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# FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Happy New Year to you all. I hope you enjoyed the festive break re-connecting with family and friends around New Zealand. For some years we were hoping for a great and normal start to the New Year. Well, the weather in January was far from normal and this continued into February. I hope our membership were not too affected by the Cyclone Hale in the Coromandel and East Coast, the serious flooding in Auckland at the start of the Anniversary Weekend, or the



intense windy Cyclone Gabrielle in early February. Let's hope the late arrival of Summer will mean a settled period of weather right through until late May.

The first event of the year was the Historic GP held at the Bruce McLaren Motorsport Park in Taupo on the 21-22 January 2023. From all reports, it was a well organised event enjoyed by many members. The weather was fantastic which makes the event so much more enjoyable. A highlight for many was the opportunity to take the Cats on track, albeit at a more modest pace compared to the fully spec racing machines competing in the various racing events. A full report is featured in this edition. The next 'BIG' event is the start of the 'Car Show' season - The Ellerslie Car Show 'World of Wheels', held at Ellerslie Racecourse. This event was postponed from last year, so it was going to be the penultimate event to celebrations for the 100-Years of Jaguar. Prime position was given to our club - the 'Circle' and .....it is postponed again at the eleventh hour. On a positive note, an alternative date has been set - 23rd April. I feel for the organising committee having to make the call and the enthusiasts spending many hours preparing their machines to a high gloss finish. Let's all 'save-the-date' of the 23rd of April and make this Ellerslie Classic Car Show event something we will all remember.

What to look forward to? The 7th annual British and European Classic Car Show is about to 'drive' off. Postponed from last year will mean this will be the last event celebration our iconic margue's one hundred years. With the date set for the 5th March, polish up the Cat and I encourage you to join the many other members at Llyod Elsmore Park, Pakuranga. A few weeks later, we have our second club picnic to be held at another one of our special regional parks dotted around Auckland City - Mataitai Bay. Looking forward to a causal drive through East Auckland out to Waitawa Regional Park. In April we will make a return trip to the outstanding Hamilton Classics Museum. If you have not been, then this should be a 'must-do'. It has been labelled Hamilton's 'Number One' attraction and it will not disappoint.

Keep an eye on our Events page of this edition and the website. A reminder to register for these events via the website. Once events have been confirmed, then it will be opened for registrations. Talking about the Events Page - Is there anyone interested in helping the Committee to coordinate the registrations for these events? We do need a person to help with the administration work in setting up these events. If this sounds like something you could be interested in, then please give our President, Tony, a call.

I wish to thank all those people that helped produce this little slice of Jaguar to read and those that help make it arrive in your letterbox. I hope you enjoy the interesting reads and hope to see you at some events coming up in 2023 weather permitting.

Kind regards

**Gerard Leeuw** Editor

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# A long and proud history since 1969

Jaguar Drivers' Club (Auckland) Inc - was founded in 1969 by 19-year-old Murray Higgins, of Blockhouse Bay. The owner of a 1948 Mk IV, Murray placed an advertisement in the Public Notices section of the New Zealand Herald inviting Jaguar owners and enthusiasts to a meeting. The result on April 16 1969, was the formation of what is now known as the Jaguar Drivers' Club (Auckland) Inc.

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The first event, on June 9 1969, was a fun rally and gymkhana, followed by lunch at the Puhoi Hotel (for the princely sum of \$1.00 for adults and 50c for children) and an evening "get together" in the Architects' Clubrooms on Symonds Street.

The Club has grown steadily since its humble beginnings and is now one of the largest single marque car clubs in Auckland. The Club's main aim is to foster interest in and promote owning, driving, maintaining and restoring Jaguar cars. To this end, a wide range of events are arranged on a monthly basis. Although some events are competitive, all are social and family and friends of members are welcome to join in.

Another important person in the Club's (and Jaguar's) history was Lofty England. Lofty, who managed Jaguar's successful competitions department in the 50's, was the Club's Patron until his death in 1995. Norm Dewis (Jaguar's chief test engineer 1952 to 1985) was Patron until his passing in 2019. The position of Patron is now being filled by Ian Callum (CBE). Ian was Jaguar's Design Director for 20 years and was instrumental in a full transformation of the saloons and sports cars, the launch of the SUVs, and the revolutionary I-Pace.

The Club's financial year is from August 1st to July 31st and the AGM is held in October/November. New members will receive a copy of the current magazine which will give them a list of office holders (who are elected at each AGM). A copy of the Club's constitution can be found on the website: www.jaguardriversclub.co.nz.

Each major centre in NZ now has its own independent Jaguar car club, around 14 in all, ranging from the small with a dozen members up to Auckland with over 300.

#### Life members - for service to the club.

Bill Crook, Robin O'Connor, Rex Day, Mark and David Shorter, Steve and Denise Ward.

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Cover image: E-Types on display at the Taupo Historic GP weekend

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ow... just when we thought our lives were getting back to some semblance of normal, along comes an unprecedented rainstorm and monster cyclone to dramatically disrupt our lives all over again. Thankfully, while some members have suffered property damage it seems none have been injured or suffered loss of life. Those of you who have been affected in one way or another please let me, or one of the committee members, know if there is any way we can help. It was wonderful to see the response to Dave Denison's appeal for temporary vehicle storage.

Before the weather decided to play havoc with us, the 2023 events calendar got off to an excellent start in January with the Historic Grand Prix in Taupo. The event is covered in detail elsewhere in this edition, so I'll limit myself to a couple of comments. First, it was great to see around 50 club members making the trip south. With those numbers, the Auckland club vehicles formed the heart of the brand display in and around the Jaguar Heritage Marquee. A great effort. Second, members supporting each other over the weekend was splendid to observe. While the convoy on the way down to Taupo was part of our event organisation, the way some members took it upon themselves to make sure the drivers of some of our older vehicles were supported on the way home was a lovely example of a genuine club spirit. Well done.

The next major event on the club calendar was to be the Ellerslie Car Show. The 2022 show which was set to highlight Jaguar's 100th Anniversary was cancelled due to covid restrictions and rescheduled for 12 February 2023. Jaguar remained the featured brand, but it again had to be cancelled due to the cyclone. It's been rescheduled for Sunday 23 April – hopefully it'll be third time lucky! There'll be a very highquality Jaguar display so get along to the Ellerslie Racecourse on the 23rd of April.

Last year's Brit and Euro Classic Car Show in Howick featuring the Jaguar 100 Year Anniversary was also cancelled. This year's show is on 5 March. It'll still feature the Jaguar marque, so we want as many members as possible to be there to ensure we hit our target of over 100 cars on display.

Further afield, the latest news from Jaguar Land Rover is that while the company is still facing some formidable immediate and long-term challenges, in late January, JLR posted a quarterly profit before tax of £265m, up from £9m deficit in the previous quarter. That's very welcome news. The gains were driven by an easing of the semiconductor shortage, a big push on cost reductions late last year and a ramp up of new model Range Rover production. Results for the Jaguar brand are still weak though. Demand for traditional car models is shrinking across the world and JLR is still prioritizing semiconductors to more profitable Land Rover models.

In a move that should give Jaguar enthusiasts some confidence about the brand's future, interim CEO Adrian Mardell confirmed they are sticking with the 'Reimagined' all electric strategy for Jaguar despite the recent resignation of its architect, CEO Thierry Bollore.

The Jaguar models remain on schedule to be launched in 2025 and will be built at the Solihull plant near Birmingham, alongside BEV (Battery Electric Vehicles) Range Rovers. Last quarter's return to profitability should relieve pressure to revisit the strategy. While the strategy may have its detractors, Jaguar desperately needs new products and technology quickly. Staying with Reimagine is the best way of delivering that in the near term.



Finally, we are urgently looking for someone to take up the Treasurer's role. After three years in the role Dawn Judge needs to hand it over to someone else as she has a number of other projects demanding more of her time. The club accounts are managed on the Xero accounting system which is well known for being user friendly. Don't worry if you're not familiar with Xero, Dawn will help you understand it. She assures me it's not difficult and is a great opportunity for someone to extend their skill base. Please contact me if you'd like to help keep the club finances running smoothly.

Best wishes to those grappling with flood recovery. With a bit of luck, the weather will settle down for the remainder of the summer and we can look forward to enjoying each other's company at planned club events.

Best wishes,

#### Tony Wright

Club President

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# TAUPO **HISTORIC GP** WEE









s usual we met at the Autobahn-BP Service Centre to enjoy a natter, a coffee and to admire each other's cars. I thought Mike Thompsons stretched Beacham E type was absolutely beautiful with its 5.0 L supercharged XJR engine, Burr Walnut dash and perfect leather upholstery. Some may say that it is not really an E type. I don't care, it looked good to me.

We left the motorway at Ohinewai and enjoyed driving a lovely winding road through some beautiful countryside to Tahuna and Morrinsville to our comfort stop at Matamata. Here we left the convoy for lunch at The Rich Coffee Cafe, 106 Broadway. It's just an ordinary shop but it has beautiful home-made cabinet food. The rest of the convoy continued to the Wooden Cafe at Putaruru for lunch. After a pleasant drive into Taupo, we settled into the Lakeland Resort at Taupo. Members then enjoyed drinks on the patio overlooking the lake followed by a delicious buffet dinner.

Most opted for a buffet breakfast before heading out to the Taupo International Motorsport Park. Having not been before, we were impressed by its size and professional appearance. Entrance is through the pit area past some very impressive race car transporters, workshops and trailers and then passed the grandstands to the Jaguar Marquee featuring some very rare classic Jaguars. Our Jaguars were displayed around the Marquee. What a sight. About 100 Jaguars in all, parked on display in their shining beauty. No other marque comes close to the design, grace, and elegance of a group of gleaming Jags.

Taking my brothers advice not to bake in the sun on the open stands. We had booked tickets to the Pit Lounge which is actually much nicer than the name suggests. It is built above the Pits and commands an expansive view of the whole of the track. Lunch, morning and afternoon teas were all provided. We watched some close racing from the professionals followed by a handicap race for classic Jaguars and a cruise around the track during the lunch break for Jaguar Drivers' Club members. A wine followed by dinner with friends at the resort was the perfect end to an enjoyable day.

The next day started with some rain, so we took a leisurely drive to Acacia Bay and Kinloch followed by some recreational shopping for Helen. After lunch at The Replete Food Company in Taupo, we headed for The Mount. Monday was sunny so time for a walk around The Mount followed by a swim. If you have not done this walk on a fairly level path under Pohutukawa trees right next to the water, add it to your bucket list. Surprise, it rained on Tuesday, so a good excuse to inspect a classic Jag that was for-sale on Trade Me. It was a deceased estate superficially in mint condition. We could not resist making



# **KEND** PLUS, THE MOUNT.



an offer and reached a compromise on price. At this stage they wheeled out the widow in carpet slippers. We felt heels and agreed to a higher price. An AA inspection was booked for Friday morning. The inspector was South American and did not speak very good English. He found faults with the suspension and steering, and conveyed with facial expressions and body language, that he did not think it was a good idea to drive it back to Auckland that day. That day being Friday 27th January, the day of Auckland's weather bomb.

We left The Mount with huge surf rolling in and in steady rain which got harder and more persistent going over the Kaimai Ranges. The speed limit was reduced to 80 and 50 in parts. In these conditions we decided to take the Expressway with its central collision barrier. Driving into Cambridge for lunch, my co-driver noticed a lovely gold antique chair in a shop window. The price seemed excessive, and the age of the chair increased during our negotiations, but the price did not come down. I left Helen to it as there was no way the chair would fit into our XK. While exploring the rest of the shop, which incidentally looked like the discards from Steptoe and Sons closing down sale, a friend of Helens strolled in. It did not take her long to sum up the situation and she offered to bring the chair to Auckland in her SUV next weekend. At least Helen's chair was cheaper than my Jag.

The rain had not stopped when we re-joined the expressway. At Huntly we were reminded of the value of the central barrier when we passed the spot where, about 6 weeks ago, my brother's wife had fallen asleep at the wheel and crashed into the Barrier. Lots of damage to the right-hand side of the car, but luckily, Jill was ok. As we headed North the rain got heavier. At Ramarama, we met the tail end of the queue formed from spaghetti junction, and it was stop / start for the rest of our journey. At Pa-

pakura, the rain really started to bucket down and continued for the rest of our trip home. Coming down the Harbour Bridge, the drains could not cope with the amount of water that had dropped from the heavens and it was like a river running down the bridge to form a lake on the motorway covering most lanes. We hit it at 70 kph and aquaplaned across. At Northcote the South bound traffic was halted by car stalled by the depth of water. There was a nose to tail at Greville Road and a bus, trying to avoid the flood, was now stuck in the muddy grass median strip on Oteha Valley Road, completely blocking one lane and partially blocking the other. Our XK blasted straight through where a bus would not venture.

Judging from the news and many pictures of the extent of the flooding, we considered ourselves lucky to get home before dark.

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#### Dear members.

Events are now booked via website members only section, and invoices will be generated and sent out via e-mail. All payments are now electronic payments via internet banking. Problems with event bookings? please contact events.jagclubak@gmail.com or Sue Jenness jagclubak@gmail.com





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# Waitawa Picnic Lunch

A drive to the Waitawa Regional Park – Mataitai Bay. Explore the East. Enjoy a relaxing picnic at Mataitai Bay Beach with other members.





# Hamilton Classics Museum visit

Take a leisurely drive to the 'Tron' to visit the cities 'number one on the list of things to do' the Hamilton Classics Museum. Over 100 classic cars and a collection that encompasses a range of interests including an extensive collection of petrol memorabilia - enamel signs, pumps, tins, and oil bottles.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS | DIARISE

# Ellerslie Car Show

Theme 'World of Wheels'

Coordinator: Jesh Jaskiewicz After the postponement of this event in February, we all go for a new date. A number of club members cars 'Through the Decades' are ready for this display to celebrate the 100 years of Jaguar.

Members who can assist with preparing these vehicles, please contact event coordinator. We need many Club Members to volunteer to help out on the day. If you are able to help, please contact Tony Wright.

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Westbrook Winery Tour/lunch

Coordinator: Tony Wright This popular destination never disappoints. Come enjoy a taste, a laugh, a chat with fellow members and a lunch of wood fired pizzas. Date and venue are yet to be confirmed. Check the Events page of the Website for more details and bookings.

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## Go-Karts @ Hampton Downs Coordinator: Simon Crispe An annual inter-club challenge Enjoy

An annual inter-club challenge. Enjoy a drive, a race and then nice Café Lunch. Sounds thrilling so bookings are essential. Check the Events page of the Website for more details.



# ELLERSLIE CAR SHOW Tours d'Elegance

y the beginning of February 2023, planning for the 51st Ellerslie Intermarque Concours d'Elegance was complete, with no sign of a problem Covid and all sights set for a record setting show over the weekend of 11th and 12th February.

The traditional Tours d'Elegance to be run on Saturday 11 February was also filling up fast with 3 excellent routes being planned by John Campbell (Cammie) of MGCC's Auckland Branch.



New Committee member Jesh Jaskiewicz ably assisted by Robin O'Connor were also well on track with arranging our special feature Club display with around 30 Jaguars prepped and ready for display to commemorate Ten Decades of Jaguar from "Sidecar to F Type" in the prime "Birdcage" winner's circle. The extraordinary 1938 Diamond T Texaco Streamliner Petrol Tanker was ready for its unveiling for the first time since its meticulous restoration by Steve and Sue Keys in the Newmarket Room, along with a collection of original Murawai Beach Racers and a new exhibit for 2023 of superbly modified vehicles.

Then came news of Tropical Cyclone Gabrielle! Suddenly the Ellerslie Organising Committee found themselves having to weigh the scales of reason for a second year in a row! Do we or don't we hold the show when a state of emergency has been extended over Auckland City?





Sadly, on Friday 10th February the decision was taken to postpone the Show until Sunday 23rd April 2023. In reality many people were grateful for the reprieve from a potentially rather damp and stormy prospect on the 12th February, especially if you were one of the 34 owners of concours competition cars that you had spent the last 18 months cleaning!

Grateful too were the 20 or so JDCA Club members who along with President Tony Wright had volunteered to work with the 2023 Show's organising clubs (Porsche and Mustang) to manage the public visitors to the event. As the Deputy Chair of the Ellerslie Committee and on behalf of us all, I would like to thank all JDCA members who have entered their cars or helped us create what would have been a great day had the weather been kinder to us. I really hope we can



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# ELLERSLIE CAR SHOW Tours d'Elegance

rely on you and your wonderful Jaguars being available in April for what we all hope will be a wonderful, long awaited and very memorable Ellerslie show. Please note that all windscreen stickers and tickets remain valid for the April date, so please don't lose, or throw them away!

Now I did mention the Tours d'Elegance earlier and with Gabrielle's forecasted disruptive weather not to make an appearance until the 12th, the Show Committee decided to run the Tours d'Elegance unaltered on Saturday 11th. All entrants arrived at the Ellerslie car park by 10am to be greeted by Show Committee Member John (Cammie) Campbell who explained the 3 different routes via south Auckland out to Clevedon.

A great range of different marques totalling 38 cars assembled under leaden but dry skies including 2 modern Jaguar XKs and an XK150 DHC, several MGBs, numerous early minis, an Austin Healey 3000, several Mustangs and Mazda MX5's, two early Porsche 911's, three Ferraris, a 50's Silver Wraith Rolls Royce and a wonderful convertible Auburn.

By 10.30am we were on the road and headed down the Southern motorway in dry weather under grey skies to Drury where we headed on to Ponga Road, a wonderful winding rural route over great, very green countryside to Clevedon and a delightful reception and excellent slider lunch at the Hallatau Pub.

A number of people who attended the Tours had only decided to come at the last minute now that their "other" classic car entry on the Ellerslie concours was safely under its covers waiting for the 23rd April!

Thanks to John Campbell and his helpers from the MG Car Club Auckland for organising a great day out in Auckland's calm before the storm.

**Best wishes** 

Simon Crispe

Deputy Chair - Ellerslie Concourse Committee





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## **FUTURE THINKING**

# F-PACE ELECTRIC HYBRID

More electric-only range: Upgraded battery pack enables the P400e plug-in electric hybrid to travel up to 64km on zero emissions power – an increase of more than 20 per cent!

he Jaguar F-PACE is now more compelling than ever with richer specifications, a simplified line-up, more range for the P400e plug-in electric hybrid and enhanced infotainment.

For the 2024 Model Year, the P400e continues to spearhead the F-PACE's choice of electrified powertrains, and now has a bigger lithium-ion battery pack, comprising nine modules in place of eight, raising the energy storage capacity to 19.2kWh. This increases the electric-only range from up to 33miles (53km) to a maximum of 40miles (65km) – an increase of more than 20 per cent. The enhancement also reduces CO2 emissions and fuel consumption, which are now from only 37g/km and up to 176.6mpg (1.6-litres/100km) (WLTP TEL).

The P400e powertrain's combined output of 404PS and 640Nm torque enables acceleration from 0-60mph in just 5.0 seconds (0-100km/h: 5.3 seconds). This combination of enhanced efficiency and exceptional performance is now available in more markets than before, including Japan and Singapore. The P400e already accounts for more than one in ten

F-PACE sales globally, and in countries such as the Netherlands - where electrified vehicles are most popular - this share is expected to reach as high as 98 per cent.

All F-PACE customers worldwide benefit from a simplified, more focused model range. Non-R-Dynamic vehicles are no longer offered, streamlining the customer offer while at the same time providing enhanced specifications.

Philip Koehn, Managing Director, Jaguar, said: "As we make progress to reimagine Jaguar to an all-electric luxury brand by 2025, we have been curating our existing products by offering richer and more desirable specifications. The first nameplate to receive this change was F-TYPE as we move towards 2023 and celebrate 75 years of Jaguar sports cars. We now move to F-PACE, an SUV that offers an unrivalled balance of ride, handling, refinement and luxury.

"By Increasing the range of the P400e plug-in electric hybrid by more than 20 per cent, it becomes an even more attractive combination of performance, efficiency and zero-tailpipe emissions driving capability, and that's something we're very proud of." The R-Dynamic S, SE and HSE models are equipped with 19-, 20- and 21-inch wheels respectively, offered with a choice of diamond-turned or black finish (all available with optional self-sealing tyres), while the 400 SPORT now has 22-inch forged wheels - Style 1020 in Gloss Silver with diamond-turned finish and contrast inserts (market dependant). The centre caps on all are now black and silver in place of the previous red and silver.

F-PACE's assured, dynamic presence is heightened still further with the Black Pack - now standard on all models from the R-Dynamic SE through to the SVR - and which now has the Gloss Black finish applied to the door mirror caps as well as the grille, grille surround, window surrounds, fender vents, rear valance, and rear badges. Another subtle change is the R-Dynamic grille badge updated to a contemporary black and grey instead of red and green.

Inside the luxurious, spacious interior there's more technology than before. The R-Dynamic S gains the new TFT Digital Driver Display, offering a two-dial configuration with a choice of media or navigation in the centre panel, while Wireless Device



Charging is standard from the R-Dynamic SE. Every model in the F-PACE range has the fast, intuitive Pivi Pro infotainment system, offering seamless connectively through wireless Apple CarPlay<sup>®</sup>, Wireless Android Auto<sup>™</sup>, integrated Alexa voice control, and what3words navigation. Pivi Pro - together with other systems throughout the vehicle - is always up-todate thanks to software-over-the-air updates.

The 2024 Model Year F-PACE range comprises: R-Dynamic S, R-Dynamic SE, R-Dynamic HSE, 400 SPORT and SVR (Market dependant). F-PACE SVR is Jaguar's pinnacle performance SUV. Powered exclusively by Jaguar's 550PS 5.0-litre V8 supercharged petrol engine, it is capable of accelerating from 0-60mph in 3.8 seconds (0-100km/h in 4.0 seconds) and can reach a top speed of 178mph (286km/h).





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requests, there are many riveting stories that are just waiting to be published. Remember the cutoff date for all any submissions is the 20th of the month.

# JLR BOLSTERS UK APPRENTICESHIPS TO BOOST FUTURE SKILLS FOR ELECTRIFICATION

Around 300 apprentices to be hired in 2023, with new recruits trained in vital future skills to build luxury electric cars for Jaguar Land Rover's Range Rover, Defender, Discovery and Jaguar brands

aguar Land Rover has announced it will hire around 300 apprentices in the UK in 2023 as the company continues to expand its talent pool as part of its transition to an electrified future.

The hiring drive means over 800 people will join Jaguar Land Rover's early careers programmes in 2023, a 55% increase on last year's figure and a new record intake for the company. Jaguar Land Rover's early careers roles open for application in January, with around 300 apprenticeship places adding to undergraduate and graduate positions.

Places are available across engineering, manufacturing, software engineering, data, logistics, and product development, with all successful applicants enrolled onto courses in autonomous driving, electrification and more. The programme includes flagship apprentice degree apprenticeship programmes in Digital Technology and Engineering for students pursuing careers in Software Engineering, Data Engineering and Analytics or Cyber Security. Apprenticeships at Jaguar Land Rover range from Level 3 to Level 7 and typically require five GCSEs at Level 5 or above, plus at least two A-Levels including Maths at Grade B or above.

Jaguar Land Rover already has one of the largest apprenticeship populations in the UK automotive sector, with around 1,200 apprentices currently in training across the Jaguar Land Rover Academy. Through its academy, the company invests approximately £20m each year in lifelong learning and development. And was named in the Top 100 Apprenticeships Employers 2022, a national league table that recognises England's leading apprenticeship employers. The announcement follows the launch of the company's Future Skills Programme in September this year, a global upskilling drive to train 29,000 people in the next three years for its connected and data capabilities, and to support the rapid transition to electrification.

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The hiring drive further establishes a pipeline of skills which will see all Jaguar Land Rover modern luxury cars available in pure electric form by the end of the decade, the vision of the Company's Reimagine strategy.

We're extremely proud of our record in supporting early careers, and our place as a top employer for apprentices. Anyone joining Jaguar Land Rover will be part of company fully invested in lifelong learning and development. Our vision is to become the proud creators of modern luxury. We welcome people who are passionate about contributing to that successful transformation.

#### DAVE WILLIAMS

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

I love the opportunities that come with carrying out an apprenticeship and since starting I have been given a lot of responsibility. It's also incredibly rewarding. Spending around 80% of my time in Jaguar Land Rover's Electric Vehicle Charging team, I can see how what I do directly relates to the company's target of becoming carbon net zero by 2039 - all whilst I am still studying for a degree for the remaining 20%."

#### PARRIS SMALL

#### SOFTWARE ENGINEERING DEGREE APPRENTICE

## **ON THE TRACK**

# Formula E World Champonship points Scored in Maxico



itch Evans lined up tenth on the grid after narrowly missing out on the qualifying Duels by five hundredths of a second. The safety car-filled race made it challenging for the Kiwi to find overtaking opportunities. When racing resumed in the new lap-based format, Evans made progress, climbing his way through the field in his Jaguar I-TYPE 6. A number of safety cars resulted in five laps being added to the 36-lap race. A late ATTACK MODE activation in the final lap allowed Mitch to secure an eighth-place finish at the famous Autódromo Hermanos Rodríguez circuit.

Teammate, Sam Bird lined up twenty-first on the grid after he had a compromising qualifying session following an issue in Free Practice 2. The Brit's bad luck continued when an outbound drive shaft failure on the fifth lap of the race forced him to retire from the first race of the new season.

Both customer Envision Racing Jaguars finished inside the top ten to make it three in total for the I-TYPE 6's race debut.

Jaguar TCS Racing sit sixth in the teams' standings after the first round of the 2023 ABB FIA Formula E World Championship.

It's been a mixed race for us here in Mexico City with some positives but also some areas we need to address. The Jaguar I-TYPE 6 has demonstrated it has strong performance both in one lap, race pace and efficiency. This was evident with three



#### Jaguar TCS Racing Media

The opening round of the 2023 ABB FIA Formula E World Championship saw Jaguar TCS Racing score points in Mexico City after two interrupted Free Practice sessions which hindered preparations. In front of a soldout crowd, Jaguar's lightest, fastest, most efficient electric race car ever debuted the new Gen3 era of Formula E in the Mexican capital.





Jaguar powered cars in the top ten points scoring positions. We experienced some issues which we will work hard to address ahead of the next race in Saudi Arabia to keep making progress.

#### JAMES BARCLAY, JAGUAR TCS RACING TEAM PRINCIPAL

I was hoping for a little more today as my Jaguar I-TYPE 6 had great efficiency which is really promising. I lacked a little balance which meant I couldn't do as much with the energy advantage as I would have liked. I made some positions and scored some points today and we needed that as a team. We'll come back stronger over the next few races.

MITCH EVANS, JAGUAR TCS RACING DRIVER, #9

It's a big shame for everybody here at Jaguar TCS Racing because they have put in so much hard work and this weekend hasn't gone to plan. I know that we've got a good package with our Jaguar I-TYPE 6 and we just need to make sure as a team that we minimise mistakes and iron out the issues that held us back here in Mexico. We will be able to bounce back and be ready to race again in Diriyah.

#### SAM BIRD, JAGUAR TCS RACING DRIVER, #10

Jaguar TCS Racing will compete in the second and third round of the 2023 ABB FIA Formula E World Championship in Diriyah, Saudi Arabia on 27 and 28 January.



## **ON THE TRACK**



Jaguar TCS Racing scored points in Mexico City in the opening round of the 2023 ABB FIA Formula E World Championship.

















# ACCOLADES

# AWARD-WINNING I-PACE IS NOW

ince its debut the Jaguar I-PACE has won more than 90 global awards, including the unprecedented treble at the 2019 World Car of the Year Awards, winning World Car Design of the Year, World Green Car and World Car of the Year, reinforcing its status as the benchmark all-electric performance SUV.

With a low centre of gravity, advanced suspension systems and compact, efficient electric motors on each axle, I-PACE offers an unrivalled balance of all-wheel drive performance, refinement and agility - together with impressive real-world range and exceptional comfort and day-to-day usability. The vehicle's technology and features have continually improved using seamless software-over-the-air updates - with more still to come.

Now, I-PACE has been subtly enhanced, with a more distinctive design, richer specifications, the addition of R-Dynamic models and – for the first time – striking satin paints in a choice of two metallic colours. In the UK, a new flagship 400 SPORT variant is introduced, enhancing I-PACE's sleek visual appeal and fitted as standard with a range of advanced features, including slimline 14-way heated and cooled Ebony Windsor leather seats. I-PACE has always offered a comprehensive package of performance, agility, technology and everyday usability that customers expect from a Jaguar, together with the smooth, quiet and effortless driving experience that electrification offers. We've delivered exactly that, and now it's our latest model to benefit from our approach of offering more curated, richer specifications.

"Looking to the future we're applying the know-how from our electrified vehicle programmes and accelerated technological development enabled by our collaborative partnership with the Jaguar TCS Racing Team to reimagine Jaguar as an all-electric modern luxury brand from 2025.

#### NICK COLLINS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, VEHICLE PROGRAMMES

#### **Refreshed Design**

The I-PACE's cab-forward profile, short overhangs and taut, muscular haunches are instantly recognisable and set it apart from other all-electric SUVs. This award-winning design has now evolved, with subtle, carefully considered enhancements which deliver even greater presence.



# MORE DESIRABLE

The front "shield" grille now has a smooth form, in striking Atlas Grey. Replacing the previous gloss black lozenge pattern, this gives a simpler, cleaner finish to the front of the vehicle while strengthening its inherently electric DNA. Atlas Grey is also applied to the vertical blades at the outside of the front apertures. A further detail change is the new black and silver Jaguar badge in the grille.

The front bumper finishers, lower door finishers and rear diffuser are now body-colour instead of Gloss Black. This treatment serves to simplify and refine the design while taking away visual mass.

Models including the 400 SPORT feature a discreet tailgate spoiler, subtly reflecting

I-PACE's performance potential and dynamic character (also standard on all other models equipped with 22-inch wheels).

All wheels offered on I-PACE R-Dynamic models as standard equipment are now diamond-turned, while a newly introduced striking 22-inch Style 5069 wheel now has a Satin Grey finish to complement its carbon fibre inserts. All 22-inch wheels may be specified with self-sealing All-Season tyres.

Perfectly complementing theses updates is the exterior Black Pack. Now standard on all models from the R-Dynamic SE Black and above, the Gloss Black finish is applied to the grille surround, window surrounds, door mirror caps and rear badges.

There's also the option of a contrast panoramic roof, which for the first time enables customers to specify a black finish for the rear section of the roof – until now body-coloured – to complement the sweeping glass panel.

Customers can also specify satin paints for the first time. Offered in a choice of Eiger Grey or new Carpathian Grey, these finishes give I-PACE a sophisticated, contemporary look.

The UK-only 400 SPORT now sits at the top of the I-PACE range, adding additional styling and convenience features above and beyond the R-Dynamic HSE Black, including a bootlid spoiler and adaptive air suspension as well as 22-inch Style 5056 Gloss Black alloy wheels. The 400 SPORT also features I-PACE's most advanced slimline performance seats, with fine Windsor leather and 14-way adjustable heated and cooled driver memory seats.

Performance and Dynamics

I-PACE delivers a true Jaguar driving experience. With light, compact and efficient electric motors integrated into the front and rear axles, I-PACE can accelerate from 0-60mph in just 4.5 seconds and up to maximum speed of 124mph.

Delivering comfort and agility without compromise is what has always made Jaguar unique. I-PACE's advanced double wishbone front- and Integral Link rear suspension are fundamental to this dynamic capability, together with the low centre of gravity and light, stiff aluminium body structure. Air suspension with Adaptive Dynamics electronically-controlled damping enhances ride and handling still further. This Electronic Air Suspension with Adaptive Dynamics is fitted as standard to the 400 SPORT, along with Adaptive Surface Response for the ultimate dynamic driving experience.

#### Range and Charging

I-PACE's 90kWh Lithium-ion battery delivers a range of up to 292mile range (WLTP)3. When charging using the fast-growing network of public chargers, a 100kW DC charger can add up to

# TRAVEL

# SMALL ROADE

I decided it was time for a short road trip prior to Christmas as a dry run before taking on a longer planned "roadie" this summer. Kitty [our 2008 XKR] had spent the winter getting refurbished by way of a complete body paint, repainted wheels, new leather, replaced headlights, and a spit and polish by a professional detailer, who also applied a ceramic coating.

With the roof down and sights set on the Hawkes Bay, the first leg was to rendezvous with a group of friends gathering to farewell a friend and family man whose days are sadly numbered. This was also an opportune time to visit the Beacham's workshop, inspired by my friend's company being a supplier of splined hubs to them. I was warmly received and rewarded by a tour of the operation and got to view an array of restoration projects on the go there.

The next leg was to motor to Christchurch to visit my daughter shortly before she heads off overseas. It's always a joy to connect with our own daughters! This was my first time down the Kaikoura coast after the earthquake and to marvel at the extraordinary rebuilding of the rail and roading systems. The upgrade is first class and if anything, has added to the charm of the drive down this spectacular piece of coastline. A shout out to the roading engineers for this extraordinary piece of infrastructure restoration.

The 3rd leg was a short one from Christchurch to the Craigieburn Environmental Education Centre, nestled in beech forests in the foothills of the Alps. Some wintry weather prevailed but breaks between the rain showers were rewarded with walks and being mesmerized by the surrounding shingly peaks draped in mist and glistening tussock filled hills.

Leg 4 was another adventure altogether. Maybe Kitty was also asking for a break, as when reaching each destination, Google Maps would message me with "you have arrived earlier than predicted". Westport looked like a great place to stop being halfway back to Plcton. I inadvertently booked to stay at a "town" called Granity, a wee blip on the map some 26 kms past Westport on the West Coast. Airbnb had automatically accepted my booking and so I was quite surprised when I turned up knocking on my host's door unanswered. I wandered around to the back of the house only to find Sande, an older woman all tucked up in bed watching Netflix. She profusely apologised for her nonattendance which I quickly waved off, being more interested



in getting the car parked off the road and slipping into deep slumber. It had been a stunning drive through Arthur's Pass and up the moody West Coast, but I had arrived late evening and was feeling tired. I was somewhat surprised by Sande's unexpected fascination and delight in my car and repeated remarks of admiration. I thanked her and retreated once accommodation was sorted. The following morning, I was greeted by a cherry smile and a pottle of home-made pesto to take away with me. Sande was beside herself excited when in exchange, I offered to take her for a ride asking if there was a straight stretch of road close by. Given her screams of delight and whooping, I took it she was thrilled by Kitty's turn of speed. However, I was about to have a surprise myself! After safely delivering Sande back to her home, I set off for Picton. The rain was now heavy, the cloud low and the temperatures cool. And five minutes out of Granity, disaster struck! A cloud of steam suddenly enveloped the car, as a warning light came on indicating engine overheating. I immediately pulled over and began laughing quietly to myself as the realisation came over me that I had broken down in probably the remotest part of NZ! Fortunately, it was early in the day, so I had time to organize myself. After numerous calls to every workshop slightly related to a failed cooling system it soon became obvious that my options were limited in Westport, so it had to be either Christchurch or Nelson. I based my decision on my call made to the Nelson Jag Club President, John Eales who put me in touch with Prestige Euroworks based in Richmond. With a quick call to them I was reassured they could help me out, and with help of John Gugich of Richmond Motors in Westport, being an AA approved service provider, the car was delivered safely to their











workshop. My AA Plus membership came into its own with a generous contribution of \$800 made to the transportation fee. It's well worth the membership upgrade.

Rob Waters of Rodney Spares was able to source and ship parts overnight and I was mobile again on the day the parts arrived. The team at Prestige Euroworks comprising James (Owner), Josh (technician) and Bella (wife to James and administrator) offered me a loan car for the duration of the repair and kept me updated with progress. Bella rearranged their customer bookings around to accommodate my breakdown for which I was eternally grateful. The fault happened to be a failure of a plastic joiner connecting 2 rubber tubes in the cooling system located below the blower and above the exhaust pipes, apparently a common problem with this model. Hence the whoosh of steam on the point of failure! Josh also noticed the thermostat was faulty and the related seals were perished. All these parts were replaced. A comprehensive list of items to be aware of and attend to was written up as part of the invoice. I wasn't expecting that, and my level of service received was beyond what I thought is normal. I so appreciated this extra caring.

The remainder of the trip was trouble free, and I thoroughly enjoyed the day's run from Wellington to Auckland on the minor arterials. I feel confident Kitty passed the road test and now is ready for an extended roadie this summer!









Two exclusive Jaguar C-type Continuations have been revealed seventy years since the C-type was at the pinnacle of sportscar racing. These Jaguars dominated the 1953 24 Hours of Le Mans equipped with the pioneering discbrakes, finishing first, second, fourth and ninth and breaking the average lap speed record

HERITAGE

aguar Classic has revealed two exclusive C-type Continuations to celebrate the vehicle's pioneering achievements in 1953. Each '70-Edition' features distinctive specifications and will be built at Jaguar's state of the art Classic Works facility in Coventry.

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The two Jaguar C-type Continuations have been revealed seventy years after C-types, equipped with pioneering discbrakes were at the pinnacle of sportscar racing including dominating the 1953 24 Hours of Le Mans. Four Jaguar cars were entered that year, finishing first, second, fourth and ninth. The winning driver pair of Tony Rolt and Duncan Hamilton covered over 2,500 miles at an average speed of 105.85mph breaking the previous record and in the process became the first winners to take the title with an average speed of over 100mph. A testament to these remarkable Jaguars.





Each C-type Continuation '70-Edition' has been exclusively tailored in an evocative colour and trim, with hand crafted silver enamelled badging, '70-Edition' stitching and embroidery, and painted roundels with racing number 70. The first of these editions is finished in a one-off colour of Verbier Silver with Cranberry Red leather interior. This never to be repeated colour and trim combination is inspired by the C-type's Platinum Anniversary. The second '70-Edition' is a tribute to the victorious 1953 car of Rolt and Hamilton, C-type XKC051, and is finished in the Works Team colours of British Racing Green with a Suede Green leather. The '70-Edition' logo is inspired by the visual features of the C-type, originally created by Jaguar designer Malcolm Sayer famously responsible for the shape of the D-type and E-type.

Each '70-Edition' comes with a bespoke key housing and dashboard plaque from partner jeweller Deakin & Francis. Founded in 1786, Deakin & Francis have over 230 years of heritage as England's oldest manufacturing jewellers and have crafted the dashboard plaque from a 1953 C-type fuel tank.

Matthew Bailey, Senior Manager for Strategy and Business Development, Jaguar Land Rover Classic, said: "Each C-type Continuation is a rare and special vehicle to grace any collection, but we are delighted to reveal these two exquisite editions to commemorate a landmark year for Jaguar and motorsport. In 1953, the introduction of the disc-brake combined with C-type's clever design and engineering, meant that the vehicle was dominant at the 24 Hours of Le Mans. The C-type is a historically significant car with Jaguar pioneering disc-brake technology seventy years ago, and we often take for granted the fact that the disc-brake remains the industry standard."

Handcrafted over 3,000 hours at Jaguar Classic Works in Coventry, all C-type Continuation models including the '70-Edition' cars will be built to the specification of the 1953 Works C-types. Underneath the aluminium body is a 3.4-litre straight-six engine, which took nine months to construct with meticulously refurbished triple Weber 40DCO3 carburettors, producing 220bhp.

Jaguar Classic's team have shown fastidious attention to detail. Photos of the brake-fluid reservoir showed that the original cars featured brackets, no doubt designed for application in another vehicle, yet in C-type served no purpose. For authenticity all Continuation C-types retain this anomaly.

The Jaguar Classic team has helped bring Jaguar's heritage to life using extensive research, engineering knowledge and modern tools available from Jaguar Land Rover including advanced CAD modelling. C-type Continuations are then crafted using the same in-period build methods and techniques to ensure the limited-run are authentic to the originals.

The first few C-type Continuations are now complete and being delivered to excited customers all over the world.

All Continuation models are FIA-approved and eligible to participate in assorted FIA Historic events, including the Jaguar Classic Challenge, which takes place at a variety of racetracks including Le Mans and Silverstone.

The limited run of C-type Continuations are available now. To configure your C-type using Jaguar Classic's 3D visualiser visit: https://classicvisual-iser.jaguar.com.









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# NATIONAL RALLY JAGUAR DRIVERS CLUB

#### To New Zealand Jaguar Drivers' Clubs

This notice is for the first stage registration for the National Rally to be held in Christchurch over Easter 2024. Starting program on Friday 29th March through Saturday 30th March and Sunday 31st March 2024.

A rally program will be sent out closer to the rally date within 2024.

The venue for all events is to be held at the Wigram Air-force Museum complex located at 45 Harvard Avenue, Wigram, Christchurch.

We have not as yet managed to secure final pricing for the Rally but be assured we are trying to keep this as affordable as possible for the venue and events and meals we intend to provide. Our mission is to get this below \$450.00 per person.

We have talked to a number of Hotels within Christchurch, and they are all keen to offer a discounted rate for delegates attending the National Rally and these are as follows:

#### **Commodore Hotel**

Address: 449 Memorial Avenue, Burnside, Christchurch 8053

Phone: 03 358 8129

#### Novotel / Ibis

Address: 52 Cathedral Square, Christchurch Central City, Christchurch 8011

Phone: 03 372 2111

#### **Rydges Latimer**

Address: 30 Latimer Square, Christchurch Central City, Christchurch 8011

Phone: 03 379 6760

We have also registered with KiwiRail New Zealand and are negotiating a discounted Ferry crossing within the Inter-Islander Ferries. We will advise this as it is sorted and put in place.

We look forward to receiving your Rally registration for our National Rally and encourage you to do this to secure your place and be certain of attendance.

Any questions or queries then please contact by email for the best response.

Regards **Craig Murphy & Ken Winsloe** Chair & Organisers for the National Rally 2024 Jaguar Drivers' Club Inc PO Box 1293 Christchurch 8140 (03) 348 5775 or 027 225 2003 Email: info@jaguardrivers.co.nz Website: www.jaguardrivers.co.nz



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# **OPEN LETTER**

#### Hi Jaguar Family,

I thought I would do an exercise this month on car insurance. I submitted a request for a quote to insure both of our Jaguars (1999 XJR, 2006 X Type) and the 2015 MG6 we are now running.

Due to a glitch on the website I was using, I was unable to submit the request with an admission that there had been a previous claim on our current policy. I did attempt to change and correct the information, but the site came back with an error, saying that there was a 'field not completed'. I looked back and could not find it, so, deleted the information and submitted the request again as a 'fresh' application.

To say I was somewhat astounded with the quote I received would be an understatement.

Currently I am paying less than \$1500 p.a. for full cover on all three cars. The quote from a 'Classic Car' insurer was \$2900+, almost twice the cost of insuring with Swann Insurance. What would have the cost been had I submitted an honest request for a quote, I shudder to think.

I thought the membership might be interested in this information.

Robin O'Connor

## MEMBERSHIP **BENEFITS**

Do not put your Membership Card in a safe place and forget about it. Put your membership card to good use.



#### **1. Fuel Discounts:**

Offer to the Auckland Jaguars Drivers Club members from NZ Fuel Cards

- BP: 9 cents per litre off BP's National Price
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- Fly Buys or Airpoints at Caltex and Z service stations and truckstops. Each customer can load either their Fly Buys or Airpoints number against their account with us. This is added in the appropriate field in the online application. You get 1 Fly Buys point for every 20 litres of fuel purchased, or 1 Airpoints dollar for every 100 litres of fuel purchased. Please note, Fly Buys and Airpoints are not available at Challenge Service Stations.

- Card fees are only \$1/card/month (normally \$1.53 incl GST)
- No transaction fees
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If you are interested, please contact Robin O'Connor, robinoconnor29@ gmail.com to receive Online Application Details.

- 2. Archibald & Shorter: 10% discount on ALL Parts and Service.
- **3. Mainland Motoring:** NZ's largest domestic shipping forwarder See Advert in this Edition.
- **4. Rodney Jaguar Rover Spares:** 10% on ALL parts - See Advert in this Edition.
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- 7. Swann Insurance: Classic or Modern Classic Car insurance at very competitive rates. Phone: 0800 807 926
- 8. Arvensis Consulting: GPS Tracking for your Jaguar. Contact; info@ arvensis-consulting.com. Quote 'trackmyjag' promo code to enquire about a 24 month subscription.

#### Watch this space for further deals...

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- VALVE BUCKET SEAT INSERT TOOL
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# What's on your mind?

#### email: Editor.jagclubak@gmail.com

#### Hello Club Members,

I was recently given an old album that had belonged to my aunty. There are a few photos of a 1950's Jaguar XK120 (So I have been told). Apparently back in the 50's it was quite something if you owned one of these. I have been looking for my aunty for more than 35 years, and sadly she has passed away. A family member gave me this album that was hers where she is posing beside the Jaguar. In another photo a man is posing next to the same car. Someone from Whanganui said he may be Ron Robertson - if that helps.

I am trying to piece together her life, and where she was and with whom when these photos were taken. The building is also one that I would like to find out about.

I am wondering if someone is able to tell me who may have owned the Jaguar (can't see the number plate unfortunately).

If this is something your club can help me with, I would be most grateful.

Kind regards, Lynda Lowry 0272869770



#### Event bookings: a step-by-step guide.

With our bank no longer accepting cheques, electronic payments are becoming the only method of payment accepted.

#### Let's run through our Booking System.

You see an event advertised in the Magazine and it sparks your interest. Visit our website and click on '**EVENTS**' along the top bar of the web page, and the list of current events are displayed. When an event is 'Confirmed', it means the date and venue are locked in. The Event will now say 'Open for registrations', '**Please click for bookings**' or '**Registrations are now open'**.



Click on this Event, a new window will open and all the information about the selected event will be displayed. Scroll to the bottom of these event details and you will see the '**registration**' button.

Click on the button - 'Click here to register'.



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#### Event registration

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Please use this form to register for the event.

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# RESTORATION THE WORLD'S ONLY REMAINING 1938 DIAMOND T TEXACOTRUCK WITH HEIL STREAMLINED TANKER BODY.

"Unique" is an oft misused term, but in the case of Steve and Sue Keys' extraordinary Diamond T streamlined tanker, the word is totally accurate. As far as can be determined from over 5 years of research, it is the only original and complete example left in the world.

To underscore just how special this vehicle is, it is also the only known original and complete tanker with a streamlined Heil tank and as far as can be determined, none of the other complete, surviving Dodge Airflows or other tanker truck makes have a Heil tank. Sue has discovered another streamlined Heil tank on its own, but it has no cab, chassis or any running gear.

After an unbelievably challenging and meticulous 5 year restoration Steve and Sue's unique piece of automotive history was set to be revealed to the public for the first time. The event was planned for the Newmarket Room at the 51st Ellerslie Intermarque Concours d'Elegance and Classic Car Show on 12th February 2023.

Tropical Cyclone Gabrielle stopped that plan in its tracks. With over 130 invited guests and catering all organised, Sue and Steve suddenly had yet another challenge to overcome.

Unperturbed, they quickly got the word out that the reveal would now happen at the originally planned time, but at their home in Auckland.

Not quite knowing what to expect with rain and wind blowing hard as we arrived, Sue and Steve welcomed everyone individually as everyone gathered in the spacious automotive themed reception area in the middle of their home. A delicious buffet breakfast awaited, while everyone enjoyed the delights of the Keys' extraordinary collection of pre and post war American cars, dozens of restored vintage fuel pumps and superbly curated and presented automotive memorabilia.



#### Words Simon Crispe





Steve then took to a stage area against a back drop of more memorabilia and invited a number of special guests who had made particular contributions to the Project to tell their stories.

In particular

 Peter Phillips who had purchased the tanker in California, USA back in 2011, and imported it into NZ. After exchanging the truck for some of Steve's memorabilia and some funds changing hands, Steve and Sue picked up and ran with the project from 2018. Peter continued to provide ongoing assistance and advice.

#### Photos Simon Crispe, Steve & Sue Keys

- Tom Andrews from the Classics Museum in Hamilton, NZ who provided expertise, mentoring, encouragement, positivity, and enthusiasm about the restoration. The Texaco Tanker will be on display on loan to The Classics Museum.
- Simon Tippins of Creative Metalworks who undertook the bodywork repair and restoration including remaking of very complex compound curves of the streamliner body especially at the rear of the truck.
- Rowan Glass the specialist body finisher and painter used traditional lead loading techniques to build up and planish the body ready for painting which he also completed to a spectacular standard. He commented several times that the scope and challenges of this project stretched him and his team to an extreme degree, but the regular deliveries of coffee and cake by Steve and Sue, helped to keep him on track and committed!
- Michael Smith of Car Colours who created the bespoke hue of red paint on the finished truck.

Following the speeches, with no further ado and the rain having stopped, the gathered crowd were invited outside to witness the moment everyone was waiting for...the reveal!

Words really don't convey that spectacle; hopefully the photos do and of course you can see it in the metal at the Ellerslie Classic car Show on 23 April this year.

To give a sense of what Steve, Sue and their team has achieved, the original photos from the 2010 eBay listing are reproduced here. Also, Sue's fascinating blog website with every detail of her research and story of the Tanker's recovery and restoration can be enjoyed at https://texacotankerproject.com



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# **CLASSIFIEDS** More photographs & details on JDC website

#### Jaguar XF 2016 Auto

Aluminium, Burgundy red with Bone leather upholstery. Low kilometers (57,800) and a very economical 2 litre turbo charged diesel engine with DEF system (diesel exhaust fluid AD Blue). Rear seats fold down; tow bar, cruise control, heated front seats, electric front seats, parking sensors front and rear, excellent reversing camera and owner's handbook. Service history available.

One owner. UK import in 2020. Asking price \$29,850 ono Peter & Paula Daye. Mobile 0272087973



#### 1978 XJS V12 Coupé

This silver was imported in 1984. 2 owners with 87,000 miles, this is nice example for its age. Always garaged and well maintained.

#### \$7,000 ono

Please contact Penelope Weber

Phone 09 232 1515 or, Txt on the mobile 021 390086



#### **For Sale**

'XK GB' personalised plate for sale. Asking \$1200 Contact Adrian 027 656 3732

#### Genuine Jag & Daimler brochures

A rare opportunity to purchase genuine Jaguar and Daimler original factory brochures. Brochures range from 1949–2015 and are in as new condition unless stated. Also available are some Jaguar and Daimler books, calendars, handbooks, some signed by Lofty England and Paul Skilleter. Calendars ideal for framing the 12 photographs of rare Jaguar models.

Mark Shorter 021 613616 David Shorter 021 610910 Email david@shortercars.co.nz

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#### 2003 Jaguar XKR

NZ New with low kilometres of 52,000. This handsome red 4.2L V8 supercharged version has a 6-speed automatic gearbox. The 20 inch alloy wheels comes with performance 4 pot Brembo brake calipers all round. The interior is Beige leather upholstery, electric seats with driver's side memory including exterior mirrors. Automatic headlights and wipers.

Price: \$46,000 ono. Any questions please contact me. Mike Dalton. E-mail: tifoso1@gmail.com



#### A few Jaguars for sale.

## Anyone who is after a restoration project then these may suit.

I have several MK7's and several 420G's. These are all in various states of repair. To help with the project, I also have available individual parts and donor cars.

Phone 021 263 5215 or, enquire to info@jaguarworkshop.co.nz



#### Jaguar Parts Wanted

- 1957 XK150 Fixed HC front and rear windscreens, telescopic boot stay, 'J' branded headlamps, fitted suitcases, window wiper mechanism mounted near top centre of dash.
- 1966 MK 2 front windscreen, radio of the era, tools for tool box
- 1971 E Type S3, Fixed HC front windscreen, battery post cover (Pos)
- Book Jaguar XK150 explored

If you can help, please call Murray Walker on 0274956788 or email muzpwalker@ gmail.com

#### 1986 Jaguar XJ6 Series 3

Covid CASUALTY (Need the Garage Space) Any interest in this lovely 1986 XJ6 Series 3? Spent good money restoring it (receipts available). Offers considered. Ph: Barry 0274192256



#### Rare Jaguar XJ 220 - P.O.A.

A rare opportunity to purchase this one special Jaguar XJ 220 of the 274 ever built. This unique vehicle is the Turbocharged V6 version, built in 1994. Right-hand drive and one of 69 handbuilt cars in that year. Imported from the UK to New Zealand in 2005 with 174 miles on the clock. Despite having two previous overseas owners, it was first registered in New Zealand. Currently, this car has driven a total of 1200 miles.

Contact Rod Sullivan e-mail; rod@sullivan.kiwi.nz Phone: 021 945156



#### XJ8 2003

This smart aluminium bodied XJ8 is powered by the smooth 3.5 litre 6-speed 224kw V8. Grey, with cream leather upholstery. This vehicle is New Zealand new. Travelled a mere 150,000 kms. Roof lining has been professionally repaired. Fully serviced including an auto transmission oil change. This is a lot of car for the money.

Asking price \$10,900

Contact details. Logan Leeuw Mobile: 02108415751



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# RESTORATION

#### For sale

TORQ Retro Crash Helmet (L59-60) also a Drivers Overall fire resistant (1 layer size L) for sale. They are both brand new.

Helmet \$180, Overall \$210.

Larry Raynor Olive - 0212610499



#### Chrome Jaguar hub caps

Set of 4 Jaguar chrome hub caps. all show shallow signs of corrosion however are dent free. Internal diameter is 260mm. The Jaguar label is detachable. Would look great once dechromed

malcolme@xtra.co.nz, ph 021784812

\$60 per set of four.



#### Workshop manual for Mk 7/ XK120

This is in good condition although shows some sign it has been used in a workshop environment. \$40 plus postage

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