



XK60 Announcement - International Jaguar XK Club

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Press Release

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XK60 to Host Bonhams Auction of Jaguar Cars and Automobila

11 December 2007 – It has been announced that Bonhams Auctioneers will be holding a sale of Jaguar cars and related automobilia at the forthcoming XK60 celebrations at Goodwood Motor Circuit (8-9 August 2008). The auction will take place on Saturday 9 August, with previews on Friday 8 and the morning of Saturday 9 August.

Discussing the announcement, XK Club founder and XK60 organiser, Philip Porter states, “Bonhams has unrivalled experience in the sale of collectible Jaguars and is renowned for providing the highest levels of service. The auction will complement perfectly the atmosphere and spectacle of XK60 at Goodwood Circuit”.

The Bonhams auction is the latest attraction to be unveiled in *XK60 at Goodwood Circuit's* impressively diverse programme. Visitors to the event, which celebrates the 60th anniversary of the Jaguar XK and all XK-engined cars, will also enjoy action on the famous track, specialist Jaguar, motoring and lifestyle exhibitors, celebrity guests, classic Jaguars and XK-engined racers on display, a fabulous fifties fashion show, an open XK technical clinic, competitions, live music, hospitality, and much more.

More information regarding the Bonhams auction at XK60, including advice on entering a car/item of automobilia into the sale and entry catalogues can be obtained from Tim Schofield, +44 (0)20 7468 5804, tim.schofield@bonhams.com. For more information about XK60, including entry tickets for the event, contact Jaguar XK Club on +44 (0)1584 781588, louise@xkclub.com or visit the XK60 website – www.XK60.com.

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Image: *Bonhams to host auction at XK60* (image copyright Michael Cole)

Notes to Editors

XK60 Celebrations

XK60: Diamond Celebrations will take place over the weekend of 8-10 August 2008. The scale of the event means activities, which include an auction, competitions, trophies, historic exhibitions, star guests, track events and parades and the largest gathering of classics XKs ever: 600 to celebrate 60, will encompass two spectacular locations: Goodwood - the spiritual home of historic motor sport and nearby Cowdray Park, the residence of Viscount Cowdray, who owns several historic Jaguar sports cars.

XK60 commemorates the diamond anniversary of the launch of the stylish XK 120 Super Sports at the 1948 London Motor Show. This original XK was not simply 'gorgeous' but proved to be the world's fastest production car. It was powered by Jaguar's brilliant new XK engine (the first to be designed in-house): significantly, the XK-engine remained at the heart of the Jaguar range until 1986.

The XK120, therefore, sits at the head of an impressive motoring dynasty that includes the D-type, E-type and XJ6. Each stage of the XK-engine's evolution from XK 120 to the last XK-engined models and the modern XKs that grace our roads today will be celebrated over the course of the weekend's activities.

The Jaguar XK Club

The International Jaguar XK Club was founded by Jaguar author Philip Porter and his wife Julie in 1997. It is currently celebrating its tenth anniversary and today has almost 1400 members spread across 40 countries worldwide! At the heart of the Club is its professionally produced and edited monthly magazine, the *XK Gazette*, which was described by Australian XK expert, author and founder of XK Lovers, John Elmgreen as, "The mail-box highlight of the month". In addition to informing and supporting its members, the Club organises numerous events, from technical seminars to track days, informal dinners to large-scale tours.

Bonhams

Bonhams, founded in 1793, is one of the world's oldest and largest auctioneers of fine art and antiques. The present company was formed by the merger in November 2001 of Bonhams & Brooks and Phillips Son and Neale UK. In August 2002, the company acquired Butterfields, the principal firm of auctioneers on the West Coast of America and in August 2003, Goodmans, a leading Australian fine art and antiques auctioneer with salerooms in Sydney, joined the Bonhams Group of Companies. Today, Bonhams offers more sales than any of its rivals, through two major salerooms in London: New Bond Street, and Knightsbridge, and a further seven throughout the UK. Sales are also held in San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York and Boston in the USA; and Switzerland, France, Monaco, Australia, Hong Kong and Dubai. Bonhams has a worldwide network of offices and regional representatives in 25 countries offering sales advice and valuation services in 50 specialist areas.

The Bonhams International Motoring Department is the world's largest all-encompassing auctioneer to hold scheduled sales of Motor Cars, Motorcycles and related Automobilia. It has unrivalled experience in the sale of collectible motor cars, motorcycles, cycles and aircraft. Bonhams held its first specialist antique vehicle sale in the 1960s, and now holds some two dozen sales worldwide annually. The Bonhams' team pioneered the single marque and boutique auction concept.

For a full listing of upcoming sales, plus details of Bonhams specialist departments, go to www.bonhams.com.

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