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# The Rocky Mountain Jaguar

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## President's Letter

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all. It looks like we'll be finishing 2025 on a warm note. Temperatures in the 70s for Christmas who'd a thunk it. Thank you, Mike and Debbie Ramirez, for hosting this years Christmas get together. Many yummy eats and treats were had by all. It was a good turnout, and I was heartened to see how many Jags were parked outside. How could you not bring out the Cat when the weather was so mild and sunny.

I will not be present for the January 2026 meeting so I will have to lean on our VP Vince Lane to stand in for me. I will be in Arizona at the family house in Bullhead City basking in the sun for the entire month of January, returning January 29<sup>th</sup>. I look forward to the time down south, playing golf, hiking, biking and fishing the Colorado River that flows by about a half mile from our house. This year I'll feel a little cheated because the weather I'm leaving is looking to be better than what I'm going to in AZ. I normally drive my F150 truck there and back because I want a 4x4 for winter driving. I'm toying with the idea of driving my XK8 there and back this year. Maybe...Maybe not. While I'm in Arizona I am going to swing over to Scottsdale where my cousin lives and take in the Barret Jackson Auction that is taking place January 17<sup>th</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup>. I try to make that event every year. I've never bought anything except a corn dog and a couple of beers but I can truly say I am a world class Looky Lou! I admit it, I have gasoline in my veins and I enjoy walking around chatting with the folks that have rigs in paddock waiting to be sold. Every car has a story and I love a good story. I only go for one day and that is plenty enough time to take in the panorama of finely polished automotive royalty. See you all in February and as always, pleasant journeys on friendly roads.

***Tom Estes, President.***

## CCCC Minutes

**Guest Speaker:** Burt Payne of BP Appraisals spoke about the Appraisal system and reasons for using it with the vehicles we own. He has been a sponsor of the CCCC's airport show. He worked with Gary George, who many of us have used. Burt is available as guest speaker at club meetings; his phone number is 720-295-0108, email: [www.bpappraisals.com](http://www.bpappraisals.com) .

**Legislation:** Leo Boyle reported that Faith Winters a member of the Colorado Senate and a experienced member of the Transportation Committee was killed in a recent car crash. CCCC had worked with her on various historic vehicle issues.

**The CCCC Car Show and Swap Meet:** The committee of volunteers who have offered to assist the 2026 Airport Show will meet at McCoy's Restaurant (4855 Federal Blvd, Denver) at 6:30 pm on Thursday, 11 December 2025.

The Early Mustang Club has submitted a letter asking that the CCCC consider changing the 2026 Airport Show date as it conflicts with their Horsefeathers Show which has been held on the first Saturday in August for 50 years. This possibility will be discussed at the committee meeting on December 11<sup>th</sup> and with the airport staff people.

**Forney Museum events and volunteers needed.** The Forney has special events scheduled (like seasonal parties) for which volunteer tour guides are needed.

## Renewals

**Renewal forms were mailed out to everyone. Please look at last year's roster and let us know of any changes.**

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## Gary's/Doug's MK IX

Gary and Judy decided some time back that it was time to find their beautiful two-tone blue MK IX a new home. With help from Steve and his Ford friend Loren, they got the MK IX running and got pictures of it and posted the ad on AutoTrader. Doug Anderson, from Salt Lake City, saw their ad and they put a deal together.

Doug recently came out to see the car before he arranges transportation for it. He got to know the car quite well. It had been sitting for some time and was hard to start. Once they got it started, they let it set for a few minutes while they put air in the left rear flat tire. The tires are only 30 years old, at least! They got it backed out just far enough to put the spare tire on before it died again. Doug got the joy/experience of changing the tire. First the Spats had to come off. That took using the lug wrench that had a special flat screwdriver like blade to turn the two fasteners for the spats. Loren put a floor jack under the rear axle so Doug could get the wheel off and put the new one on. Even with all of that, Doug is very happy!!!



**Doug Anderson's MK IX**



**Doug Anderson from Salt Lake City**



## Holiday Party at the Ramirez'

Mike and Deb hosted this year's Christmas Party. We had 48 attendees and lots of delicious food. We met at 2 in the afternoon and went til around 6 pm. There were several new members who joined us for the party, including Deb and Ken Breitkreuz , George DeWilder who brought his new I-Pace. We also saw some old time members who we have not seen for a while, Dennis and Judy Orr, Rick and Michelle DeWilde and Mel Salter. Also Jake Byrd, a Ford friend of Steve's, who also happens to own an E-Type FHC was there. Jake just needs some encouragement to get his E back on the road. "Paddi" showed up hoping to reconnect with President Tom, but Tom did not even realize Paddi was even there. We had lots of great food and everyone had a great time.



**The Holiday Spread**

**Ken, Gary, Jake**



**Dennis Orr & Dwight Einsnach**



**Dave Massy and Lisa Bessler**



**Debbie & Ken Breitkreuz**



**Lisa Bessler, our new  
secretary and Judy George**



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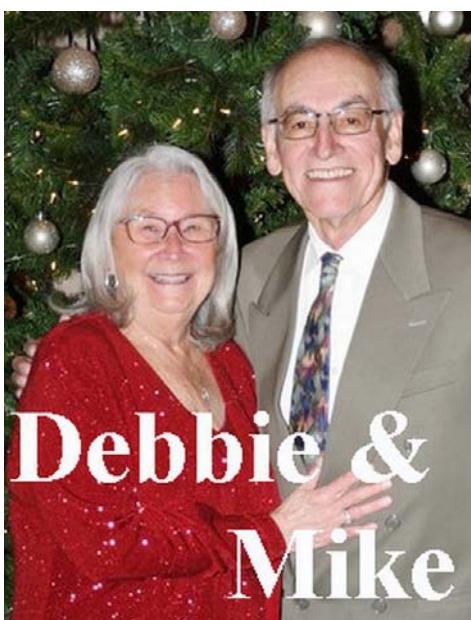
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Debbie & Ken 's F-Type



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Lisa and Dave's XK 150



George DeWilder's I-Pace



Jack and Tori Murphy



*I was there and Tom never  
even noticed!*

## Jaguar Club of Southern Colorado

December 19th, the Jaguar Club of Southern Colorado held their annual Christmas Party . We are associate members, Thom offered to host it at the Land Rover Dealership so we worked the timing in with getting an oil change. The party started at 6:30 so Deanie helped Thom and LisaLynn get the tables all set up. They catered the main dishes and everyone brought sides to go with it. We got to see lots of our friends from Colorado Springs. They had a great display of three Jaguars in the service bay, an XK 150, an F-Type six speed, and an XK8. Everyone had fun getting pictures around the cars. They had a quick business meeting and elected their officers for 2026. They gave Jack a Member of the Year award for all he does for the club and give Thom an Appreciation Award for all the support he has always given the club. It was nice to get together with everyone. We hope to plan some events with their club throughout the year.



LisaLynn and  
Thom



Deanie and LaRon



Jack receiving the Member  
of the Year Award



The Springs Club



President Sarah giving  
Thom the Appreciation  
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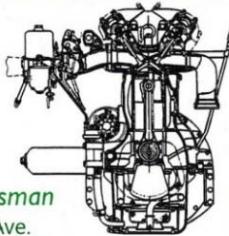
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<b>New Membership Fee*</b>	<b>\$110</b>		
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2 <sup>nd</sup> Jaguar	Year _____	Model (XK8) _____	Body Style (Coupe) _____
3 <sup>rd</sup> Jaguar	Year _____	Model (XK8) _____	Body Style (Coupe) _____

\*New Membership Fees includes membership card(s), JCNA Decal, name tag(s), subscription to Cat Tales and Jaguar Journal. Members joining after Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> pay one years fee and are members throughout the following year. Mail this form (or copy) and payment (RMJC) to:

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The "Jaguar F-type final edition" refers to the last models of the F-Type sports car, produced for the 2024 model year, which include the 75 Special Edition and the limited-run ZP Edition. These final editions celebrate 75 years of Jaguar sports cars with distinct design elements and mechanical upgrades, such as updated suspension, exclusive badging, and special paint options. The ZP Edition is particularly rare, limited to only 150 units, and features unique colorways inspired by the original E-types. Both editions use a supercharged V8, with the final R75 models producing 575hp.

Lakewood Jaguar hopes to have one available around the first part of November. Contact Tom for more information, 720-902-7834, [twieringa@stevinsonauto.com](mailto:twieringa@stevinsonauto.com)



# Rocky Mountain Jaguar Club

## Renewal Application

Please look over the enclosed roster and make any corrections!

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# 2026 RMJC Club Schedule of Events

## January

**13<sup>th</sup>, Monthly Meeting at The Blue Bonnet**

## February

**10<sup>th</sup>, Monthly & Board Meeting at The Blue Bonnet**

## March

**8<sup>th</sup> Daylight Savings Time Begins**

**10<sup>th</sup>, Monthly Meeting at The Blue Bonnet**

## April

**4<sup>th</sup>, Easter**

**11<sup>th</sup> Judge's School at the Kennedys' 11-4**

**14<sup>th</sup>, Monthly & Board Meeting at The Blue Bonnet**

**16-19<sup>th</sup> AGM in Mexico City**

## May

**2<sup>nd</sup> Spring JCSC/RMJC Drive**

**10<sup>th</sup>, Mother's Day**

**12<sup>th</sup>, Monthly Meeting at The Blue Bonnet**

**16<sup>th</sup>, Judge's School at the Kennedys' 11-4**

**25<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Car Show at Applebee's on west Colfax & Miller**

## June

**7<sup>th</sup> ACC Show**

**9<sup>th</sup>, Monthly & Board Meeting at the Blue Bonnet**

**21st, Father's Day**

**27<sup>th</sup> RMJC – Cherry Creek Country Club Concours d'Elegance**

## July

**4<sup>th</sup>, Independence Day**

**11, Summer Party 3 -? pm**

**14<sup>th</sup>, No Monthly Meeting**

## August

**11<sup>th</sup>, Monthly & Board Meeting at the Blue Bonnet**

**22<sup>nd</sup>, Morgan Adams-Centennial Airport**

## September

**7<sup>th</sup> Labor Day Car Show at Applebee's on west Colfax & Miller**

**8<sup>th</sup>, Monthly Meeting at the Blue Bonnet**

Talk about slate for Candidates for Elections

**12<sup>th</sup>? Albg. Club Concours at the fairgrounds**

**19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, Conclave**

## October

**3<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday, Fall Drive**

**13<sup>th</sup>, Monthly & Board Meeting at the Blue Bonnet**

Talk about slate for Candidates for Elections

## November

**1<sup>st</sup> Daylight Savings Time Ends**

**10<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting at the Blue Bonnet & Club Elections**

**26<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving**

## December

**1<sup>st</sup>, Board Meeting at the Kennedys**

**8<sup>th</sup> NO Monthly Meeting**

**Holiday Party**

**25<sup>th</sup> Christmas**

## January Members' Birthdays

Jeanne Pucci	Jan 5
Rosemary Denton	Jan 6
Pam Kirby	Jan 7
Al Fiscelli	Jan 9
Tim Volin	Jan 9



Dale Kintgen	Jan 12
Dennis Orr	Jan 12
Brent McGibbon	Jan 16
Chris Elliott	Jan 29
Kathy Goede	Jan 30

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