

Presidents Message: Mike Korneli
From the Litter Box



Well, there is another year in the books. It's funny, the older you get the less satisfying that sounds. It was a good year for the club on every level. Membership is up. There are not a lot of clubs of any kind that can say that. We are getting more participation from newer members. That's great because they are the future of the club. Our financials are also strong. Despite the \$10.00 dues increase JCNA had to impose a couple of years ago, our decision to absorb it for members, was a good decision. We were forced to pass on the latest \$5.00 increase just to make sure we stay solid.

We are working on events for next year. We have quite a few new things on the calendar. We did not do a tech session last year but there is something in the works. If anyone has an idea on something they would like to be repaired, let us know.

Lastly, have a joyous holiday season. Fine time to share it with family and friends even if they are not car people!

- 1.) Which country did Eggnog come from? Hint...It's the same place as our newest member!
- 2.) Which Christmas song has the lyric "Everyone dancing merrily in the new old-fashioned way?"
- 3.) How many gifts in total were given in "The Twelve Days of Christmas" song?
- 4.) What gift did the "Little Drummer Boy" give to the newborn Christ?
- 5.) What was the first company to use Santa Claus in advertising?
- 6.) What was the highest grossing movie of all time?

2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 27 The Fireside dinner theater(Jersey Boys)

Signup deadline is December 20th

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April 6, Potluck at the Korneli's.

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May, Spring Drive? Organizer Needed

June 16th British Car Field Day

July, Summer Picnic

August, WJL Concours d' Elegance

September 6, 7 & 8th. Over Night tour & Dinner on the Chief Waupaca Sternwheeler River Boat and more.

December, Holiday Party

Put us on your calendar for a fun and exciting car filled year.

Thanks to Alan Andrea, club member and owner of a beautiful 66 Series I E-Type, for the link below. He thought some members might like this interesting database. Searchable by make and model. There are roughly 350 movies with E-types in them.

IMCDB.org: [Jaguar XK-E in movies and TV series](#)

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Welcome New Members

Mike & Elizabeth Beech
 1948 MK IV Saloon 2.5 Ltr
 Lavendar Grey

THE LITTER BOX ANSWERS



Answers from Presidents Message

- 1.) England
- 2.) Rockin Around the Christmas Tree.
- 3.) 364
- 4.) He played a song for him on his drum.
- 5.) Coca – Cola
- 6.) Home Alone

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THEY SAY IT TAKES A VILLAGE: BY: DEB KORNELI

I say it takes a club!

As I look back on 2023 all I can remember is having such a great time with this club. That is thanks to all those who help with planning the year, all those who step up and volunteer to host an event, all the event chairs and all those who attend the events. While I can't remember everyone who attended, I can remember all the planners and organizers.

Let's start with your Board of Directors. Sandy Block: Membership Chair, John Boswell: Concours Chair, Lanette Brill: Northern VP, Dick Diercksmeier, Don Huebschen: Treasurer, Mike Korneli: President, Mark O'Meara: Southern VP & Jan Schlabowske: Advertising Sales.

Our event chairs for 2023: Carrol & Carl Jensen, Potluck, Sharon & Roger Phelps, the Summer Picnic, John Boswell, Concours d'Elegance, with help from Peter Holzward, Roger Phelps, Cindy Fine and Bunni Boswell. Judges for the show, Bruce Tammi, Dick Diercksmeier, Jan Schlabowske, Peter Holzward, Roy Fine, Jim Block & Sandy Block.

Jordan and Lanette Brill, Fall overnight tour, with help from Kim & Leigh DeGroot, Roy Fine and Deb & Mike Korneli.

Deb & Mike Korneli, the Christmas Dinner.

All of us who planned events want to thank all those who helped us and especially all those who have attended. It makes all the planning worthwhile. We are looking forward to 2024 and seeing more of you enjoying our club.

Your newsletter editor: Deb Korneli



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Our Jaguar Ownership Journey By: Lanette Brill

In the late 70s early 80s there was this beautiful car in our area that had a long nose and beautiful styling. It was a Jaguar E-Type. Eventually the car was advertised for sale with a Chevy motor not a V12! That motor made it a no go. We were oval track racing at the time so we preferred to spend the money on the race car rather than a Chevy powered Jag. Time goes on and our interest went back to a Jag E-type. We talked to Mike and Deb at the Milwaukee Masterpiece and learned a lot about E-Types. Mike is an encyclopedia on E-Types. We started looking again. Prices were reasonable but as time went on prices went up. In 2010 I tried to buy my husband a 1973 Jaguar E-Type as a 35th anniversary gift. It was a local car that had been sitting 20 years. We had looked at the car a year and a half earlier but the owner never came up with a price. I called the owner and asked if he was interested in selling the car and made him an offer. The offer wasn't accepted. Oh well, so much for owning a Jaguar E Type which was on our bucket list. After five years of looking for an E-Type, Jordan gave up and decided he would rather have a Viper because of the modern conveniences. So now the hunt was on for a Viper and we purchased one in 2015 and we still have it today. It was coined a "retirement gift" to himself.

Labor Day weekend, 2014 we took a drive to Elkhart Lake. We saw this black sports car that was gorgeous. We didn't know what it was. After it was parked we went and looked at the car and learned it was a Jaguar F-Type.

In 2015 we went to the Jaguar Dealer in Appleton to drive a Jaguar F-Type. We test drove the car and decided against purchasing one. We were out of garage room and Jordan wanted to use the LIFO (last car bought, first car sold) method to decide which car should be sold. This meant that my 2002 "Retro" Ford Thunderbird would have to go. I wanted a Thunderbird like the one in "American Graffiti" for over 30 years so this was not an option in my mind. I was not done enjoying the TBird so the idea of buying an F-Type was put out. In 2018 I decided I should have a "retirement gift" as well and bought a 2011 Jaguar XKR with 9,000 miles. Then in 2022 I decided it was time that I drive and enjoy the Jaguar XKR more and sold the Retro Tbird that I had for 17 years.

We looked for 18 months because none of the cars met our criteria. We didn't want black, white, or red. Jordan specified that it needed to be an "R" or "SVR". I would have been happy with a 6 cylinder because I'm afraid of having a *behavior problem with too much horse power available!* The both of us spent night after night for over a year and a half on the computer looking for the right car. The perfect car for us would need to be Ultra Blue or Orange, one owner, low mileage, clean car fax, clear title and from the Midwest. I was tired of looking and decided if it was meant to be it would happen. Then on Labor Day this year I was looking at F-Types and found a car that was listed one day ago, in Ultra Blue, one owner with 10,500 miles on it, at a Jaguar Dealer in Indiana. Jordan was in the garage and I went out and told him to come in the house because I just found our Jaguar F-Type. We looked it over and decided a call would be made the next day. Not wanting to be too anxious, we waited until 3 o'clock on the day after Labor Day before calling. After talking to the Centre manager we made a deposit and went to look at the car. Pictures didn't do the car justice and it was even more stunning in person. The car had a carbon fiber exterior, interior and wheel options. Needless to say, we purchased the car. There was another buyer waiting to purchase the car, but we found our perfect F-Type with all the right criteria, and it's enjoying a space in our garage!



2011 XKR



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Garrity 1948 Jaguar 3.5 Litre "Mark IV" Drophead Coupe Graces the Lawn of the 2023 Audrain Concours d'Elegance in Newport, Rhode Island By: Dennis Garrity

The Newport Rhode Island area is steeped in history and charm. Wonderful seacoast vistas, amazing architecture, quaint shops and fantastic restaurants abound. This backdrop provides a fitting venue for the Audrain Moto Week and Concours d'Elegance held during the last week of September.

As their promotions indicate, Newport's extensive automotive history dates back as early as the Gilded Age. The first American car circuit race was held nearby and the first Vanderbilt Cup trophy was given in a race on September 6, 1900 in Newport. Willie Vanderbilt and some of his closest friends traveled to the nearby horse track to race their newly-imported automobiles. Little did they realize the impact their racing exploits would have on American racing culture.

The Audrain folks did a superlative job again this year, with a robust slate of events leading up to Sunday's big show. The hospitality they put on at their parties was over-the-top with the big names in the vintage and collector car world most all seemingly present. There's something just a little bit surreal about sipping a glass of wine or a craft beer and casually chatting with Jay Leno or Donald Osborne at a stunningly beautiful historic mansion while the moon rises in the background.

Audrain aspires to become one of the top Concours in the nation, working its way upwards towards Pebble Beach, Amelia, Greenwich, The Quail, Cavallino and the other big vintage car extravaganzas around the country.

This year, we were very pleased to make a return visit, being invited to present our 1948 Jaguar 3.5 Litre "Mark IV" Drophead Coupe on the show field at the Breakers historic mansion. It was so great to see good friends from the motoring world, coming from all corners of the planet, some of whom we met when presenting our 1952 Ferrari 342 Cabriolet Speciale by Vignale a few years ago at this burgeoning event.

At the close of World War II, Jaguar utilized the elegant coachwork and pre-war styling it had become so successful with in resuming its production of luxury vehicles. The epitome was the 3.5 Litre model, commonly referred to as the "Mark IV". The style is classic, supremely sophisticated and reminiscent of pre-war high-society England, with its large Lucas headlamps, separate fenders and running boards, flowing lines, richly-styled Connolly and book-matched walnut interior, flip-out "trafficators", leaping Jaguar mascot and imposing vertical chrome grille.

Most "Mark IV's" were 4-door Coupes. For more discerning clientele, a mere (376) "Drop Head" 3-position LHD open-versions were built for export to the USA. The graceful countenance, solid engineering and classic style of the 3.5 Liter "Mark IV" DHC makes it one of the most beautiful touring cars ever created by Sir William Lyons.

Our Mark IV was completed on December 18, 1947 and it was shipped to the United States through importer Max Hoffman of New York. Thereafter, it passed through the hands of such distinguished individuals as Oscar-winning movie producer, *Richard D. Zanuck* and actor, *Charles Bronson*.

car presents in a fetching color combination of Oyster & Rose Bronze Opalescence, and is authentic “as-built” condition throughout. While over the years, it has been recognized with many major awards at distinguished vintage motor vehicle shows around the county, this vehicle has recently been out of the public eye. But Audrain was aware of it and solicited its appearance. Nic Waller, who curates the Audrain event, and who also serves on the Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance selection committee, knew of the vehicle from Dennis’ involvement in judging and car presentations at Pebble Beach, and from our previous involvement with the Audrain event. The last time the car made a public appearance was at the JCNA Biennial Nationals Concours d’Elegance in 2015 at Elkhart Lake where it scored a 99.95.

Our vintage motorcar collection is somewhat diverse and eclectic, but leaning heavily towards European sports cars, including a number of Ferraris and a sprinkling of Jaguars, several Porsches, a Lamborghini, an Alfa, a Mercedes, etc. It contains a few rare and unusual motorcars, such as a one-off Lazzarino Argentinian race car from 1952 which will be presented at The Amelia next March. In 2022, our unique Apollo 3500GT Spyder Prototipo won its Class at Pebble Beach.

There is another one-off by way of the recent acquisition of a 1946 Delahaye Selborne 135 MS Prototype Competition Roadster, currently under restoration in California. That vehicle is earmarked for the Pebble Beach Concours in 2025. Next August, our singular example 1952 Ferrari 212 Speciale by Ghia, first owned by President Juan Peron of Argentina, is invited to the show field at Pebble. It has undergone a four-plus year comprehensive research and restoration project, resulting in 100% original authenticity, just as it was when unveiled at the Paris Auto Salon in 1952.

Variety in the collection is our hallmark, and sampling Concours around the globe has been our recent passion, having presented rare vehicles at such events as Cavallino Classic, The Amelia, The Quail, Pebble Beach, Radnor Hunt, Greenbrier, Saint Michaels, Greenwich, Chattanooga, Villa d’Este in Italy, Chantilly in Paris, the Suisse National Concours, Salon Prive in London, the Hampton Palace Court Concours and others.

Dennis has also been recently getting involved in IAC/PFA Ferrari judging, having judged classes at both Cavallino Classic in Palm Beach and Cavallino Modena Italy, as well as at Pebble Beach this past August. He’s invited to judge vintage Ferraris in Abu Dhabi this fall, and at the Lake Lugano Concours d’Elegance in Switzerland next May.

At Audrain, we had the pleasure of being accompanied by our good friends, David and Sandy Treichel, owners of the Zero to Sixty Garage in Sherwood, Wisconsin, who take good care of our collection, and who personally transported the vehicle to Rhode Island on our behalf. Not only did they make fantastic companions for us while there, but their assistance in preparing and presenting the vehicle was invaluable.

Amongst all the historic motorcar gatherings that we have attended, the Audrain is becoming one of our favorites. The natural beauty of the area, evocative history and architecture, tremendous hospitality and cuisine, as well as the overall elegant ambience that blankets the area and the event itself is compelling. After a wonderful Sunday on the Concours grass, the week was capped with an intimate yet magical post-show party at the beautiful waterfront home of patrons, Nicholas and Shelley Schorsch, attended by luminaries from around the vintage car collecting world. A night to remember.

As they say, Newport is a natural destination for a premier Concours & Motor Week. Beautiful historic mansions, landmark commercial buildings and the seemingly endless Atlantic Ocean provide the most genteel of backdrops. The Audrain Newport Concours & Motor Week is a celebration of the automobile, uniting enthusiasts from around the world. *Dennis and Susan Garrity are proud 20-plus year members of Wisconsin Jaguar Club.*





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