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1956 Jaguar Aerodyne Streamliner Coupe



## *FROM THE EDITOR* *Richard Lloyd-Roberts*

**Hello Fellow Jaguar Club Members**

Spring is here and the sun is shining. We took a nice trip to the mountains this weekend. Of course we came back bright yellow due to the NC pollen but it was nice to stretch the cats legs a bit.

So we are slated to have our first meeting in a while in May. It is a combination of Judges training and a get together. I hope to see you all there.

The big news is the concours! I have put up the online application at the website or you can print and send the from in from the newsletter.

This month I included an editorial from a UK magazine with a viewpoint on the Jaguar Lawsuit. I thought it was a very well written piece from a knowledgeable source. I hope it casts some more light on the situation that Jaguar have created. The move has soured a great many people and set a precedent for other car companies. Personally I think it was a bad move. I noticed that Jaguar are now producing their own C Type ...

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## ***From The President***

***Eric Dunn***

Hello Everyone.

Hey, the better weather is here! Time to clean up those modern and classic Jags, put the hood (top) down if you have a roadster (convertible), and enjoy a winding two lane road to a happy place. The “happy place” may be just the road itself and not the destination.

Next month is a very special month for our club. Not only will this be the first event we have had in some time, it will also be the welcoming of new club members. Hope most everyone will be able to make it. Cookie Robinson and Kevin & Nancy Willis have been working to put this all together, and they deserve appreciation for their efforts. There is information detail later in this month’s Litter Box about the May event.

If you haven’t made reservations yet for the club’s concours event July 22-24, you need to do so. The Switzerland Inn, our venue, phone 828-765-2153, will normally sell out. It is expected that all holiday bookings will be heavy everywhere, so check things out early.

Recently reported news on Jaguar/Land Rover showed global sales for the fiscal year ended March ’21 down approximately 14% from previous year mainly a result of the impact of the pandemic. Total unit volume was 439,588 units. Sales in China made up 111,206 of those units. Who would have figured that?

As Jaguar transitions to all electric vehicles in 2025, it will also be transitioning to a more upscale market profile. The Company cars plan to compete with the ilk of Aston-Martin and Bentley head on, becoming even more luxurious. Let us hope the price range of the new Jags won’t match those of Aston and Bentley.

Find your happy road.

Eric Dunn

President  
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# Membership Section

By Kevin and Nancy Willis



## Take Advantage of ALL Your Member Benefits

As we begin another exciting year of camaraderie, fun outings and road trips, now is a good time to think about how we can each get the most out of our memberships.

### Here's what our low-cost membership fee buys:

- Camaraderie / Fun:
- The opportunity to enjoy camaraderie in many ways with others who share the love of the Jaguar marque
- 12 full months of local / state-wide membership in the Carolina Jaguar Club (SE 21), a fully affiliated regional club of Jaguar Clubs of North America (JCNA)
- 12 full months of JCNA membership
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- Special memberships available for "Young Enthusiasts" (Adults between 19-24 years)
- Monthly meetings to learn, share and just be with fellow enthusiasts
- Fun trips each month organized by our special Event Team. There's something for everyone.
- Annual Christmas Party / Annual Meeting Event
- Annual Concours D- Elegance to show and compete with fellow members from around the nation
- Annual General Meeting (AGM) opportunity to meet others from around the nation, attend really fun events, participate in competitions, serve as local club designate, etc.
- Opportunity to attend and participate in JCNA North American Challenge Championships events that offer a plethora of attractions, competitions, etc. to suit every desire
- Discounts on Heritage certificates
- Concours, Rallies, Slalom programs
- New Jaguar Foundation which will enhance services provided by JCNA
- Financial:
- 10% discounts on parts, labor and merchandise from several NC Jaguar Dealers
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- Discounts on and special insurance for your beloved cat through special insurance firms connected with JCNA.



# COOKIES CORNER OF EVENTS

## By Cookie Roberson

A bit of news... Our new Members May Meeting has changed locations.. So sorry to inform you that Wilmington is not a go at this time.

Instead, we will be meeting at Starmount Forest Country Club, Saturday May 22nd, from 1030a-200p in Greensboro NC.. They have been our host in the past and we're excited to return...

Starmount Forest Country Club  
1 Sam Snead Drive  
Greensboro NC  
27410

A challenge for our drive to the lovely grounds of Starmount: find a scenic backroad for part or all of your trip to Greensboro; instead of interstate all the way. There will be prizes for the adventurous drivers...

We will be served a delicious luncheon of

Salmon Caesar ... \$22.50  
Chicken salad Croissant \$15.50  
Starmount Club \$15.50

Please choose one entree per attendee and text or email me with your choice of entrees and number of attendees and include your name/s.

Happy Spring,  
Cookie Roberson  
Cell# 919-426-8106  
Cookie\_davis@hotmail.com

## JUDGES TRAINING SCHOOL.

### A NOTE FROM STEVE

We have changed the date of the training school to 5/1/21.

The meeting will be from 10 -2 At Starmount country club ,#1 Sam Snead Dr, Greensboro NC .We will be going over the changes made by JCNA and will do outside training .

I need a total of 14 judges, helpers and score helpers. The Bistro is open for lunch for us. Please join us for a fun meeting and training . I invite you to bring your JAG for us to look over . Give me a call if you have any questions:

919 906 6802

Thank You

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## Communication:

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Full year subscription to our own local newsletter, the Litter Box, The Litter Box will keep you in the know with its great articles, calendar of events, and newsworthy items of interest. The Litter Box is a well-created and edited newsletter by passionate fellow members with contributions welcome from all members.

Opportunity to submit articles, questions, sales items, etc. to the Litter Box for publication.

Opportunity to submit articles, suggestions and other submittals to the Jaguar Journal.

Regional Membership Directory of names, vehicles and contact information for other members to confidentially retain as a resource for connecting with other members for sharing a multitude of matters, such as technical care, advice, etc. Also, includes our club's by-laws, leadership and committee chairs, etc.

Excellent website – jcna.com.

JCNA Shoppe with rare and desirable Jaguar publications, regalia, etc. at fire sale prices. Great service and delivery.

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- Free Tech Line Help and Forum Advice with Jaguar expert via toll-free access to technical advice, 24/7, to help you maintain, service, condition or repair your Jaguar
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- Participation / Competition / Points:

Opportunity to compete locally, regionally and within North America for JCNA points and awards in various special events such as Slaloms, Rallies and Concourses

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Confidence of knowing you have liability insurance for all sanctioned JCNA events

Opportunity to be a part of the leadership in the regional and within the JCNA club North American and Regional Awards presented at the JCNA AGM or shipped to participants at the end of year.



## **2021 Carolina Jaguar Club Membership Application**

(Please Print Carefully)

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name(s) (husband & wife if Family Membership): \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name (if not a Family Membership as indicated above) \_\_\_\_\_

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ (include JCNA # from Jaguar Journal back page) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (Other) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Important: Your monthly Newsletter will be e-mailed to you at the above address.

Please List the Jaguar Cars You Currently Own:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Annual membership dues for the Carolina Jaguar Club, Inc., are \$50.00.**

Your dues entitle you to membership in the Jaguar Clubs of North America (JCNA) and eligibility in all JCNA-sanctioned events nation-wide. Other benefits include the bi-monthly JCNA magazine, the monthly club newsletter and numerous events held throughout the year including social gatherings, technical sessions, shows, and road events.

**The membership term corresponds to the 2021 calendar year.**

**Renewals are due by January 1 of the renewal year and new memberships are accepted yearlong.**

Please attach your check made payable to **Carolina Jaguar Club, Inc.**, and send it with this application to:

**Kevin and Nancy Willis  
1120 Claverton Court  
Winston-Salem, NC 27104**

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: In accordance with Article III of the **Carolina Jaguar Club, Inc.**, by-laws, all applications are subject to approval by the club's Board of Directors.

## C-type Replica Furore

By Philip Porter

As you may have heard, the C-type replica world has been thrown into disarray by recent legal proceedings in Sweden.

The facts, as we understand them, are that a gentleman called Karl Magnusson spent several years building himself a C-type replica. During that time, he was in contact with Jaguar Classic and even came over to the UK to make a presentation to senior persons and discuss collaboration. During the project, he considered building two more examples to help the cost of his own example. Jaguar claimed in court that he was going to build six. Magnusson states the agent used some creative thinking and, without consultation, increased the number to six.

After failing for several years to object to Mr. Magnusson's project, Jaguar Classic then appeared to change their attitude and took Mr Magnusson, a long term Jaguar enthusiast and honorary member of the Swedish Jaguar club to court, winning the case. Mr Magnusson, who has had to sell his little collection of Jaguars to finance his defence, is faced with having to pay JLR's £450,000 legal costs, which would cause him to lose his home, and destroy the car. A fundraising GoFundMe page has been initiated and people around the world are contributing large and small sums to finance his appeal.

Although companies and individuals have been constructing C-type replicas for 45 years (I was lent one by Aubrey Finburgh, the long term owner of a genuine car, to go on a Swiss tour in 1986), Jaguar are claiming the IP rights in the design of the C-type and currently issuing 'cease and desist' orders to all companies involved in the manufacture of C-type replicas, including, it is alleged, their suppliers. Some of those companies actually supply Jaguar Classic to enable them to build their own replicas. It is also alleged that several senior employees of Jaguar Classic have built their own C-type replicas.

In the legal documents, Magnusson is accused of using the C-type trademark. This model name was not actually the factory designation for the car. They were always referred to in period company documentation as the XK 120C. It has long been believed, and stated in print, that 'C-type' was first coined by motoring journalist, Harold Hastings (from memory). It has been used by many replica constructors and by dealers selling examples for several decades.

Jaguar did use, and may still use, a C-type and D-type replica for their commercial Driving Experience operation, launched several years ago. The implication was they were genuine cars but they were in fact replicas purchased from Dr James Hull. When pointedly questioned by me at the press launch, it was admitted by one of the retained race instructors that they were indeed replicas.

It was stated by Jaguar's lawyers that 'even Jaguar's drawings have been used' by Mr. Magnusson. Jaguar have supplied drawings to many companies and individuals over several decades to assist such people to build replicas. A number of well-known players have confirmed this to be the case and are willing to state so publicly.

It is stated that replicas are eligible for the Classic Challenge race series, promoted and sponsored by JLR. Regulations for 2021 were updated on the 28th of January this year, still stating this.

Jaguar enthusiasts worldwide are up in arms, with a number of high profile collectors, business owners, writers and enthusiasts coming out in support of the Magnussons.

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### UPDATE:

To remind those not familiar with the current uproar: companies and individuals have been building replicas, particularly of C-type Jaguars, since the '70s. Several companies have stated they have received tacit approval from Jaguar whom, they claim, have provided assistance, including drawings, and Jaguar themselves have used replicas in various ways within their business (I personally know this because I went on their Driving Experience press launch with Stirling Moss and Norman Dewis, and one of the race driving instructors, with whom I shared the C-type, quietly admitted they were replicas).

However, after interacting from late 2015 with a Mr. Karl Magnusson in Sweden, who was building at least one C-type with Jaguar Classic's full knowledge, JLR then took court action against him in Sweden, not in the UK, claiming copyright in Sayer's 1950/51 design and that 'C-type' is a Jaguar-owned trademark. They won this court case, with the result Mr. Magnusson has to pay JLR's legal costs of £450,000 and destroy his car.

JLR have stated publicly that they gave Magnusson the chance to keep his car and avoid the court action, but have declined to provide any proof of those assertions.

Following the ruling, they have written to at least one company demanding they 'cease and desist' from manufacturing C-type replicas, quoting the Swedish ruling.

Interestingly, a forthcoming Sports Car Market article, a draft of which we have seen, states that JLR would not win such an action in the USA. However, unless Magnusson appeals, and wins that appeal, JLR have the court's ruling that they can call upon within the EU and, seemingly, the UK.



## UPDATE CONT...

Some have questioned why a mighty company such as JLR would bother to pick on a retired Swedish pensioner, and that there must be more to it – that Manusson is not merely a long-term Jaguar enthusiast, as he claims, but had commercial intentions. Magnusson does not deny that he had originally planned to build two more cars (JLR contend more but this is denied) but, as soon as JLR objected, he dropped any such plans. We have seen e-mails and statements made before the court case, in which Magnusson repeatedly stated he had dropped any commercial aspirations and merely wished to complete his one car for his personal use.

The concern in the trade and media is that this is the thin end of the wedge. That Jaguar could now stop companies making, for example, E-type panels. If JLR can behave like this, then so can every other manufacturer, threatening the whole post-war historic-car movement.

Where will this end up? It is alleged, and we have been given two examples, that artists have been threatened with legal action if they do not cease selling their own representations of, in one instance an E-type (we have been sent the relevant Tweet), and in another a Land-Rover.

To support their court case, Jaguar hired and paid an expert witness. I have seen his statement, with quotes from a number of my books and articles over the last 20–30 years, and from other well-known writers, and I disagree with much in this paper, especially the contention that the C-type was the first sports-racing car not to have separate wings/fenders. As stated in the last issue, I contended and illustrated in a book as far back as 1984, that the C-type could have been heavily influenced by the Bugatti Type 57 ‘Tank’ which won Le Mans in 1937 and 1939. The first streamlined Bugatti ‘Tank’ was the T32 and that dated back to 1923.

It would be an interesting debate as to who actually created the very first automotive design that had the front wings/fenders integral with the main central body. We welcome contributions on this subject.

There is so much ‘paperwork’ to do with the Magnusson case that a lot of interested parties are in danger of ‘drowning’. I will finish with a couple of quotes which, we are informed, were made by JLR’s lawyers, including the original in Swedish in case they have been mis-translated: 2019-02-22 Formal correspondence through the court: page 3-4

“Påståendet om att olika företag under åren har tillverkat en mängd Jaguar-replikor utan någon förekomst av diskussion med Jaguar, eller åtgärder från Jaguars sida, bestrids, Jaguar är mån om sina immateriella rättigheter och påtalar kontinuerligt intrång som kommer till bolagets kännedom.”

“Jaguar disputes the claim that various companies over the years have manufactured a number of Jaguar replicas without any discussion with Jaguar, or action taken by Jaguar. Jaguar cares about its intellectual property rights and continuously objects to infringements brought to the company’s attention.”

“Jaguar bestrider även att bolaget skulle tillåtit att replikor tävlar i av Jaguar arrangerade tävlingar.”

“Jaguar also disputes that the company has allowed replicas to compete in races arranged by Jaguar.”

## UPDATE ... #3

2019-09-06 Formal correspondence through the court: page 5

“Jaguar gör för närvarande en översyn av reglerna i Jaguar Classic Challenge för att göra om och återlansera tävlingen så att replikor inte ska tillåtas.”

“Jaguar is currently reviewing the rules in the Jaguar Classic Challenge to rewrite and relaunch the competition so that replicas are not allowed.”

And finally, we have been sent the transcript of the court case, which we assume to be accurate, but have not personally checked and have no means to do so. In this the JLR lawyer allegedly states, “...we, as in Jaguar Cars, at that time sold vehicles to individuals for use on the road, not as race competition vehicles”.

Jaguar Cars built 53 C-types, including the works cars. As far as I can determine, only four examples were not raced, or entered in races, by their original owners.

Marque expert and founder of the International XK Club and the E-type Club, Philip Porter has written many books over the years and his knowledge of Jaguar is extensive.

In 2005, he created Porter Press International, which is now one of the world's leading motoring publishers thanks to the amazing team with which Philip is immensely proud to work.

[View Philip Porter's author profile.](#)





## Ladies and Gentlemen start your engines . . . and your cleaning, polishing, and waxing!

We are headed for the mountains in July for the Carolina Jaguar Club's concours at Little Switzerland, NC. Having missed last year simply makes this event more special. We shall begin on Thursday, July 22, 2021 and continue until Sunday, July 25, 2021 with a beautiful drive event scheduled for Friday, July 23rd, and the actual concours judging taking place on Saturday, July 24, 2021.

Covid concerns are being taken into account as we plan the various functions especially the indoor dining events. The hotel is open as usual, but with masking. The outside activities will be much the same as the past, but also with masking. We will not ask for vaccine information. Our evening dinner events will change somewhat as we will be conducting two seatings for both the Friday and Saturday evening dinners. As you know, we have been rather close together in the past as over 140 people have "stuffed" into the dining area. Two seatings will allow us to have some space. Covid concerns have eliminated the buffets, but we shall enjoy some wonderful plated meals with surf and turf on Friday and a choice of entrees on Saturday. Vegetarian options are also available.

As you review the registration information in this newsletter, please note the deadline of June 19, 2021. Please register on line if possible as this process creates a smoother registration experience. In order to meet with JCNA judging guidelines as well as COVID planning, this deadline is firm. There will be NO registrations at the door, nor any late registrations.

As you may remember, the hotel forwarded the 2020 reservations to 2021. You can confirm your reservations or make new ones at the Little Switzerland Inn. Make sure you tell them you are with the Carolina Jaguar Club when you contact them. You should know that Gary, Jordan, Nathan, and Whitney at the Switzerland Inn have gone above and beyond in their efforts to provide our every need. When we had to cancel our concours last year, they worked with us to transfer registrations, etc. to 2021. Even though we were not there in 2020, they still filled their hotel with guests. They are just great people and a joy to work with. We are fortunate to have such a beautiful venue for our concours.

Excitement is high as we anticipate being together again and enjoying each other's company and the beauty of our Jaguars.

Jerry Tester,  
Chair, Concours Committee



828-765-2153

[info@switzerlandinn.com](mailto:info@switzerlandinn.com)

Please Note! Reservations will need to be made by  
phone. Call the office for your event reservations





You are invited to join the Carolina Jaguar Club in Little Switzerland for our  
2021 Concours in the lovely Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina

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This is a JCNA sanctioned event governed by the rules found at [www.jcna.com](http://www.jcna.com).

Registration for all Jaguars to be judged in this Concours must be **postmarked by June 19, 2021**

Please register at: [www.carolinajaguarclub.com](http://www.carolinajaguarclub.com) or print clearly on this form..

| Attendee | First | Last | JCNA # | JCNA Club |
|----------|-------|------|--------|-----------|
| Name(s)  |       |      |        |           |
| 1        |       |      |        |           |
| 2        |       |      |        |           |
| 3        |       |      |        |           |
| 4        |       |      |        |           |

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| Street |           |
| City   | State Zip |
| Phone  |           |

You must be a registered JCNA member in order to have a car judged.

For each entry under CATEGORY indicate your choice of Champion, Driven, Special or Display.  
(Specific Concours classes shall be assigned by the Chief Judge)

| Judged                | Judged Category | Model | Body Style | Color | Year |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-------|------------|-------|------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> entry |                 |       |            |       |      |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> entry |                 |       |            |       |      |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> entry |                 |       |            |       |      |

#### Release of liability:

It is an entrant's privilege to participate in any JCNA sanctioned event held by any JCNA affiliate upon executing proper registration forms and paying published entrance fees. Each club affiliate shall be solely responsible for granting entry privileges to each entrant on an individual basis.

I hereby agree to enter the above described Jaguar(s) in the Carolina Jaguar Club's 2021 Concours d'Elegance. In consideration of the right and privilege to enter and participate and other valuable considerations, and intending to be legally bound, I agree to release the Jaguar Clubs of North America (JCNA), Carolina Jaguar Club, the Concours committee and workers, and the Switzerland Inn from any and all liability for injuries, damage or loss arising from my entry in and attendance at the Concours.

|        |  |      |  |
|--------|--|------|--|
| Signed |  | Date |  |
|--------|--|------|--|

(all prices are per person and include tax and gratuity where applicable)

| Registration Item Description                                                                                                                 | Qty             | Price per Quantity | Amount Due |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------|
| Personal Registration fee - \$35 <b>per person</b> listed on page 1 and includes 1 drink ticket good for 1 beer or wine at the cocktail hour. |                 | \$35               |            |
| Concours Car Registration Fee                                                                                                                 | 1st Judged Car  | \$25               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | 2nd Judged Car  | \$15               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | 3rd Judged Car  | \$15               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Display Car     | \$15               |            |
| Friday Drive event - \$12 per car<br>NOTE: Lunch is a la carte (on your tab)                                                                  |                 | \$12               |            |
| Thursday evening on your own                                                                                                                  |                 |                    |            |
| Friday evening Dinner -per person (cash bar) at 5:30 PM at 7:00 PM                                                                            |                 | \$55               |            |
| Saturday Awards Banquet - per person (cash bar) at 5:30 PM at 7:00 PM                                                                         |                 | \$55               |            |
| Additional Cocktail Hour Beer/Wine Tickets @ \$8<br>(can only be used during pre-dinner cocktail hour on patio Friday & Saturday)             |                 | \$8                |            |
| 2021 Concours Polo Shirt in<br>British Racing Green<br>w/ embroidered event logo                                                              | Women's Small   | \$39               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Women's Medium  | \$39               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Women's Large   | \$39               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Women's X-Large | \$39               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Women's 2XL     | \$39               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Women's 3XL     | \$39               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Men's Small     | \$39               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Men's Medium    | \$39               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Men's Large     | \$39               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Men's X-Large   | \$39               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Men's 2XL       | \$39               |            |
|                                                                                                                                               | Men's 3XL       | \$39               |            |
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**Carolina Jaguar Club** and mail with registration form postmarked **no later than June 19, 2021** to:  
Jerry Tester, 306 Woodspring Lane, Greenville, NC 27834

For Event questions contact  
Concours Chair Jerry Tester at [tester.xk@gmail.com](mailto:tester.xk@gmail.com) or 252-717-2066

For Concours rules and judging information contact  
Chief Judge Steve Thomas at [stephenreps@earthlink.net](mailto:stephenreps@earthlink.net) or 919-471-6469  
Volunteers Needed ! Contact Steve on how you can help.

Please make your hotel reservations directly with the Switzerland Inn at 828-765-2153  
A block of rooms have been set aside.



# SOME ASSEMBLY REQUIRED PART 1

By Harvey Ferris

[www.newhillgarage.com](http://www.newhillgarage.com)

This story begins many years ago. And, with fits and starts, will continue to the present. It is the story of the decline and restoration of a car. A rather beautiful car. A Jaguar E-type.

The Jaguar E-Type was revealed to the public at the Geneva Auto Salon in spring of 1961. It was a sensation, not only for its performance and good looks but for its amazing price point, around 2000 pounds sterling when Ferraris were going for twice that. Norman Dewis famously drove an E-Type open two seater (OTS) “press car” from the factory at Coventry to Geneva overnight, arriving just in time to join its mate, a fixed head coupe (FHC) for the big release to the world press.

I will digress, not for the last time, to mention that there is a delightful interview with Norman, who recently passed away, on Youtube. Here is a link, if you wish to watch it: [tinyurl.com/wuz5udd6](http://tinyurl.com/wuz5udd6). To digress even further, when I provide a complicated link to an internet page, I will use the Tinyurl process, which is a neat feature available to anyone that takes a long cumbersome URL and makes it sort enough that one could type it in manually if necessary. Anyway, back to my story.



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# SOME ASSEMBLY REQUIRED PART 1

By Harvey Ferris

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After its release, the E-Type was in big demand. Frankly, Jaguar was not prepared for this and for a while, only the well connected were able to buy one. I did a feature on one fortunate fellow, who lives near me here in New Hill, who was able to buy one of the first 7 cars brought to the US. Read his story here: [tinyurl.com/kcncmete](http://tinyurl.com/kcncmete). But our story begins with I. T. Ritchy, Inc. of Downey, CA who was able to buy a FHC in the spring of 1963. A Google search reveals nothing regarding I. T. Ritchy the corporation or the person. I would be interested in obtaining his background but I've nothing so far.

So you may ask, how do I know about I. T. Ritchey? That's easy. I have the Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust Certificate for Mr. (?) Ritchey's car. Jaguar kept moderately good records for the cars they built and sold. These handwritten records are in the hands of the Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust. For a modest fee, a car's current owner can obtain a Production Record Trace Certificate. Among other information, it contains the Date Built, interior and exterior colors, and the first owner's name. Googling Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust Certificate will get you started, if you wish to obtain one for your car.

So I can only surmise that Mr. I. T. Ritchey purchased a new E-Type and expensed it to his corporation as his company car. A very nice company car indeed but we are talking LA, where exotic cars are a dime a dozen. The Heritage Certificate says the car had an exterior color of Sand and an interior color of Light Tan. Its build date was January 2nd, 1963, which is a little bit ominous but as we will see, initial build quality was maybe not so much of a concern by the time I got the car.



At this point, the trail goes cold for many decades. I see folks on forums inquiring about the ownership history of their cars. Frankly, it is almost impossible to determine ownership history if the car changed hands very much. Occasionally old cars pop up that have had a single owner who wrote down every gasoline and oil purchase in a little log book kept in the glovebox but this is rare nowadays. Maybe it was a remnant of a mindset established during the depression, as I remember my father did that for his cars. I don't know. Anyway, this car did not come with a notebook in the glovebox. As we will see, the glovebox came in a box!

Fast forward to the turn of the century, i.e. the year 2000. Thankfully computers around the world did not crash when the date changed at midnight prior to 2000. It was around this time that I purchased my first E-Type. During that time, I was in the habit of reading the classified ads (remember those?) in the local papers each day, looking for interesting cars to purchase. I responded to an ad in Durham for a 1967 E-Type Series 1 2+2. It didn't look too bad, having been painted at some point "resale red". But I came to find that the brakes and clutch were inoperable so a test drive was not possible. The owner was a young Brit starting a new family. He told me "father always drove Jags" so he had bought this one out of New York City. He said every time he took it in for work, it was another \$5000. I don't know that this was the best marketing approach but I was nevertheless consumed with car lust. As I recall \$7500 exchanged hands and it was mine. I arranged for a flat bed truck to meet me there and I followed it home, where it was rolled off into my driveway. It sat there long enough that my wife Kelli threatened to plant kudzu around it and turn it into a topiary. That motivated me to build a small garage just barely big enough for the car, where I drug it to in order that it be out of sight. If you are interested in that car's saga, read more (much more) here: [tinyurl.com/46ejx556](http://tinyurl.com/46ejx556)





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Jaguar XKR Portfolio Edition  
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This 2004 Jaguar XKR Portfolio Edition is one of just 200 produced. Only 100 were finished in exclusive Jupiter Red Metallic paint and came with the following appearance and performance details. It features Boxmark leather upholstery on the 10-way adjustable Recaro sports seats, as well as color-matched leather interior trim for the steering wheel, door panel inserts, and shift knob. Bronze stained Sapele wood is on the dash, center console and shift knob.

It is fitted with Jaguar R Performance branded Brembo manufactured 4-piston brake calipers with oversized rotors. It rides on 20 staggered-width two piece BBS Detroit wheels with new Michelin Pilot Sport tires, Date Code June '20 on the front and Date Code Oct '18 on the rear.

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The carpeting, dash and seats are all in excellent condition. The black power-operated top and tonneau cover show no rips, fading or degradation. All gauges and lights operate perfectly, as does the AC.

The current odometer reading is 82,900 miles. The Carfax report shows one minor accident from a previous owner. This beautiful car is offered at \$17,500 OBO with a clean North Carolina title in the seller's name. Car is located in Pinehurst,

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The advertisement is a promotional graphic for Welsh Enterprises, Inc. It features two cars at the top: a modern red Jaguar XKR on the left and a classic cream-colored convertible on the right. Below the cars, the company name "WELSH" is written in large, bold, black capital letters, with "ENTERPRISES, INC." in smaller text underneath. Below this, the slogan "The Right Choice" is written in a large, elegant, red script font, followed by "FOR THE RIGHT PARTS" in bold, black, all-caps sans-serif font. At the bottom of the text section, the phone number "800-875-5247" and the website "WelshEnt.com" are listed. Below the contact information are the Facebook and Twitter social media icons. The bottom half of the advertisement is a large photograph of a red Jaguar XKR convertible parked on a gravel driveway in front of a house with large windows.

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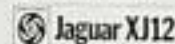
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