

# Members Story - Mal & Annie Jones

## New member article: Mal and Annie Jonas

**Our MY 2015 F Type Roadster (white) is our first and only Jag ..... late bloomers BUT**

Both our Dad's had Jaguars as far back as the late 1940's – Annie's Dad, Bill Goyder (Apsley Vic.), had a black Mark IV and then a Mark 2 .... 3.4 litre we think.

Unfortunately Annie's Dad passed away in 1967 while she was living in England. Annie, while in England, had a British Racing Green 3.4 Mark 2, and then after returning to Australia in 1976, a XJ6 4.2 litre Series 1.

My Dad, Murray Jonas, had a grey Mark V circa 1954 (I was 2 years old), then in 1959 a grey Mark 1 2.4 litre – manual with overdrive followed soon after by a white 2.4 – the grey Mark 1 was a stop gap

while the new Old English White Mark 1 was coming from the UK for delivery by Brysons of Adelaide.

Dad also owned a Healey 100/4 which he ran in sprints and hill climbs. It didn't deter Dad from running the Mark V up the Collingrove Hill Climb! (picture circa 1955 attached).

Around 1963 the Mark 1 gave way to a 3.8 Mark 2 – also Old English White manual with overdrive. This Mark 2 was used as well as a daily drive for sprints and "closed Club" circuit racing in the earliest years of the Sporting Car Club's ownership of the Mallala circuit. Add to that, the 3.8 was used for regular caravanning holidays (just as the Mark 1 had been).

Some of those caravanning travels were to Queensland and to the Flinders Ranges and most often to Young Husband on

the River Murray. The 3.8 was followed by a metallic blue 3.4 Mark 2 circa 1967 and then finally a 340 in 1968 (RBN-767), sold I think in or around 1971/2, now in the gentle hands of JDCSA's Ray Smithers.

Ray and I have touched base 3 or 4 times, from as early as the mid 1990's, when I stumbled on the car when Ray had entered the Adelaide Classic Rally and most recently at All British Days – I am especially appreciative of Ray's care and love of the 340. It looks as good (probably better) than ever.

My fondest memory of the 340 Jag was as a 16/17 year old, just off my L plates, at the wheel driving up through Tungkillo, while "running-in" the new car. Dad put a 70mph speed limit on my driving. A few weeks later Dad suggested 3,000 rpm, top gear in overdrive, would be a good limit – I think that was 86mph !!!



*Mal's Dad, Murray in his 1954 Mark V, competing in the Collingrove Hill Climb in 1955.*

## Introducing Our New Members (cont)

Annie & I have had a Triumph TR4A and then a Mazda MX5, but rightly or wrongly, sold 1 to buy the other, and then the F Type.

We have, in the past, been members of the Triumph Sports Owners Club and Sporting Car Club of SA. We are currently members of the Barossa Valley Classic Motorcycle Club with respect to our 1964 650cc Triumph Trophy on historic registration.

We have 3 registered motorbikes and 2 daily drive cars – add a small Avan, boat and trailers; SA Motor Reg seem to be in touch very regularly.

As for the F Type – it is the 250Kw V6 model – surely 335bhp is plenty? - apparently not for some. Has some nice options – especially the sports seats. We purchased the pre-owned car from Solitaire in September'19 – had travelled just 12K kilometres from new. We are

very pleased with the car and we have just been on a road trip via Phillip Island Car Classic and 2 weeks in Tassie (photo attached) – highly recommended.

We look forward to spending time with the Jaguar Drivers Club members.

**Regards  
Mal & Annie**

*Editor- great story and terrific family history of Jaguar ownership.*



*Mal & Annie's 2019 Old English White V6 F-Type Roadster*