



# Little Classical Gas

" Remember - Remember!!

November 2005

## ***CXKJR/CCMGC Annual General Meeting***

***Monday November 14th***

***Come along and vote for your new Executive!***

### **JONAT - 2006**

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2006 JONAT/JCNA Coordinator

The Jaguar Owners North America Tour made it's inaugural trip around North America in 2004. It was a grassroots success that started when a crazy Australian mentioned that he'd like to drive around the U.S. It gained steam on the Internet and except for a couple gaps, we had North America covered.

We're planning another one for 2006 and this time JCNA is part of the tour. We'll start at the AGM in Seattle, April 1 and end up at the Western States Meet in Oregon, July 14.

Now that everyone's eyes have popped out of their heads in disbelief -- like anyone is going to drive their Jaguar for three and a half months -- that's not how it works. What we are asking clubs to do is set up a local tour for your local members visiting local sites and doing local activities. These local tours will link together to form the chain that binds the continent together. In 2004, we began in Orlando, ran across the Gulf States into the Rockies, up the West Coast, across southern Canada, through the Rust Belt, into New England, and came back down the East Coast to Orlando. Over 30 Sector Coordinators planned their routes and handed off (or a couple times FedExed) a huge signature banner and our mascot, Jay the

Jaguar, to the next SC. Jay and the banner now reside in a place of honor at the Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust, Browns Lane, Coventry, England. Plans are underway to repeat the tour by a different route. Excited Western state and province SCs have already come back on board. We have pockets of interest in the central and eastern regions, but we're not sure who else has heard of the plans and is interested. There are a bunch of clubs and a variety of routes we could take from Florida to Canada. Where we go depends on who offers. It's not first come, first served, but as we fill in states we expect that the route will kind of draw itself. How many of you have complained that JCNA is just about shows? How many times have you argued that Jaguars were meant to be driven? Here's your chance to show that we don't all sit around with polishing mitts on our hands -- that some of us actually wear driving gloves! Interested in being part of the biggest JCNA event in history? (Wait a minute, how did he come up with that? Easy. 30 sectors, a measly ten cars per sector, equals 300 cars.

Granted they won't all be together in one spot, but they will be involved. The most cars at a Challenge Championship? about 160). Hopefully you're now really excited, but a bit crestfallen that you're going to have to book blocks of rooms at hotels, make reservations for scores of people at restaurants and arrange tow trucks to follow the caravan to aid the wounded. You're not trying to impress folks from half way across the country. 75% of the participants will be from your area. Chances are that the remainder will be from the sector before or after. You can turn it

into the Mille Miglia if you want to create extra work and worry for yourself, but do you do that when you set up an overnight run for you local club?

Heck, no. You say, "We're starting at point A, eating at restaurant B, staying overnight at hotel C, and returning. Call hotel C to make your reservations." That's all we're doing here, you point the participant in the right direction and they make the arrangements. This won't be priced like your typical 1000-mile grand tour, either. A flat fee of under \$50 will cover driving the route for a day or the entire three and a half months.

So are you ready to band together as The Drivers of JCNA? Ready to hear the muffled slaps of leathered palms high-fiving at the handoff points? Ready to hit the highway and carry the Jaguar name around the continent?

If so, drop me a line, ASAP. If you can contact me before the challenge Championship in Atlanta, that would be fantastic. I'd like to give a progress report. Then come see me at the Chateau Elan, and I'll get you even more excited about JONAT.

JCNA has more information about the tour on the website at <http://www.jcna.com/jonat/index.php>.

You can review my Arizona 2004 sector here:

<http://jonat.org/mark/JONAT07-AZReport>



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# Coming Events

## NOV

Mon 14            CXKJR/CCMGC Club AGM Meeting            Burnaby Lake Clubhouse. 7.30pm

## DEC

Mon 12th        CXKJR/CCMGC Club Meeting            Burnaby Lake Clubhouse. 7.30pm  
 Pot luck supper and awards

***HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!***

## Jan 2006

Sat 7th            CXKJR/CCMGC Annual Party            River Rock Casino, Richmond  
 Contact Doug Hall 604-937 7226

Mon 9th            CXKJR/CCMGC Club Meeting            Burnaby Lake Clubhouse. 7.30pm

**Please note! ALL Club meetings are on the 2nd Monday of the month, except where noted. (\*) (Club events in bold type)**

## **"An MG Is Born"**

Following the success of Mark Evans' latest workshop TV series, "An MG Is Born", autographed copies of a two-disc DVD set to support the series, and a special Photo DVD of over 1000 of Mark's personal workshop photographs of the project, will be available from the 10th November 2005 (PAL copies) and the end of November 2005 (NTSC copies). Just in time for Christmas!

Copies (both PAL and NTSC) can be reserved now at [www.markevans.co.uk](http://www.markevans.co.uk)  
 "An MG Is Born" follows Mark, Les and Pete Mate as they

completely restore a dilapidated, barn-find 1974 MGB used by Mark and the Roadster to its former glory. The car is stripped to every last nut and bolt and over 2000 hours is painstakingly rebuilt from the ground up. It is a unique piece of MG history - the first TV documentary of its kind dedicated to the MGB and probably the last.

The DVDs  
 The two DVD discs include all 10, half hour programmes first transmitted by Discovery Networks Europe in July 2005. Both PAL and NTSC format versions are available.

The Photo-DVD contains over 1000 of Mark's personal digital photographs of the project.

Prices  
 Autographed programme DVD set (two discs) £19.99 GBP +P&P  
 Photo-DVD £8.99 GBP +P&P  
**Special Bundle Price:**  
 Autographed programme DVD set (two discs) plus Photo-DVD (SAVE £3) £25.98 GBP +P&P

**Membership total (Jag-67 MG-83 ) 150 members ('05)**

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