



Little Classical Gas

CANADIAN XK JAGUAR
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CLUB
Monthly Newsletter

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Brief Editorial

Aprils' Little classical Gas is an abridged version sent out a little earlier than usual along with a members update from your executive containing some very important information for all.

Given the COVID 19 health situation, many of the events we are used to attending have been cancelled or postponed. We will keep you up to date where possible but encourage members to do their own follow up, checking event web sites for their latest situation.

Please check our club web site for our own events as well as others.

www.jaguarmg.com

As our weather improves, and events get cancelled we will all miss the camaraderie and friendships made through our hobby with cancelled meetings and events. Isolation is not a typical human condition - we tend to be social animals, however, and most importantly, you are encouraged to stay safe and follow our governments guidelines and stay home. For many of us this may be a good opportunity to tinker with our cars in the warmer weather instead of a freezing cold garage (at least mine is always cold!). Self isolation in the garage does not seem so bad.

Stay safe

Allan and Lisa Lawrence



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MESSAGE FROM OCTAGON MOTORS

Like all of you, the team at Octagon Motor Group has spent the past weeks learning about COVID-19, and thinking about how to keep our employees, our customers, and their families at home safe during this difficult time.

We are closely following the advice of public health officials, and implementing the steps they suggest to prevent the spread of the virus. We are regularly reminding ourselves about the importance of frequent hand washing, and we are disinfecting “touch points” in the shop and showroom area throughout the day. Our employees understand that they must not come to Octagon if they begin to feel unwell, and we are asking the same of our customers.

In addition, we are happy to accommodate customers who would prefer to drop and collect their cars outside, with payments taken over the phone.

With these precautions in place, we remain open to serve our customers. To reflect the slowing economic times, we are reducing our labour rate to \$95 per hour, from our usual \$125. This change is effective immediately, for any cars that come into the shop before April 31, 2020.

We would also like to remind our customers that while collector cars are our mainstay, we are fully equipped with the latest diagnostic equipment for virtually all modern cars, and are happy and able to work on your daily driver as well as your classic.

Sincerely,
The Octagon Team

ROSTER UPDATE

PLEASE NOTE: The e-mail address for Rod Harman in the 2020 Roster has been changed. It is: rjharman@shaw.ca

My hubby purchased a world map....gave me a dart and said “throw this and wherever it lands I’m taking you for a holiday when this pandemic is over”

Turns out we’re spending two weeks behind the fridge.



Just a little laughter to brighten your day!!



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NAMGBR's MG2020 – June 28th to July 1st.



Are you planning to attend the North American MGB Register's convention in Calgary this year? Would you prefer to travel to and from Calgary with the company of others in a convoy? A travel group is being organized.

The plan is to leave the Lower Mainland on Saturday June 27th and stay overnight, en route about mid way. Then arrive in Calgary on the 28th. This breaks the trip up into roughly 2, five hour driving days. The return would reverse the route, leaving Calgary on Thursday, July 2nd, stay overnight and finish the drive home on Friday, July 3rd.

More details will follow at a later date. To get started:

Register for MG2020 by going to www.namgbr.org/mg2020-2. Other British cars are also invited.

For the drive to and from Calgary you can arrange accommodations for Saturday, June 27th and Thursday July 2nd at the 3 Valley Lake Chateau using the following instructions:

Please have your club members do the following if they'd like to book:

Book on our website: Visit www.3valley.com ; click on “**Book Now**” ; in comments add “**JAG MG CLUB**”; after they make their reservation. I will go into it and add the 10% discount, following up with an email.

or

Call us toll free 1.888.667.2109 – please note we are closed for the winter season and don't always answer our phones, messages can be left or an email sent to hello@3valley.com and we will get back to them as soon as we can.

Diana Bostock

This should be a beautiful drive and a fun event. Drop me a note if you are planning to come along.

Mike McChesney

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FRIDAY 19—SUNDAY 21 JUNE 2020

Info: <http://calgarymgclub.org/britsbest.html>

Our host motel property will once again be the **Crystal Springs Motel**, which will have most of their rooms blocked for our guests. **Friday and Saturday evenings will be informal socials** at the motel (no Saturday banquet). The lawn area and gazebo have BBQs available for self-catering: bring a hot dog, burger, steak or eggplant to cook-up on site... our club will provide complimentary salad, soft drinks and chips/nuts etc. Previous attendees know it's a great place to hang out and talk tech or tell stories around our parked cars! **Saturday is the car show** (\$10 registration collected at the event), followed by the **Morris Calvert Memorial Rally** - of course this includes a stop for some legendary **pie** at the Edgewater Golf Course!

Motel rates at Crystal Springs:

6 Studio queen rooms (1 queen size bed with a kitchenette on the main floor) for \$94

4 Studio two queen rooms (2 queen size beds with a kitchenette on the main floor) for \$104

7 Standard king rooms (1 king size bed, non-kitchenette, 2 on the main floor, 5 on the upper floor) for \$94

4 Standard two queen rooms (2 queen size beds, non-kitchenette, on the upper floor) for \$99

3 Superior two queen rooms (2 queen size beds in separate room, non-kitchenette, 1 main floor, 2 upstairs) for \$109

Prices are for 2 guests and there is a \$10 extra person fee after 2 people

Please mark your calendars for the Father's Day weekend in Radium Hot Springs, and keep an eye on the [BritsBest 2020 thread on the Club forum at the MGExperience](#) for the latest news and updates. Since we're not going to do formal pre-registration this year, it would be great for attendees to add their names to the list on the above thread so we can have a good idea of head count prior to the weekend.

We look forward to seeing you in Radium Hot Springs in June... as well as at MG2020!



MARKET PLACE



**FOR SALE 1978 MG

Owned for nearly 32 years and now selling due to ill health

The 78 is a deep red...least amount of orange in that red. Mini light rims, stainless steel exhaust, leather seats, new twin s.u' bought from the U.S.A. a month before I parked her and covered her in the underground. Spotless engine bay with the same red, struts for both the bonnet and trunk, carpeted trunk with a wooden toolbox I built and attached to the top of the spare including the tools,

Petronix, Absolutely rust free, convertible top 8 years old in perfect condition with a zip out window,

New harness front to back 10 years ago. Tared undercarriage. A second hood release installed under the front wheel well... interesting story there. Overdrive in third and fourth and wood steering wheel. Excellent compression across and I'm sure she still is. The gentleman that rebuilt the motor used to race them and that motor has stood the test of time.

I'm asking \$12500 which is negotiable within reason

Contact: Lou Majta at countlou@yahoo.com or 604-788-5204

**FOR SALE

Moss #440-105 MGB 1968-1980 Five Speed Conversion Kit (Complete) Moss price is \$3895 USD, not including taxes or shipping. This computes to \$5,064 CND. Offered at \$3550 CND.

Following is a list of parts, Moss numbers where applicable, and prices. All are new except HS6 manifold and Air Cleaner Assembly which are like new, or as noted. We can deliver via the WMGC British Underground Railway on our next journey. Thus, no carriage fees nor onerous BC taxes.

All MGB:

Bonnet Pad Set 409-008, \$35;

HIF Heat Shield 451-015, \$65;

Water Pump 434-045, \$25;

Walnut Shift Knob \$25;

Steering Universal 263-090, \$99;

GT "C Piller" English Market Decorative Flashings (pair) \$125;

Twin HS6 Intake Manifold, \$50;

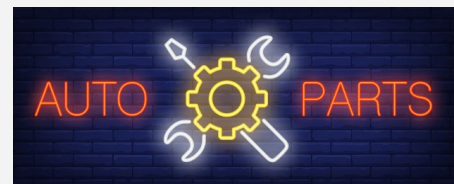
HS4 Twin Air Cleaner Assembly (including filters used one day), \$75;

Mid 1974 Sabrina Over-Riders. All four, Nice Condition, with aluminum back pieces, \$25;

Air Pump/Gulp Valve Assembly (If you aspire to concours, you may require this), **Free**;

K&N 1 1/4" air filter bases, **Free**;

73-74 MGB Plastic Honeycomb Grille mesh, **Free**



Contact Bob Sherman at bearoyl@telus.net



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***** FOR SALE (unexpectedly)**

1967 JAGUAR 420G AUTOMATIC

\$2500 OBO – about the value of head, carbs and tool kit

Electric Windows and Rear Window Ventilator—set up for A/C

Photos: <https://autorant.smugmug.com/Car-Stuff/420G/>

Due to one of life's surprises I won't have time in the foreseeable future to continue the refurbishment of this lovely car.

She needs rescuing – close to rust free and too good to part out. These cars were fitted with the E-Type triple carb engine, 9:1 pistons. This car is 99% complete (I don't know of anything missing), includes complete 2nd engine / transmission / steering pump from a Jaguar 420 (excl carbs). Original engine block is cracked due to lack of antifreeze. The electric windows work and prior to being stored outside all appearances are it was very well kept.

Rear seats good, front need recovering, no carpets.

The plan was to sell a '63 Mk 10 and replace it with this the '67 420G, a much more advanced car. Woodwork needs refinishing – it was intended to re-varnish dash and table wood, wrap or paint door trim and dashtop. I know, sacrilege!

- Triple Carbs
- Tool Kit
- Jack
- Hubcaps
- Owners' manual
- Exhaust complete (looks recent)
- Local Vancouver Plimley car
- 2nd engine
- Spare dash top
- Spare fuel tanks
- Spare bumper
- Spare grille parts
- Spare brake booster / master cylinder

Contact me anytime:

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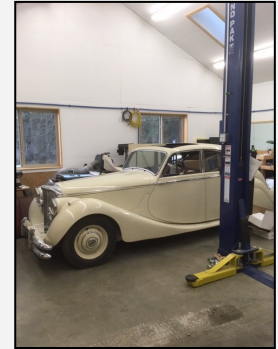
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** FOR SALE 1951 JAGUAR MARK V



- The Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust certificate lists it as a 1951 Jaguar 3.4 L Mark V 4-door saloon, left hand drive.
- Build date 21 July 1950. Registered as a 1951. Odometer reads 127,422 miles.
- Shipped to Plimley Motors in Vancouver. Car has been garage stored.
- Body and paint restoration completed c.2000 by Iberica Auto Body in Vancouver. Paint colour is Magnolia, a Rolls Royce colour.
- Includes a new BAS interior (dark red, leather) that is ready to install. Cost to install estimated to be +/- \$7,000
- Wood trim is complete and is in good condition. Nothing broken, some pieces have been professionally patched and seal coated. Cost to install estimated to be +/- \$5,000.
- A group of Jaguar club friends have tuned the engine, started the car and sorted the brakes.
- One of the attached photos shows the BAS interior which is included.
- Currently stored in Cowichan Bay, selling due to medical condition and unable to complete restoration, owned by Graham Walker, past Jaguar member.

OFFERED AT \$17,900 CDN (\$13,425 USD as per internet info March 3, 2020)

Contact: Wayne Watkins wandl-watkins@shaw.ca 250-652-1247 for more information

