New Member - Don Cardone

Don Cardone and Jaguars

From an early age, Jaguars have always caught my eye. The first Jaguar I owned was a beautiful two tone Grey Mark IX with red interior that I purchased in the late 1960's.

I loved driving it and kept it for about a year, but running costs were very much more than I could afford at the time and so I sold it. Something I regret all these years later.

While working for Bryson Industies in Currie Street, Adelaide in 1975, I was fortunate enough to have an invited tour of the Jaguar factory in Browns Lane and this experience further developed my passion for Jaguar Cars.

As my financial position improved I purchased another Jaguar and then another and so on.

Over the years I have owned:

- Sable 2.8 litre XJ6 (series 1)
- Regency Red 4.2 litre XJ6 (series 1)
- Greensand 4.2 litre XJ6 (series 1) fitted with factory air-conditioning
- Yellow 4.2 litre XJ6 long wheelbase.

I currently still own:

- Mark 2 manual 2.4 litre (I am only the second owner)
- Regency Red 4.2 litre XJ6 that I have nearly completed restoration.
- Daffodil 4.2 litre XJ6 long wheelbase.
- 1962 E Type 3.8 litre (early series 1)

The E-Type will be my retirement restoration project and I will be making a start this year.

I have owned other classic motor cars over the years but Jaguars remain my favourite and my wife and I look forward to continue enjoying them into the future.

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