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Classic Cars International Antique Auto Museum of Utah Tour February 23

J Jennings has kindly arranged a visit to this long standing but only intermittently open treasure right here in Salt Lake City.

Started by the founder of Friendship Inns, this museum is extensive, eclectic, and highly personalized to suit the tastes of the founder.

There are typically many cars for sale, in various states of restoration, so bring your wish list, check book, and Dun & Bradstreet rating.

The tour will begin at 11am, with an impromptu lunch at a



1930s Packard

Photos courtesy of [Trip Advisor](#)



1914 Hupmobile—the oldest car in the collection.

nearby restaurant to be decided by group choice.

Rendezvous will be at the museum, which is located at 355 W. 700 S., in Salt Lake City.

To help defray operational costs of the museum, there will be a small admission charge: \$6 for adults, discounted to \$4 for seniors.

The museum is unheated, so bundle up and put your admission fee and lunch money in one of your mittens.

In Fond Memory:
 Keith Robert Gardner
 January 18, 1938—January 14, 2013

Keith was a long time member of WMJR. He joined the club just two years after the club's inception in 1976.

With persuasion from Duane Allred, Keith decided not to buy the Corvette he wanted, but instead bought his first Jaguar.

Over the years

Keith owned many Jaguars—in no particular order these included an XK150 open two seater, 1966 E-type roadster, 1968 E-type roadster, XJ6C coupe, two XJ sedans, and an XJS convertible.



Keith (second from right) judges the Lindstroms' XK120 at the Senior Citizens Concours of 2005. WMJR.

Keith loved cars and was involved with the WMJR as president, concours chairman, activities committee member, and concours judge. He was always quick to volunteer to help with

any club event. He was also a judge at the Senior Citizens (now Intermountain) Concours d'Elegance for 30 years.

Keith seemed to know everyone, and everyone enjoyed being around him, with his fun, outgoing personality. He touched our lives and left a lasting impression on all of us in the

He leaves behind his wife Linda, 5 children, 21 grandchildren, and 30 great grandchildren.

—Duane Allred and Ken Borg

Notable 2013 JCNA Events

- [JCNA Annual General Meeting](#) March 21-23, Dallas TX (moved from Mexico City)
- [JCNA Challenge Championship](#) June 12-16, 2013, Richmond, VA

Keith Gardner Through the Years



Keith with Chris & Larry Herran at a WMJR Halloween Party



WMJR Concours on Park City Ski Resort Plaza



1978 Western States, Lake Tahoe



Keith preparing to race his XJ6C at the national JCNA meet in CO



WMJR trip to Jackson Hole WY, late 90's



Keith and Linda at East Canyon Resort—Rallye winners

Keith Gardner Through the Years—cont'd



Keith & Karl Hendrickson judging at WMJR concours Homestead



Vintage Races at Steamboat Springs, CO



WMJR concours at the Homestead



Vintage Races at Steamboat Springs, CO



Presenting awards at a WMJR concours, Homestead



Keith & Linda at a WMJR event

Royal Warrant Shows Merchandise Is Fit For The Queen

Photos and story by Patricia Sheridan / Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

LONDON -- Receiving a Royal Warrant does not mean a visit to the infamous Tower of London and a stint on the rack. Rather, it's an arresting affirmation of competence and quality that's fit for a queen. It could be considered the first celebrity endorsement.

Awarded to retailers and service providers to the royal household, a Royal Warrant is the monarchy's seal of approval. The three most senior royals -- Queen Elizabeth II; Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh; and Prince Charles, Prince of Wales -- are the only members of the family who can bestow a warrant.

This British practice may seem irrelevant to consumers across the pond, but if you've ever sipped a cup of Twinings tea or enjoyed a Cadbury chocolate, pulled on a pair of Hunter boots or a Barbour jacket or wrapped a Burberry scarf around your neck as you hopped into your Land Rover, then you have regal taste. These products are just a few of the more than 800 that enjoy the honor of displaying the coat of arms or badge of their royal patron on stationery, storefronts and vehicles.

The idea of the warrant dates back to 1155, when Henry II awarded a Royal Charter to the Weavers' Company.

"You need to have supplied the Royals for five years out of the past seven, and then you can apply for a warrant," explains Russell Tanguay, marketing communications manager of the Royal Warrant Holders Association. Applications go to the royal household's warrant committee, which is chaired by the Lord Chamberlain.

Several of today's warrant holders have held warrants through generations of royalty.

"For example G.B. Kent, who make hairbrushes, have had a warrant since I think William IV," Mr. Tanguay says. Floris, established in 1730 in London, is known for scents and toiletries and has held a warrant since 1820, when it was granted one by King George IV. His coat of arms remains proudly above the shop today. Floris continues



to supply the royal household and holds the Queen's warrant as well as the Prince of Wales'.

This eye-catching emblem of royal approval is as British as it gets, although being a U.K. firm is not a requirement.

"You can be foreign. We have Champagne houses such as Veuve Clicquot and Bollinger that are. About 40 percent of companies or parent companies are foreign owned. It's just a sign of the nature of business in today's world," Mr. Tanguay says.

Pittsburgh has a connection to a warrant through H.J. Heinz. Heinz is the parent company of HP Foods, which holds a Royal Warrant, although Heinz does not by extension. "The warrant

only applies to the company that supplies the royal household," he notes.

The list of suppliers includes everything from mustard and gin to pianos and steak sauce, and all get to add prestige to their brand by displaying the warrant. When strolling around London you can't toss a bowler without hitting a crest or emblem of some kind, but upon closer inspection you will see the legend underneath that states the reason for the warrant and who granted it.

The bookseller G. Heywood Hill in London's Mayfair section has had a warrant from Queen Elizabeth since 2011. "As a mark of excellence and service it cannot be bettered," says Venetia Vyvyan, the bookseller's director.

The warrants are presented to owners or CEOs, and it is up to that individual to maintain the standards that won the warrant.

"Choosing books for her majesty and other members of the royal family is not only a privilege, but also hugely enjoyable. We endeavor to handpick books for all our customers which suit and entertain in equal measure, and if we do that well then no one could ask for more than to love one's profession and be recognized for it," Ms. Vyvyan says.

Banks, accountants, newspapers and other professions are not eligible for warrants because it is intended for tradesmen. But over the years hotels have found a way to be recognized.

"The Ritz got one, and this year the Goring was granted one, although the warrant is not for being a hotel but for hospitality services," says Mr. Tanguay. The Goring Hotel was where Kate Middleton spent her last night before walking down the aisle with Prince William. The family

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Royal Warrants—cont'd from p. 5

-owned hotel can now display the queen's coat of arms.

Each year new warrants are granted and some are revoked.

Other than going out of business or going bankrupt, holders can lose warrants if standards slip or when the household tastes change. When the royals stopped smoking, Benson & Hedges was out of luck and a warrant. "Nothing can be taken for granted because otherwise the whole thing loses its meaning," Mr. Tanguay notes.

In the case of the grantor's death, the warrant can be held for five years afterward, but the legend would be changed to reflect the situation: "by appointment of the late King"

Not everybody cherishes the royal nod. Harrods' former owner Mohamed Al-Fayed removed the royal crests from the

facade of the famous department store in 2000. He believed the royal family had something to do with the 1997 car crash that killed his son Dodi Fayed and Princess Diana, and he saw them as a curse. In January 2000, the Duke of Edinburgh had withdrawn his warrant from Harrods. At one time, Harrods had four warrants, one being from the late Queen Mother. Mr. Fayed burned them all. He sold Harrods in 2010.

For anglophiles and those who love anything fit for royalty, the Royal Warrant Holders Association will be hosting a celebration in association with the 60th anniversary of the coronation of Queen Elizabeth. Two hundred warrant companies will be exhibiting their goods or services within the gardens of Buckingham Palace.

The festivities, which take place July 11-14, are open to the public. For ticket information go to

www.coronationfestival.com.

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Read more: <http://www.post-gazette.com/stories/life/lifestyle/warrant-shows-merchandise-is-fit-for-the-queen-671427/#ixzz2JZUbyP6X>

Editorial postscript: The list of all current royal warrants can be found [here](#).

Some with automotive connections:

- Aston Martin - motor cars
- Autoglym - car care products
- Bentley Motors Ltd. - motor cars
- Castrol - motor lubricants
- Ford Motor Company - motor vehicles
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Meet Our New JCNA South West Regional Director: Rob van Westenber

South West Regional Director Election Results are in and JCNA is pleased to announce that Rob van Westenber from the Rocky Mountain Jaguar Club (Denver) has been elected as your new regional director.

If you have a concern you want brought up at an AGM, please contact Rob and he will quickly respond to you and will certainly address your concerns.

Rob was the co-chair for both the Western States 2008 and AGM 2009. He set up a spread sheet which, knowing the estimated income and the expenses, easily calculates what the entry cost is per person and will be glad to share that with you if you are interested.



Rob was the concours chair for the Rocky Mountain Jaguar Club's Red Rum Concours at the Stanley Hotel in Estes Park, CO. He is also the Rocky Mountain Jaguar Club's AGM delegate, treasurer and web master. During his presidency of

Rocky Mountain Jaguar Club he was instrumental in starting the Colorado Springs Club for which he is the Chief Judge. He also helped start the Jaguar Club of Northern Arizona. He is the Southwest Regional Slalom Chair and a JCNA Life Member.

Rob owns a 1955 XK 140 OTS, 1961 Series 1 OTS E-Type, two 1965 OTS E-Types, one of them is his race car, 1972 Series 3 E-Type, under restoration, and a 1985 Series III XJ Sedan as well as several other interesting British automobiles.

He has a BS in Civil Engineering an MBA, owns a Photogrammetric Engineering software development (Aerial Mapping) company which takes him to lots of interesting places around the world.



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Lucas Wiring Colour Codes

By Rob Fram, RX Autoworks

Publisher's note: We published an article on this subject not too long ago but it's so important we're publishing another treatment.

After a lot of Lucas bashing lately it seemed obvious that many people are not too familiar with the upsides of Lucas (yes there are a few)! The most prominent being that the wiring colours for all of the basic circuits are the same regardless of year, make, or model.

This goes for all Lucas wired cars from the late 1940's through to the late 1980's (it may continue later but I don't want to be responsible for someone's cooked car). Once you have figured out your Mini, you can graduate to the neighbours MGB and look like the all-knowing hero.

- The **solid colour wires** are always between the power source (battery or fuse box) and the switch.
- The **wires with a tracer** are always between the switch and the load.
- The colours, while not conventional, are very consistent. By un-keyed I'm referring to the ignition switch.
- **Brown** – un-keyed, un-fused power (aka. Battery), e.g. - starter solenoid to ignition switch and fuse box.
- **Purple** – un-keyed, fused power, e.g. – fuse box to interior light, fuse box to horn on two wire horns
- White – keyed, un-fused pow-

er, e.g. – ignition switch to fuel pump and ignition coil

- **Green** – keyed, fused power, e.g. – to all keyed accessories, fuse box to heater switch, flasher unit, ... wiper switch, etc.
- **Blue** – headlamp circuit – solid colour from the fuse box to switch, with tracer from to dipswitch (blue/yellow) and dip-switch to lamps (blue/red – low beam, blue/white – high beam)
- **Red** – park lamp circuit – solid red to lamps and to dash light resistor, red/white from resistor to instruments.
- **Black** – ground – this means a good ground, not some painted/rusted scrap. The larger the load, the more important this becomes.
- **Black as the tracer?** – this usually indicates a switch to ground – e.g. white/black is coil-ve to the points, purple/black is horn to horn switch (as the switch goes to ground).
- The tracer colours are also very consistent, so that a **green/red** (left signal) on a '61 Mini will be the same on a '72 Rolls and a '86 Jaguar.
- **White/red** on a manual trans. will be from the starter switch to the starter solenoid.

So..... With this knowledge you

now know that when you are looking at two wires going to a switch the solid wire should have power, and with the switch in the on position the wire with a tracer should also have power. And if the wire is green and you have no power on the solid wire, the next place to look would be the fuse box. See? Simple! Some other tips for preventing the curse of Lucas:

- When restoring your car, or when having problems, replace the fuse box. I can't stress this enough, look at where the old one has been for 20+ years, they corrode on the contacts and will cause no end of grief.
- Use new female bullet connectors – the metal connector covered in rubber. They are available new and are usually toast after being removed. The cost of new ones is far outweighed by the hassle saved of chasing problems later.
- When installing your new harness and new bullets, put a little dab of Silicone Dielectric Grease in the connector (Q-tips work great for this) to prevent future corrosion. Be sure to push the bullet fully home into the connector. A push on the bullet with little screwdriver until it clicks in is needed. I've seen far too many cars with this not done which can lead to shorts from the still exposed end, or the wire falling out leading to shorts and/or much cursing when the lights die at night (trust me on this).

Event Calendar

Saturday, February 23, 2013

Classic Cars International Museum Tour

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March 2013

Catdance Film Festival

April 27, 2013

Fun Spring Rallye

May 31—June 1, 2013

Jackson Hole Weekend & Bar J Night

June 15, 2013

British Field Day

July 2013

Miller Motorsports Park Go Karting
Park City Concours, Bonneville AH Club

August 2013

Tech Session & BBQ

September 2013

Luau At Cadys'

October 2013

Hallowe'en Party

November 2013

Planning Party

December 2013

Christmas Party

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Bud Merritt fell on some ice Sunday January 27 and fractured his pelvis. He's resting comfortably at home, except when those nasty physical therapists come to visit. He's at 3460 Crestwood Dr., SLC, UT 84109, 801-278-7526, bmerritt07@comcast.net

