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Jaguar Register**

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WMJR BBQ at Borgs' Cabin, Midway September 23

'Twas another memorable gathering at the Borgs' wonderful cabin near Wasatch Mountain State Park in Midway

Winner was Mike Cady with 22 of 25 correct, second was Ken Borg with 20, and Your Obedient Scribe

Attending were hosts Ken and JoAnn Borg, Chef Duane Allred with assistant LuAnne, daughter Alisha and hubby Joey Rogers, Bud and Betty Merritt, Jim and Hermione Klekas, Barry and Allison Hanover, Mike, Susan and Tess Cady, Marvin and Connie May, J and Kay Jennings, John and Liz Green, and Your Obedient Scribe. Apologies as always to any we missed.

Star Chef Duane Allred aided by Joey Rogers presided over the grill offering bratwurst and burgers cooked to order.

After dinner J Jennings once again entertained the crowd with a deviously devised car quiz. This year the theme was *Which Marque?*, in which a list of well and not-so-well known British car models were listed and contestants were required to name their manufacturers.

Some were easy (e.g. Metropolitan / Nash), some were not so (e.g. Jupiter / Jowett), and some downright vexing (e.g. 408 Zagato / Bristol).



took up the rear with 16.

Prizes were three lovely coffee table books on car topics.

For a complete photo gallery see 2017 Memories on our web site www.wmjr.org

No Jaguars or British cars even were spotted in the driveway, though the weather was, umm, quite British. In fact my ride back to Salt Lake City over Parley's Canyon on I-80 demanded full attention and moderate speeds in my kraut burner.

—Gary Lindstrom

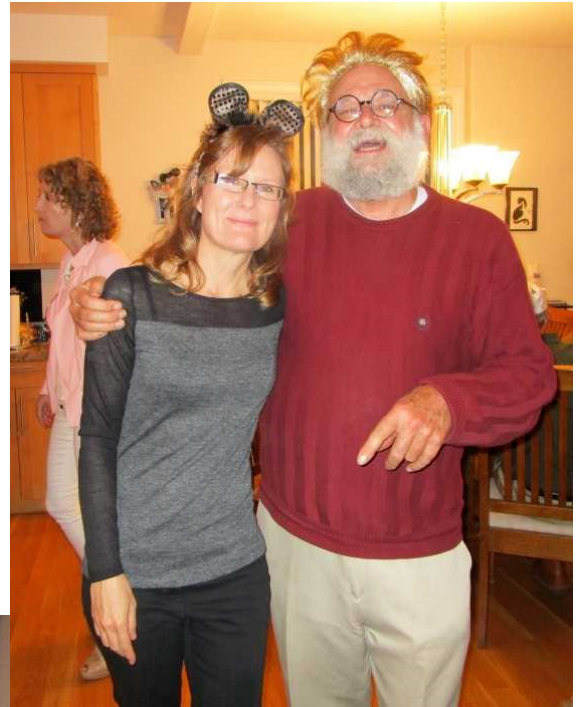
BBQ Photos



Hallowe'en Party 6pm Friday, October 27

Time for scary thoughts and spooky apparitions such as Jaguars roaming our backyards eating German and Japanese offerings, and all-electric Jaguars (see article on [p. 4](#)).

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Refuge will be provided 6pm Friday October 27 at the home of Jim and Hermione Klekas, 1471 Ambassador Way,



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Costumes are required, but will be limited as in past years to silly / crazy / ugly / provoking hats.



Jim and Hermione will provide clam dip, lemon chicken and pilafi (Greek style rice pilaf). Soft drinks and liquor will be provided but bring your own wine if desired.

2018 Jaguar I-PACE Is off to Flying Start with 25,000 Pre-Orders by Vlad Mitrache www.autoevolution.com

Even though the cars shown so far still had the "concept" description next to them, we're pretty confident we know what the 2018 Jaguar I-PACE electric crossover will look like.

And based on that image, we also believe it'll be the best-looking EV option out there, with the single possible pretender to the throne being Tesla's Model S.

However, the Jaguar sits in a completely different segment being the first crossover its size to use a battery-powered drivetrain.

That means it has no direct competition, even though there is plenty lurking around the corner. Both Audi (e-tron quattro) and Mercedes-Benz (EQC) are preparing electric SUVs that are roughly the same category as the I-PACE, and Tesla's Model Y can't be too far from its launch either.

But the British electric crossover is coming next year with production reportedly already started at its plant in Austria, which gives it a headstart of at least one year over the first rival. Will that prove to be enough for Jaguar to estab-

lish itself as a major player in the EV market?

First signs suggest that it will. According to Bloomberg, Jaguar CEO Ralf Speth claims the company has already received

can get. The British brand isn't doing as well as you might believe, with the bulk of the money coming from the group's other plates, Land Rover and particularly, Range Rover.



Jaguar alone could not reach the 150,000 units globally last year, which puts it at a clear disadvantage over its rivals from Germany who gravitate around the two million mark.

25,000 orders for the new EV, even though they are likely made by its network of dealers and not the end-client, as was the case with the Tesla Model 3.

As mentioned before, the Coventry-based manufacturer has already officially opened the bookings for the I-PACE in Norway, Europe's biggest market for electric cars, at least as far as percentage is concerned, with others set to follow.

In the eight or so months left until deliveries begin, that number could soar significantly.

And Jaguar needs all the sales it

With the EV technology leveling the field somewhat, Jaguar had a chance to make the first move and become a sort of pioneer among traditional premium brands, a change it seems to have grabbed with both hands.

Just look at its involvement with the Formula E and the recently announced I-PACE eTROPHY one-make competition - if that doesn't spell "commitment," then we don't know what does.

Classic Cars Rated Top 'Passion' Investment Over The Long Run

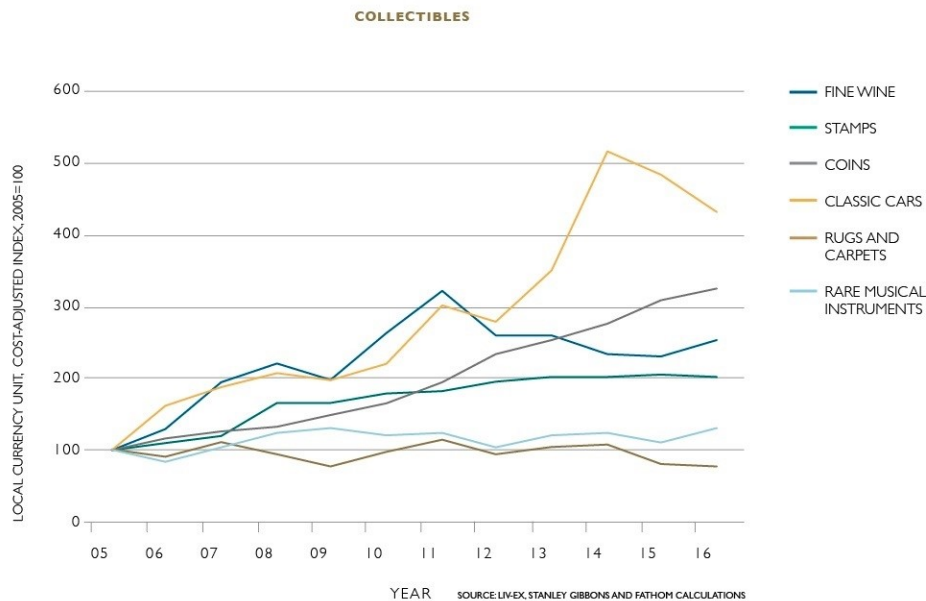
From major newspapers and the International Investment newsletter to Musical Instrument Professional, the Coutts Passion Index 2017 has been getting a lot of attention recently. Since 2005, Coutts has tracked various “passion” investments and in its latest report notes that, “Classic cars have provided the healthiest returns (among all ‘passion’ assets) since 2005, with average prices rising more than fourfold.”

However — ah, doesn’t there always seem to be a however? — “after increasing rapidly in 2013 and 2014, returns for Classic Cars fell in both 2015 and 2016.”

Based in England, Coutts has “looked after clients and their wealth for over three centuries,” it notes on its website, adding that during that time it has progressed from bank to investment house to now go “beyond traditional wealth management to explore with our clients the enjoyment of their passions.”

One of those passions is owning things that increase in value while you enjoy them. The Coutts Passion Index, offered annually, tracks such things as “trophy property,” which includes leisure (second or “holiday”) homes and what it terms “billionaire” properties. Also included are collections of watches, jewelry, rare musical instruments, rugs

and carpets, classic cars, coins, stamps, fine wine, and art. Within art, Coutts includes four genre — traditional Chinese, post-war and contemporary, old master and 19th



century, Impressionist and modern. Since 2005, classic cars have increased in value by 331.9 percent, Coutts reports. Next-best investment over that 12-year period has been coins (224.6 percent), followed by wine, jewelry, watches, stamps, billionaire properties (those worth 10 million British pounds or more), and Chinese art. On the other hand, Old Master and 19th Century art has fallen 42.1 percent and rugs and carpets 21 percent.

While coins are the only category that has increased in value every year, the fastest growth in value in the last year has involved rare musical instruments, up more than 16 percent after falling nearly 11 percent the previous year. “Volatile” is what Coutts called the rare instrument market.

The collector car marketplace also was featured recently — in the Arts

section of The New York Times.

The article noted that 26-year-old British singer/songwriter Ed Sheeran recently loaned his new Aston Martin DB9 to his manager’s wife soon after he purchased the car. Turns out Sheeran didn’t like the car’s design. The article quotes Kristian Aadnevik, a Norwegian fashion designer and car collector, as saying that the new supercars “all look the same.” Aadnevik is 39. None of his eight cars is newer than a 1971 model.

The article notes that while Gen X and Millennials have become more active buyers than Baby Boomers, what they want tends more toward experience than possession. For example, it’s not so much that what they wanted but couldn’t have while in high school — perhaps they got everything they wanted? — but in enjoying a spirited Saturday morning drive with friends.

The article also notes that online auctions are growing in popularity and that Sotheby’s has linked not only with RM but more recently with ifonly.com, an “experience marketplace.” Thus at the recent RM Sotheby’s sale in Monterey, one of the lots was a 2 1/2-hour sail with America’s Cup champion Brad Webb. It sold for \$9,375, and it doesn’t need a garage or insurance.

“Owning a luxury car with a top speed of more than 180 mph is no longer quite enough,” the article concludes.

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Continuing A New Section My Other Car Is A(n) ...

As WMJR members are aware I have several British cars and one of them is quite rare. It is a 1958 Peerless that I have owned for nine years. I was not familiar with the Peerless until a member of the club, Bob Wadman, offered to sell me a Peerless he had bought in Southern California. Bob had owned a Peerless some time in the past.

I had never seen a Peerless and there was little information available about the car. I liked the looks of the Peerless so I bought the car.

Peerless was built in Slough, England at an old factory that was used by the Peerless Motor Co. of the USA to assemble lorries during World War I. The car was named Peerless because it was felt the American market would recognize the name.

The car has a tubular frame with a fiberglass



body, using a Triumph TR-3 motor and running parts. There was about 250 Phase I cars built from May 1958 to July 1959 and 50 Phase II, the production ceased in 1960. My car is S/N 0050.

There is an active Peerless register based in Birmingham, England. In September 2016 we took a trip with Mike and Susan Cady to England and at that time I met Nygel who heads up the Peerless Register. He brought his car to the B&B where we were staying and took me for a ride. This was the only Peerless I had seen other than my own.

The factory published no workshop manuals for the car and used different trim parts as they could be provided by suppliers, so there can be some differences from car to car. The factory kept few records about construction, so it is

a challenge restoring the car.

I have completed most of the mechanical restoration and am now starting on the body.

—J Jennings

For Sale 2003 Jaguar Vanden Plas S/C

This is a collector car and with the super-charged V8 it is running about 370 horse power, and is a blast to drive. I have had the car for 4 yrs. and have gone through it.

Very nice car and the flag ship model when it was built in 2003 with only 788 ever built and only 200 ever coming to the united states. 2003 was the last year the Jaguar made Jaguar's before Ford bought them out.

The dealer sticker was still in the glove box when I had the car shipped to me from Chicago and new it was 79,000 and some change -- a very nice car.

17 inch wheels, ABS, alloy wheels, power antenna, anti-theft alarm system, CD changer with MP3 playback, center console, clock, cruise control, exterior entry lights, heated power exterior mirrors, front air conditioning with automatic climate control, dual front airbags, front fog lights, bucket front seats, intermittent front wipers with rain sensing, auto ON/OFF headlights, heated front and rear seats, inside auto-dimming rearview mirror, self leveling suspension, multi-function remote with keyless entry, navigation system, overhead console, rear parking sensors, power seat adjustments, power door locks, power steering, power windows, premium brand Alpine premium brand speakers, AM/FM radio, rear defogger, remote trunk release, wood shift knob trim, stability control, power tilt and telescopic steering wheel with mounted controls for audio, leather and wood steering wheel trim, power glass sunroof with sunshade, power rear window, electronic tachometer, traction control, trip computer, universal remote garage door opener, leather upholstery with wood-tone accents.

The price is \$16,500. Steve Waters, steve.h20s@juno.com, 801-636-3511, 154 North 500 East, Alpine, UT 84004



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Event Calendar

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To Saturday October 14*
International Jaguar Festival, Buford, Georgia
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6pm Friday, October 27, 2017
Halloween Party
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November 2017
2018 Planning Meeting

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