



**CPJC**  
**Alberta Saskatchewan**  
**Jaguar Car Club**

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### **CPJC Mission Statement & Club Motto**

**To provide fellowship for Jaguar marque enthusiasts by providing social opportunities for members to share their enjoyment and gain knowledge of Jaguar motorcars.**

**Club Website ( [www.cpjc.ca](http://www.cpjc.ca) )**

### **About The CPJC**

The Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club is an automobile club whose purpose is to provide fellowship for Jaguar marque / auto enthusiasts. Members will have opportunity to share their interest in Jaguar cars through club events, social occasions, a dedicated website and more.

The CPJC is an affiliate member of (JCNA) Jaguar Clubs of North America. JCNA is dedicated to the promotion and preservation of Jaguar automobiles among it's enthusiasts in America, Canada and Mexico.

All Jaguar enthusiasts are welcomed as are fans of any and all makes of planes, trains, motorcycles and automobiles. We love pedal cars, collectibles, memorabilia, motoring fashion, cruising tunes and more!

Owning a Jaguar car is not an essential requirement for club membership.

## 2023 Directors

President: Doug Uffen - [president@cpjc.ca](mailto:president@cpjc.ca)

Past President - (Vacant)

Vice President: (Vacant) - [vp@cpjc.ca](mailto:vp@cpjc.ca)

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Newsletter Coordinator: Frank Mosca - [vpnewsletter@cpjc.ca](mailto:vpnewsletter@cpjc.ca)

## Meetings

CPJC meetings will take place on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm Mountain Standard / Daylight Time excepting Statutory Holidays and long weekends.

General meetings will be held via ZOOM

Members are encouraged to submit agenda items, topic recommendations and ideas to

## Membership

**Thank you and welcome Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club members! Officially we are the newest Jaguar Car Clubs of North America affiliate club. (Officially sanctioned on December 20th, 2021)**

**NW69 - Northwest Division Club # 69**

**A car club can only be as good as its membership allows and if your excellent taste in automobiles is an indicator then the CPJC is off to an excellent start. Beyond your appreciation and interest in Jaguar automobiles we thank you for stepping up to the plate with your formal application to JCNA and payment of your membership dues. With a membership of 40 plus members and growing we are thrilled to have you as a member !**

**For the Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club the rubber has officially hit the road! 2022 has been an exciting and eventful year for our club. We are well on our way and looking forward to a promising future.**

**Membership benefits entitle participation in all CPJC meetings and events, free classified ads on our website at [www.cpjic.ca](http://www.cpjic.ca) and in our club newsletter. An opportunity to share a common interesting all things "Jaguar" with other Jaguar auto enthusiasts. CPJC membership also includes all JCNA benefits such as participation in all sanctioned events, the "Jaguar Journal" magazine, the Tool Loan Program and access to the Jaguar Forums on the JCNA website [www.jcna.com](http://www.jcna.com)**

## **Message from the Club President:**

With the warmer weather arriving, we are able to get our Jaguars out on the road and enjoy them again most properly, from behind the wheel!

Our 2023 Events Calendar highlights several premier car shows that are worth attending. If you plan to attend an event, please remember that you may borrow one of our CPJC flag standards, so you can literally “wave the flag” and help promote our club. We will be hosting again this year Show and Shines at Jaguar Land Rover Royal Oak and Jaguar Land Rover Saskatoon.

This year we have added a couple of BBQ / Picnic events and a couple of restaurant gatherings to encourage more social interaction amongst our members. We have also added a couple of drives with one of them being a visit to the Rocky Mountain Motorsport Racetrack, where members can take a low speed parade lap of this wonderful new track. All of these events are designed to promote sharing and interaction for our members as we endeavour to build a sense of community and friendship. Part of that Jaguar community are the advertisers and event sponsors who will help us enjoy our hobby, our cars and help us keep them on the road in tip top shape. This spring we will be launching our advertising and sponsorship campaign so stay tuned!

I encourage members to monitor our website and also review the newsletters of our sister Northwest JCNA clubs. If you are planning a vacation somewhere in North America, check out the JCNA website and perhaps attend a local JCNA event. New sights to see and new friends to meet!

As an Executive our aim is to provide the opportunity for members to get together socially to share with, and learn more about these great motorcars and the interesting folks that enjoy them. It is up to you, the club members, to jump in, participate and enjoy the experience. We would love to see you at some of our CPJC events. If you have suggestions for an event please let us know. We would love to hear your preferences. On our CPJC website, [www.cpjc.ca](http://www.cpjc.ca) you will find events information as well as contact info for both the Executive and the club membership so you can reach out to each other directly.

Our monthly ZOOM meetings are a great way to tune in and enjoy some excellent guest speakers and interesting feature topics. Our Facebook page has become another fun way to reach out to each other and share. I have always maintained the belief that what one receives from a relationship is proportional to what that person is willing to give. I invite all of you to participate where you can and get involved.

We have several volunteer positions currently open so if you have an interest please reach out and inquire.

Personally I am looking forward to the summer season, enjoying our club events, along with the opportunity to admire those beautiful cars and getting to know more of you. Hope to see you soon!

Doug Uffen, CPJC President

## CPJC Membership:

General Membership: \$85.00 (\$35 CPJC, \$ 50 JCNA)

Affiliate Membership: \$35 (CPJC portion only)

For full membership details and club By-laws please check the website - [www.cpjc.ca](http://www.cpjc.ca)

Inquiries through Membership Secretary David Quirt - [secretary@cpjc.ca](mailto:secretary@cpjc.ca)



## Recognitions - Please Notify Us

If you know of any member who is ill, in the hospital, has a special anniversary, is celebrating a milestone event or you would like to recognize in some way, please contact:

Website Coordinator (Chris Hay) - [vpit@cpjc.ca](mailto:vpit@cpjc.ca)

Newsletter Coordinator (Frank Mosca) - [vpnewsletter@cpjc.ca](mailto:vpnewsletter@cpjc.ca)

Join an affiliate club for local fun.

### JLR/Dealer Events



Photo by Tommy Cross, OJOA-BC

### Family Fun



Photo from ED-Metro NY

### Elegant Activities



Photo from JDCA51-KY

### Participation/Awards



Photo from MRJC-CO

## Join JCNA Today!

**Camaraderie • Participation • Competition**

It's easy to take advantage of all that JCNA has to offer you and your family.

Here's how to join:

1. Visit [www.jcna.com](http://www.jcna.com), and click on "JOIN."
  2. Click on "CLUB LIST." Choose a local club near you. Or, fill in a Club Locator form.
- If you're not near a club you may join as a Member at Large to keep abreast of club concourses, rallies, etc.,

For more information or assistance, contact:

Jaguar Clubs of North America  
500 Westover Dr. #8354  
Sanford NC 27330  
888-CLUBJAG (888-258-2524)  
OR

Join an affiliate club -- and get JCNA too!



## Driving Into The Future



Photo by David Weaver

## Join Today!

**Jaguar Clubs of North America Inc.**

**Membership has it's privileges.**

Join a community of Jaguar car enthusiasts. Where you can Participate in local club events, competitions, as well as, excitement and elegance at our annual International Jaguar Festival! Whether your Jaguar is a classic, the latest model, or you're still dreaming of owning a Jaguar, JCNA has something for you.

**Enhance Your Jaguar Experience**  
[www.jcna.com](http://www.jcna.com)

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# 2023 CPJC Events Calendar

CPJC Spring Social - Char Bar Restaurant Night, March 14th 5-9 pm.

**CPJC Potluck Picnic ( The Mosca's Acreage, Calgary) May 17th 5 - 9 pm**  
**Rendezvous point for the ABFM Vancouver Road Trip**

**Contact Frank Mosca for information, directions and potluck sign up**

**RSVP: [frankmosca@mac.com](mailto:frankmosca@mac.com)**

**"Road Trip" to the ABFM in Vancouver and back (May 18th / 19th, 21st / 22nd)**

**ABFM Van Dusen Gardens May 20th (Vancouver)**

**<https://www.vancouverbestplaces.com/all-british-field-meet/>**



## POTLUCK PICNIC & BYOB RENDEZ-SVOUS

**The Mosca's Acreage (Calgary)**  
**5pm - 9pm May 17th, 2023**

**Come join in the fun as we gather for a pot-luck picnic & BBQ. Let's meet up, chow down and get the (ABFM Vancouver) Road Warriors off to a great trip.**

This is a picnic style event so please bring a food favourite you can share with friends. Pizza, fried chicken, wings, salad, cookies, whatever! Grill, fire pits, plates and cutlery will be provided. Food confirmation and directions will be provided with RSVP. CPJC members and family welcome, Jags too!

Please RSVP - [frankmosca@mac.com](mailto:frankmosca@mac.com)

## 2023 CPJC Events Continued

### Join the ABFM Vancouver Convoy

Tony and Phil (from Regina) along with Bob from Saskatoon are attending the ABFM in Vancouver this year. The ABFM show is Saturday May 20th at the Van Duesen Gardens.

Attend the BBQ at Frank's Place on Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup> as Tony, Phil & Bob swing through town...

Join the "convoy" to Vancouver the next day for the show...



### ABFM Alberta British Car Club in Edmonton (Saturday June 10th)

<https://www.albertaallbritishmotoringsociety.ca/alberta-british-motor-meet-edmonton>

### A Spring Drive - June 11th

Contact: Craig Pearn, [capearn@shaw.ca](mailto:capearn@shaw.ca)



## 2023 CPJC Events Continued

### **2023 Ultimate Care Show**

**Reynolds Car Museum Show & Shine Saturday July 8th (Wetaskiwin)**

<https://www.reynoldsmuseum.ca/events/ultimite-car-show>

### **Jaguar Saskatoon Show & Shine Saturday July 15th (Saskatoon)**

**Contact: Bob Burnyeat, [bob.burnyeat@gmail.com](mailto:bob.burnyeat@gmail.com)**

### **ABFM Brits By the Bess Show & Shine Sunday July 16th (Saskatoon)**

<https://www.sbcc.ca/saskatoon-events>

### **The North American MGB Register 'MG's In The Foothills' - Calgary July 17-20**

**All British Marques are invited to attend. See North American MGB Register**

[nambr.org](http://nambr.org) for complete event information and registration. [mg2023.regfox.com](http://mg2023.regfox.com)

### **Jaguar Land Rover Royal Oak Show & Shine Saturday August 12th (Calgary)**

**Contact: Ian Laird, [ian\\_laird@hotmail.com](mailto:ian_laird@hotmail.com)**

### **National Music Centre C-Square, Sunday August 13th (Calgary)**

**Contact: Bill Marshall, [billm39995@icloud.com](mailto:billm39995@icloud.com)**

### **A JCNA Event: Heritage Classic August 26th (Vancouver, B.C.)**

<https://jaguarmg.com/heritage.shtml>

### **Chestermere Show & Shine, Saturday August 26th, (Chestermere Rec. Centre)**

<https://facebook.com/ChestermereShowAndShine/>

### **Canmore Highland Games, Sunday September 3rd, (Canmore Alberta)**

<https://canmorehighlandgames.ca/british-car-motorcycle-show/>

## 2023 CPJC Events Continued

**Nelson / Kaslo Car Shows September 9th - 10th, (Nelson, B.C.)**

<https://nelsonroadkings.com/>

**Canadian Museum of Flight, Saturday September 16th (Langley B.C.)**

<https://www.candianflight.org/>

**Contact: Carole Borgens, [caroleborgens@shaw.ca](mailto:caroleborgens@shaw.ca)**

**Radium Fall Classic - September 16th, (Radium B.C.)**

<https://columbiavalley.com/events-calendar/radium-hot-springs-events/>

**BBQ at the Uffen's, Saturday September 16th, (Windermere, B.C.)**

**Contact: Doug Uffen, [doug@reflectionpeak.com](mailto:doug@reflectionpeak.com)**

**River City Classic, Sunday September 24th (High River, Alberta)**

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100052386322285>

**Distinguished Gentleman's Drive, Sunday September 24th (Calgary)**

<https://www.facebookgentlemansdrive.com/drives/canada/calgary>





## 2023 CPJC Events Continued

**A CPJC Fall Drive (date to be determined)**

**Contact: Craig Pearn, [capearn@shaw.ca](mailto:capearn@shaw.ca)**



**Char Bar Restaurant Night, Tuesday October 24th (Calgary)**

**Contact: Doug Uffen, [doug@reflectionpeak.com](mailto:doug@reflectionpeak.com)**

**Weeknight Show & Shines / Cruise Nights in and around Calgary:  
Grey Eagle Casino / Chestermere Landing Pub & Grill / International Mall  
Glenmore Trail & 11 Street S.E. - A&W - Lordco Auto Parts  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/canadianprairiesjaguarclub>**





# Alberta All British Motoring Society

Come for the cars stay for the people



## **Saturday June 10th 2023 Celebrating 100 years MG Sports Cars**

along with

**Mini Cooper S - 60 years**

**Austin Healey - 70 years**

**Jaguar XK 120 - 75 years**

Cars designed for enjoying the time it takes to get somewhere

**Location: Victoria Park Pavillion, 12010 River Valley Road, Edmonton Alberta**

Registration for car placement is from 9:00am - 11:00am

Show time will start at 11:00am and run to 3:00pm

Register online or in person when you show up

[albertaallbritishmotoringsociety.ca](http://albertaallbritishmotoringsociety.ca)

## **JCNA Annual General Meeting, March 11, 2023**

By Northwest Region Directors Carole Borgens and Kurt Jacobson

Promoted as being held at the “City by the Bay”, “a suburb by the airport” better describes the location for the San Francisco AGM. The host hotel was in Burlingame, a mile across the water from the southeast end of the San Francisco international Airport. That was fine as we bussed to events from there.

We await the minutes of the meeting for details. For now, here are a few of the major areas of discussion:

JCNA has returned to a positive cash flow and moved toward shoring up reserves, targeted at one year’s operating expenses. But higher-than-anticipated inflation and increased *Jaguar Journal* printing and mailing costs will start eroding reserves again.

Delegates discussed a mix of possible tactics, such as moving *Jaguar Journal* to the existing digital version, perhaps charging for a print version, finding more efficiencies in operations, helping clubs grow membership, bringing Land Rover into the fold and implementing another JCNA dues increase. No action was taken, but delegates offered thoughtful comments and useful ideas.

Hanging over much of the JCNA plans is the unknowable future of the Jaguar brand. No funding by Jaguar is in the ongoing planning.

Changes to concours rules provided animated discussion, as it has at the last few AGM’s. Those discussions and decisions will be sent to the chief judges and included in the 2024 concours season.

The JCNA Board of Directors met the Friday before and Sunday after the Saturday AGM to discuss these big issues and offer proposals to the members at the next AGM, March 16th in Charlotte, NC.

The Northwest Region was represented by delegates Wynne Wakkila and Tim Ashcroft of Jaguar Owners Club of Oregon; Chris Eseman and Paul Petach of Seattle Jaguar Club; and Northwest Region Directors Carole Borgens and Kurt Jacobson. Clubs that did not send delegates gave their proxy votes to Carole.

At the Saturday evening banquet and awards ceremony, Wynne Wakkila, Paul Petach, Kurt Jacobson and Carole Borgens all accepted either personal awards for their work, for members who did not attend, or JCNA competition trophies, which will be reported in club newsletters. Carole Borgens was honored with the prestigious Mike Cook President’s award for her work with her British Columbia Clubs, representing the interest of the Canadian Clubs, and fostering inter-club sharing of resources and events in the Northwest Region.



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Attendees enjoyed a Friday welcome reception, San Francisco Bay tour for companions, a JAG people's choice Jaguar car show, and an exclusive visit to the John Mozart collection with its many Pebble Beach entrants and winners. Jaguar Associates Group was superb as host club. It is the largest club in JCNA and one of the oldest in North America. Many of their members turned out for events, were fun hosts and provided a first-class delegate experience. Unfortunately for attendees, but particularly for most Californians, the unrelenting state-wide parade of storms made life miserable for many locals and disrupted travel plans of several delegates.

This was Kurt Jacobson's final AGM as Northwest Region Director. Welcome to Brian Case, VP Technical at the Seattle Jaguar club, who has taken Kurt's place. Brian has been instrumental in the continued development of his home club and supporting cooperative efforts of the Northwest Region clubs.

Kurt will continue to participate in the JCNA Marketing Committee he created, and we look forward to the positive change this will bring to all aspects of JCNA operation.

Happy Motoring!

Kurt Jacobson and Carole Borgens



Carole Borgens receiving one of several awards on behalf of the NW Region's Canadian Clubs as well as her personal plate (Mike Cook Presidents Award) from JCNA President John Boswell and assisted by Paul Petach of the Seattle Jaguar Club.





Hey CPJC Road Trippers! If you're planning a vacation down south this year you may want to check out these JCNA events?

<https://www.jcna/all-upcoming-events>



**FILM NOIR**  
**SANTA BARBARA 2023**

Hilton Santa Barbara Beachfront Resort

**October 22 - 25, 2023**

Information | [markmayuga@verizon.net](mailto:markmayuga@verizon.net)



## ***2023 All Triumph Drive-In***

Eagle Crest Resort, Redmond Oregon July 27th through July 30th 2023

<https://www.eagle-crest.com>

The Portland Triumph Owners Association is pleased to extend an invitation to all CPJC members to this years event.

For more information, contact

[ATDI@portlandtriumph.org](mailto:ATDI@portlandtriumph.org)





PACIFIC NORTHWEST

# BRITISH INVASION SHOW & SHINE

ALL BRITISH CARS, TRUCKS, & BIKES WELCOME!  
SATURDAY, JUNE 17TH, 2023

GENERAL  
ADMISSION  
**\$5**  
PERSON

ALL ENTRANTS  
**\$10** PER  
CARLOAD  
CASH ONLY!  
NO PRE REGISTRATION,  
PAY AT THE GATE

**FUN FOR THE  
WHOLE FAMILY!**

SCAVENGER HUNT  
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GREAT FOOD • BEER GARDEN  
MUSIC

PLACEMENT OF BRITISH CARS AND BIKES  
ON THE FIELD

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

BRITISH VEHICLE DISPLAY AND SHOW  
ON THE GRASS

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

24414 NE WESTERHOLM RD • BRUSH PRAIRIE, WA  
SORRY NO PETS - No Outside Alcohol





## Newsletter Submissions

This is your club newsletter so all CPJC Members are welcomed and encouraged to submit articles, photos, special interests, custom projects, restorations, road trip stories, photos, technical, mechanical inquiries, maintenance tips or anything Jaguar related that members wish to share or see included in the newsletter.

This newsletter is and will continue to be a work in progress. Our goal is to publish quarterly.

As we gain traction as a functioning car club we'll be able to report on and share our clubs activities, events and stories with our fellow CPJC club members as well as our JCNA community of Jaguar enthusiasts.

Your feedback is important to our success. Please offer recommendations, suggestions and even constructive criticism and send them to [vpnewsletter@cpjc.ca](mailto:vpnewsletter@cpjc.ca) for consideration. Thanks!

## Newsletter Links JCNA Clubs NW Region

<https://www.seattlejagclub.org/jagmag>

<https://www.jaguarmg.com/newsletter.shtml>

<https://cpjc.ca/newsletters.html>

<https://jaguarclubvictoria.ca>





# JLR

## Jaguar now one of four JLR brands

“Jaguar Land Rover” is no more. The “Reimagine” corporate strategy announced back in 2021 has finally been confirmed by the British based automaker. JLR has to date been relatively tight lipped about Jaguar developments other than offering the brand would be fully electric by 2025. And it would be expensive. Not exactly reassuring news to the storied brands impassioned fanbase used to “Pace, Grace and Space”

“JLR” has confirmed that Jaguar will now be part of a “house of brands” along with Range Rover, Defender and Discovery lineups. What this means exactly for the Jaguar marque is uncertain however the repositioning may make sense for the brand. With its sister brands decidedly in the SUV lane it would leave room for Jaguar to eventually offer sportier options. As capable as SUV’s are, lovers of a more exciting driving experience will be holding out hope for a true Jaguar GT or perhaps an estate or saloon variant. Wishful thinking perhaps but it’s hard to imagine JLR's owners, the Tata Group shuttering it’s most storied brand.



# Jaguar is going all-electric by 2025

Jaguar intends to be an all-electric car brand by 2025 and this will mean an entirely new vehicle lineup will need to be developed. The current Jaguar internal combustion lineup will be produced and sold through the end of 2023 and into 2024 for some of the 75th anniversary editions after which the Jaguar internal combustion car will be no more. Relegated to the scrap heap of automotive history. The I-Pace EV, the only electric currently in the Jaguar stable will likely be the only model that survives the transition period.

Jaguar has confirmed that the relaunch will feature three all-new electric SUV models. The smaller vehicle will be sold in both two and four door variants, offered as two separate SUV's. Single-motor and dual-motor AWD versions will be available. The larger four-door SUV will be marketed as Grand Tourer with only the dual-motor AWD powertrain being offered.

The GT will be based on a purpose built platform named Jaguar Electric Architecture (JEA). It will offer more power than any previous Jaguar road car and have a range of well over 300 miles. Production will take place at the same Solihull, U.K. plant that currently builds the F-Pace.

Jaguar's in-house JEA platform, dubbed "Panthera", is being co-developed with Magna. New Jaguars are expected to feature 800-volt charging, sophisticated cloud architecture and everything else a super high-end EV customer would wish list.

The expectation is that the vehicles will be sportier in design and offer a more aggressive road-going attitude in order to distinguish themselves from Land Rover. It makes little sense for the company to have similarly featured SUV's across the range with only badging to differentiate brands.

Jaguar intend to stick with its plan of going all in on the ultra-luxury market. The new EV's are likely to start in the \$100,000 U.S. dollar range. High-end fully optioned versions will end up around \$150,000. Expect the larger GT to start upwards of \$150,000 U.S. with top of the line versions approaching \$250,000 ! The company has made it clear that the new Jaguar has the likes of Bentley, Lucid Air and high end Mercedes Benz models in it's sights. The new pricing strategy would make the I-Pace the entry-level Jaguar.

Jaguars recent struggles have been well documented. Perhaps the new strategy, reducing the model lineup and coming in at a higher price point will return the brand to profitability? Certainly this is the JLR vision for the marque. With the Land Rover brands selling fairly well the Tata Group is betting on the Jaguar EV to claw back market share. Is this the last kick at the Cat?



## Members Classified Ads

### Car for Sale: 1969 E Type

Very early Series 2 2+2 (11th left hand drive Series 2ii E-Type 2+2 built)

British Racing Green in colour, new leather seats, new white wall tyres, new spoked rims and Jaguar knock offs.

Appraised at \$55,000 in 2021. Respectable offers only please.

Contact Morgan Govender at (306) 536-0881 or [kgovender@sasktel.net](mailto:kgovender@sasktel.net)

More photos available on request.



1989 V12 Vanden Plas. Very rare (Canada-only model; fewer than 70 built for 1989) in special-order Jaguar Racing Green with Buckskin leather in concours-winning original condition. Low kilometers, always garaged, absolutely corrosion free, accident-free, perfect paint and chrome. Excellent walnut and leather interior. Silky smooth performance. Always properly maintained; located in North Vancouver. A unique opportunity to own a premium example of this classic model. Must go to a good home. \$23,000

For information; Gregory Andrachuk, email: [v12.vdp@gmail.com](mailto:v12.vdp@gmail.com) or 250 595 7453.





For completion, a 1951 Jaguar Mark V that has been the subject of a multi-year restoration process. Last items to do are completion of the interior and installation of a new correct interior kit in red from BAS (with a value of \$8,000.00 US) that comes with the car. Also requires a finishing and installing the wood trim, new battery, and the purchase of new tires. My time and other projects do not permit me to complete this car which belonged to a dear friend of mine almost since new. No rust, engine rebuild some years ago. Starts and runs well. Virtually all mileage in this car recorded prior to commencement of the restoration process. Repainted some years ago and remains excellent overall condition. A nearly complete tool kit (restored) is available at current market rates.

For more information contact Geoff Moyse - ([gsmoy@telus.net](mailto:gsmoy@telus.net))





# Clark Gable and the Jaguar XK120



Celebrity's are well known for their love of the finest things their fame and fortunes would allow. Not the least of which was to own and be seen driving some of the world's most exclusive automobiles.

A Hollywood hero for the ages, Clark Gable would make the top ten box office list a remarkable 16 times, claim an Oscar for his role in "It Happened One Night", deliver the line "Frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn," in *Gone With The Wind*, perhaps the most quoted line in the history of cinema and play a race car driver in "To Please A Lady".

Clark Gable was known for his love of fast cars and he owned a number of remarkable vehicles over his lifetime. Ladies man, man's man and box office champion he could afford the best and the best is what he bought. The man clearly loved to drive around in style. It must be said that Gable had exquisite taste.

In his collection were the 1935 Duesenberg Model JN, the 1936 Duesenberg SSJ Speedster, 1937 Ford Lincoln-Zephyr V12, 1938 Packard Eight Convertible Victoria, 1948 Jaguar 3.5 Litre Mark IV Drophead Coupe, 1955 Mercedes-Benz Gullwing and a 1956 Mercedes-Benz 300SC.

The Jaguar XK120 is a celebrity in it's own right, it was the fastest production car in the world at the time of it's release. It was powered by the same Jaguar XK engine that would win the 24 Hours of Le Mans five times in the 1950's. Unveiled at the 1948 London Motor Show as a showcase for the new Jaguar XK engine, a straight-six 3.4 litre power plant that could propel the car to a top speed of 120 mph the new car caused a sensation. Gable was smitten with the new Jaguar and was quoted declaring he loved the thing like a kid loves candy!

Priced at \$3,940 US the car was more much affordable than many of the cars he already possessed but he adored the XK's combination of beauty and performance.

Gable contacted Jaguar to personally insist that he be sold the very first XK120 to arrive on the US West Coast.

While most of the early cars were destined for racing Gable's XK120 was one of the first production cars to leave the Holbrook Lane production line in June, 1949.

His car was complete with competition inspired upgrades, wire wheels and bonnet louvres. He also requested a luggage rack on the boot for his golf clubs.



Clark Gable and Suzanne Dadolle in Cannes, France outside the Carleton Hotel



He took delivery of the car in Europe and used it on a cross-continental holiday with his fiancé' Suzanne Dadolle. They had met when he was there working on a film. It's reported the two became inseparable and were often seen out together dining in alfresco cafes and touring the European countryside. Their journey took them from Paris to Rome and across Europe causing quite the sensation when they would pop up among the locals.



Gable had the car shipped back to the United States in 1953 and registered the car in California. He would later sell the car to Irving Robbins Jr. The car would receive a full restoration in 2016 confirming the car retained it's original engine, chasis and body, making it a desirable full matching numbers example.

After restoration the car was shown to the world at the Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este. The cars value is estimated to be \$500,000 - \$600,000 USD.



Mr. Gable loved the model so much that he would go on to own three other XK120's. Two he would purchase and one, featured below, was gifted to him by the Indianapolis Motor Speedway owner Tony Hulman Jr. while the actor was in town filming "To Please A Woman". He would keep it stored there, where it still resides, and amazingly would use the car only once a year in May when Gable, a race fan would come back to town to see the race.



Clark Gable's XK120 'Indy Car' Only 6,500 miles on the register.

In a 1950 issue of Road & Track, Gable would pen an article titled 'My Favourite Sports Car' in which he would espouse on his attempt to reach the XK120's official 132 mph top speed. He didn't quite get there but did manage to coax 124 mph out of his completely stock and unmodified car.

Clark Gable's unpaid celebrity endorsement for the car surely bolstered the car's appeal as did the XK's impressive results on the racing circuits. 12,078 XK120's were sold through the car's production run to discriminating buyers and enthusiasts everywhere, and while today celebrities and fancy cars are nothing new some celebrities, like Gable and now Jay Leno, were much more in love with the intrinsic qualities of the cars they bought.





JOIN US **AUGUST 12, 2023** AT JAGUAR LAND ROVER ROYAL OAK FOR OUR ANNUAL

# SHOW 'N' SHINE



## Celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of LAND ROVER

Join us for a fun-filled day of classics and nostalgia. Proceeds benefit the Calgary Dream Centre.

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*Jaguar Land Rover Royal Oak are pleased to announce that this year's Show n Shine event will be held at the JLRRO Premises on August 12th, 2023*

*This will be the 75th Anniversary of the birth of the Land Rover Marque and we are encouraging all Land Rover owners, as well as Jaguar and other Classic car enthusiasts to come out and enjoy the celebration at JLRRO.*

*There will be food trucks, door prizes and many other attractions. The Charity of Choice for this year is the Calgary Dream Centre. All registration fees will be donated to that charity.*

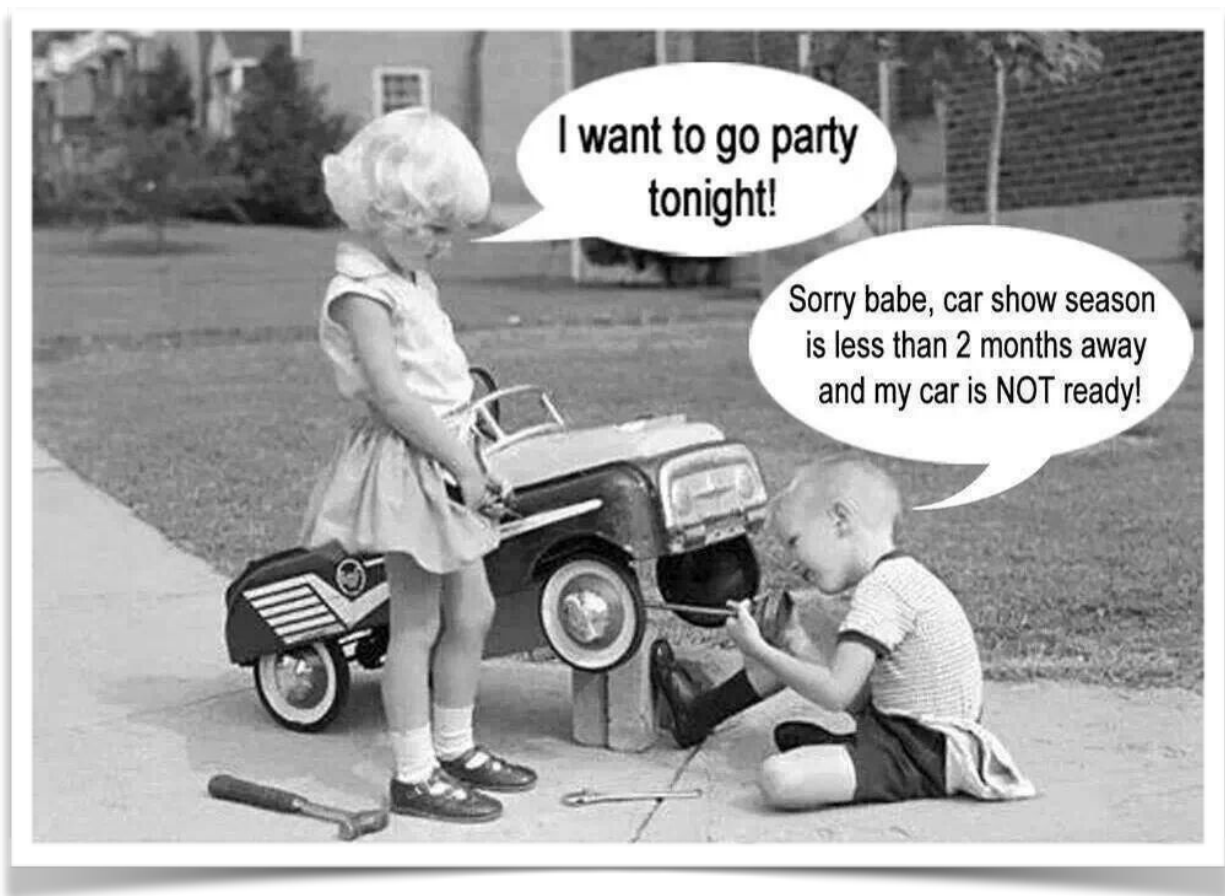
*Registration payment will be at the door; \$20.00 per car, cash preferred. Please feel free to register now at :*

*[ian\\_laird@hotmail.com/](mailto:ian_laird@hotmail.com/)*

*We look forward to seeing you at this show and encourage you to invite your families, friends and neighbours to bring their show cars or simply to come and enjoy event.*

*Sincerely,*

*Ian Laird  
Registrar, on behalf of JLRRO*



The CPJC is encouraging all its members to join in the fun and participate in the club in some way. Now in our second year of operation we have put a few successful club events in our rear view mirror and look forward to the road ahead.

We are looking for volunteers in any capacity.....This could be event support, participating in a club drive, show n shine, or a pub night. We would love to feature your stories, favourite drives, car photos or ideas in our newsletter, website or Facebook page.

Please attend a club meeting (3rd Tuesday each month). We've had terrific guest speakers and some really good presentations. Beyond the interesting topics they have been a good way to introduce ourselves and get to know each other a bit.

The Club Executive has been in place for two years now and are looking for a few of our members to consider participation in the club at the executive level. This is not as daunting a commitment as it might seem. Rather it's an opportunity to support the club and help out with some of the committee tasks. No executive experience necessary, we're in it together!



*Jaguar owner gets in their new car, “aaah that new car smell, Connolly leather and walnut trim!”*

*Tesla owner gets in their new car, “is that Musk?”*

What's the difference between a BMW a porcupine ?

A porcupine has the pricks on the outside.....

One good thing about Fords? They come out of the factory with the problem circled.

Jaguars don't leak, they just mark their territory....



Father and son road tripping down the Pacific Coast Highway. Son says to his father “Dad did you know 3000 miles out there are the Hawaiian Islands”. The impressed father looks out on the expanse and compliments his son “You sure have good eyes son!”



Apple is launching a new car, it's taking more time than expected. They have to install Windows!

Driver : ‘What am I supposed to do with this ticket?’

Cop : “Keep it, when you get four of them, you get a bicycle.”