



XK60 Announcement - International Jaguar XK Club

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Press Release

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Key Points

- **Dedicated Ecurie Ecosse Display at XK60**
- **Other Historic & Rare Cars Confirmed for the Event**

True Blue at Goodwood Circuit:

Ecurie Ecosse Display at XK60 Celebrations

This summer's XK60 celebrations will feature one of the finest displays of Ecurie Ecosse cars ever seen. Organisers of the event, which takes place at historic Goodwood Circuit and Cowdray Park, 8-10 August 2008, have already confirmed a number of significant EE vehicles, including the famous purpose-built team transporter and six historic racers from the renowned Dick Skipworth Collection. Particularly exciting is the news that many of the famous sports racers will be taking to the track in force - so they will be seen in action, rather than merely as static exhibits.

The Ecurie Ecosse display is one of a number of historic Jaguar attractions planned for Goodwood Circuit leg of XK60 (Friday 8 – Sat 9 August). The event will also include rare aluminium-bodied XK 120s from around the world and racing C-types and D-types, the largest gathering of Jaguar XK 120s, 140s and 150s ever and will welcome an array of other classic and modern Jaguars, including E-types, Mark IIs and the Mark V saloons which are also celebrating their 60th.

Tickets for XK60 are available now, priced: £30 per car – Friday, 8 August 2008, £40 per car – Saturday, 9 August 2008 and £20 per car – Sunday, 10 August 2008. For more information regarding XK60, transporting your car to the event or the Diamond Tour, please contact, Louise Shaw, tel: +44 (0)1584 781588/781336, louise@xkclub.com or visit www.xk60.com .

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Images: XK60 Welcomes Ecurie Ecosse

Notes to Editors

Ecurie Ecosse Display & Track Action at XK60

The Ecurie Ecosse display, adds a new dimension to the celebrations marking the sixtieth anniversary of the Jaguar XK and the XK-engine. For many Jaguar and historic motor sports enthusiasts alike, the history of the small privateer team from the heart of Edinburgh, which defied the odds to win the respect of the international motor racing world with their two successive Le Mans victories (1956 and 1957), totally embodies the ethos of racing in the fifties and sixties.

XK60 organiser, Philip Porter explains just why the team is so important to Jaguar enthusiasts today: "Ecurie Ecosse was very much a part of the Jaguar competition story. The association can be traced from the team's original use of three XK 120s through to their ex-factory C-types and D-types, which helped them achieve their legendary status against better financed and equipped teams."

Porter continues, "The team's David and Goliath battles, which abound with stories of personal courage and sheer determination, should never be forgotten. It is, therefore, entirely fitting that we are organising what we believe will be the finest ever display of Ecurie Ecosse cars as part of the XK's sixtieth anniversary celebrations."

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.

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