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TOWE MUSEUM VISIT

What a treat to have a tour of the Towe Auto Museum, one of the best kept secrets of the auto enthusiast's hobby. The event was sponsored by Kristina Creel and Jerry Reynolds. About 22 Club members attended.

The Towe Museum is worth a second visit as there is so much to see. For those of you who did not attend, we strongly recommend it. There is something for everyone. The displays cover many eras of the automobile. There are vintage race cars from Indy -type cars to an old dirt track racer driven by A.J. Foyt. There are hot rods, vintage touring cars and foreign cars. Sprinkled

"drivers" which are always fun to see and rarely displayed in such a venue which is the mainstay of our hobby.

The management has done a terrific job setting up the exhibits down to a 50's-style soda fountain complete with a jukebox full of good ole' 50's tunes. Judy Dunow was so sorry she didn't wear her poodle skirt. She wanted very much to do a little boogie woogie.....but just rolled his eyes.

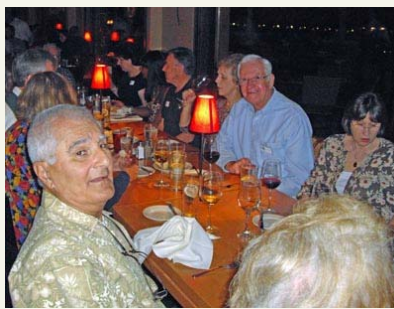
After the museum, we all convened to Scott's Seafood & Grill located in the new Le Rivage Hotel. We enjoyed good wine, tasty food and there was much fun and

frivolity. It was good to get together with everybody. It was so nice to have such a good turnout. Our exalted President (Sparky) was missed. He was on an electrical assignment in Southern California, a real shocker!

Many thanks to our sponsors for putting together such an interesting and fun evening. GOOD JOB!! We're looking forward to seeing everyone at the Christmas Party.

I remain your faithful and intrepid reporter,

ANONYMOUS



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We close this year with many great memories, well attended meetings and events, and a new board of dedicated members. The latest event at the Towe Auto Museum was again well attended and enjoyed by all. Many thanks to Jerry for providing the guided tours and to Kristina for making the arrangements. As a club, we will be adding the events and technical sessions provided by Towe to our news letter for members to attend and enjoy. For more details on this event, please read the related article.

During the last meeting, the club was presented with an updated version of our club's Bylaws. That same version should be available on line for each member to review and make suggestions before the next meeting. The board met in October to update officer duty descriptions and add some flexibility to meetings and events.

Please spend a few minutes to look over this new Bylaw version and let a board member know of any additions or corrections. The board will vote on approval of the Bylaws at December's meeting.

The next meeting will be the Holiday Party held on December 14 at 11:00am. This year's event will be held at the Doubletree Hotel across from Arden Fair Mall. There will be many prizes given out for the raffle and the club will once again collect a toy for "Toys for Tots". After the buffet brunch, the new board members will be sworn in. I look forward to seeing you there.

January will be the planning meeting. This is where you can offer your suggestions for club events and volunteer to host an event. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please give your suggestion to another club

member.

As this is my last President's Letter as acting club president, I want to thank all members for their support and enthusiasm through out the last two years. I have seen this club grow in membership and in depth. I have enjoyed working with the board members who are willing to take the initiative to get things done. In a volunteer organization, it works best with members as dedicated as those involved over the last two years. I also want to extend my support to the new club board members as they will carry on the efforts to move this club forward. Again, thanks to all for making my job easy and for building on a great club!

Happy Holidays
Richard Starch
President, Sacramento Jaguar Club

EDITOR'S MESSAGE

A few months ago when I was commenting on Jaguar being purchased by Tata, I mentioned economy of scale, or more correctly, Jaguar's lack of the same. As I've been looking at show cars and prospective project cars I have been noting Jaguar's engineering. As mentioned previously, Norman Dewis' description of Jaguar's engineering is one of a very lean operation. It is quite obvious that Jaguar--like most auto manufacturers--is very dependent on outside suppliers for many items. While large volume producers can have parts custom made, I have the impression Jaguar, due to its low numbers, uses more standard parts and ends up doing the necessary engineering to make them work. As a

result, they end up with odd looking brackets and little bits of hose connecting things together.

Without going into great detail, it is generally assumed that the cost of assembly of a device is related to the total number of parts, the number of parts that are different from each other and the interfaces (i. e. contact surfaces) among them. Interestingly, one of the ways to reduce the number of different parts is to choose the minimum size fastener (e. g. bolt) that will work for the most critical connection and use it everywhere possible. In other words, in many places the screw or bolt is actually larger than needed but it saves having many different size bolts.

It would seem Jaguar has made some improvements. They are vastly different cars but in general the assembly of the 90s vintage cars appears to be less labor intensive than that of the 50s vintage vehicles.

Getting back to my original point, Jaguar's lack of economy of scale is a self defeating proposition. The low production volume runs up the cost which makes them less competitive in the market place thus perpetuating low production volumes.

Have a great holiday season.

Andy Banta

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER MEETING

The November 20, 2008 meeting was held at Carino's Italian Grill 3860 Truxel Road, Sacramento; 16 members were in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by President Richard Starch at 7:20 PM. The minutes from the October meeting and the Special Board Meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer reported a positive balance; details are available to members by request.
Linda Banta

Membership Report: Bob Olson reported that the membership goal of 50 members by the end of the year was looking close. One new member has joined bringing the total now to 46.

Nominating Cmte. Report Natalie Olson announced that 27 ballot envelopes had been returned to date. A reminder via email would be issued. On November 29, Linda Banta and Natalie will count the ballots. It is expected that some Christmas party reservations and membership renewals will be included in the ballot envelopes.

Events: **Towe tour and dinner:** Wally Butler reported that the museum tour led by Jerry Reynolds was extremely interesting and that about 22 members attended. A delicious dinner at Scott's Seafood Restaurant on Riverside Blvd. followed the Towe tour.

Dec. 14 Christmas Party. Vivian Collipriest reported the 2008 Christmas party will be held at Maxi's Restaurant at the Doubletree Hotel. Announcements have been sent, raffle prizes obtained, and reservations are coming in.

Buckhorn Grill, Oct. meeting. Kristina Creel reported that the Buckhorn Grill had refunded \$100 to the club for overcharging at the October meeting. It was suggested the \$100 gift certificate be donated as a raffle prize for the Christmas party.

Chico Car show. Walter Masuda has volunteered to organize a club event for the Chico car show in April or May.

New Business: Calendars for this year may not be possible, but Jim Collipriest said if he got more club car pictures, he would try to get one out. He would like to be able to produce one for next year and perhaps include a group picture of club cars.

Announcements: **Project Car.** Jim Collipriest located a car on Craig's List in Carmichael. It is a 1994 XJS sea foam green convertible. There was no key with the purchase so one had to be ordered. It has had front end damage and will require a new front bumper among other things. Volunteers please contact Jim to help with repairs.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Natalie Olson, Secretary

SMILE AGAIN ABOUT THE BUCKHORN VISIT

From the moment I stepped into the historic 1880's building in Winters, it seemed as if I had been transported back in time to an elegant lodge amid the height of the gold-rush era.

When Buckhorn manager Linda ushered me into our room for the evening and asked me if the accommodations were to my satisfaction, I was nearly at a loss for words. I stammered that it was much more than I could have anticipated. The private room was great, the food prices were very reasonable for the proportions, and the taste? Delectable! The server was kind, professional and attentive. It was a great place to dine and to meet.

When we received the dinner bill, however, something did not add up and it was more than just the math. The whole way the over charges on the bill were calculated and handled

from that point forward was embarrassing. The apparent contradictions between what the server and management said and what the bill indicated, upset me so much that I absolutely was sick by the time I got home.

I contacted the Bantas, who had graciously and unhesitatingly put the entire negotiated sum on their personal credit card, for a copy of the receipt and then sent a letter along with a copy of the receipt to the Buckhorn management. I held out hope that we would receive an acknowledgment of the problem and along with a reasonable explanation that would return the smile to our faces.

Good News. Although it took over a month to receive a response from the Buckhorn regarding my inquiries, it also seems that the server was as

much of a victim of the circumstances as we were and is thus exonerated. Linda assured me that, since our experience brought a computer glitch to the attention of management, they have remedied their program.

Linda has apologized on behalf of the restaurant for the embarrassment and grief that this computer glitch caused. She has also sent a promotional coupon to us hoping that we might consider returning to the Buckhorn to enjoy a truly pleasant meal and dining experience.

If you have any questions about this article or would like more information, please feel free to email your questions to me at krisklugcreel@yahoo.com or to call me at 916-759-3746.

Kristina Creel

DECEMBER EVENT



The annual holiday party is 11:00 AM on Sunday, December 14th at the Double tree Hotel, 2001 Point West Way, Sacramento. From I80 east, exit onto the Capital City Freeway and follow to the Arden Way exit where you head east (i. e. left) for 0.4 miles and turn right onto Point West Way. From the south area take the Capital City Freeway to Arden Way and turn right. If you are approaching from Highway 50 east, the suggested route is north on Watt Ave., turn left on Arden Way and follow for 2.6 miles before turning left on Heritage Lane. Turn right on Response Road for 0.1 miles and then right onto Point West Way. If you have questions, call Vivian Collipriest at (916) 933 5962. Please remember to bring a toy for the **Toys for Tots**.

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FUNDRAISING PROJECT II THE JAGUAR RECOVERY TEAM.

After the project reported in the last JagWyre, the hunt commenced for another project car. Using Craigs List and eBay Motors the search went far and wide. Jaguars were evaluated from Boise, Idaho, to Los Angeles and from San Bruno to Las Vegas and Phoenix. Transportation costs were always a factor for distant cars.

Finally, we found a local car: a 1995 XJ-S convertible in Carmichael. The Craigs list said “light front end damage, just needs hood, right front fender and right headlight, runs great”. Well, almost. Need to consider a cracked oil pan, smashed electric cooling fan and oil cooler, smashed secondary sheet metal behind the headlight. . . still the team decided that the price was right and the potential for success was sufficient.

Once the car was moved to El Dorado Hills, further exploration revealed additional tasks (read challenges) to be accomplished. The front seats needed to be repaired, recovered or replaced and the carpets needed to be cleaned or replaced. Although the sellers claimed it “runs great” in fact, they had not been able to get it to run. After tracing the power circuits to the fuel pump and engine management computer, the team was able to make it run and it seemed quiet and clean (no smoke). The car had passed California smog testing six months ago.

The Recovery Team has grown to five members: Andy Banta, Wally Butler, Jim Collipriest, Bill Kreglow and Richard Starch. At the first group meeting, team members swarmed the project like bees on honey. Seats and carpets were removed, hood, fender and bumper were removed and preliminary efforts straightened some of the secondary sheet metal.

The project still looks viable but not certain. Additional reports to follow.

Jim Collipriest



REVISION OF THE BYLAWS

As reported last month, a special board meeting was held to consider to consider revision of the club by-laws. As required by the by-laws themselves, the proposed changes are shown on the next and following pages with changes in red (grey if you are reading a hard copy). If you have comments or suggestions for revision of the By-Laws, please forward them to President, Richard Starch or Secretary, Natalie Olson **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**. A final vote will be held at the meeting on December 14th. *Being unable to use strikeouts in this newsletter, items to be removed are indicated by an underscore, Editor.*

SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB BYLAWS

Final Draft, November 2008

Article I: NAME

The name of this corporation is the SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB.

Article II: OFFICE

There shall be a principal office for the transaction of the business of the SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB, located at the address of the current President, **or at an address designated by the President.**

Article III: PURPOSE

- A) To operate and maintain an organization to encourage and promote the ownership, care, and maintenance with safe and courteous operation of JAGUAR automobiles.
- b) To serve as a medium of exchange for ideas, information and parts for owners of all models of JAGUAR automobiles, **and** to aid them in restoring and preserving these automobiles in their original likeness.
- c) To provide a social group for club members where they can meet, socialize, and maintain the spirit of good fellowship, and participate in activities including the use of their JAGUAR automobiles.

Article IV: MEMBERSHIP

- a) All members of the SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB as of February 1, 1978 shall be designated as Charter Members, and shall be so listed on the Official Charter and Membership Roster of the club.
- b) There shall be one class of membership. The rights and privileges of all members shall be equal. In cases of memberships granted to households, all persons shall have all rights and privileges of membership, except that each membership shall have one vote. A member is considered a member in good standing upon payment of dues.
- c) Dues for membership are due and payable on January first of each year. **Dues become delinquent, a second reminder to be sent** on February first, and nonpayment **by April 1**, results in automatic termination of membership, on March first. **except for extenuating circumstances.**
- d) The Board of Directors is hereby granted the exclusive power to reject the application for membership of any person, and to expel any member when that person's association with the SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB is not considered in the best interests of the club.
- e) **Recognition may be given to a SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB member who volunteers above and beyond as determined by the Board of Directors.**

Article V: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A) The administration and management of the SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB is hereby vested in the Board of Directors.
- b) The Board of Directors shall consist of the elected officers of the SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB. A quorum of four Board members is required to do business. The immediate past President serves as an ex-officio non-voting member but may cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie.
- c) The Board of Directors shall meet at least once quarterly to conduct and approve the business of the club at the principal office, or at such other place as is designated by the President.
- d) A quorum of the Board of Directors may take any action permitted under the laws of the State of California by majority vote of the Board of Directors in lieu of a formal meeting.
- e) Notice of all meetings of the Board of Directors shall be given by the President at least seven days in advance of such meetings.
- f) The President is hereby authorized to establish committees and appoint committee chairs at his/her discretion, and he/she deems appropriate, including **such as** an executive committee, nominating committee, concours committee, finance committee, **membership chairman, newsletter editor, web editor**, or others as needed. Such committees shall conduct their business as directed by the Board of Directors or the President, but in no event **be** inconsistent with these Bylaws.
- g) The Board of Directors is empowered to set annual membership dues.

Article VI: ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- a) The officers of the corporation shall be the President, 1st Vice President/**Activities**, 2nd Vice President/**Operations**, Secretary, Treasurer and an Advisory Council a **JCNA** Representative.
- b) The officers of the SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB shall be elected by the membership for a term of one year, beginning January first of the year immediately following the election.
- c) No member shall run for more than one elected office during any one election.
- d) All elected officers must be members in good standing of the SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB.
- e) In the event that any of the officers are unable to fulfill his/her full term of office, the President shall then appoint a member in good standing to fill any vacancies subject to approval by the Board. In the event that the President is unable to fulfill his/her term, the First Vice President/**Operations** will assume the duties of the President for the remainder of his/her term.
- f) Duties of the Officers shall be:

PRESIDENT:

Chairs club activities,
 Delegates jobs,
 Chooses committee chairpersons,
 Presides at all Board meetings unless **unable to attend, and**
 Writes President's page for monthly newsletter

**VICE PRESIDENT/
ACTIVITIES:**

Takes charge of calendar of events,
Makes certain an events are is planned for each month, and makes certain the plans are followed.

**VICE PRESIDENT/
OPERATIONS**

Acts on behalf of President if necessary, including acting as his or her representative at inter-club events, and
Attends Board meetings.

SECRETARY:

Takes minutes of Board meetings,
Keeps records,
Handles club correspondence,
Submits articles to the Sacramento Bee regarding events and meetings, and
Attends Board meetings.

TREASURER:

Handles all finances,
Sells dinner tickets and pays dinner tab
Makes monthly financial reports to Board,
Attends Board meetings, and
Bills members for annual dues by December first
Maintains tax exempt status.

ADVISORY COUNCIL**JCNA
REPRESENTATIVE:**

Represents club in dealings with other clubs,
Attends Board meetings,
Attends JCNA Annual General Meeting (AGM) or designates a member in good standing to attend with the approval of the President. (The SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB may approve payment of the AGM tuition for the attendee).

g) Duties of the Committee Chairs shall be:

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR:

**Bills members for annual dues by November 10,
Makes membership reports to Board and JagWyre as needed,
Designs membership recruitment strategies and follows-up on all inquiries, referrals and contacts,
Distributes new membership packets, renewal forms, and collects and records payments and provides payments to treasurer, and
Provides membership data and coordinates with JCNA on all membership matters.**

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

Prepares newsletter in timely manner,
Solicits advertising,
Is responsible for the accuracy of the editorial comments, and
Collaborates and works with Website Manager.

WEBSITE MANAGER: Maintains and updates the club's website, Ensures compliance with JCNA regulations, legality of materials, links, photos and other published information, Posts updates of monthly newsletter, club events, meeting information and JCNA bulletins, and Collaborates and works with Newsletter Editor

Article VII: ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- a) All memberships as defined in Article IV shall have one vote in the election of officers.
- b) The President shall appoint a nominating committee of at least three (3) members in good standing from the general membership. The nominating committee shall be responsible for obtaining nominees for each elective office designated in Article VI.
- c) The nominating committee shall present its nominees to the general membership at the October monthly meeting. At the October meeting, nominations shall be accepted from the general membership for the elective offices of the club. Any nominations duly seconded and accepted shall be added to the ballot.
- d) The election of officers shall be held by secret mail ballot. Ballots shall be mailed to each membership in good standing. Ballots will be accepted if submitted to the Secretary prior to November 30th. A minimum of two Board members shall count the ballots.
- e) The candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast for the designated office shall be declared elected to that office.
- f) Should a tie occur between two candidates for an elective office, a coin toss shall determine the winner.

Article VIII: MEETINGS

- a) There shall be a SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB event or meeting a minimum of six (6) per year.
- b) Notice of each monthly event or meeting shall be given to the membership.

Article IX: AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

- a) Proposals for amendment(s) of the Bylaws are to be submitted to the Board of Directors by two (2) members in good standing.
- b) Proposed amendment(s) to the Bylaws shall be prepared in writing and submitted to the Board of Directors for review.
- c) The proposed amendment(s) shall be published in the next issue of the club's newsletter. The proposed amendment(s) shall be discussed at the next scheduled Board meeting, where pros and cons of the issue(s) shall be heard.

d) The next scheduled printing of the newsletter shall carry the proposed amendment(s) in ballot format, so that all members in good standing may vote on the proposed amendment(s). Ballots will be counted if submitted to the Secretary prior to the next meeting being called to order. An affirmative vote of the majority of ballots returned shall be required for adoption of the proposed amendment(s).

Article X: FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

a) The Treasurer shall present a financial report of the SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB at each Board meeting. The Treasurer shall present an annual financial statement of the SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB at the December meeting of the Board.

b) The Treasurer may, at his/her discretion, approve expenditures of SACRAMENTO JAGUAR CLUB funds upon submission of receipts, bills, itemized statements or other satisfactory written evidence of expenses incurred by members for the benefit of the club.

c) Any expense exceeding the amount of \$500.00 shall require Board approval.

d) Any check exceeding the amount of \$200.00 shall require two (2) authorized signatures.

END

BALLOT

Ballots will be provided at the December 14th meeting. If you are unable to attend the December 14th meeting and wish to vote on the By-laws, print this page, cast your vote and mail to Natalie Olson, 100 Egloff Circle, Folsom Ca 95630. To be counted, your vote must be received prior to the December 14th meeting,

APPROVE _____ DISAPPROVE _____

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