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# **The Rocky Mountain Jaguar**

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The club's purpose is to promote interest in the preservation, operation and ownership of Jaguar automobiles and to encourage safe, careful and skillful operation. To be a source of technical information, to establish rules and regulations governing Club activities and to promote good sportsmanship at all times.

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## **President's Letter**

Memorial Day is just around the corner and June is busting out all over! For those of us who have had family members who gave their lives in the service of their country Memorial Day is more than just a Monday off. I encourage you to take a minute and reflect on the freedoms we have and the lives lost to preserve those freedoms. Thank you.

With June on the docket, make sure you've got your entries in for the coming events. The ACC Concours is in early June and is always a fun event. Jaguars have always been well represented there and I highly encourage you to mark your calendar and make a day of it. We will have our space well laid out and as usual we will have a tent up over our gathering spot. The entry fees for the Ability Connection Colorado show go for a good cause and in past years, Rocky Mountain Jaguar Club has been a solid participant. See you there on June 8<sup>th</sup> at the .Arapahoe Community College, 5900 S. Santa Fe, Littleton CO 80120. The cars start arriving at 7:00 AM so don't be late!

On the agenda for June as well is our annual RMJC Concour d'Elegance a the Cherry Creek Country Club on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Get your Jag registered ASAP if you plan to participate. We will have entry forms at our regular monthly meeting on June 10<sup>TH</sup> at the Blue Bonnet Restaurant. We gather for dinner at 6:00 PM and the meeting/program starts at 7. Come one, come all. As a reminder there will be no monthly meeting in July but we will have a summer party on July 19<sup>th</sup>. More details on the party at the June meeting at the Blue Bonnet.

During my tenure as President of the Club, I've made it one of my goals to participate in as many events that I can outside of our usual Club gatherings as a way to get our Rocky Mountain Jaguar Club message out there in the stream of the consciousness so to speak. This week, I'm taking my XK8 up into the mountains on Wednesday May 21'st to Estes Park. I'm often asked if I'm related to Joel Estes the namesake of the town and the answer is yes but that's another story. I saw on Facebook that the local High School shop teacher had put out an invitation to all sports car owners to come up to the school from 1 to 3:30 on that day so the students in his automotive class could see examples of cars that people have restored or maintained and talk about what we've done and how we wound up with the vehicles we have. I love to tell stories and what better way exercise that talent than to help the school and talk about what

I've fixed and how I had to do what I did. As all us Jaguar owners know, like Rosanna Rosannadana said on Saturday Night Live back in the day "It just goes to show you, it's always something, if it's not one thing it's another!" I accepted his invitation go on up so I hope the good weather holds out in the high country. See you all at the June meeting and as always pleasant journeys on friendly roads,

Tom Estes President.

## **Spring Dust-Off**

We had a dozen Jaguars and 27 people in attendance for the Spring Dust-Off. We met at the Aspen Grove Shopping Center on south Santa Fe.

We drove down Santa Fe to Sedalia, then followed Perry Park Road to Palmer Lake then on to Monument where we picked up I-25 and continued on to the south part of Colorado Springs and the Air Museum.

We had a private tour and were told lots of stories about the various planes. Several of them have even been in movies in the past. The aircraft collection at the National Museum of World War II Aviation features 28 fully restored flying aircraft, and several on-going restoration projects. There were several planes that have been in movies as well.

After our tour, we went to the Airplane Restaurant, just down the road a bit. It is a C-97 cargo plane that has been converted and there is a building attached to it that is the main restaurant. It was fun to see some of their memorabilia as well.





## **RMJC PO Box**

We will be cancelling the downtown PO box as of October. Long before the internet, we used to get lots of club mail there. Now, not so much. And it costs us over a hundred dollars a year. So, letters and membership, New and Renewals, will go directly to Deanie, as most everything does anyway.

## **May Monthly Minutes**

President Tom called the meeting to Order 7:01 PM with a Welcome everyone to the May 13, 2025, RMJC Monthly Meeting at the Blue Bonnet Café.

New Members, Guests, Vehicles? - Lon Orenstein shared his lovely XK8 Convertible tonight.

**Member Birthdays:** Judy Whitehouse May2, Deborah Ramirez May3, Jane Billings May 6, Mike Ramirez May 9, Cynthia Volin May 10, Jeffry Kern May 12, Roger Noonan May 20, Pat Miller May 24, Judy Orr May 27, Elinor Vrooman May 29, Dwight Eisnach May 30, Mark Kintgen May 30, Alexander Rubin May 30

Membership Report - Deanie Kennedy reported that the club has 106 members and continues to attract new members.

Treasurer's Report- Deanie Kennedy reported that the club is doing well.

**CCCC Update**-Tom Estes reported that the most recent CCCC meeting was held at the Forney Museum of Transportation 4303 Brighton Blvd., Denver, CO. 25 member-club representatives signed in. The highlights of the meeting were as follows.

**Legislation**: Leo Boyle, the CCCC Legislation Lobbyist, noted that May 7 was the conclusion of the 2025 legislative session as specified in the state constitution. He reported on two bills entered in the final weeks of the session that will affect car owners, not specifically vintage vehicles. They were:

Senate Bill 25-321, "Addressing air pollution levels of motor vehicles". This bill updates the operation of vehicle emission testing facilities (Envirotest). The Clean Screen remote sensing roadside monitoring program which currently identifies clean vehicles and exempts them from going through the dynamometer tests will now target high emitting vehicles driven in from outside the ozone violations areas and require them to undergo more serious testing. It will also raise the fees for testing.

**House Bill 25-1189**: "Concerning regulation related to the registration of motor vehicles". This bill will raise the fee paid to county clerks by \$4.00 and subsequently raise the fee to account for inflation, and permit passing on costs for mailing and shipping. The bill also expands documentation of vehicles with salvage titles and rebuilders titles. These bills passed easily but unfortunately HB25-1127 regarding surplus and collector military vehicles died in the appropriations committee due to its fiscal note.

**CCCC** reported the Air Force Academy Car Show returned in 2024. This was a very good event with a large number of cars attending and excellent weather. There were no problems or delays at the Academy gate entrance.

The CCCC donated SEMA Show tickets for the November 2025 Show: There are a few tickets that will be available through the CCCC. If interested in obtaining one of these tickets, please place your name on the CCCC waiting list by contacting John Ehrlich at 303-526-6805.

The next CCCC meeting will be June 4th, 2025, at the ColoRODans clubhouse, 209 Kimbark St., Longmont CO

**Cat Tales Newsletter**-Steve Kennedy presented an JCNA Annual General Meeting update for the Valley Forge, PA meeting. The AGM was as bad as some in the past that had been due to objections to the Concours Rule Book and its needed updates. Steve had to step in and fill in as the JCNA Secretary for the AGM. He kept the meeting rolling rather than getting stuck on unimportant subjects. Only 4 new Rules for the Concours Rulebook. Next AGM is in Mexico City. He also noted that the Valley Forge National Park was a real treat and a site that RMJC members should definitely add to your bucket list.

**Website update** – Deanie reported that recent changes to the hosted website have caused problems for the distribution of current information. The good news is that the problem should be resolved shortly, so look for an updated website.

Facebook update - Mark Kintgen reported that the RMJC Facebook is up to date. Check it out.

#### **Recent Events Report:**

May 4 – The Spring Dust-off to Colorado Springs was very well attended, with over twenty Jaguars taking part in the drive and the guided tour of the WWII airplane museum. The museum has been significantly expanded since the club's last visit.

May 24 – 27 – JCNA AGM in Valley Forge PA.

#### **Upcoming Events**

May 17<sup>th</sup> - Judges School at the Kennedys 11 to 4. It appears that there are 6 more RMJC members seeking their

JCNA Judging certificates.

May 26<sup>th</sup> - Memorial Day Car show at Applebee's West Colfax and Miller street.

June 10<sup>th</sup> Monthly meeting at the Blue Bonnet (Call me to discuss the June Program)

**June 8<sup>th</sup>** ACC Show – Vince provided an update, stating that to date, eleven jaguars have registered for the show. Of these, a 1967 E-Type OTS has requested Elite judging by the ACC Judges. For more information, please see the ACC website. RMJC is looking for 3- 4 volunteers to stake out the jaguar parking sites on Saturday June 9.

June 21<sup>st</sup> RMJC Cherry Creek Country Club Concours. Limited space this year due to Country Club rules, so register early online or contacting Deanie

July 19th - RMJC Summer Party at the home of Deb and Mike Ramirez

New Business: British Conclave - volunteers are needed to check in participants and park the show cars.

Old Business - None

Raffle -1/2 the pot won by Mark K.

**Tonight's Program** – "1908-1920 Fritchle Electric Automobile - Denver Automobile Manufacturer"- a history, video, and slides of a unique Denver Motoring Icon by Bill Beeson

Suggestions and/or volunteers for programs, topics, speakers & Other Ideas

Good of the Order

Adjourned

Bill Beeson, RMJC Secretary

## **Judge's School**

Two Judge's Schools were held at the Kennedys'. Steve went over new rules for 2025. Some of the important rule changes include the fact that batteries, IN THEIR OWN COMPARTMENTS, are no longer judged. So for Jaguars like the XK 120, where the batteries are behind the seat, XJS's where the battery is in the boot with its own cover, the newer XKs and F-Types, some of the newer sedans, where the battery is in its own compartment, the batteries are no longer judged. E-Types and some older sedans, where the battery is visible when judging other components, will still be judged. Another important rule is that all Judges must be tested at least 30 days prior to the concours and all of our Judges have been properly tested. We have two new Judges, Jonathan Galassini and Jordan Drazin who were apprentice Judges last year, are now qualified to judge at this year's concours. Marco Scofidio is an apprentice Judge this year and will be accompanying several of the teams to learn what to judge for.

## **Telluride Autumn Classic**



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#### Sunday, June 8, 2025 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM MDT **Arapahoe Community College 5900 South Santa Fe Drive** Littleton, CO 80120



- \$50 per vehicle DISPLAY ONLY entry, club judged entry and featured marque entry.
- \$100 per ELITE JUDGED entry
- \$25 per MOTORCYCLE entry (JUDGING check with club members) Vince will check.
- A People's Choice for favorite motorcycle
- All entries include 2 gate tickets and 1 poster

If someone registers three (3) or more vehicles, they will get a 25% discount. 42nd Annual Colorado Concours d' Elegance & Exotic Sports Car Show Benefiting Ability Connection Colorado's Creative Options for Early Childhood Education Program Sunday June 8, 2025

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

May 10, 2024 11:59PM: Friday, May 16: May 17-23:

LAST DATE TO SIGN UP FOR ELITE CLASS JUDGING LAST DATE TO SIGN UP AND HAVE PACKET MAILED Can still sign up online, but will have to pick up entry packet at the **Red Registration Tent day of event.** Friday, May 23 11:59PM: ONLINE REGISTRATION CLOSES

Online registration is open: www.ColoradoConcours.org or direct link: http://weblink.donorperfect.com/25CDECarRegistration

RMJC is doing a Pot Luck. Deanie will provide the main dish, bring something to go with it!!

#### A DISCOUNT of 25% is available when you register three (3) or

more entries. Once registration is completed and all fees have been paid, contact Terri Armstrong at (303) 941-4553 to claim your discount. The difference will be refunded to the original form of payment.

EACH vehicle entry includes TWO (2) ADMISSION TICKETS and ONE (1) EVENT POSTER. In the event the show is cancelled due to inclement weather, we will attempt to reschedule. If we cannot reschedule, all fees become 100% tax-deductible donations to Ability Connection Colorado's Creative Options for Early Childhood Education Program

The Concours site will open at 6:30 am. For the safety of everyone involved in setup, NO CARS will be allowed to enter the field prior to 6:45am unless belonging to a show volunteer. We also ask that you arrive no later than 8:30am to facilitate final staging and preparation of cars. Show cars arriving after 8:30am. WILL NOT be allowed to participate and forfeit their entrance fees. Judging will begin at 8am.



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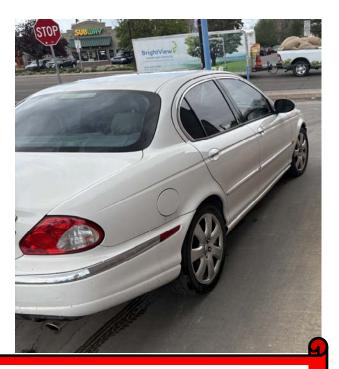
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# Membership, New and Renewals

**RMJC** Membership Form

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3rd Jaguar			
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\*New Membership Fees includes membership card(s), JCNA Decal, name tag(s), subscription to Cat Tales and Jaguar Journal. Members joining after Sept.1st pay one years fee and are members throughout the following year. Mail this form (or copy) and payment (RMJC) to: Deanie Kennedy, <u>dkennedy@ecentral.com</u> **RMJC Membership Chair** 

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# **2025 RMJC Club Schedule of Events**

#### January

#### 14<sup>th</sup>, Monthly Meeting at The Blue Bonnet

27<sup>th</sup>, Polar Bear Swap Meet-Adams Cnty Fairgrounds

#### February 8<sup>th</sup>Seminar Tri-state swap meet

11<sup>th</sup>, Monthly & Board Meeting at The Blue Bonnet March 9<sup>th</sup> Daylight Savings Time Begins 11<sup>th</sup>, Monthly Meeting at The Blue Bonnet April 1<sup>st,</sup> Board Meeting at Ramirez to plan concours 8<sup>th</sup>, Monthly & Board Meeting at **The Blue Bonnet** 12<sup>th</sup> Judge's School at the Kennedys' 11-4 20<sup>th</sup>, Easter 24-27 AGM in Valley Forge, PA Mav 4<sup>th</sup>, Spring Dust to the Springs Kennedys' 11<sup>th</sup>, Mother's Day 13<sup>th</sup>, Monthly Meeting at The Blue Bonnet 17<sup>th</sup>, Judge's School at the Kennedys' 11-4 26<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Car Show at Applebee's on west Colfax & Miller

#### June

8<sup>th</sup>ACC Show 7-9 Glenwood Rallye 10<sup>th</sup>, Monthly & Board Meeting at the **Blue Bonnet** 15<sup>th</sup>, Father's Day 21<sup>st</sup> RMJC – Cherry Creek Country Club

**Concours d'Elegance** 

#### July

4<sup>th</sup>, Independence Day

- 8<sup>th</sup>, No Monthly Meeting
- 19th, Summer Party 3 -? pm at the Ramirez'

#### August

- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Colorado Scottish Festival at the Denver Polo Club in Sedalia
- 2<sup>nd</sup> CCCC Cars, Planes, Swap meet, Rocky MT. Metro airport
- 12<sup>th</sup>, Monthly & Board Meeting at the **Blue Bonnet**

#### 23<sup>rd</sup>, Morgan Adams-Centennial Airport

#### September

1<sup>st</sup> Labor Day Car Show at Applebee's on west Colfax & Miller

- 6<sup>th,</sup> Albq Club Concours at the fairgrounds
- 9<sup>th</sup>, Monthly Meeting at the Blue Bonnet
  - Talk about slate for Candidates for Elections
- 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> Colorado Grand in Vail
- 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>, Conclave

26th, Bids for the Kids, Denver Country Club Sep 26-28 Telluride Autumn Classic

...Sep 27-30 IJF in Atlanta

#### October

14<sup>th</sup>, Monthly & Board Meeting at the **Blue Bonnet** 

Talk about slate for Candidates for Elections 18th, Saturday, Fall Drive— Deanie & Deb

#### November

2<sup>nd</sup> Daylight Savings Time Ends

11<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting at the Blue Bonnet & Club Elections

27<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving

#### December

- 2<sup>nd</sup>, Board Meeting at the Kennedys
- 9<sup>th</sup> NO Monthly Meeting
  13<sup>th</sup> Holiday Party at the Ramirez'
  25<sup>th</sup> Christmas



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