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Collective Nouns For Cars: Even a Bounty of Britmobiles? —Gary Lindstrom

As some of you know or may suspect, I get a kick out of writing, and language in general.

I know how to split an infinitive or two in my native tongue, and can even *je me débrouille* a bit in French. (Look it up)

Anyhow, given the short tether we all have these days I've been trying especially hard to find news and features for our beloved *Under The Bonnet* newsletter.

Believe me, it ain't been easy (excuse my French).

One subject which has popped up on my radar

screen that perhaps address-



A Jaguar cub with rosettes

es both needs is collective nouns.

You know, these are words for groups of things, often animals, such as a Chorus of Angels, a Wad of Bills, a School of Dolphins, a Clutch of Eggs, or a Con-

voy of Lorries (yes, the Brits use them too).

The collection of collective nouns for animals are particularly fun, e.g. a Cloud of Bats, a Sleuth of Bears, a Murder of Crows, a Galaxy of Starlets, a Coalition of Cheetahs, a Quiver of Cobras, a Shrewdness of Apes.

Or a Clutter of Cats, a Scurry of Chipmonks, a Flensing of Ferrets, a Tower of Giraffes(!), a Mob of Kangaroos, a Labor of Moles, a Mischief of Mice, a Cupboard of Pandas, a Pickle of Porcupines, a Congress

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of Salamanders, or a Cohort of Zebras (but how about a Bar Code of Zebras?).

There was a provocative article recently in the Hagerty online newsletter proposing collective nouns for car models and marques.

Some are ready off the shelf so to speak, including: a Fever of Sting Rays, a School of Barracudas, a Flock of Larks, a Cast of Falcons, an Aerie of Eagles, a Pit of Vipers, a Swarm of Hornets, a Skulk of Foxes, and a Band of Mustangs.

After recounting these, the Hagerty author proceeds to propose new ones for overlooked models and marques, including a Rodeo of Broncos, an Armada of Corvettes, a Cluster of Galaxies, a Rage of Furys, a Nader of Corvairs, a Rabble of Rogues, a Bender of Fiestas, and a Traihead of Subarus.

Well Sir, or Madam, I'm ready to address overlooked British cars. Howsabout, in alphabetical order,

- a Sydney of Allards,
- an Anachronism of Alvises (Alvi?),
- a Bond of Aston Martins (of course),
- a Donald of Austin Healeys,
- a Bevy of Bentleys,
- a Resort of Cortinas,
- a Royalty of Daimlers,
- a Summit of Hillmans,
- a Bonnet of Lotuses (often elevated),
- an Octoroon of MGs,
- a Plane of Morgans (for coachwork repairs),
- a Snoot of Rolls-Royces,
- a Ray of Sunbeams (of course), and
- a Gloat of Triumphs?

And Tah-Dah! The one you've all been waiting for, a **Rosette of Jaguars!**

If this hasn't really tired you out yet, how about a Groan of Puns?

This Classic Jaguar XK120 Was Given a 375 HP Electric Engine Here's What It's Like to Drive Now

Even rain couldn't dampen our time behind the wheel of the now 375 hp, zero-emissions classic

By Jeremy Taylor, [The Robb Report](#), June 25, 2020

When David Lorenz watched Prince Harry and Meghan Markle drive away from their wedding reception in an electric Jaguar E-Type, it sparked an idea that would become an obsession.



had a daughter. I wanted to hurtling along the country roads near Silverstone in an iconic Jaguar XK120 without a conventional engine. It's raining the proverbial cats and dogs and I have no traction control but I'm not missing the soundtrack from a tailpipe one bit.

The 34-year-old nightclub owner from London saw the potential for a future-proof business. His idea? Become the founder of Lunaz and convert some of the world's finest classic cars to run on battery power.



do something that would make a difference but was

also at the cutting edge of technology," he explained.

"It was definitely an epiphany. I'd recently married and

His epiphany is why I'm

This is the first time anyone has been allowed to drive the car, apart from Lorenz and his business partner, Jon Hilton, the former technical director of Renault F1.

"I knew what I wanted to do but I had no idea how to do it," says Lo-

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Electric XK120 —*cont'd from p. 3*

renz from the passenger seat. “I’m not ashamed to say I stalked Jon until he finally agreed to get involved. It wouldn’t have happened without his automotive expertise.”

The English country lanes are waterlogged as I squeeze the XK between gigantic puddles. Prices start at \$435,000 for a Lunaz XK conversion, and the potential for an embarrassing slide on this surface is immense.

An 80kWh battery pack and twin-motor—producing the equivalent of 375 hp—give the XK an instant turn of speed. The Jaguar powers to 60 mph from standstill in 5 seconds, or roughly 2 seconds faster than the original. And you can expect a range of 250 miles between charges.

There’s no denying that I enjoy the grumble of a classic Jaguar engine, but the sound

of silence can also be equally compelling. The wind



whistling across car’s iconic bodywork as we whir across the Northamptonshire countryside is strangely satisfying.



With such immense power immediately available from the battery pack, the fact that there is no clutch or gearstick to battle with is soon forgotten. Sure, the

Lunaz is twitchy and a handful in the wet, but no more so than the original.

The very thought of removing the original, 3.4-litre six-cylinder from Sir William Lyons’ perfectly formed XK120 will have traditionalists sobbing in their oily handkerchiefs. However, Lorenz and his team have retained much of the character elsewhere.

The interior itself is a subtle blend of old and new, with original Smiths dials above a discreet satellite navigation screen and Bluetooth telephony. It smells like old school Jag, but now the driver can listen to Apple CarPlay.

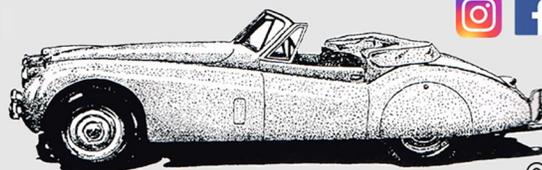
The purists will hate it, of course, especially as a concours XK with a combustion engine is considerably cheaper. For others, charging headlong back to the future in a car like this will be an appealing and unique prospect.



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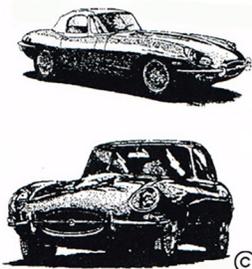
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1956 XK140 Fixed Head Coupe For Sale

See below for pictures of my friend Sara's 1956 Jaguar Fixed Head Coupe that she inherited from her mother a couple of years ago. She has asked me to help her sell the car. I've been storing it for her indoors in San Diego for several years and unfortunately it will continue to degrade as time goes on unless it goes to someone who could properly maintain it or restore it.

This Jaguar has been garage kept in either Venice Beach or San Diego, CA since the late 70's. The fuel tank has been removed, cleaned out and re-installed. The batteries were replaced, but are not connected. I need to point out that the car was once put on a lift improperly and the rocker panels have been slightly dented at 4 points. The car is 85-90% rust free. Doing the math, the car has been in the same family for 43 years. The finish on the car is deteriorating, mostly on the roof (flaking paint). The interior is a 3 with no damage, just showing some slight wear. I am simply helping a friend who knows nothing about cars. We all feel that this great Jaguar should go to a good home.

Many more photos and further documentation are available by request. Sara is asking \$30,000 OBO. —*Steve Sacks, 619 977-1112, stevesacks1@mac.com*



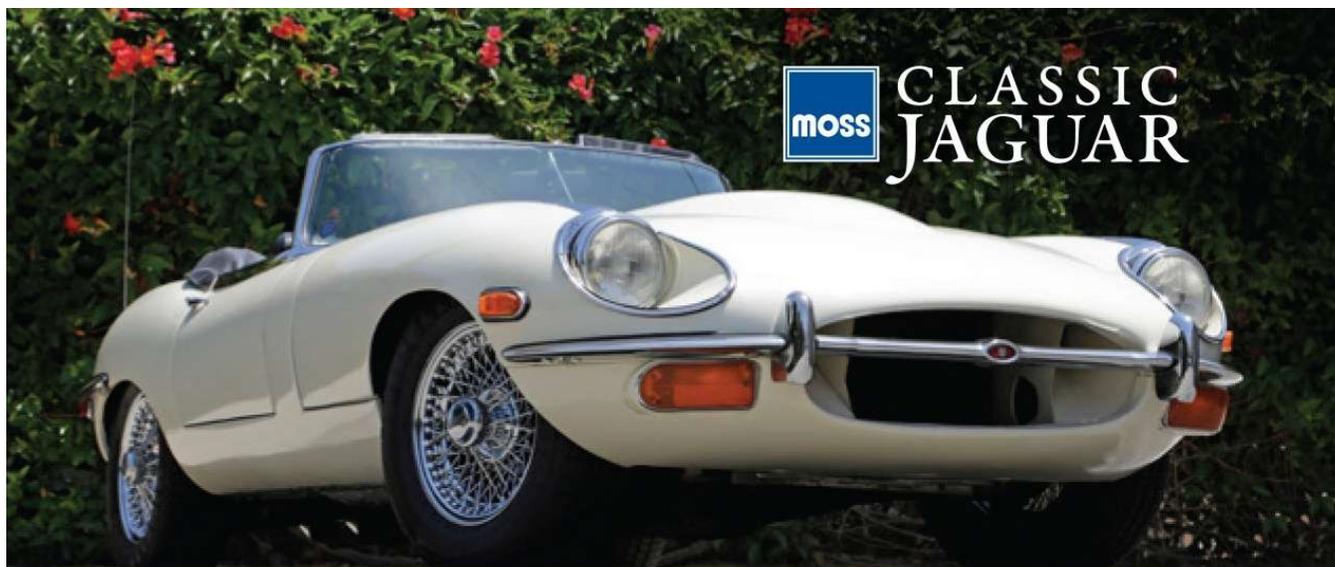
For Sale: 1963 Jaguar MKII RHD 3.8 4-Speed with O/D



This is a well cared for example with detailed records going back to 1985. It has seen a full restoration including body, engine, transmission and brightwork. Upgrades retain the original experience while providing more trouble-free ownership include alternator, aluminum radiator, electric cooling fan, 3-point seatbelts, and stereo radio. While not a concours show car, this is a great looking rust-free driver that gets attention whenever taken out. Recent service by British Motor Car in Scottsdale, AZ. Service records, photos and pre sale inspection report available on request. Ari 770-639-0082.

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Links: (1) [Blog about the car](#) (2) [Cold start and drive](#)



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Postponed

Drive and Brunch, Silver Fork Lodge, Brighton

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Detail Session at Ken Garff Jaguar and BBQ

Barry Hanover, bhanover1@msn.com, 435-649-4933

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British Field Day

britishfieldday.com

Jon Hermance, jhermance10@gmail.com, 801-583-5846

Postponed

Huntsville Drive and Lunch

Canceled

Park City Classic Car Show, Jeremy Ranch

Barry Hanover, bhanover1@msn.com, 435-649-4933

Saturday August 8

Planes and Horsepower

Russ McDonald Field, Heber

James Humpherys, james.a.humpherys@gmail.com

Important Update

Car entries still welcome—no individual admissions

Saturday, September 19

Drive to Midway via Guardsman Pass

BBQ at Borg Cabin, Midway UT

Ken and Joann Borg, burghley@msn.com, 801-277-3313

Saturday September 26

BMCU Alpine Loop

Drew Frink, Jim Stover, Roger & Jill Davis

October

Ghost Drive and Halloween Party

Mike and Susan Cady, 801-731-1599, cadysue1599@msn.com

Saturday October 10

BMCU Fall Colour Tour

Steen and Arlene Sorensen

December

Christmas Party

Ongoing

9am—noonish Third Sunday of Each Month

Park City Cars and Coffee

Hugo Coffee

1794 Olympic Parkway, Kimball Junction

WMJR members have a standing invitation to participate in events
of the [British Motor Club of Utah](#).

Here is their [calendar](#) of events

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