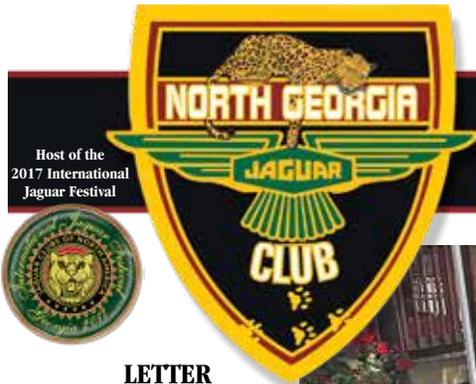


Coming up...

NGJC Concours d'Elegance October 6
Euro Auto Festival October 20th, Greenville, SC
HHI Concours: October. 26th - November 4th



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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Can you believe it's been a year since the IJF? Once again, I would commend the Club for the effort and success of that event.

Unfortunately, we have not had the same success with our drives this year. The recent drive to Brasstown Valley, a favorite event, was called because of weather this year. We will try to reschedule before the year ends.

At this writing, just before September month's end, it looks as though we will have a well-attended and successful Concours in a few days. We have close to 40 cars on the field from NJ, NC, SC, FL, AL, and GA. I feel this is a great representation considering we are still recovering from the time and effort put into last year's event. Thanks to everyone who helped put this years show together.

Remember, you don't have to register a car to participate. You can just come up and spend the day or go online and purchase a brunch or two and join us. Thank you all for your assistance this year.

In addition, please thank our sponsors Hennessy JLR and RM Sotheby's. Nick Radloff and

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Welcome new members

Lynn and Judy Bowlers of Rome and Neal Caudle of Atlanta.



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NGJC Concours d'Elegance Schedule of Events

October 6, 2018
6:30 PM– 9:00PM: Southern BBQ Chattahoochee C.C.
Pavilion Sponsor: Beverages—RM Sotheby's
Meet at 6:00PM in hotel lobby or 6:30PM at Club Pavilion

October 7, 2018
8:30 AM: Parking available for trailers
9:00 AM: Registration and Field open to participants
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Display Only Cars *Please enter directly to and park in the area marked display. Your windshield placard can be picked up at the registration desk.*
11:00 AM: Judges Briefing Club Living Room
11:30 AM: Brunch Sponsor: Hennessy Jaguar Land Rover
1:00 PM: Rags Down
1:00 – 3:00PM: Judging
3:00-3:15 PM: Judges Team Leader Meeting Club Living Room
3:15-4:00 PM: Awards Ceremony Pavilion

Euro Auto Festival October 20th, 2018 Greenville, SC

From Euro Auto Festival

Now in its 23rd year, EURO is held at the Perserve at Verdae, which provides a user-friendly, picturesque golf course backdrop. The combination of rolling fairways and rolling automotive history is simply breathtaking. Whether you're a lifelong car junkie or just looking for something to do on a Saturday, EURO will not disappoint. Throughout the course, you'll see dozens of makes of cars... some so rare that they only make public appearances a few times a year. Others are familiar makes that bring back memories and inspire new

ones. In addition to cars, show-goers can experience European food and culture, as well as automotive-related merchandise and souvenirs. This year, EURO is celebrating the Cars of Italy. Whether it is an older Alfa with plenty of miles, or a brand new La Ferrari, it has a reserved spot on the field. Admission to the public is \$10.00 online and \$15.00 at the gate. This ticket includes parking and a shuttle to the event. Purchase general admission tickets www.euroautofestival.com

HHI Concours: 10 Days - 2 Islands - 1 Passion Oct. 26th - Nov 4th

The Hilton Head Island Motoring Festival & Concours d'Elegance will celebrate its 17th year this fall of 2018. The Festival kicks off with the Savannah Speed Classic, October 26 – 28, on the Grand Prize of America road course situated on the property of The Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort & Spa in Savannah, Georgia.

The festivities continue on Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, November 2 – 4, at the Port Royal Golf Club, where the Concours d'Elegance (Nov. 4) takes center stage. Information at <http://www.hhicconcours.com/>



Chateau Elan Founder Panoz Dead at 83

Don Panoz, a serial entrepreneur who helped build Georgia's wine-making industry, launched motorsports businesses and founded the upscale Chateau Elan development in metro Atlanta's exurbs, said earlier this year that the word retirement "isn't in my vocabulary right now."

"I never become hostage to anything I do," he said in an interview with The Atlanta Journal-Constitution. "Progress isn't made by looking in the rearview mirror." Panoz, 83, died at his home in Duluth on Tuesday, September 11, after a brief battle with pancreatic cancer, according to a press release by his company. He had his family by him and "enjoyed his last cigarette," according to the release. Panoz, a smoker, made much of his fortune in the pharmaceuticals industry, where his business included technology used in nicotine patches to wean smokers off cancer-causing cigarettes. He enjoyed being a maverick.

He grew up in West Virginia and eventually co-founded Mylan Pharmaceuticals. But he

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Ramsey Potts will both be in attendance.

The recent British Car Fayre, with Jaguar the marque brand at the event, was well attended with over 50 Jaguars. Dave Kirkman won best in show Jaguar. See pictures and accompanying article. In next month's newsletter we will have the nominated slate of officers for 2019. Please be thinking about this and who might be a good fit for the various positions. Too few of us have been representing the club for too long. We need new people and perspectives to continue our club growth. Contact John Hollier, drjohnod86@gmail.com, Nomination Committee Chairman, with any thoughts or recommendations. *Keep them on the road and between the lines.*

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2018 NGJC Calendar

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

NGJC EVENTS: October

M	T	W	T	F	SAT	SUN
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	20	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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NGJC EVENTS: November

M	T	W	T	F	SAT	SUN
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27	28	29	30		

 Club Event Other Event
 Holiday

JANUARY 2018
 Saturday, January 20th Visit to Hussey's Collection, Marietta, Sponsor D. Kirkman

FEBRUARY 2018
 Saturday, Feb 10 Valentine Lunch North Point Diner, Alpharetta Sponsor: B. Hernan

MARCH 2018
 March 8-11 Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance Amelia

Island, FL
 March 23-25, JCNA Annual General Meeting, San Antonio TX Sponsor: San Antonio Jaguar Club
 March 25, Sunday, Spring Drive Sponsor: D. Kirkman

APRIL 2018
 April 14 & 15: JCNA Southeastern Regional Concours Punta Gorda, FL
 April 27-29, Walter Mitty,

Road Atlanta. Sponsor: Classic Motorsports

MAY 2018
 May 12, Saturday, Visit to Cofer Collection, Tucker, GA Sponsor: P. Carroll
 Followed by Tucker Cruise-in, Main St. Tucker, GA

May 20, Festival of Speed, Avalon, Alpharetta, GA
 Sunday, May 27 Spring Drive #2, D. Kirkman

JUNE 2018
 June 7-10 Highlands Motoring Festival, Highlands, NC

June 10, Saturday, British Motorcar Day, Peachtree Corners, GA.

June 16, Saturday NGJC Picnic Sponsor: Brian Hernan, John Yates

JULY 2018
 July 12-14, Carolina Jaguar Concours, Little Switzerland, NC Sponsor: Carolina Jaguar Club

July 21, Saturday, Drive to Wolf Mountain Vineyards, Dahlonega, GA Sponsor: J. Hoffman

July 28, Saturday, Judges' Training, Hilton Garden Inn, Alpharetta, GA. Sponsor: Mitchell Blayney

AUGUST 2018
CANCELLED
 Saturday, August 11 Visit to John Barrett Collection, Athens, GA

SEPTEMBER 2018
 September 8, Saturday, British Car Fayre, Norcross, GA

September 16, Sunday, Drive to Brasstown Valley Resort, Young Harris, GA Sponsor J. Hoffman

September 30, Atlanta Concours, Chateau Elan

OCTOBER 2018
 October 7, Sunday, NGJC Concours Gainesville, GA Sponsor: J. Hoffman

October 20, Euro Festival, Greer, SC

NOVEMBER 2018
 November 3-4, Hilton Head Concours, Hilton Head, SC

November 17, Saturday, Business Meeting, Location TBD Sponsor: J. Hoffman

DECEMBER 2018
 December 16, Sunday, NGJC Holiday Party, Naylor Hall, Roswell, GA Sponsor: J. Hoffman

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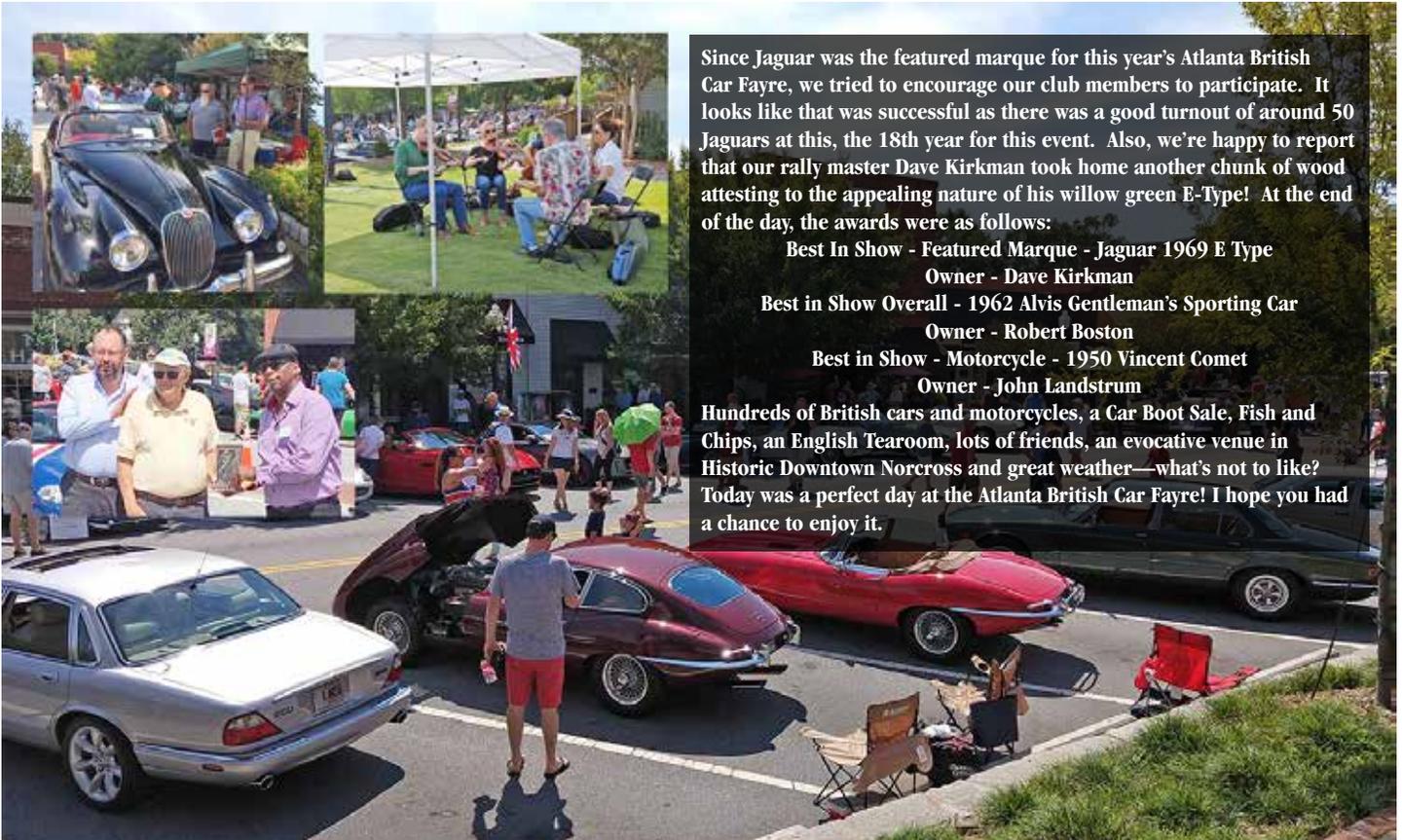

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Atlanta British Car Fayre in Norcross Featured Jaguar Marke

Submitted by John Baxa



Since Jaguar was the featured marque for this year's Atlanta British Car Fayre, we tried to encourage our club members to participate. It looks like that was successful as there was a good turnout of around 50 Jaguars at this, the 18th year for this event. Also, we're happy to report that our rally master Dave Kirkman took home another chunk of wood attesting to the appealing nature of his willow green E-Type! At the end of the day, the awards were as follows:

- Best In Show - Featured Marque - Jaguar 1969 E Type
Owner - Dave Kirkman
- Best in Show Overall - 1962 Alvis Gentleman's Sporting Car
Owner - Robert Boston
- Best in Show - Motorcycle - 1950 Vincent Comet
Owner - John Landstrum

Hundreds of British cars and motorcycles, a Car Boot Sale, Fish and Chips, an English Tearoom, lots of friends, an evocative venue in Historic Downtown Norcross and great weather—what's not to like? Today was a perfect day at the Atlanta British Car Fayre! I hope you had a chance to enjoy it.



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Chateau Elan Founder Panoz Motorsports Background

An official statement from Panoz LLC said: "In the early hours of this morning, Tuesday September 11, 2018, Don Panoz peacefully passed away at his home in Duluth, Georgia. After a short battle with pancreatic cancer, he enjoyed his last cigarette and said goodbye to the world in the early hours of the morning, surrounded by his loving family.

"Possibly most widely celebrated for saving sports car racing in North America or inventing the dermatological patch, ironically so for those that knew him and his smoking habits, the technology behind the nicotine patch, Panoz was a man known for questioning the norm. If someone told him 'no', he told them 'yes'. This was the personality and the motivation behind the man, that can safely be said, has left a legacy of success and technological developments, not just in one industry, but across many."

Panoz, son of an Italian immigrant – Eugene Panunzio – came to the U.S. in the first decade of the 20th century, initially made his name in the pharmaceutical industry, researching the transdermal patch. Following a split with his original business partner, the company Panoz formed in Ireland, Élan Corporation, came to hold the patent for the nicotine patch. Élan was the first Irish company to be listed on the US stock market.

Panoz returned to America in 1980, and in the early 1990s, he set up the Château Élan Winery and Resort in Braselton, GA, by which time he was also backing his son Dan's fledgling company Panoz Auto Development. In 1996, Panoz bought Road Atlanta and soon embarked on bringing the 26-year-old course up to FIA safety specifications with some major modifications that managed to maintain the spirit of the original 2.5-mile course.

Panoz Motorsports was founded in 1997 at Braselton and immediately won over fans, young and old with the wild-looking Esperante GTR-1 made in conjunction with Reynard, that situated a 6-liter Roush Ford unit in the front of the cockpit and took on the more conventional prototypes with moderate success in the FIA GT championship of the time.

In '98, in the United States Road Racing Championship's GT class, the car evolved into a genuine contender that could tackle the Porsches. It scored three wins in USRRC, while in IMSA's GT category, Panoz clinched seven of eight wins, earning

Panoz LLC the constructors' and teams' championship.

Meanwhile, Panoz's increasing love of sportscar racing – one of the few categories of the sport where free-thinking design concepts were still encouraged – led to him founding the 10-hour Petit Le Mans race at his local track in 1998, and forming the American Le Mans Series in time for the 1999 season, adopting the Automobile Club de l'Ouest's rulebook for the 24 Hours of Le Mans. A partnership with the ACO meant that top ALMS teams gained automatic entries in the legendary French race.

Panoz Motorsports won that inaugural ALMS title with the open-top version of the Esperante, known as the Roadster-S, beating BMW, Dyson Motorsports' Riley & Scott Mk III and privateer Ferrari 333SPs, and it eventually retired with a total of eight wins to its name.

The GT-spec Esperante – which, very much in its favor, resembled a 21st century interpretation of Colin Chapman's original late '50s Lotus Elite – brought the company two high-profile GT2-class wins in 2006: there was victory at the Sebring 12 Hours with the Multimatic team, and then triumph at Le Mans 24 Hours with LNT.

Sportscar categories were by no means the only high-profile category in which Panoz triumphed. Following its purchase of the G-Force company Panoz transferred the company's construction of Indy cars to Braselton under the Elan Motorsport Technologies Group that by now also included the legendary Van Diemen marque. Panoz took on Dallara as a chassis supplier for the Indy Racing League and won the Indianapolis 500 in 2003 (Gil de Ferran, Penske) and '04 (Buddy Rice, Rahal Letterman Racing).

Panoz was also selected by the Champ Car World Series to be the spec chassis supplier for the series in 2007, replacing Lola in what would prove to be the CCWS's final season. Sebastien Bourdais, who had coincidentally also been part of Panoz's winning lineup in the Esperante at Sebring in '06, would become the marque's final champion in open-wheel racing, driving the handsome DP01 for Newman Haas Racing in 2007. When the IRL took over Champ Car to form the IndyCar Series for 2008, the DP01 was rendered obsolete, Will Power scoring its final win in that year's Grand Prix of Long Beach.

When IndyCar announced there would be a new spec car for the 2012 season, Panoz, always with an eye for the unconventional, proposed the Ben Bowlby-penned DeltaW-

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ing as the new spec chassis. It had a body shaped like a Land Speed Record car, but with a very narrow front track in order to reduce frontal area and thus generate typical IndyCar speeds from a small-capacity engine of far less horsepower, while relying primarily on underbody aerodynamics to create downforce.

The car was regarded by IndyCar as being too 'outside-the-box' and chose the Dallara DW12 instead, and so Panoz LLC turned its focus to adapting the DeltaWing into a two-seat sports car to be constructed by Dan Gurney's All American Racers run by Highcroft Racing, and with Nissan badging the Ray Mallock developed engine.

Entered into the 2012 Le Mans 24 Hours under the "Garage 56" rules for experimental cars, the DeltaWing set a pace that made it reasonably competitive in LMP2 before retirement due to contact with another car. In that year's Petit Le Mans, it finished fifth.

Panoz took over the whole project again in 2013, developing a closed cockpit model with Mazda power for the ALMS series, scoring another fifth place at Road America.

Following the merger of the ALMS with Grand-Am for 2014, the coupe DeltaWing scored fourth at Petit Le Mans, and in 2015 took sixth at Road America, but the car was dogged by reliability issues. In the 2016 Rolex 24 Hours at Daytona, the DeltaWing managed to lead 29 laps but suffered an accident, but more usually it was unreliability that dogged the project.

The far more conventional Avezzano, Panoz's current GT car with clear visual links back to the Esperante, has been one of the strongest forces in the Pirelli World Challenge's GTS class, Ian James winning regularly for Team Panoz Racing, and finishing second in the championship last year. This year, Panoz clinched the GTS SprintX Manufacturers' title.

The Panoz statement concludes thus: "From the military, to the pharmaceutical industry; from the winery, golf and resort industry through to automotive, motorsports and manufacturing, Panoz has left an imprint of advancing technologies and producing outcomes no one would have thought possible.

"Don always had fresh insight alongside a warm sense of humor about our industry and the sport. He will be sorely missed."

"In his own words, Panoz endured a few nightmares along the way, but it can safely be said, the dreams outweighed all the way up until the end..."

"In addition to all the career, business and work achievements, Panoz was a family man, a comedian, an inspiration, a philanthropist, an innovator, a visionary and most importantly a wonderfully entertaining human to be around.

"Gerard Neveu, CEO of the FIA World Endurance Championship tweeted: "We're all sad to learn about the passing of Don Panoz, a huge figure in the US endurance racing. I've never met a bigger fan of sports car racing and more importantly he was a genuinely good person. We will really miss him and send all condolences his family.

Respect Don."

President of the ACO, Pierre Fillon, stated: "I am especially moved and saddened today. At the last edition of the Le Mans Classic, I had the privilege of driving the 1998 Panoz Esperante GTR-1 at the 24 Hours circuit. The car was a stunning sight, but at the wheel, it went to a whole other level. I expected something exceptional, and it did not disappoint.

"I shared my experience with Don Panoz immediately, sending him a photo and a message, because we've always been close, partners and teammates in endurance. I was proud and happy to be able to express my friendship and respect for him once again.

"This photo was one of many examples of our shared passion. Not only could we talk about the discipline, these outstanding cars and remarkable men for hours just for fun, but like me he worked on behalf of this sport.

"Since the inception of the American Le Mans Series, the ties between the U.S. and the ACO have strengthened. Don Panoz was the great ambassador of that relationship.

"After a very successful and cutting-edge career, Don Panoz may have become involved in cars and motorsport somewhat accidentally, but he stayed for a reason. Having become a fan, he applied his business acumen to the sport with his legendary trail-blazing flair.

"He was just recently working on a Garage 56 project. He was always a step ahead.

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built much of his pharmaceutical empire and the Elan Corporation in Ireland, in part because of business frustrations in the United States. He eventually became an Irish citizen.

It was on a business trip through Georgia that he tasted locally-grown grapes and wondered about raising a fancier variety to become the foundation for a winery and resort near metro Atlanta.

"A lot of people told me I couldn't do it and couldn't make wine, that we were too far out and people wouldn't come," he recalled.

He didn't heed the warnings.

In the 1980s he launched Chateau Elan in Braselton, Ga. It eventually included a winery, golf courses, hotels, restaurants, convention space, a spa and an equestrian area, as well as nearly 1,000 high-end homes in gated communities. The main winery building, designed to look like a 16th century French chateau, is visible from Interstate 85 near a northeastern edge of Gwinnett County.

Panoz sold the resort portion of the project in recent months.

The winery for Chateau Elan was created to look like a French chateau, though Panoz, isn't French.

Chateau Elan wasn't the first modern winery in Georgia, and the quality of its wines suffered stiff criticism at times. But Panoz's operation became the biggest commercial wine-making operation in the state.

"He was a giant in the wine industry in Georgia, if for no other reason than for how rich he was," said Tom Slick, who owns Habersham Winery.

Panoz knew how to draw in visitors, Slick said. "He set the standard for how to do big, cool stuff that people would like to see."

Panoz pushed for changes in state law to make it easier for wineries to sell direct to customers.

One of his supporters in that effort was Georgia Public Service Commission member Lauren "Bubba" McDonald, who at the time was a state legislator.

"We lost a great Georgian and a great friend," McDonald said, "In the wine industry, Panoz made the big, bold move."

Panoz did the same in the racing business, despite having essentially no experience in that arena before Danny, his sports-car building son, encouraged him.

The elder Panoz founded the American Le Mans Series for endurance racing in sports cars. For years, he also controlled race tracks, including Road Atlanta in Georgia and the Sebring International Raceway in Florida.

The American Le Mans Series is credited with "returning road racing in America to prominence through bigger fan turnouts, more manufacturers and better TV," motor racing journalist and author Jonathan Ingram wrote in an emailed comment to the Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

The series was later merged with operations controlled by NASCAR's owners.

Panoz also launched businesses to push automotive innovations, including creation of the DeltaWing racing car design. And he funded development of luxury sports cars and electric vehicles, the latter through Green4U Technologies in Braselton.

Automotive technology continued to catch his attention. But earlier this year he said he sold some of his Chateau Elan holdings to make sure it was "on a firm footing in the future."

"I thought it was time to move on," he said.

He had five children and was married to his wife, Nancy.



The Death Of The Dipstick May It Rest In Peace

Submitted by John Hoffman

Did you know automobile manufacturers have started eliminating the ability to check your oil with a dipstick? I have had a 2017 vehicle for a while and have never checked the oil. It has only 11,000 miles and was serviced by the dealer in January.

I never realized I couldn't pull a dipstick to check the oil. I do this frequently in my older cars.

The practice of eliminating dipsticks started in the in the mid nineties with the elimination of the transmission dipstick and has lately been extended to the crankcase oil level. I believe BMW or Mercedes and the Japanese were leaders in this field.

To check the oil, you must:

1. Run the engine until it is up to temperature.
2. Park on level ground.
3. Wait several minutes.
4. Turn the ignition switch on.
5. Locate the vehicle settings.
6. Click until you read check engine oil.
7. Press the button.
8. Read the results, of which there can be several.

I know this is much easier than going out to your garage and:

1. Open the hood (bonnet).
2. Pull out the dip stick and wipe it off on a clean, lint-free rag. ...
3. Insert the stick back into the pipe. ...
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We shall miss the man as much as his expertise. On behalf of the ACO, I would like to extend my warmest condolences to his family and loved ones."

Greg Gill, president/CEO of WC Vision and Pirelli World Challenge, added: "We are deeply saddened to learn of the loss of Don Panoz. He and his organization did more for sportscar racing than any other.

"His Panoz Avezzano GT4 sports car won 13 GTS/GTSA races in the past two years in the Pirelli World Challenge and the Panoz Company captured the 2018 GTS Manufacturers' championship in GTS, a tremendous achievement.

"Don always had fresh insight alongside a warm sense of humor about our industry and the sport. He will be sorely missed."



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