official 2016 Club Calendar



Watch the Jag Rag & your emails for updated information on these coming events.

Month / Date / Time	Event	Location / Contact	
April 17th	Lunch, Pool and a Movie	Bolingbrook, Illinois Dan Cusick dcusick60@comcast.net	
April 23-24th:	Spring Drive Gilmore Museum	Kalamazoo, Michigan Duane Tanner, 630-220-0299	
May 21st:	Art and the Automobile	Palos Park, Illinois danieljmccarthy@gmail.com	
May 28th	Odell Car Show Rt 66 Drive	Joliet, Illinois see page 8	
June 5th:	Champagne British Car Festival www.cbcf-bloomington.com	Bloomington, Illinois Ken Katch 309-370-3368	
July 23rd:	Concours d'Elegance www.icj.clubexpress.com	Durham Riding Club, Naperville, Illinois Michael Belica 630-204-6322	
August 13th:	All British Car Day	Irongate Motor Condos, Naperville Dan Cusick dcusick60@comcast.net	
September: 11th:	British Car Festival www.britishcarunion.com	Harper College, Palatine Mark Havemann 847-888-3924	

More Events of interest from our online calendar

Friday/Saturday June 17/18: Highland Games and British car Show Saturday Saturday June 18th: Restorations & Racing, Steve DePolis steve.depolis@gmail.com Sunday July 10th: Maddogs & Englishmen at the Gilmore. Kalamazoo, Michigan Saturday August 6th, Heartland British Autofest, Laclaire, IA







2006 Spring Green

2003 Lake Forest

2004 Saugatuck

Spring Drive to Kalamazoo

From: Cathy Kakuska



On a cool April morning, 10 hardy Jaguar drivers assembled at Joliet Junior College to begin a weekend drive to Kalamazoo, MI and the Gilmore Museum. The temperature was in the mid-40's so I have to admit that the top was up on our XK150. Not much scenic on I-80 over to Michigan, but then Wayne and Kay Wagner arrived in their E-Type appropriately dressed and with the top down! Those Iowans are a hardy bunch!

Duane and Lisa planned a scenic drive, so once in Indiana we jumped off the expressway and found our way on the back roads to Niles, MI. This was our lunch destination and as is Jaguar tradition we indulged in a "little culture", taking in the Chapin Mansion and the Niles Historical Society. Along the way we picked up another four drivers in our group. Of course during the day everyone was treated to the famous "Cookies by Cynthia". A Jaguar event is not same without these delicious treats!

After lunch and our tour of the mansion we headed to Kalamazoo, stopping in Centreville to cross the longest covered bridge in Michigan. Late afternoon everyone arrived at the Henderson Castle, our destination for the evening. Let me say that the Henderson Castle is a "unique" venue. Before and after dinner there were various "room tours" to see the creative room



Michigan has a covered bridge!



Older Jags on the trip





They surely don't mean us!

Photos from Ken Katch and Rod Lindoo

designs in converting an old mansion to a working hotel.

Sunday morning we traveled the few miles to the Gilmore Museum. If you have not been there, it should be added to your list of "must see" car museums. It was especially nice as on that morning we had the entire museum grounds practically to ourselves to wander through the various exhibits. We had gone last summer and because of the changing nature of the exhibits were seeing new cars. After lunch at the Blue Moon Diner, everyone headed home.

Thanks to Duane Tanner and Lisa Cassai for planning and organizing a great drive and week-end event. It is a bit like herding cats!



The bridge from another angle.



Nicely decorated rooms.



Checking in.





Friendly faces waiting for our Saturday night dinner.

Gilmore Museum display

Castle Character & Quirks

From: Rod Lindoo



Henderson Castle in Kalamazoo was quite a place, they don't make em like that anymore! Beautiful wood trim everywhere, floor to ceiling windows, wood floors, brass plumbing, and porcelain knobs but it had its little "Quirks"





Rob & Paula Jonker's second floor room in the "Turret" (character)



Tom & Anita Egger's had a nice room with its own private balcony overlooking Kalamazoo, nice view at night. They also had a bathroom boasting its own Jacuzzi tub and SIT DOWN SHOWER! (quirk) Watch your head!



Cynthia Brandenburg's private shower on the 3rd floor with enough shower heads for SIX people! ("quirk")



Another room: floor to ceiling windows, a nice fireplace and hanging light. (character)



Nice wall hanging in the bathroom



Rod & Becky' Lindoos "Tibetan room", wood floors and a nice iron bed. (character)



"Tibetan room" ceiling with small color changing lights and bathroom tub with SIX porcelain knobs! (quirks)



I forget where this one was at but I think the plumber couldn't make up his mind on where to run the water pipes. (quirk)

I guess it just goes to show that updating and modernizing a older home has it "quirks".



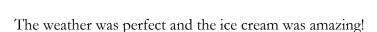
Champagne British Car Festival

From: Ken Katch



The 25th Anniversary Champagne British Car Festival was held in Bloomington, IL on the weekend of June 3-5. Friday included a welcome with food provided by Two Men and a Bus which is a double decker English Bus food wagon. Saturday included a drive with a display at Westminster Senior Living Center and a tech session at Auto Motion led by John Twist a well known MG expert. Dinner that evening was at Tony Roma's with John as guest speaker.

The show on Sunday was held at the David Davis Mansion with grass on the show field and trees for shade. There were 150 British cars and motorcycles with 6 Deloreans and a great turnout of 25 Jaguars. Jaguar was the featured mark. Our club members did very well with Dan Cusick's XK120 getting second in Peoples Choice and second in class, Jeff Ford's 91 XJS getting second in class, Jim Beranich's XK getting 3rd in class and Ken Katch's XK140 and Mark 2 both getting first in class.













Art & the Automobile

From: Ken Katch



Palos Park turned into an automotive art showcase with 24 classic and modern cars rallying through the southwest suburb's downtown area.

Art and the Automobile featured the historic to the modern, ranging from a 1922 Citroen and 1951 Jaguar XK120 to a 1981 DeLorean DMC-12 and 2016 Alfa Romeo 4C.

The event consisted of two parts, a dynamic rally rumbling through a 2-mile route in downtown Palos Park dubbed the Motogiro d' Palos Park from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., then the cars parked at the Metra station for an art showcase from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Artists range from jewelers to potters and visual artists, while live music played and vendors sling food and drink.

Three Jaguars were selected to participate: Dan Cusick's XK120 OTS, Daria and Tom Durham's









July 23rd, Concours

Our Concours at the Dunham Woods Riding Club is coming up fast. Registration closes July 2 and the hotel block closes June 30 so get that registration filled out and sent in.

If you've lost the registration form you can print another by clicking the register now link on the event calendar.

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Name Tags

At the last board meeting in March, it was decided to give every existing member a chance at a free name tag and every new member a free name tag. Extra tags for spouses and family are \$15 each. This deal probably won't last forever so don't wait.

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June 18th, Restorations and Racing

This is it! The last scheduled Daily Drive before our Concours in July.

As usual, this is a self-directed event if you wish it to be. You can join us at the Clock Tower Conference Center in Rockford to start the day or you can go directly to Sport and Specialty Restorations if that is easier for you.

We plan to meet at the Conference Center just before 9 AM to start the 21 mile drive to Sport and Specialty. John Saccameno is opening his shop in the morning so we can get up close to the restoration projects he is working on for his clients. John is an IJC member and runs a quality operation for clients from all across the country.

Before lunch we will hit the road again and drive the six or so miles to Blackhawk Farms Raceway. Blackhawk Farms is a 1.95 mile, 7 turn private circuit racetrack located in South Beloit, Illinois on 216 acres. The track is on the border between Wisconsin and Illinois, within 90 miles of 2 major metropolitan areas; Chicago and Milwaukee and minutes from interstate 90.



The track is a favorite of many local and national race organizations, and is designed to allow for racing organizations and clubs alike to create the ultimate ontrack experience with safety being top priority.

Our trip coincides with the Vintage Sports Car Drivers Association race days. We get to park on the infield and enjoy the racing along with lunch if we wish.

The only charges for the day are \$10.00 admission to Blackhawk Farms (donated to charity) and whatever you order or lunch from the on-site restaurant.

The address for the 9 AM rendezvous point is 7801 E. State Street, Rockford, IL and Sport and is located at 9169 Forest Preserve Road, Durand, Illinois. I hope you will join us on Saturday the 18th.







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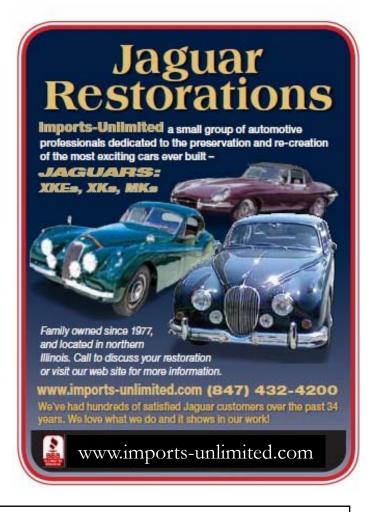






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