



Welcome to the 2018 JANE Concours d'Elegance



I am delighted to announce the 2018 JANE Concours d'Elegance, to be held again this year at the Sturbridge Host Hotel and Conference Center, on scenic Cedar Lake in the historic town of Sturbridge.

Our Concours has enjoyed an outstanding reputation over the years, attracting Jaguar owners who are passionate about their cars. As in the past, we welcome Jaguars in any and all conditions – from daily drivers to competition racers and vintage restorations (in part or in whole!). As we all know, any Jaguar in any condition is considered “d'Elegance.” You see, we have in the past attracted some of the finest vintage Jaguars in the country; however, this year, we are “calling all Jags.” Our judges, led by Chief Judge Aldo Cipriano, are there to help you to improve your car, whether you are a novice or an experienced restorer. This will be a valuable experience for many of us who just don't know what to do to make their cars better. Can you imagine spending a weekend with Jaguar owners, their families, and friends talking Jags – the best of all car talk. There will be vendors there also and, maybe, you will finally find that ever-elusive Jaguar part.

This weekend's ambiance cannot be matched. First, the Friday evening kickoff gathering will feature our JANE Master Chef Max Peronich's creations, from his award-winning New England clam chowder, lobster rolls, and exotic salads, to his other delicacies. You will never forget the pastries that I am bringing from French Memories Patisserie in Cohasset. Margie Cahn will be bringing artisan breads from the famous Clear Flour Bakery in Brookline to enhance the imported cheeses. Dean Saluti promises that there will be Boddington British Ale, Harpoon IPA, and a single malt Scotch tasting. Of course, there will be various wines and other beverages. All of this, compliments of JANE hospitality, is for our Concours registrants and their guests.

To add to the weekend's ambiance, on Saturday, we welcome Joe Fasci, disc jockey to the car community, the king of “automotive nostalgia.” He will play '60s British Invasion music, car songs from the Beach Boys and Jan and Dean, as well as songs for our '50s enthusiasts. The field will be open at 8:30 to start positioning the cars. The British Consulate will officially open the event later in the morning, when we have all arrived. This year, we have a huge tent for the vintage classic Champion Class cars. Also, we all will be able to gather in this cool oasis, under the tent, to sip our beverages and enjoy the wonderful JANE camaraderie. The Hospitality Suite will also be open during the day for beverages and snacks.

Don't miss our Saturday evening Awards Banquet Buffet. We promise that the dinner will be excellent. Sunday morning, join us as our Jags parade through the historic Town of Sturbridge, escorted by the Sturbridge Police.

Register right away. Early registration will save on the registration fee as well as the hotel rate. We have a negotiated rate with the hotel – early JANE rate for reservations before August 1 is \$127; after August 1, the hotel's regular rate prevails. Call me with any questions – 617-216-9703. I look forward to seeing you all.

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