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**NOVEMBER 2022** 

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## 'Tis the Season for Celebrating at JCOP's Holiday Party!

Join your friends and fellow club members for a fun afternoon of festive food, music and merriment on Saturday, December 3 at The Edgeworth Club in Sewickley. See Pages 4 and 5 for all the details and make your reservation with Ken Como by Monday, November 21st. See you there!!

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# Vote

## Nominating Committee Selects 2023 Board Candidates Slate

JCOP's Nominating Committee has chosen its slate of officers and directors that will lead our club into a new year of events and activities.

Thanks to Bill Cooper, Ken Como and Stuart Steinberg for their efforts in finding members willing to fill various open Board positions.

JCOP members are invited to cast their vote for the selections via the Election Buddy ballot that was emailed to them.

See Page 3 for more details from Dave Gamret, JCOP President.

Position	2023 Nominee		
President	Stu Benson		
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Rich Aronson		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Mike Zappa		
Treasurer	Cecile Canales		
Secretary	Chuck Pipich		
Directors(Voting)	Ken Como		
	Bill Cooper		
	Dave Murray		
	Fred Segal		
	Jack Terrick		
	Bryan Williams		
Directors (Non water a)			
Directors (Non-voting)	Dawn DePasquale		
	Craig Gestler		
	Jeff Kann		
	Amanda Lawson		
	Tom Nuhfer		

### **JCOP 2023 Slate of Officers**

# Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh 2022 Events Calendar



Date

Event

Sponsor

Saturday, December 3

JCOP Holiday Party The Edgeworth Club Noon to 5 p.m.

Ken Como 412-849-0719

The JCOP Board encourages members to attend and sponsor club events that are interesting to club members. If you have a suggestion or idea, please contact Rich Aronson who is keeping the calendar (412-551-8319) or another Board member.

# Jaguar Clubs of North America (JCNA) Upcoming Events



March 10-12, 2023 Annual General Meeting (AGM), San Francisco

Hosted by Jaguar Associate Group (jags.org) (Details in upcoming issues)

October 22-25, 2023 — 2023 JCNA International Jaguar Festival, Santa Barbara, California

## **President's Perspective**



#### **By Dave Gamret**

JAGUAR CLUB of PITTSBURGH

If this column sounds like a rerun of last November's Jargon article, that's because we need to reinforce a significant message: VOTE! Once again, our Nominating Committee has compiled an outstanding and diverse slate of candidates for you to elect by casting your vote. This year, Bill Cooper, Ken Como and Stuart Steinberg spent numerous hours on the phone, both with potential candidates and in discussion among themselves, to identify enthusiastic club members for the various Board positions. The task was even more daunting for the Committee since two key positions had to be filled for 2023. First, we needed a new Second Vice President with Rich Aronson assuming the role of First Vice President for next year. Plus, with Jack Terrick retiring as Treasurer after 18 years of dedicated service, a qualified candidate for this important club function was also a necessity. This was in addition to the usual endeavor of staffing the Board of Directors with six Voting Members and an appropriate number of Associate Directors. I strongly encourage you to demonstrate your support for the efforts of the Committee and the initiative of the candidates by casting your VOTE!

You can cast that VOTE! with the utmost ease and convenience by utilizing our Election Buddy website ballot. By now you should have received an email from Election Buddy requesting your participation in our online voting system. Dolly Taskey has again coordinated our election process to ensure it is secure and simple to use. You need only click on the link provided in the Election Buddy email or copy and paste it to your browser if you prefer. The ballot will open with easy instructions to follow that will enable you to have your voice heard in a matter of just minutes. All this can be done from the comfort of your favorite chair. So please VOTE!

When we initiated this transparent and inclusive online voting process last year we were excited about the potential for a significant response. The electronic ballot enabled 100% participation from all registered members instead of a show of hands from only those attending an election dinner meeting. Unfortunately, I will admit that the actual response did not meet our expectations. We are hoping that in this second year of electronic voting our membership will feel more comfortable with this approach and deliver the returns we anticipate. The Nominating Committee has been working hard since June to place qualified club members on this ballot. The candidates themselves are displaying the initiative and dedication required to undertake the responsibilities of their respective offices. They are willing to commit the hours and efforts necessary to continue the enjoyable and varied activities that JCOP has to offer all the members. The only commitment we are asking from you is to take the 5-10 minutes necessary to open your email, click on the Election Buddy link and cast your vote. That's a small task but it will speak volumes about showing your support and encouragement for your fellow members who volunteer to keep JCOP functioning. Let's generate a cyberspace turnout that clearly demonstrates our appreciation for our incoming Board members.

Oh, and one more thing: VOTE, VOTE, VOTE, VOTE!

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## *JCOP Holiday Party 2022* Rags Down ... Save The Date ... Let's Celebrate!

#### When: Saturday 12/3/22 12 pm - 5 pm Where: The Edgeworth Club Ballroom 511 East Drive, Sewickley 15143

It's almost time for our annual Holiday Party celebration! We have worked diligently to make it special with a distinct personality this year!

The party will start at Noon with a Social Hour and a cash bar. At 1 pm. there will be a variety of delicious Hors d'oeuvres followed by some club welcomes and announcements.

At 2 pm. a delicious 4-course sit down meal will begin, consisting of: Fresh fruit cup

Edgeworth Club salad

Main Course is your choice of:

Chicken Piccata w/Wine Lemon Caper Sauce

Baked Salmon Fillet w/ Bourbon Brown Sugar Glaze

Prime Rib – English Style Cut

All entrees will be served with redskin potatoes, green beans with almonds and caramelized onions, Breadworks rolls and assorted breads and coffee or tea. For dessert we will have a special Jaguar cake, created by Dutz Bakery, of Wexford.

The party will be in the Club's Grande Ballroom, festively decorated and include the Bar and a dance floor with a separate adjacent room for quiet socializing. This year music will be provided by J&J DJ's & Karaoke, so warm up those voices remember to wear your dancing shoes! Once again, we will have a Holiday Gift Exchange. For those who wish to participate, kindly bring a wrapped gift of approximately \$20.00 value.

The Jaguar Club is subsidizing the event so the cost is still \$50.00 per person as last year. Please send the attached Reservation Form to Ken Como indicating choices and payment, which MUST be received by Monday November 21, 2022.

Free parking around the Club entrance, but substantial on street parking directly outside.

A great time to mingle with your Jaguar buddies and kick off the Holiday Season! If you have any questions, please contact Ken Como (412-849-0719) or Fred Segal (412-606-4500). We are looking forward to seeing you all!

JCOP 2022 Holida	y Party			
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Member's Name:	Phone			
Partner's/Guest's Name				
Email (optional)				
Please Indicate Your Choice(s) of	Entrée @ \$50 Number	<b>) each</b> Total \$		
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Chicken Piccata (w/Wine Lemon Caper Sauce)				
Baked Salmon Filet (w/Bourbon Brown Sugar Glaze)				
Chicken Piccata (w/Wine Lemon Caper Sauce) Baked Salmon Filet (w/Bourbon Brown Sugar Glaze) Prime Rib (English Style Cut) For any special dietary requests, please contact Nicole Shaffer, Edgev				

Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> to:

Ken Como 2438 Rochester Rd. Sewickley, PA 15143

If you have any questions, call Ken at 412-849-0719

Looking forward to seeing you there!

## **READY TO TRY SOMETHING DIFFERENT?**

# CURLING



We're always looking for new and exciting activities for the club, especially during the winter. The Pittsburgh Curling Club now has a new, dedicated curling facility in the McKees Rocks area and they will welcome clubs like JCOP for an afternoon of fun. They provide all the equipment, including special booties for the ice, and expert instruction on the techniques and rules of this co-ed sport.

Cost for a 2-hour session on the ice would be \$50/person and we're looking at a weekend afternoon in late January or early February. This is a safe sport for all ages. If you are ready to add some new excitement to those dull winter days, please contact me ASAP as noted below so we can gauge interest and proceed with scheduling this outing.

Dave Gamret dgamret@comcast.net 734-645-5864

## **Coventry Corner**

CIVENTRY

#### By Stu Benson, JCOP Liaison to the Coventry Foundation

As members of JCOP are now well aware, the Coventry Foundation was formed some years ago to be the primary source for information and materials related to the heritage of Jaguar Cars in North America. It has been approved by the Internal Revenue Service as an approved Charitable Organization pursuant to Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Gary Kincel of JCOP is the Chairman of the Board of the Coventry Foundation.

Your Liaison had a problem when he inadvertently banged the front of his '68 E-Type against the track of a garage door inside his garage, bending the garage door track (easily bent back into shape with a large pipe wrench) and then damaging the front of the Jaguar. Fortunately, the bonnet on the vehicle was not damaged because – as was done on so many US E-Types years ago - the car had a front AMCO bar that existed to protect the front of the bonnet between the two overriders on the bumpers. Accordingly, only the AMCO bar was bent as it did its job to protect the metal and paint on the bonnet. Your liaison learned that this "AMCO bar" is also colloquially referred to as a "smurf bar" by some. Smurf or not, it protected the E-Type turf.

Decisions, decisions as to whether to replace the AMCO bar or just remove the damaged goods and "go bare", albeit this latter appearance being the best "look" but then having no protection to the front of the bonnet where there is the gap between the bumpers.

Ultimately, your liaison decided to replace the AMCO bar with an undamaged one. That led to trying to source a replacement. Gary Kincel had a used one in his garage and gave it to me but it needed to be re-chromed and that is a challenge and expense. While many suppliers advertised selling AMCO bars, it turned out all places contacted short of going all the way to New England had no current supply of new ones and even used ones of good quality were not found. Many leads were shared and almost every time they were followed up your liaison was told "Oh, I just sold it to ....." a month ago or some such thing. While contemplating ordering a new AMCO bar from a major Jaguar supplier, your liaison ended up being surprised when Dave Murray, a fellow JCOP member, came to a JCOP meeting of the Board of Directors and shared that he had "something in his car" to give me after the meeting. The meeting was lengthy and my anticipation was more than piqued so how nice it was for Dave to pull out a box in the parking lot and in asking him what was in the box he said it contained an AMCO bar he had previously used on his E-Type but replaced with a perfect one that another fellow JCOP member had given to him when Dave was restoring his spectacular E-Type. Upon inspecting the AMCO bar it was really nice; while one could appreciate why he preferred to replace it with the absolute perfect one on his car now, for all intents and purposes it was a super replacement for my E-Type which I consider "a driver". Dave would not acknowledge my overwhelming thanks and appreciation but just said he was "passing on" the courtesy done previously to him. What a guy and what an example of how much benefit it is to be in the Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh and attend events and share stories and seek advice about one's Jaguars. And then you meet generous people like Dave.....

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So now I had a nice replacement AMCO bar but what and how to do with it? The tried and true protocol for replacing such is that the bumpers needed to come off of the car and to do that one needed to first take out the headlight assemblies on the E-Type and this would be "a project" where past experience and expertise was needed. One can only imagine old connectors and other parts breaking as they were disturbed from being firmly in place for 50+ years. We all know the vagaries of such efforts once the projects commence. Once could not reach up into the bumper overriders to reach the nut on the back of once of the two bolts holding the AMCO bar on to eachoverrider. One nut could be reached on each side but not the other and that is why everyone said you needed to remove the bumpers to do the job correctly for both disassembly and reassembly. Not to mention perhaps an all-day - or longer - effort. (The bumper "overriders" are those vertical bumper pieces that bolt onto the horizontal bumpers.)

So then Mike Zappa enters the picture. Mike was with me when Dave gave me the AMCO bar. Mike has built, rebuilt and restored E-Types over his amazing automotive mechanical years of experience with racing and building innumerable vintage and other "fast and furious" automobiles. Mike has two E-Types in his garage right now including an early year "alloy" model he brought over from Europe that is spectacular. He was going to race it at the Vintage LeMans but now the value of the vehicle is so high and he had put so much work and effort into making it so nice, Mike is having second thoughts on racing it. Anyway, Mike said "Bring your '68 over one day and we will do it in my garage". So while waiting to schedule that day Mike Zappa started thinking. And thinking. And more thinking, as he is always wont to do about anything creative, artistic, or mechanical. He calls me to schedule the day and says "I figured out a way to replace the AMCO bar where I think we will not have to remove the headlights and remove the bumpers". Really? I could not wait to hear this epiphany.

So what does Mike Zappa do? He cuts off the damaged, worthless bent and ugly AMCO bar by using a mechanical saw to cut through the bolts holding the AMCO bars onto the over riders without damage to the over riders or bumpers. The damaged AMCO bar and the bolts were junk anyway. Then Mike introduces me to "riv nuts". More formally known as "rivet nuts" and being a threaded rivet insert, they are a two piece mechanism where a one-piece tubular "rivet" is placed in the hole where the bolts had gone through and then an internal threaded piece is "screwed" (using a hexagontal "key") into the piece in the hole. The screwing action then expands the outside shank as the internal threaded piece is tightened and his holds the mechanism tightly in the hole. With four rivnuts now holding the replacement AMCO bar firmly to the bumper overriders, the job was completed in less than two hours. And it looked better than before since there is no bolt head sticking out from the overriders but instead a head that is flush fit against the hole in the AMCO bar. With stainless steel rivnuts that won't rust. Rivnuts allowed the job to be done from only one side, rather than with the typical nut and bolt where both the nut and bolt need to be firmly held or turned.

## **Coventry Corner**

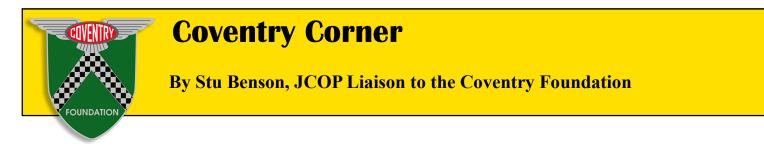
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No need here to get inside the bumper overriders to reach nuts on the inside. And the overriders turned out to have very sharp edges to where blood had been drawn at an earlier time when your liaison and others explored seeing if the damaged smurf bar could be removed just by spinning the bolt and not holding on to the nut and then learning the nut had to be held tightly and then..... blood from a laceration in trying to reach up into the inside of the overrider to try to reach the unreachable nut! Mike Zappa is a genius in my book. But anyone seeing any of the race cars he has built over the past 50 years well knows that. He solved a problem by making the process easier and with a better looking and performing result than anyone we had talked to had considered. So both Dave Murray and Mike Zappa showed how they so graciously, adamantly refusing compensation, insisted on helping your liaison save the day with his E-Type that is now looking great again as it enjoyed the JCOP Fall Leaf Tour and other jaunts this Fall. These two guys are just super fellows but are also indicative of how so many JCOP members are so very knowledgeable, capable, and are desirous of helping other Jaguar owners. There are so many stories about members helping others that one could write an encyclopedia in trying to document these efforts. (Spoiler alert: Both Dave Murray and Jack Terrick are reportedly writing technical articles for future Jaguar Jargon editions on recent experiences with their E-Types and Jaguars of others traveling with them). But this is my story I am telling about Dave and Mike and am sharing from this past month. It is no wonder both Dave and Mike have been nominated to again serve on the Board of Directors for JCOP; they obviously have my support and the above is just one of many reasons why while we enter the period of the open electronic election portal for JCOP.

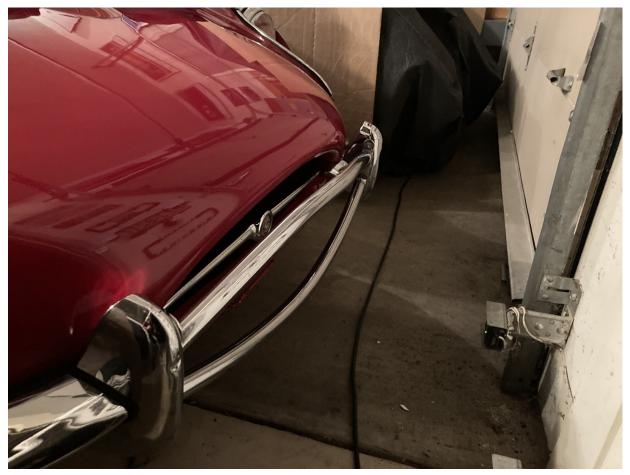
As this article goes to print, we are awaiting the Coventry Foundation "work day" on Saturday, November 5 at Gary Kincel's garage in White Oak, PA. Hopefully we will see many of our very capable mechanical expert JCOP members demonstrate their abilities, creativity, and passion in diagnosing and repairing the two Coventry Foundation donated vehicles that Gary Kincel is seeking to get "road ready", one being an E-Type and the other an XK150. I know I am excited and we certainly will be sharing this experience in an upcoming Coventry Corner. But this is an experience open for every member of any – or having no – mechanical expertise and is also part of why being a member of the Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh and supporting the Coventry Foundation as our club has done for many years, and we can also do as individual patrons at a mere \$50 donation, is so important and worthwhile.

For those interested, a Coventry Foundation Patron Application form will be included in next month's Jargon. A hard copy version of this was circulated with the September-October 2022 edition of Jaguar Journal from JCNA so you may still have the hard copy if you have retained that magazine. If not, you will be able to print out the page from Jaguar Jargon if you wish to become an individual patron of the Coventry Foundation. Anyone doing so will be presented with a most hand-some Coventry Foundation lapel pin and you may even get it awarded to you in person at some JCOP event by the Chairman of the Board, being our own Gary Kincel.



If anyone has any ideas or questions regarding the Coventry Foundation, do not hesitate to contact Stu Benson @ 412-491-1486 or <u>stubenson3@gmail.com</u> or Gary Kincel @ 412-638-2715 or <u>gkincel64@gmail.com</u>. Contact information: <u>www.coventryfoundation.org</u> or easily access the same from the links at <u>jaguarclubofpittsburgh.org</u>.

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View of replacement AMCO bar as installed and the offending garage door track. *Photo courtesy of Stu Benson* 

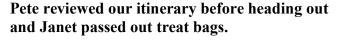
## Scenes from JCOP's 2022 Fall Leaf Tour

#### **By Candy Williams**

Pete and Janet Galinowski arranged another fun Fall Leaf Tour on Saturday, October 22 that was filled with interesting stops and beautiful lookouts to view the spectacular autumn scenery. Our trip took us to West Virginia, where we visited a quaint book, candy and ice cream shop in Weirton, and to the town of Newell, where we toured a Fiestaware Outlet.

Our tour that started out in Robinson was mapped out by Pete on printed handouts that gave us excellent directions and his cell phone number in case we got lost! (Fortunately we didn't lose anyone along the way!) We also stopped to take photos of the Chester Tea Pot, an oversized nostalgic roadside attraction dating back to 1938 billed as the "World's Largest Teapot" at 14 feet in height and 14 feet in diameter. The overlooks provided great views of the Ohio River and colorful trees on a sunny fall afternoon.

Thanks to Pete and Janet for another great adventure (and special thanks to Janet for the cute Halloween-themed party bags that included a nice variety of treats.)



Chuck Pipich parked as close as he could to the entrance to the book, candy and ice cream shop.











## Scenes from JCOP's 2022 Fall Leaf Tour



Stopping for a group photo with Stu Benson's E-Type.





Ken Como, at left, (shown with Chuck Pipich and Dave Gamret) was capturing drone photos such as the one in the photo at right.



At right: Bryan Williams with a smaller version of the teapot that dates back to 1938.



This could hold a lot of English Breakfast tea!

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## Scenes from JCOP's 2022 Fall Leaf Tour



Stu Benson displays a Fiestaware plate and noted it's "not even close to a Growler!"



And one more group shot before heading back home.

Photos by Candy Williams



### JCOP launches new Facebook page

In July, JCOP officially launched our new Facebook page. This page is designed for members to post favorite photos of their cars and provide information of upcoming events and club news. Originally designed for current members, our page can also provide an opportunity to attract new people to join our organization.

We invite you to look for us on Facebook by searching for "Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh".

The strength of any club or organization is in its membership.Please join, share photos and conversations of your favorite events or cars!



Be sure to "join", "like" and "share".

Join us by clicking on the QR code and it will take you right to our page. You can also find us by taking a photo of this QR code using Google search.

# **WELCOME New JCOP Members!**

The Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh welcomes the following new members and encourages them to join us at our upcoming events:

**Michelle Ziegler Canonsburg**, PA **2020 F-Pace** 

**Amy Beck Pittsburgh**, PA **2016 F-Type Convertible** 

**Bob Randolph** West Homestead, PA 2000 XK8 Convertible

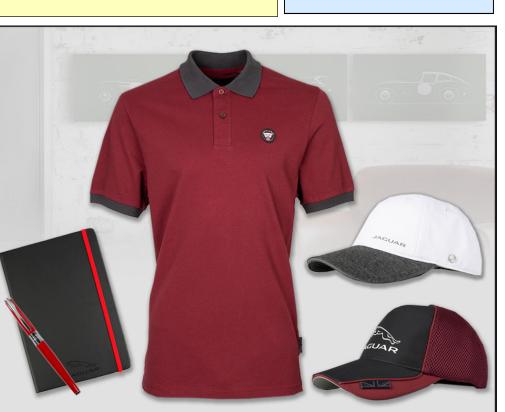
# DYNAMIC DESIGN.

It's at the heart of every vehicle Jaguar produces and in every stitch of their accessories. From keyrings to clothing, everything is crafted to Jaguar standards, featuring cues from the long-standing heritage of our vehicles. With stylish choices available there's a gift to suit every Jaguar enthusiast.



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**1971 Jaguar E-TYPE** 2 + 2 V12 **Stalled project, Illness** forces sale 4-speed, air, new sheet metal, in primer 814-692-7818 For details / best offer

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#### Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh / Jaguar Clubs North America 2023 Member Application / Renewal

Membership in the Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh includes membership in the national organization, Jaguar Clubs of North America (JCNA). Membership runs per calendar year.

The JCOP newsletter, Jaguar Jargon, is emailed monthly as a PDF.

The JCNA magazine, Jaguar Journal, is sent by mail bi-monthly.

Name(s)		
Address		
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Please lis	st Jaguars owne	d (not required for membership).
Year	Model	Body Style (OTS, FHC, DHC, Sedan, Coupe, Convertible)
		2023 JCOP/JCNA dues: \$50.00

Make checks payable to Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh and send to:

Cecile Canales, Treasurer 844 N. Lincoln Ave Pittsburgh, PA 15233

If you have any questions, please contact Cecile at 412 526 6490, or email ccanales2@comcast.net Jaguar Club of Pittsburgh Candy Williams, Editor 222 Karen Drive Elizabeth, PA 15037

Next Event: JCOP Holiday Party on Saturday, December 3





To members of the Jaguar Club of Tittsburgh