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From our President

By Bob Daly, President

2012 Jaguar XKR-S Expected In Dealerships Soon



(Courtesy of Road and Track magazine June 16, 2011)

Although it's based on the luxurious and athletic XKR coupe, the XKR-S features changes that make the car even sportier. The aesthetic changes are: a carbon-fiber front splitter, rear wing and diffuser, plus a new front fascia with a blacked-out grille.

Modifications to the supercharged and direct-injected V-8 engine raise power and torque from 503 bhp and 461 lb.-ft. to 550 bhp and 502 lb.-ft., respectively.

Suspension changes: front uprights are stiffened, ride height is reduced by 10 mm and spring rates are increased by 28% up front and 32% in back. The electrically adjustable dampers have been re-calibrated with stiffer damping curves in both standard and dynamic mode to better control the pitch and roll of the all-aluminum chassis.

All told, these revisions make the XKR-S behave more like a true sports car than a sporty luxury coupe.

On the road, the taut ride and raucous exhaust remind you that the S is no standard XKR. The interior may look similar, but different materials and a revised color palette set the S apart. A unique leather headliner, stainless-steel pedals, and supportive, yet comfortable, race-style seats, round out the interior.

Overall, an impressive effort. Hearing the engine burble and backfire as you quickly grab downshifts via paddles is a unique experience in a Jaguar these days; especially when you then bend the car into a turn and feel the steering respond progressively with the weight of the cornering force.

The 2012 Jaguar XKR-S will be priced at \$132,000.

Jaguar XKR's and American LeMans Series Race

Although, two Jag XKR GT cars and teams traveled to Lemans, France, it was decided after extensive track testing that the Jags just were not fast enough to be competitive this year. Hopefully, the Jags can race at LeMans next year.



The next American LeMans Series to be held in the US will be in Connecticut on July 9 and will be broadcast on ESPN2 July 10 at 1:00 PM ET.

At times, we forget how much we as individual members of AJS contribute to the overall sense of friendship provided by being active members. This was no more in evidence than by the words spoken by long time member, Vinnie Lauria at our most recent Monday night dinner meeting. In his recollections of Jaguar car ownership experiences and AJS events, Vinnie reminded us all of how we make a difference in each other's lives. Thanks for the memories Vinnie!



Jaguar E Type 50th Anniversary Celebration

Thanks to Erlinda McCabe for hosting our 50th anniversary celebration of the market introduction of the fabulous E-Type Jag. Her home was a great setting for all to enjoy some tasty food and interesting conversation. The Koi filled ponds and garden architecture were perfect for lively conversation among members and guests. Kim Daly, Judy Scarborough, and Myrna Ruiz did a superb job of organizing and planning this important event...thank you!



Car Sales Literature

Some time ago, long time AJS member Frank Coleman, donated some mostly Jaguar Cars sales literature to the AJS. I was able to comb through this literature and I have compiled a detailed list.

This sales literature covers the following cars:

1990 Bentley...only one copy

1979 to 2000 Jaguar Cars...some duplicate copies

First come first serve...send me an e-mail and I can forward the list to you for review.

AJS Membership Dues

Your AJS annual membership fee is payable now. There is a membership form on the AJS website. (<http://www.atlantajaguarsociety.org/>). Just push the "Join Us" button to get the form, fill it out, add your check, and mail it all to Wil

Sommer at the address on the bottom of the form. Thank you

Stay well and drive safe...Bob

Next monthly meeting
July 25th
Aldo's Restaurant
Social hour- 6:00 pm, Dinner-7:00 PM

June's Corner

Member News

By June Mindrup, Health & Hospitality Director

Question of the Month! Does anyone know which AJS'er married the man who stopped the horn from honking on her Pontiac Grand Prix? The man fixed the horn and it turned out he owned an exact same car! (Answer to appear in the next AJS News Letter.)

Deb Walton is quite excited over a new Grandbaby which will make its appearance into this world in July. Deb and Larry plan to rush down to Tampa, Florida to see this new addition and to take care of the other grandchild while the new Mom is recuperating.

Brad Fry (son of Ray and Marilyn Fry) left last Tuesday to go to Amsterdam and Scotland for a week of touring about. Too bad Brad couldn't tuck his Mom and Dad into a suit case to accompany him, what?

Wil Sommer went fishing off Carabelle, Florida (40 miles East of Tallahassee) and caught and released a couple of hundred fish. He said, "Those fish were practically jumping in the boat".

Fran McNair's Grandson (Sgt. Fredrick Mathis) will be leaving July 27th for Afghanistan. This will be his 4th (yes, fourth) deployment in the Special Unit of the Green Berets. Please keep him in your prayers.

Erlinda McCabe left June 29th to go to Manila, Philippines for a 2-week visit. She must have recovered quickly from hosting that wonderful pig roast in her beautiful home on June 26th...then attending the AJS meeting on the 28th.

Lew George's Mother fell in her home located on Perdido Bay. Fortunately she fell on

the carpet which cushioned the fall. The good news is that no bones were broken and she is now on the mend.

Fran McNair is going to Ridgeway, Colorado for a family Reunion. A BIG family Reunion as there will be almost 80 people attending. Fran...are you kin to everyone in Colorado?

At the June monthly meeting, Rachel Morrison gave us the report that friend Tommy Scott has recovered splendidly from knee replacement. Certainly Rachel's and Tommy's recent trips to Gatlinburg, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee and then to Las Vegas, Nevada prove he has completely recovered from his surgery. And, just in the past week, they went to Nashville for Tommy to perform at the Grand Ole Opry. Incidentally, Tommy has celebrated 94 birthdays!!!

See you all in Calloway! And we certainly would be remiss if we didn't all thank our Kim Daley for the many activities she has (and is still) planning for our group. She has done an outstanding job and we all appreciate her efforts.



Activities

Kim Daly, Activities Director

July Activities

Ladies and Gentlemen, you are cordially invited to gather with fellow AJS members under the Big Top at Callaway Gardens to experience the wonderful, the spectacular, and the death-defying aerial and acrobatic performers of the Florida State University Circus.

We are taking an overnight trip to Callaway Gardens on Saturday, July 9th. We will gather in the parking lot at Perimeter Mall in front of the Cheesecake Factory (near Dillard's) at 9:00 AM. We will distribute a planned route map and schedule at this time. We will then take a leisurely trip south to Warm Springs where we will stop for a country buffet lunch at the Bulloch House Restaurant. The Bulloch house is known for its fried chicken and its mouth watering fried green tomatoes...yummy! If that doesn't suit your fancy, they do have a few select menu items.

After lunch, we will head over to Callaway Gardens and check into our hotel, the Mountain Creek Inn. Rooms are available at a great price: Doubles range from \$85.00 (AARP) to \$90.00 (AAA) to \$99.00 (regular) plus tax. The room rates include admission to Callaway Gardens. This is a great deal, as admission is normally \$18.00 per person. I urge you to book your room immediately by going online or by calling reservations at 1-800-Callaway. One note about the hotel reservation: Callaway Gardens has 7 day cancellation policy. If you cancel within seven days of the reserved date, you will forfeit one night's room charge. After checking into the hotel, you can choose to visit any of the many attractions of Callaway Gardens.

A good first stop would be the Virginia Hand Callaway Discovery Center for orientation and information. We will attend the 3:30 show of the FSU circus under the tent. The show lasts from 45-60 minutes. After the circus performance, you can relax at the hotel where a large swimming pool is available or you can see another attraction or two before we meet at 6:00 for pre-dinner wine/cheese.

At 7:00 PM, we have a reservation for dinner at The Gardens, Callaway's fine dining restaurant overlooking Mountain Creek Lake. Dress for dinner requires resort casual; no jeans or ball-caps are allowed. Because of the expected size of our group, we will be choosing our meal from a limited prix fixe menu. The price looks to be \$40 per person plus tip. Wine and cocktails are available for purchase, and we will be issued separate checks.

We will begin Sunday morning with breakfast at the Mountain Creek Inn's Plant Room, which serves a southern style breakfast buffet. Following breakfast, you may want to explore another attraction or two before heading back to Atlanta at your leisure.

Once you have made your room reservation, please inform me (Kim Daly), so I can make the correct number of breakfast, lunch, and dinner reservations. I need to know how many will be going no later than July 5th.

If you are planning on joining us, make your hotel reservations immediately! Contact Kim Daly with questions and to RSVP for this activity.

August Activities

It's time to have some FUN!!!

Please note the date for the pool party has changed to August 6th. Judy Scarborough will be hosting the party this year, which will begin at 4:00 PM.

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Have you already been on vacation? Well, bring along your photos and stories to share with your fellow AJS members. AJS will be supplying the main course of barbecue (pork and chicken), dessert, beer, wine and sodas. You are asked to bring an appetizer or a side dish to go with the barbecue, for example: coleslaw, beans, potato salad, etc.

Please note that Judy has a beautiful pool you are welcome to use during the party. Please bring your own towel if you are going to swim. Anyone with radio controlled boats should bring them along to participate in a mini regatta. Is there any interest in a cannonball contest??? We will have some fun summer music playing...maybe Dabney can teach us all how to shag. Aside from the Carolina beach music, I think I see the Beach Boys, representing my home state of California, in our beach music repertoire. Island music will represent Myrna's Commonwealth or Puerto Rico. Will a Conga Line form? You'll have to attend the party to find out.

I will need your RSVP no later than August 2nd, so food and drinks can be ordered in a timely fashion.

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If you have any questions please call me at 770-633-4960 or 770-410-5717.

Kim Daly
Activities Director



XKE 50th Birthday Party





Event Schedule for 2011

- January 22nd - Trip to the Booth Western Art Museum
- February 26th – High Museum of Art ,
Toulouse Lautrec & Friends
- March 12th – 13th Amelia Island Concours
26th – Tech Session – Ivan Ruiz
- April 30th – Walter Mitty, Road Atlanta
- May 14th – British Motorcar Day, Berry College
21st – Spring drive and lunch
- June 25th – Birthday party for the Jaguar E-Type hosted
by Erlinda McCabe
- July 9th – Callaway Gardens & FSU Circus Acrobats
- August 6th – Pool Party, Judy Scarborough
26th – Fernbank, Martinis and IMAX
- September 16th – 19th - Two night trip to Nashville. Visit
Historic sites and Lane Auto Museum, largest
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- October 1st – Concours d'Elegance & Party
2nd - Concours d'Elegance @ Nalley
14-16 – Eurofest Spartanburg
29th – Halloween Party
- November 5th & 6th - Hilton Head Concours
12th – Blue Ridge Scenic Railway
- December 11th - Christmas Party



Marvin
(the male Maxine)



Marriage is the only war where
you get to sleep with the enemy!

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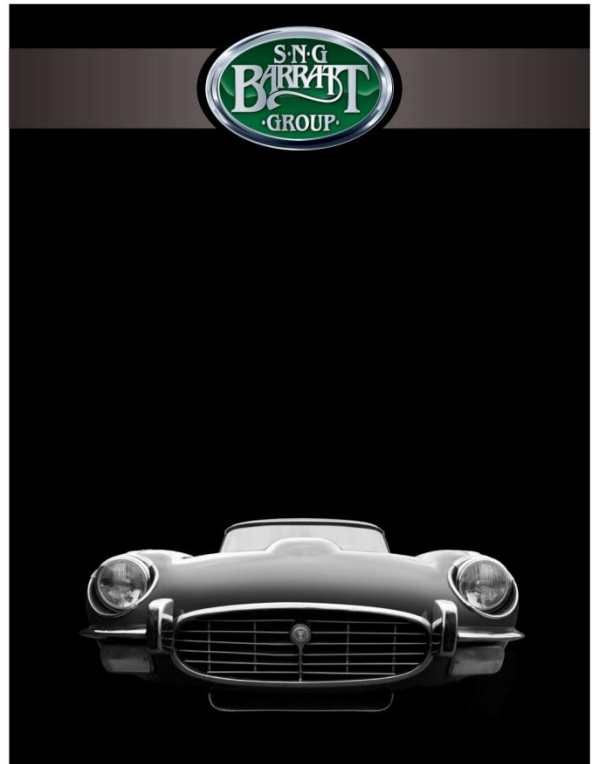
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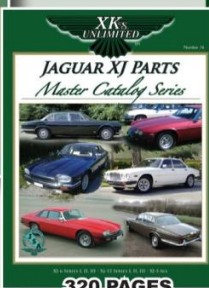
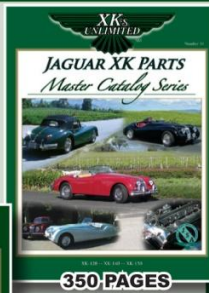
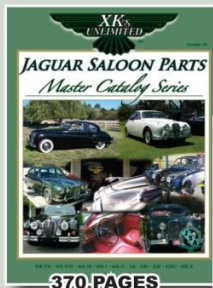
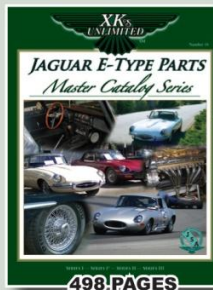
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