

Neil's visit to Jaguar Headquarters - UK

In June Jenny and I visited Castle Bromwich outside Birmingham. This is the Jaguar Assembly Plant for the XE, XF, XF Sportbrake and the F type.

As most Jaguar enthusiasts know the Tata Corporation bought Jaguar several years ago and have invested millions of pounds in redesigning and retooling the assembly plants.

The buildings were in fact part of the manufacturing plant during WW2 for the Spitfires.

From Brisbane we reserved two places on a small group tour called the Jaguar Experience.



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2 tickets remaining to the musical Priscilla Queen of the Desert 3oth Oct only \$55 pp phone Joy Our guide was a retired factory worker and his tour took 3 hours.

We arrived on time to find a very nice Mark2 parked outside and a beautiful black E Type (one of the last) inside.

Well what an experience. We saw how the cars are fully made of aluminium with riveting and gluing. There is no welding.

There is very little manual work with most of the assembly done by robots. Left hand and right hand cars are made on the

production line yet we were assured there was never an issue of having all relevant parts arriving at the correct vehicle.

Did you know the only steel in an XE or XF is the frame holding the tow bar (if fitted).

Jenny was pleased to see where her car was made and how well it was constructed.

I was fortunate to see a Project 8 car ... XE with 600HP with only 300 being made. It really is a road registered race car.

Finally, we were given the opportuni-

ty to sit in and examine in detail the new IPace which we were told was being made in Austria.

We were also told the XJ is now finished and the next XJ will be either electric or hybrid as will the replacement for the F Type.

A wonderful experience for both of us.

Neil Summerson





Please Note: A reminder from Lloyd Andersen as JDCQ concessional registrations officer. Members with cars on special interest concessional registration are reminded that it is essential to maintain Club membership in order to retain the cheaper registration. If you do not renew your membership the Department of Transport and Main Roads must be advised and will require that you pay full registration.

Upcoming events



Brisbane Regional Register News

Date Claimers

- 🖀 Thurs 6th Sept. Chassis Based Register Meet at Karalee Tavern—See page 9
- Tues 11th Sept-General Meeting Yeronga Services Club. 7.30. Come early for dinner if you wish. Hear more from
- Neil and Jenny about Jaguar headquarters in the UK.
- 🖀 Thurs 20th Sept Past Chairman's Drive Fassifern Valley, including a visit to an historic homestead. See below
- 👺 Sun 23rd Sept All British Day -St Joseph's College Sports Ground Tennyson. See page 7
- Wed 17th Oct-Day Drive Kenilworth Cheese Factory and area. See page 4- Jeanette & Ian Lind 0438629598
- **Tues 30th Oct-QPAC Priscilla Queen of the Desert** More info Jeanette Lind 043829598
- **Tues 13th Nov—Combined Meetings—AGM for JDCQ followed by Brisbane Register General Meeting See page 9

Past Chairman's—JDCQ Day Drive- Fassifern Valley

Date: Thursday 20th September

Meet: 9.15 am Peak Mountain View Park—Opposite Peak Crossing

State School - 1323 Ipswich Boonah Road, Peak Crossing.

Drive: to Flavours Café Boonah for Coffee to arrive at 10.00am.

Visit: Coochin Coochin Homestead at 10.45 -to 11.00. Guests of Tim and Jan Bell.

Lunch: at Kooroomba Vineyard 12.00 midday for their daily roast and pavlova and tea/ Coffee at \$28 per head. Pay at the vineyard. Wine of course available to purchase.

RSVP: 12th September to Joy Cooper— joy.cooper@cooperation.com.au

or 0419732091

HIT MUSICAL TO COME TO BRISBANE IN 2019

Do any members wish to see this musical that critics have raved about in New York & London. ???????

Offered as a treat from our Social Club.

BOOK OF MORMON

QPAC Wed 1st May 2019 - 7.30pm

Row P Stalls

Ticket price is \$120 (cheapest available) (Very popular show).

Money due Wed 28 November. Please pay Brisbane Register Jaguar Drivers Club of QLD.



Payment by direct deposit:
The Jaguar Drivers Club of QLD Inc
(include surname as a reference)
BSB 484 799 Acc No 506117953 or
cheques made Payable to "Jaguar Drivers
Club QLD Inc" & write "Book M "the
reverse then post to: Brisbane Register
JDCQ, c/- 3621/30 Hollins Cres New Farm
Q 4005



Kenilworth Bi-Monthly run Wednesday October 17th 2018

Members from the Brisbane Register or any other Register who wish to join us are welcome to come for a run on October 17th to the Old Kenilworth Cheese Factory renamed Kenilworth Country Foods and then renamed again to Kenilworth Dairies.

The route will take you through picturesque countryside and through historic towns and good driving roads through the Mary Valley to Kenilworth. We will meet at the BP and MacDonalds Garage at Morayfield on the Bruce Highway at 10.00am. The drive is anticipated to take two and a half hours including the morning tea break.

There will be one stop for morning tea in the Woodford area and we shall have lunch at Kenilworth. After lunch, drivers can proceed home by which ever way they choose. For Brisbane Register drivers I would suggest taking the Eumundi-Kenilworth road back to Eumundi and the Bruce Highway to Brisbane. For Sunshine Coast Register and Gold Coast Register members I would suggest the same route. Toowoomba Register members may wish to retrace the route to Kilcoy and then proceed home.

Anyone wishing to partake in the drive should RSVP to Ian Lind phone 0438 629 598 of their intentions to come by 10th October 2018

Peak Crossing

Stop Press! Yipee! The drought has broken. Well not quite, however a foreboding weather forecast and morning rain showers did dampen the enthusiasm of some cars that decided to stay warm and dry tucked up in the garages at home. The

slightly braver autos came out to play at the Peak Crossing annual display day. 140 cars gathered to share the hospitality at Neil and Jenny Summerson's property, Sunday August 26th.

Neil and Jenny must be happy to witness how this event has continued to surprise with the increasing number and variety of cars participating. Aston Martins were not in short supply nor were MGs. Super car territory was represented by Ferrari, McLaren & Lamborghini. Other cars thought they were super cars, at least their owners did! The Austin Healy brigade scoffed at the rain drops though uncharacteristically some soft tops remained in the upright position. Volvos aplenty and of course Jaguars. Grace, space and pace. How proudly the marque shows off the fine lines Sir William bestowed upon them.



Tony Nelson thanks the Sponsors

Flat white for me, steak burger & chips a little later on, raffle tickets purchased (wrong ones apparently) and with a small

entry fee I am happy in the knowledge that funds are delivering aid to farmers and the local Fassifern Rotary Cub.

Richard Waterson entertained us with country style guitar and as his usual side kick Allan Hillis was away up north, Richard had his mate Jeff supporting on his harmonica.

All in all a very good gathering and in the end not too damp at all.

Thank you Neil, Jenny and Tony Nelson.

Words from Phil Sperryn, photos from Barry Cooper & Warwick McAllister from Mackay Whitsunday Register



Just a few of the E Types



Contrast—SS,S Type and XJ6



Contrast - F Type and E Type



Lloyd and Tony in deep discussion



John and Cathy parking the cars



Jaguar Drivers Club of Qld Brisbane Register

Christmas Party

Ipswich Turf Club

11.30 am 219 Brisbane Road Bundamba

Sunday 25th November



On Arrival-

- Drinks Canapes pre-lunch
- Main Course lunch alternate drop
- Dessert alternate drop
- Tea and Coffee
- Cost: \$57 same as last year

Thank you to Lloyd & Lorraine Andersen for organizing this event.

Pre-payment by direct deposit before the 6th
November to: The Jaguar Drivers Club of QLD Inc
(include surname as a reference) BSB 484 799 Acc
No 506117953 or cheques made Payable to "Jaguar
Drivers Club QLD Inc" & write "Brisbane Register
Account Christmas Party" on the reverse then post
to: Brisbane Register JDCQ, c/- 3621/30 Hollins
Cres, New Farm Q 4005

Also RSVP 6th November by phoning or emailing your acceptance and any dietary requirements to: joy.cooper@cooperation.com.au 07 3254 2880

Words from Lloyd Andersen about the All British Day.

2018 marks 70 years since the XK120 and the Mk V were first shown at the Earls Court Motor Show, London in October 1948. The XK120 was the first Jaguar to be powered by the twin overhead cam XK engine. The same form of engine went on to power Jaguars for near forty years.

The Mk V was the final model with a pushrod engine and the first production Jaguar with hydraulic brakes and independent front suspension.

To celebrate their 70th anniversary, we would like to arrange a display at All British Day, Tennyson on September 23.

We would like to have as many as possible Mk V and XKs on show. For XKs, we would like the whole range, XK120, XK140, XK150, C type and D type.

For Mk V it would be good to have some other pushrod engine Jaguars as well.

If you would like to participate please advise Lloyd Andersen a.s.a.p. by email to

<u>lloyd1jaglover@iprimus.com.au</u> with your name and the model of your car.



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Please send your articles and contributions to Cat Chat to phil.ruthb@gmail.com

Please - remember to keep your contact details postal address and email address up to date and advise of change of cars to both the secretary Joy Cooper joy.cooper@cooperation.com.au and also please update your personal details on the website directly.

It is the database held with the editor of the website that is used for mailing out the club magazine and email correspondence such as membership renewals.

Ocean View Winery – Minus the Ocean –words from Tony Herald

We have been experiencing a great run of beautiful winter days this year, glorious sunshine and warm, comfortable temperatures. It is a pity to waste such opportunities and fortunately Jim Bowden has organised a few mid week runs to take advantage of these idyllic conditions.

On Wednesday 15th August the run consisted of a cruise through Mt Mee on the D'Aguilar Range followed by a leisurely lunch at the Ocean View Winery, a little gem hidden away in, not surprisingly, Ocean View, just South of Mt Mee.

A good size crew of 21 of the JDCQ faithful made the trip for a scenic cruise and a nice relaxing lunch and the winery itself did not disappoint, beautifully presented with excellent facilities.



We arrived around 12 midday, as advised, and were soon seated at our reserved tables. As normally happens, we were left alone for a while to peruse the menu and wine list. Once drinks orders were finalised meal orders were taken and, after a considerable wait, mains were delivered around 2pm.

Conversation quietened down for a while as our meals were enjoyed but pretty soon the chatter resumed at full strength.

The lunch was yet another good opportunity to catch up with our club friends and have good chat, and there was much of that, as we filled in time. That is the value of these runs, weekends or mid week. However this time the lunch experience was somewhat disappointing.

Quite a pity really. Thanks to Jim for organising yet another interesting mid week outing, you win some but sometimes you lose, hard to know in advance. Jim's outings to date had been all winners so we look forward to the next one.

INTERSTATE MAGAZINES/NEWSLETTERS AVAILABLE

Some of the interstate Jaguar Clubs make their magazines or newsletters available to the JDCQ and send them to the JDCQ Secretary who forwards to the Regional Register Secretaries. Some are available online and some are distributed as a pdf file.

The online item can be accessed as follows -

JCCV - https://tinyurl.com/jccvAustralia

Available on request to the Register Secretary idcqbrisbane@jagqld.org.au

JDCSA Classic Marque

Jaguar Car Club of Tasmania Torque

All Classic Motor Club Central Old





Cat Chat:

Hello Brisbane Register, Afraid there will be no October issue of Cat Chat as the compiler will be sipping Pina Coladas on deck of a boat in Croatia. Away 5 weeks in total.

There will be a November issue so have your articles ready. As usual there will be no December issue.

JDCQ Chassis Based Register

Invite all Queensland Jaguar Drivers Club members and friends to join us for lunch at Karalee Tavern on the first Thursday of each month. - 6th September Enquiries Lloyd Andersen 32948960

JDCQ AGM plus Brisbane register meeting combined—come and have your say!

Tuesday—13th November

Take the opportunity to view Colin Galley's special classic cars and attend both the JDCQ AGM and the usual Brisbane Register bi-monthly meeting. The meetings will commence at 7.30pm with Supper following so you can enjoy some fellowship and catch up with your Jaquar friends too.

