

JAGUAR

TOWNSVILLE



REGISTER



JDCQ's 30th ANNIVERSARY

SEPTEMBER 2005

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

7 September	Meeting at Shelley's Diner, Norgate	7:30pm
24 & 25 September	Mission Beach Run	Details in this edition
5 October	Meeting at Shelley's Diner, Norgate	7:30pm
22 & 23 October	Richmond Weekend	Details in upcoming edition
2 November	AGM at Shelley's Diner, Norgate	7:30pm
26 November	Christmas Dinner at the Fels'	76 Robertson Street, Railway Estate
27 November	Christmas Recovery Breakfast	Details in upcoming edition

***Subject to confirmation**

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MEETING – WEDNESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2005

Meeting opened 7:30pm

PRESENT:

Kevin Fitz Gerald; Joe Pannia; Dick McInnes; Richard Dixon

APOLOGIES:

Alan Collins; Michael Fitz gerald

MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 August 2005, having been previously distributed, were taken as read and were confirmed.

Dick McInnes / Richard Dixon

BUSINESS ARISING:

The club is still going to place an advert in the local paper calling for new members and we need to organise a name change from Townsville to North Queensland Register.

CORRESPONDENCE:

INWARDS:

1. Capricornia register Cain Gorge daytrip;
2. Leukaemia Foundation; and
3. CAMS.

OUTWARDS:

1. NIL

Richard Dixon / Dick McInnes

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The closing balance at 31 August 2005 was \$655.96 An outstanding \$62.00 cheque for newsletters is still to be presented.

Joe Pannia / Kevin Fitz Gerald

GENERAL BUSINESS:

All British Day, CAIRNS Sunday 14 August 2005.

Although not part of our regular calendar Reg & Jan made the lonely trip and attended the Cairns Swapmeet last month where they met the Bakers and Bill Honniball. Their story (for which Jan earns 5 points) is in this months newsletter.

Wine and Cheese Afternoon - 3 Malkara Street, Mundingburra.

Alan and Margaret's afternoon of frivolity was on. Much wine was consumed and dirty jokes told. From all reports it was an afternoon enjoyed by all those who attended.

Mission Beach Run - 24 & 25 September

Departure at 9:00am sharp will be from outside the RAAF Base entrance on Ingham Road (Bohle side of intersection). Accommodation is being organised at the Mission Beach Resort by Dick. Please give Dick a call on his mobile number (0419 757456) to discuss the arrangements.

Closure of Norgate

Coles will be closing the restaurant where our monthly meetings are held after next month's meeting. Subject to approval, our AGM and future meetings will be held at the BP Truckstop Cluden (opposite the racecourse).

Calendar of Events - Richmond Weekend

Being only a two day weekend and the travelling time involved, it looks like the Richmond weekend next month will be cancelled. More in next month's newsletter.

JDCQ 30th Anniversary

Kevin travelled to Brisbane to help celebrate this auspicious occasion and has written a report and took some photos for this months newsletter.

Next Year's Calendar

Any ideas? Let someone on the committee know if you have an idea for an event we can hold. The calendar will be finalised at the AGM in November.

Meeting closed 8:30pm

AUGUST 2005 NEWSLETTER

COVER PHOTO JDCQ 30TH ANNIVERSARY (SOUTHBANK)

Story and photos: Kevin Fitz Gerald

An early start of 4am to get to the airport for a 5am check in and through security for a 6am departure to arrive in Brisbane at 8am. It was as much time flying as getting to the plane.

I arrived at Rydges Hotel Southbank and deposited my luggage and set off to see a friend at Greenslopes hospital only to find he had been discharged on Friday afternoon.

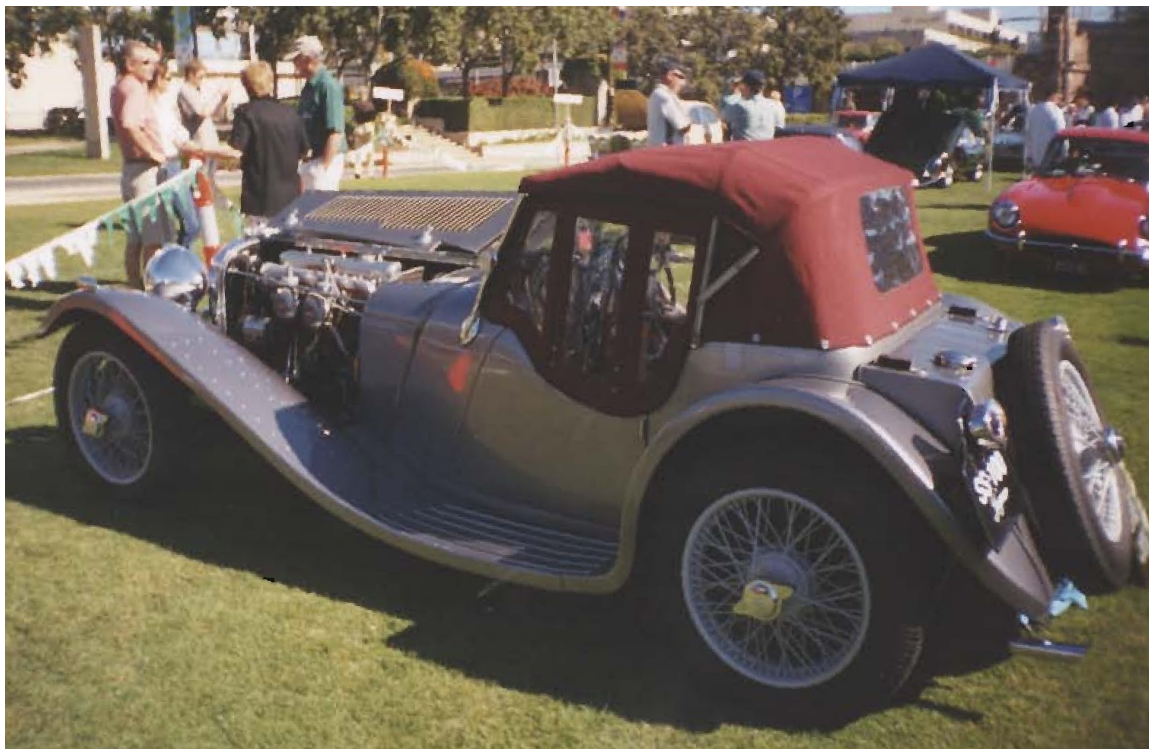


On arriving back at the hotel I set off to meet the other members of the Jaguar club in the Crown Lager bar only to find it had been previously booked for another function. I eventually found them in the Sidewalk bar of all places and met the Chairmen of the other registers except the Capricornia register. Robin Todd [JDCQ President] welcomed us all to the celebration and bid us have a good time.

We adjourned for a scrub-up to attend the 6pm celebration. There were 60 to 70 people there. Robin Todd gave a short speech welcoming everyone and introduced David Blackhall, the Managing Director of Jaguar Australia. David gave us news on the path Jaguar is going down. Jaguar Australia is going to concentrate on producing fast distinctive cars rather than numerous models. Next year at the Sydney motor Jaguar will show the all new aluminium XK150 which will be an eye opener. Jaguar will also be getting about 30 special edition XJ's with all the bells and whistles on for a bit over \$300,000. More information was parted with but as the celebrating continued I seemed to have forgotten some of it.



Next day just across from the hotel was the display of concourse cars. There were 150 to 200 cars on display including an SS100, Mark IV's to V's, S-Types, XJS' and XJ's of every description (even Richard's old XJ6 that he only just sold). I brought back a few photo's of the cars which I gave to Richard to include in the newsletter.



I thoroughly enjoyed myself as I am sure everyone else who attended did. We will need to work harder to encourage more enthusiasm to keep up with the other registers. I spoke to Ant Murray about the trip down to Mackay next year and we will have to contact them (and Rockhampton) to arrange final details.

JAGUAR SHOWS HER CLAWS

Mark Hinchliffe, The Courier-Mail

27 August 2005

Jaguar has joined the "boy racer" set with its first steering-wheel-mounted gearshift paddles in the new flagship XK series. The lighter, restyled XK Coupe and Roadster will be on sale from mid 2006 in Australia. Jaguar Australia public affairs manager Todd Hallenbeck said they could not yet confirm the Australian launch date nor pricing. "That will be announced much later," he said. And don't expect to pick up a current XK cheap in a run-out sale.

"As far as a run out, Jaguar Australia has sold out of all XK stock except for the 15 limited edition XKR 4.2-S convertibles and coupes," Hellenmbeck said. Jaguar's new sequential shift transmission in the XK not only features paddle shifters but adds an automatic throttle blip from the drive-by-wire engine management system during downshifts for quicker changes. And gone is the familiar "J" gate on the centre console shifter, replaced by a conventional "reverse" L shape. Among the other driver-focused technologies in the XK are keyless entry and push-button start. Just hop in with the key in your pocket or bag a push the start button.

Styling is a mixture of traditional Jaguar and modern touches. Typically there are classic flowing lines, a long bonnet, arch-filling wheels, and minimal overhangs. The front-wing power vents are new to Jaguar but there is still that distinctive oval grille opening and bonnet power-bulge. At the rear there are strange new circular taillights while the all-aluminium rear liftback door harks back to the E-type.

The interior uses traditional leather contrasted against modern trim surfaces including metallic. XK has a longer wheelbase, wider track and taller roofline for more headroom

for the two rear passengers. It also features the all-aluminium monocoque construction introduced with the latest XJ saloons which makes this vehicle's kerb weight 90kg lighter than the previous model, as well as 31 per cent stiffer and stronger.

A host of safety features abound including better pedestrian protection with a bonnet that deploys upwards away from its rear edge, in milliseconds, on impact. This forms a safety zone between the bonnet and the engine and other under-bonnet hard areas to reduce significantly the potential for injuries.

For primary safety, the brakes have been beefed up with larger, ventilated discs, Electronic Brake Force Distribution, Hydraulic Brake Assist to increase brake pressure during an emergency stop, and Jaguar's Electronic Park Brake function. Unlike conventional digital ABS systems, the XK's ABS system can vary the brake pressure at each wheel using analogue valves in the hydraulic control unit. This allows increased steering input during heavy braking.



Jaguar tested the braking system extensively over hundreds of laps at the Nurburgring test track in Germany. The naturally aspirated 4.2-litre V8 engine still produces 224kW, but Jaguar claims its new fuel-injection technology satisfies Euro IV emissions requirements and stringent US emissions regulations. It develops maximum torque of 411Nm at 4100rpm with 85 per cent of that from 2000 to 6000rpm. The coupe is electronically speed limited to 250km/h with acceleration claimed to be 6.2 seconds from 0 to 100km/h. The Servotronic 2 steering is adapted from the XJ saloon for low-speed manoeuvring with optimum high-speed feedback. Options include Adaptive Cruise Control with forward-facing sensors to scan the road ahead 10 times every second to warn of a potential collision. Another option is the active front lighting system with bi-xenon lights that swivel the dipped beam lens depending on road speed and the angle at which the steering wheel is turned.

CAIRNS SWAPMEET

AUGUST 2005

Story and Photos: Jan Fels



A small party left Townsville on the Saturday morning, just Reg & Jan. We were hoping to take the XJS for a burn but at the last moment the electronic sender in the distributor died and in the words of an expert, it would be dead for a thousand years. So the XJV12 Sovereign gave us a great comfytrip. Much to Reg's amazement it averaged 21.5 miles to the gallon.

When we arrived in Cairns we spent the next 30 minutes going up and down Sheridan



Street looking for City Sheridan. We even asked a friendly motorcycle cop and he didn't know either. Finally we saw a small sign way up high on the side of a building and at last we had found our Motel. After that strain we just had to have a wine to revive us. Next morning bright and early we were at the gates of the Showgrounds and were amazed at the scene in front of us.

The grounds allocated to the Show were packed. A large area had been taken by Show & Shine vehicles most of these were American Cars. Then another large area was used by Swapmeet Groups.

People came from Atherton, Innisfail and surrounding towns to sell their gear. Then way at the back were the British Cars. Not much organisation for the people showing their cars and bikes. It was a case of fit in where you can, but there was a great turn out of people and everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves.

After walking around and looking at the amazing things people had to sell, (there was even an old wringer washing machine for sale) we returned to our car and were so pleased when Monica & John arrived in their new Jag. Then soon after Elma & Jim from Atherton arrived and at this stage it was the first time we saw an official who directed Jim to a much better vantage spot, must be that lovely car they have that gave them the preferential treatment!! David Anderson found time to come down from the Tablelands but we girls didn't have a chat with him as he disappeared and when leaving we saw him holding a pair of jack stands, he was thrilled with his buy as he managed to get them at half the price quoted in town. Bill Honiball from Townsville took time off from helping his son to decorate his home and called in for 5 minutes. People started to pack up around 2.00 so we too called it a day and headed to Monica & Johns lovely home up in the hills. Here we met their lovely daughter Heidi and together they entertained us in style. We had a most enjoyable meal and too soon we had to say goodbye.



Some of you may be wondering who owns the 1967 Daimler in the photo. Well am happy to tell you it is for sale (see Sale Notice in this Newsletter) and no Reg isn't going to buy it.

JAGUAR SCORES QUADRUPLE SUCCESS IN LATEST J.D. POWER QUALITY SURVEY

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19th May 2005

Jaguar has achieved a remarkable quadruple success in the latest J.D. Power and Associates Initial Quality Study released yesterday in the US.

- Improved to second its position overall in the survey
- The highest-ranked European nameplate
- The Gold Plant Quality Award in Europe for Halewood
- Massive improvement for the Jaguar X-TYPE

This major achievement for Jaguar was led by its best performing model, the X-TYPE sedan, which improved 37 points in the study, a 35% leap over last year's results. The J.D. Power Study ranks new vehicle quality after 90 days in the hands of customers.

In addition, Jaguar's Halewood plant, where the X-TYPE is manufactured, received J.D. Power's Gold Award for European plant performance. This state of the art facility – once Ford Motor Company's lowest rated plant in the world – is now a centre of excellence for lean manufacturing, a discipline that focuses on elimination of waste, while driving high quality, continuous improvement.

"Jaguar has achieved the Number Two ranking in the industry out of 36 brands and is once again the highest ranked European nameplate in the Initial Quality Study," said Bibiana Boerio, Managing Director of Jaguar Cars.



"Coupled with the success of X-TYPE and our Halewood Plant in the J.D. Power Survey, this is a terrific testament to the efforts of the whole Jaguar team. Improving our quality has been a passion for everyone at Jaguar and we are once again delighted with these outstanding results. I like to think that this is the voice of real customers telling us about the quality of their Jaguar vehicles."

CLASSIFIEDS:

These classifieds are free to advertise and items don't have to be Jaguar related. Ring or email Richard to have your items inserted in next months issue.

For Sale: **Full LP Gas conversion.** Complete tank, regulator and all fittings for a series I or II XJ6. Contact **Dick** on **0419 757456**

Mini DeLuxe 1969 One owner 55,000 miles. White with blue interior. One of the best and most original in Australia. \$6,600.00
Ph: **Glenys** - Mount Isa **07 4743 5290** or **0419 657 774**

Series 3 XJ6 1984 Red 165,000km Owned for past 11 years. Engine and gearbox rebuilt at 153,000km \$8,500 Contact **John** on **4771 5673**

1967 Daimler 2.5 V8, 43000 miles; roadworthy; colour BEIGE, (see story photo) Price \$15,000 Firm. Contact **Earl Church/Cairns** on **0740576029** or **0417412666**

Wanted: Pair of Rear Jaguar mudflaps in good condition to suit Series 3. Contact **Craig** on **4778 8004**

THE SPORTS CAR WITH INTERN

By victory after victory on the racetracks of the world, Jaguar has gained for itself a position in the very forefront of modern sports cars. Twice winners at Le Mans, three times victors at Rheims, twice winners of the R.A.C. Tourist Trophy and victorious in innumerable other International and National events, the racetrack breeding of Jaguar is evident from the moment the wheel is handled. All the accumulated wealth of knowledge and experience gained in the hard school of racing have been built into new Jaguar XK 140 models which are powered by the famous 3½ litre twin overhead camshaft XK engine, now with high lift cams and its power output



THE 2-SEATER ROADSTER

The most widely known and the most highly esteemed sports car in the world. Now, with higher performance, increased leg room and greater luggage accommodation, it is more than ever the aristocrat of open sports cars.

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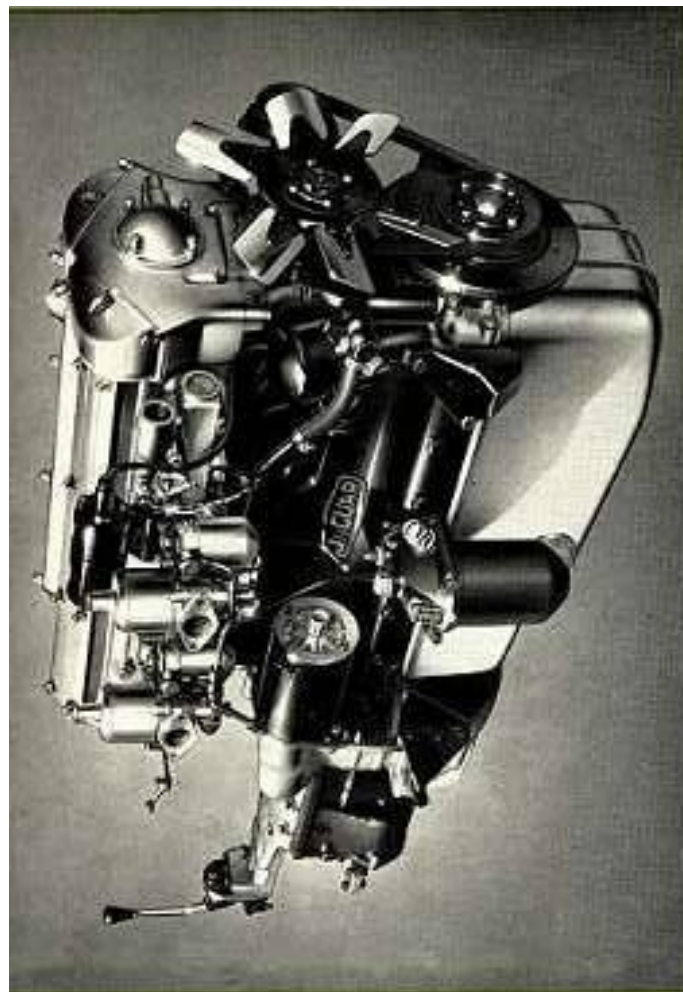
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THE 2.3 SEATER HARDTOP

This entirely new model offers accommodation for three adults or two adults and two children, and has ample luggage accommodation.

ATIONAL RACETRACK BREEDING

raised to 190 b.h.p. The increase in power of these engines coupled with the introduction of rack and pinion steering provides a new high level of road performance, yet, notwithstanding the high speed potential of the XK 140, the Jaguar characteristics of smoothness, silence, tractability and road adhesion are such that complete and effortless mastery is in the hands of the driver at all times and at all speeds. On all XK models, seating accommodation has been increased and extra accommodation for children is now available in both the Convertible and Hardtop—the latter also affording accommodation for a third adult.



THE 34 LITRE XK ENGINE

This famous engine which has carried Jaguar cars to victory in so many international events, is now fitted with high lift cams as standard equipment and delivers a power output of 190 b.h.p. The special engine, fitted with 'C' type cylinder head and incorporating other modifications, delivers 210 b.h.p.

THE CONVERTIBLE

With all the luxury and comfort of a fully enclosed car, and with extra seating accommodation for two children, this model can be converted to an open car in an instant without leaving the seat.

