



Cape Jaguar Times

The Newsletter of the Cape Jaguar Club

May 2026

FROM THE CHAIR

Winter has seemingly arrived in instalments, however, when the instalments DO arrive, they leave you in no doubt: with gale force winds, driving sheets of rain, and flooded roads!

I was hugely impressed that in spite of the inclement weather, Bruce was able to tempt a great turnout of members to the lunch run held at the Leopard Lounge Restaurant, Kylemore. Well done to all the participants. Great photos resulted from Wikus.

Test runs in the new all-electric Jaguar GT (x900) seems to have impressed the (selected) scribes who were permitted to take a prototype for a spin. Obviously, close to 750kw and 1300Nm of torque had the desired effect, (all in dead silence). This is a car bigger than a 420G! A sign of the times – some SA Jaguar sales and service outlets have been closed down. Once again, this factor suggests focus on our own local parts and service outlets. I encourage members to support our 'recommended' suppliers, shortly to be listed on our Cape Jaguar Club website and currently at the end of this newsletter.

The Simola Hillclimb event has come and gone, with records again broken, and a good turnout of competitors, with interesting cars. For once the weather played ball and the weekend was a great success.

Thundercat took part, and Clinton provided us with some great videos, and SOUNDS! A very impressive car, with huge visual impact. Well done Clinton.

To all our members, please drive carefully and safely this winter.

Cheers,

Tony Kings

FUTURE EVENTS

OUTRUN TO JEWELLS RESTAURANT, SPICE ROUTE FARM, PAARL.

SUNDAY 17 MAY 2026



Please join us for the next Jaguar Car Club outrun to the Spice Route Destination which offers a wealth of experiences from wine tastings and a microbrewery to craft shops. Led by celebrated chef Neil Jewell and his wife Tina, this farm-to-table eatery combines relaxed comfort with refined country style at reasonable prices.

The scenery at the restaurant is breathtaking as rolling vineyards stretch across the valley toward the distant silhouette of Table Mountain, creating one of the most memorable panoramas in the Cape Winelands. and an unforgettable view, Jewell is a destination in its own right.

Please RSVP to Bruce by Thursday, 14TH MAY 2026, unless you want the set menu, then you need to reply by the 11th MAY 2026 please. We look forward to seeing you there.

Booking is essential for all outruns.

Contact **Events Coordinator** - Bruce Thompson.

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If it rains on 17 May 2026, the event moves to Sunday, 24 May 2026.

All tickets remain valid. Buy your tickets online at the Lucky garage

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SPEED CLASSIC CAPE TOWN HILLCLIMB
LATE OCTOBER 2026



The poster features a silver Aston Martin Vantage 70 as the central focus. Text at the top right indicates the date: **Sunday 1 November**. The main title is **KILLARNEY MOTOR SHOW 2026**. Logos for the Cape Motor Club Secretariat and the 'smile 90+4 from ear to ear' brand are present. Ticket information states: **TICKETS AVAILABLE AT:** **web tickets** (Live More.), **Pick n Pay**, and **EXXER**.

CLASSIC CAR SHOW, HOUT BAY
EARLY DECEMBER 2026

Organised by CJC members Dave and Janet Lyons

PAST EVENTS

DUNES BEACH RESTAURANT, HOUT BAY
SUNDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2026

By Bruce Thompson



They say small groups make a big impact and that certainly proved true at the outrun to the Dunes Beach Restaurant in Hout Bay. Although just five members and one guest attended, the day was an outstanding success. I set off from Somerset West on a relaxed hour-long drive to Hout Bay, arriving a little early to make sure our table was ready. Not being familiar with the area, I was surprised to find

the restaurant already buzzing at 11:00. With temperatures soaring and the venue just steps from the beach, it felt like an oasis in the heat. Thankfully, our booking was in place, giving me time to unwind before the others arrived.

Unfortunately, three members had to cancel that morning due to illness, and another was forced to turn back after heavy traffic caused by an accident at the entrance to Hout Bay. Despite this, the remaining attendees arrived in good spirits, and we quickly settled into lively conversation, plenty of laughter, and a thoroughly enjoyable meal. The smaller group made for a relaxed and convivial atmosphere, truly a pleasure to share lunch together. We were also delighted by a brief visit from one of our Hout Bay-based members, who popped in to greet us before heading off to another engagement. His visit was much appreciated.

The day concluded with a few photos of the cars before everyone set off home.



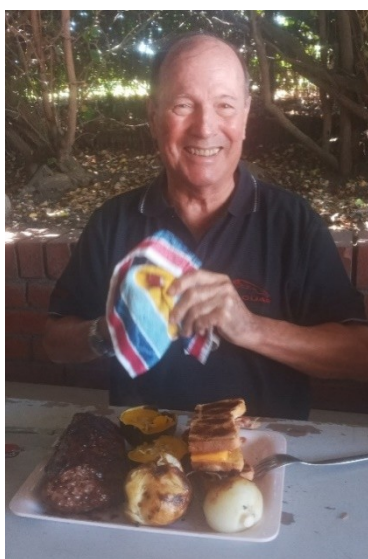
CENTURY CLASSIC CAR AND BIKE RUN **SUNDAY 15 MARCH 2026**





CAPE JAGUAR CLUB AGM SUNDAY 22 MARCH 2026

By Janet Stevens



Thirteen members plus partners attended the AGM and we had 16 proxies, so in effect we had 29 voting members, and as a quorum was exceeded, we were able to go ahead with the AGM. Thank you particularly to all the members who took the trouble to attend and to those of you who couldn't attend in person but nominated a proxy. We had a very productive meeting discussing future events for the club, to include an away weekend and offering members Cape Jaguar Club merchandise. All currently being worked on. Twelve of us stayed at the clubhouse after the AGM and enjoyed a braai

with Darryl getting the coals ready. Jaguar drivers' meat preferences were large or extra-extra-large. Check out Tony's plate and the thickness of the boerewors on the braai! If you didn't make it to the AGM this year, please try to come next year. We value your input, suggestions and recommendations and the braai afterwards give us all a chance to chat to everyone.



LEOPARD LOUNGE RESTAURANT AT BANHOEK CHILLI OIL CO KYLEMORE

SUNDAY 19 APRIL 2026

By Gideon van der Ness

If You Want to Make Mother Nature Laugh, Tell Her All Your Plans: An Historic Run to Banhoek.



The Convoy

What began as a modest plan—meet at the venue, have lunch, go home with dignity intact—mutated into something far more dramatic when I argued that the point of being in a car club is not the destination but the journey. After a few spirited chats with Bruce Thompson and Wikus Lourens, the old-school convoy was back on the menu. We had no idea this would be the moment when Mother Nature would decide to test both our cars and our collective commitment to foolishness.

The "Crinkle Club" Assembly

We met at Engen Winelands 1 Stop North at 11:00 AM, as the Cape of Storms auditioned for a disaster movie. With a nod to the cutting wit of Tony Kings, Robert Silke christened us "The Crinkle Club"—a support group for those piloting the CJC's three leaper-less Daimlers with their camp, fluted grilles. Despite the weather, the truck-stop parking lot looked grimly magnificent in that soggy, heroic way:

The Daimler Guard: Robert in his Garnet Super Eight, me in the Seafrost Super V8, and only one of Wikus' two (yes, two) XJ40's which we'll stop short of calling "British Racing Green".

The Performance Contingent: Trevor Dudley thundered up in a black XKR; Reid Corin and Nick Corin rolled in Reid's Glacier Blue XF.

The XJ Heritage: Stefan Coetzee completed the cast in a Radiance Red Pearl XJ8 (X350), which (at 5.1m) I enjoy telling people is a "short" wheel base.

Wikus won the day for improvisation. When Robert showed an outrun photo to someone at work on Monday, the colleague immediately lit up with, "I saw that car on Saturday at the Bellville GlassFit! Tall guy with a ponytail..." - which surely couldn't have gone that well. With a leaky windscreen and a failed glass-store reconnaissance behind him Wikus angled his XJ40 as if trying to strike a romantic silhouette against the rain — though he insisted it was to reduce water ingress. I'll give him this: it worked splendidly to show off the car.

The Heroic Drive



We departed at 11:30 AM, taking the N1 and off-ramping at Exit 39 (R304) toward Stellenbosch. Visibility was grim and the winds were doing their best impression of a hairdryer set to "apocalypse." As we crept onto Helshoogte Road, the convoy's headlights cutting through the mist looked less like a group of motorists and more like a desperate, led-by-headlight procession. We kept going anyway—proof that while Jaguars may dislike water, they're not made of sugar, and neither are we.

The Sanctuary of Banhoek



Pulling into the Leopard Lounge Restaurant at Banhoek Chilli Oil Co felt like arriving at a secret clubhouse after a vigorous initiation. The parking lot was eerily empty—many sensible souls had stayed home. One solitary Jaguar waited for us: Bruce Thompson's white F-Type, looking slightly smug.

Tony Kings summed it up best in the group chat: "In all my years... this is the very first time I have ever seen Jaguar members' cars being driven in the wet... Well done to all participants!! ☐☐" If there was a prize for

understatement mixed with quiet reproof, Tony would have won it. Wikus was naturally worried about his car dissolving, so we produced a very large sheet of transparent red plastic. With Stefan's help it became a custom-fitted "shower cap" for the roof. This type of on-the-fly engineering is the hallmark of those of us with that dark (necrophilic if you will) love of classic cars, and the bright-red canopy became our proud - albeit ridiculous - banner of defiance against the overwhelming forces of entropy.

Hot Air



Inside, warm air and the restaurant's signature chilli oil did wonders. The convoyees, arriving late, sat at the "Kiddies" Table, where Nick & Stefan lowered the average age considerably. Topics ranged from the current price of petrol to the wisdom of political decision-making and, for somehow related reasons, Melania.

At the "Grown-Up" Table, loftier topics: game-farm management, best game-drive routes, and the art of sourcing reliable sherpas (human, not luggage).

Final Thoughts

April's outrun was a glorious, damp affirmation of the Cape Jaguar Club spirit: waterproof, mildly stubborn, and occasionally ludicrous. Whether parked at an artful angle or sporting a red-plastic shower cap, our cars—and our egos—survived.



REPORT WRITERS WANTED

The Cape Jaguar Club newsletter is for Cape Jaguar Club members, written by Cape Jaguar Club members. All contributions are gratefully received, whether it's just a comment on an event or car show which you have attended or a whole article (like the superb one from Gideon, above). Please also supply photographs if you can, remembering to reduce the size before sending them to Janet.

NEW MEMBERS

The Cape Jaguar Club is very pleased to, again, welcome lots of new members:

Richard and Silvana Atkinson driving an F-Type S convertible

Luke & Alton Garcia, cruising in an XJ6 Series III.

Jess & Renee Goedhals, owning an F-Type and an E-Pace

Clive Venning is running an E-Type.

NAME BADGES



We have a new design for our name badges. If you would like a new badge, they can be ordered through Wikus at a cost of R100 for each badge. Your badge can be collected from Wikus on the next outrun you

both attend or it can be couriered to your home for an additional R130.

ADVERTISING in the Newsletter

Want to sell or buy a Jaguar or spare parts? Members may place free, personal adverts in the Cape Jaguar Club Newsletter. Commercial adverts may also be accepted, for a fee of R200 per issue. Please contact Janet for all advertising queries and requests.

Please note that advertisements in our newsletter are offered as a service only, and the club will not be held liable for any negative situations that may arise from members using any of the services advertised.

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Please find as follows a list of companies that offer parts and/or services for Jaguar owners, as recommended by CJC members. Please give Janet the contact details for any other company that you recommend for members so that it can be added to the directory. Please also let us know if you think any of these companies should be removed from our list, stating why.

Jaguar Constantiaberg – Tokai, Cape Town - 021 710 0900

Deep South Motors – Wetton, Cape Town - 021 705 0645

Mace Auto Group – Retreat, Cape Town - 021 701 4816

Jagman's Spares – Gerald Williams in Strand - 083 325 3752

jagman@vodamail.co.za

Jeff's Jags – Geoff Connor in Johannesburg – 072 934 6966 -

geoffconnor@rocketmail.com

Berkshire Jag Components – Berkshire, UK – 0044 (0)118 978 7896

sales@berkshirejagcomponents.com

SNG Barrett - Bridgnorth, England - 0044 (0)1746 765 432

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Auto Reserve Jaguar - Derbyshire, England –

0044 (0) 0115 837 2707 sales@autoreservejaguar.com

Seven Landies – Rudy Theron, Paarden Eiland, Cape Town –

[021 510 5842](tel:0215105842) admin@7Landies.co.za

Laude Classic Cars – Clinton Lourens, Buitengracht street, Cape Town -

[021 010 7113](tel:0210107113) www.laudeclassics.com

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Rubber Products and Mouldings, Maitland - 021 593 2110

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3. Cost-Saving Enhancements

- Highlights cheapest nearby fuel stations with community-reported prices
- Allows routing choices to avoid toll roads, highways, or dirt roads etc

4. Customization & Connectivity

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