

# QUAD-CITIES BRITISH AUTO CLUB



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## QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY

June 9<sup>th</sup> is an U.K. holiday to acknowledge the Queen's Birthday. However, it's too late to send the Queen something to mark the joyous occasion. Her actual birthday was the 21<sup>st</sup> of April. Oops.



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## THE QCBAC

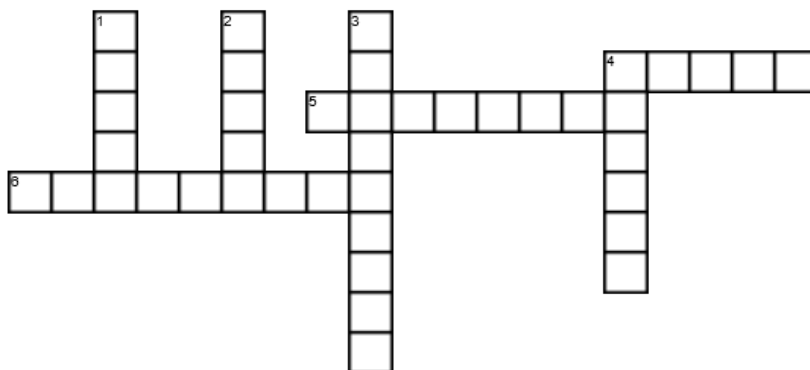
The Quad-Cities British Auto Club was formed to promote interest and usage of all British cars. The QCBAC website is at: <http://www.qcbac.com>.

Please note that the club is still looking for members to serve as president and vice president. If you are willing to keep the club moving forward and would like to serve in one of these positions, please contact a board member.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

### American to British

#### Miscellaneous



#### ACROSS

- 4 Bus
- 5 Sidewalk
- 6 Overalls

#### DOWN

- 1 Sink
- 2 Lobby
- 3 Newsstand
- 4 Naughty

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## CAR QUESTION:

When the Queen is attending any official or state duties she has a fleet of eight limousines to ferry her and any dignitaries around. Her Royal Highness's state cars include three Rolls Royce's, three Daimlers and two Bentleys, each car is painted in Royal livery claret, and none have license plates.

The Queen is the only person in the country who is allowed to drive without a driving license and has been frequently photographed driving a Land Rover Defender. Prince Phillip is also a fan of the iconic British brand and has been pictured driving both a Land Rover Discovery and Freelander.

Back in May 2017, the 91-year-old Queen was seen driving herself back from church. What was she driving?

The answer appears at the end of this newsletter.

## UPCOMING QCBAC EVENTS

June Dinner	24 June 2018	4:00 pm
Famous Dave's	1110 West Kimberly	Davenport, IA

### ***Our Premiere Event:***

Heartland Autofest	4 August 2018	9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Riverfront park	East of Hwy 67	Le Claire, IA

See registration form attached to this newsletter

## OTHER AUTO CLUB EVENTS

Champagne British Car Fest	1-3 June 2018	8:30 am – 2:30pm
Bloomington, IL	Car Show on Sunday	3 June
Held at David Davis Mansion	33 Auto Classes	\$25 Registration

British & European Autofest	3 June 2018	9:00 am – 3:00 pm
1208 Grand Ave.	West Des Moines	\$10 Registration

Proceeds go to Cops Against Cancer

Annawan Fun Days	3 June 2018	8:00 am – 3:00 pm
107 West Front	Annawan, IL	\$15 Registration

QC Cruiser's Open Run and Car Show	9 June 2018 South Park Mall	3:00 pm – 8:00 pm Moline, IL
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**Meet at NW corner of mall parking lot at 2:00 pm.** \$15 Registration

Father's Day Car Show	17 June 2018	7:30 am – 2:00 pm
Pancake Breakfast and Lunch`	Charity Sponsor:	UPS for DownS
Oregon Park East	Oregon, IL	\$15 Registration

1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Rods on the River	1 July 2018	9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Main Street	Port Byron, IL	\$10 Registration

**Meet at west side parking of the Circle K, 1827 - 18th Ave., East Moline.**  
**We will depart at 8:00 am to caravan to the show.**

Sweet Corn Festival	28 July 2018	9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Century Park	Oneida, IL	

**Meet at McDonalds, near airport, 2701 - 69th Ave Ct., Moline at 7:30 am**

**Puzzle Words:** Basin, Bookstall, Cheeky, Coach,  
Dungarees, Footpath, Foyer.

# Ginetta Cars



The Ginetta car company was founded in 1958 by the five Walklett brothers (Bob, Ivor, Trevers, Douglas and Hilary) in Woodbridge, Suffolk. The Ginetta company is another manufacturer that began by modifying existing vehicles into racing cars. Their first product, the Fairlight, was a fiberglass body shell priced at £49 (\$66 USD) for fitting to a Ford 8 or 10 hp chassis (0.9 L and 1.2 L inline four engines respectively).

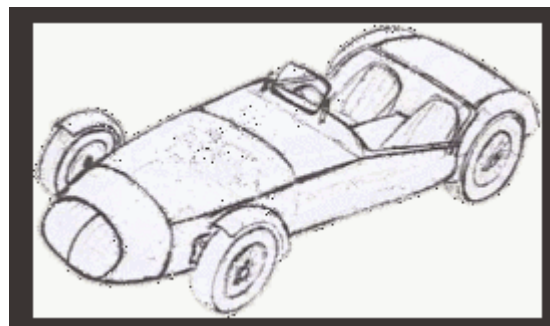


*Wolseley Hornet Six*

The Walkletts' first attempt at building a complete car was based on a pre-war Wolseley Hornet six. The Wolseley Hornet had a six-cylinder engine that produced 12 hp. This conversion car was not put into regular production.

While under the direction of the Walkletts, Trevers was mainly responsible for styling, Ivor for engineering, Douglas for management, and Bob for sales. I am not sure what Hilary did, in fact, some sources do not list him as one of the founding brothers. However, to avoid any family squabbles, I kept him in the list.

The re-bodied Wolseley Hornet was subsequently known as the Ginetta G1. The G1 was designed to have an all-aluminum body covering a space frame that provided the resting place for the Wolseley Hornet 998 drive train.



*1958 Ginetta G1 Sketch*

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The 998cc I-4 engine used in the Wolseley Hornet was one of the BMC A-Series engines manufactured by the Austin Motor Company, British Motor Corporation, British Leyland Motor Corporation, Rover Group, and MG Rover Group (and others) from 1951 to 2000.



*Ginetta G2*

The Ginetta G1 design was quickly followed by the G2 in 1958 which was produced as a kit for enthusiasts. It consisted of a tubular frame chassis to take Ford components and aluminum body. About 100 were made with a Ford 100E Sidevalve 1200 (1.2 L) engine putting out 36 hp and 58 lb-ft. [Glen: Doesn't it look very similar to the Lotus 7 which was produced beginning in 1957?]

The Ginetta G3 was an improved G2 and Ginetta's first fiberglass shell and chassis combination. The G3 was produced between 1959 and 1963 as a two-seater available as a fixed head coupe or open. Only 60 cars were made during the production run.



*1959 Ginetta G3*



*1961 Ginetta G4*

The Ginetta G4 used a new Ford 105E engine and had a fiberglass GT-style body. The suspension was updated to coil springs at the front with a Ford live axle at the rear. While the G2 and G3 had been designed for competition, the G4 was usable as an everyday car. Yet, the G4 was very competitive in motor sport beating MGBs and TRs before taking on and winning against the Jaguar 3.8's. Over 500 were made up to 1969 with a variety of Ford engines.

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The G10 and G11 were made with independent suspension and Girling disc brakes at all four corners. To cut production costs, the Walklett brothers fitted the G10 with MGB doors and windshield. It was powered by a Ford small-block V8, which was also used by the G10's intended rival, the Shelby Cobra. The competition version had four Weber carburetors, a hotter camshaft, and produced 350 bhp. Tipping the scales at just 900 kg, the new Ginetta G10 boasted a very competitive power to weight ratio.



*1965 Ginetta G10*



*1966 Ginetta G12*

The Ginetta G12 was an innovative mid-engine configuration. The G12 design featured a tubular steel spaceframe bonded to the center body/cockpit section. The front suspension used Triumph-derived uprights and double wishbones and coil springs. The rear had single upper transverse links with lower reversed wishbones, radius arms and coil springs. Front and rear anti-roll bars were fitted with Triumph Spitfire-sourced Girling disc brakes being mounted outboard on all four wheels.

The G12 was very successful and achieved the lap record at Silverstone on its debut in 1966, followed by the class winning at Snetterton. Among its' drivers, Willie Green who made his debut with G12, recorded the outstanding results with 11 wins in only a second half of the season in 1966. The G12 beat the strong competitors such as the 7-liter Shelby Cobra and Ford GT40 at Brands Hatch in 1967. As such, the G12 became an overnight sensation in the racing world. About 50 cars were produced in 1960s.

In 1967, Ginetta created the G15 with a rear-mounted 875 cc Sunbeam Imp engine. This two-seat coupé had a fiberglass body bolted to a tubular chassis, Imp rear and Triumph front suspension. 800 G15s were produced from 1967 to 1974 and the car the first complete Ginetta cars to be sold. In 1970 it was joined by the larger G21, which was initially available with a 1,599 cc Ford Kent engine or a 3-litre Ford V6 engine and later the 1,725 cc Sunbeam Rapier engine.



*1969 Ginetta G15*

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*1974 Ginetta G21*

The G21 was later updated to become the closed top (coupe) G24 or the open top G23. Both used the 1725cc Sunbeam Rapier four-cylinder engine for the power plant.

The Ginetta G19 was a single seat Formula 3 racing car of which only one was produced. The G20 was built around 2004 as a strictly track car with its space frame chassis covered in aluminum with a lightweight fiberglass body. An 1800 cc Zetec engine and type 9, 5 speed gearbox transmitted the power to a limited slip differential.



*2004 Ginetta G20*



*1981 Ginetta G4 Series IV*

Trying to recapture the success of the G4, Ginetta re-introduced the G4 Series IV in 1981. It was developed with a new chassis and was produced through to 1984 with approximately 35 examples built. The Series IV was powered by a 1,599 cc Ford four-cylinder engine. [Wow, the numbering system for Ginetta is as bad as Jaguar.]

Following a reorganization in the 1980s, the Ginetta company moved to Scunthorpe, North Lincolnshire, England and started making cars in kit form again. Ginetta started with the G27 which was followed by the G26, G28, G30 and G31. All of these cars used Ford parts.



*1986 Ginetta G27*

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*1992 Ginetta G33*

In the late 1980s, Ginetta decided to re-enter the complete car business with the mid-engine G32. The G32 was available as a coupé or convertible with a choice of 1.6- or 1.9-litre four-cylinder engine. The G33 was offered as a convertible with a 3.9-litre Rover V8 capable of 145 mph (233 km/h) and a 0-60 mph time of 5 seconds. In 1990 the G32 coupé cost £13,700 (\$19,700 USD), the convertible £14,600 (\$21,000 USD), and the G33 £17,800 (\$25,590 USD).

After Ginetta was acquired by Lawrence Tomlinson in 2005, the company began work on the 3.5-litre V6 engine (300 BHP) powered Ginetta G50. Built to celebrate the company's 50th anniversary, the car competed in its first race in 2007 in the European GT4 Cup, finishing second. The car was officially launched at Autosport International in early 2008 alongside its sister car, the Ginetta G50 GT4. They have been Ginetta's best selling cars and have race wins that include the Dubai 24 Hour endurance race in 2012.



*2008 Ginetta G50 GT4*



*2011 Ginetta G60*

In March 2010, Tomlinson acquired the sports car manufacturer Farbio and in the process inherited the F400. The F400 was subsequently redesigned, redeveloped and rebranded as the Ginetta G60. The G60 was a two-door mid-engine sports car which shares the same 3.7-litre V6 engine as its G55 GT3 stablemate. The G60 is capable of zipping from 0 to 60 mph in 4.9 seconds, with a top speed of 165 mph.

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Also, in 2010, Tomlinson replaced the old Ginetta G20 Junior series race car with a newer, safer car, the G40J. Following the success of the G40J, Ginetta decided to introduce a Ginetta G40 Challenge car for the adult racers in its Challenge series. With the same engine as its sister car, the G40 Challenge car is capable of 165 bhp and competes against existing G20 models. Ginetta unveiled its second road car - the Ginetta G40R - in 2011.



*2011 Ginetta G40*



*2011 Ginetta G55*

In 2011, Ginetta introduced the G55 Cup car to the Ginetta GT Supercup. Previously, that race had only featured the G50 Cup car from Ginetta. Offering a 3.7-litre V6 engine with 380 BHP, the car provided Ginetta with the basis for their Ginetta G55 GT3 car; a larger spec machine which gives GT teams a 4.35L V8 powerplant.

## CURRENT GINETTA MODELS

G40 Junior:

Based on Ginetta's versatile G40 platform, the G40 Junior car offers a perfect introduction to sports car racing for karting graduates and motorsport newcomers alike.





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### G40 GRDC:

Aimed at novice drivers with no experience, the all-inclusive GRDC package buys the car and entry into a four weekend racing series at the UK's best circuits, plus track days with expert tuition to give you the skills required to obtain your racing license and learn how to race.

### G40 Cup:

Eligible for the G40 Cup series as well as numerous MSA championships, the G40 Cup car is an evolution of the G40 GRDC car, upgraded to allow drivers to extract more from the platform, and themselves.



### G40 GT5:

The G40 GT5 car offers exhilarating racing for all ages and experience. Seen by fans up and down the UK as part of the British GT and British Touring Car Championship weekends, it's also eligible for several UK clubman series.

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### G55 SuperCup:

The SuperCup version of our world-beating G55 competes in the Ginetta SuperCup, our flagship championship. This one-make series features close, competitive racing, season after season.



### G55 GT4:

The Ginetta G55 GT4 is raced on almost every continent of the world and is one of the most successful GT4 cars ever made. Homologated for the international stage, it is eligible for competition within a variety of global endurance and sprint racing series.

### G58:

The Ginetta G58 is one of the fastest track machines on the market. Suited to all levels of driver, experience and ambition, it's the ultimate track day toy with eligibility to race in any open sportscar competition. With a 6.2 L engine yielding 575 bhp and total weight of 940 kg (2,072 lbs.), the G58 has a top speed of 190 mph.



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**All Makes:** (5/23) That new British car [Aston Martin?] that you're thinking of buying might cost you a bit more if you don't hurry. U.S. President Donald Trump's administration is weighing a plan that would impose new tariffs on imported vehicles on national security grounds. The administration is considering starting a probe of imported cars under a legal provision known as Section 232, possibly applying tariffs at the end of the study. The administration is currently considering tariffs of up to 25 percent. [Glen: Yikes!] The plan remains in its early stages and is likely to face significant opposition from several special interest groups, from foreign trading partners to domestic dealers of imported cars, [to British car purchasers!].

**Aston Martin:** (5/4) Aston Martin confirmed two more race cars based on its newest Vantage sports car, the new GT3 and GT4. The Vantage GT3 and GT4 will replace, respectively, the hugely successful V12 Vantage GT3 and V8 Vantage GT4 based on the previous generation Aston Martin sports car. They are likely to compete in the Blancpain GT Series, the WeatherTech SportsCar Championship, and the VLN series, whose highlight is the 24 Hours Nürburgring. Both cars will run race-modified versions of the AMG-sourced 4.0-liter twin-turbocharged V-8 used in the road car. The GT3 will draw heavily on lessons learned in the development of the GTE, which was developed in tandem with the road car over the past 18 months. (5/7) After ten years, the Aston Martin Rapide will not have a direct successor since Aston Martin is handing responsibility for sedans over to its revived Lagonda sub-brand. However, to acknowledge the end of the Rapide, Aston Martin has a couple of things in store for fans. One will be an electric version of the car due next year and the other will be a high-performance version wearing an AMR badge. The Rapide AMR will feature a 592-horsepower version of Aston Martin's 5.9-liter V-12, making it one of the last models to use the naturally aspirated mill. The engine will be paired to an 8-speed automatic to drive the rear wheels. Look for 0-60 mph acceleration in well under 5.0 seconds and a top speed of 210 mph. Deliveries of the Rapide AMR are expected to commence later this year with only 210 examples to be built. Sadly, none are expected to make it to the United States. (5/13) Aston Martin's new AMR sub-brand debuted the 2019 Aston Martin DB11 AMR with improved handling and 630 hp on tap. Torque remains the same at 516 lb-ft. With its newfound power, the range-topping DB11 is estimated by Aston to hit 60 mph in 3.7 seconds and has a top speed of 208 mph. The 2019 Aston Martin DB11 AMR is available to order now and will begin rolling out in the second quarter of 2018. In the U.S., the AMR starts at \$241,000. (5/14) The 2018 Aston DB11 Volante is a 2+2 convertible with a gorgeous shape and 503 German horses under its streamline bonnet. The Volante drops the coupe hardtop for a convertible top that opens in 14 seconds. Its powered by a 4.0 L twin-turbocharged V-8 from Mercedes-AMG which can propel the car from 0-60 mph in 4.1 seconds and reach a top speed of 187 mph. The interior comes standard with leather and wood or carbon fiber trim. But Aston Martin lets buyers personalize their cockpits with numerous trim and color choices. (5/28) Here's your chance. The 1965 Aston Martin DB5 driven by Pierce Brosnan in the 1995 movie *GoldenEye* will be auctioned by Bonhams at this year's Goodwood Festival of Speed, on July 13. Although DB5s were used in multiple Bond movies, this car going to auction appeared solely in the Brosnan film *GoldenEye*. The Goldeneye DB5 is projected by Bonhams to reach bids of up to 1.6 million pounds (\$2.1 million USD).

**Bentley (VW):** (5/1) Bentley's successor to the Mulsanne is due early next decade and according to Autocar the automaker is yet to decide on what route its new flagship will take. A direct replacement large sedan with another internal combustion engine is one possibility. An alternative is introducing an electric car with avant-garde styling to appeal to a new generation of highly mobile, tech-savvy ultra-luxury buyers. By the time the Mulsanne successor is due, battery technology should be at the point where range is no longer an issue and an electric car would also fit with the automaker's transition toward electrification. Bentley has just launched its

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first hybrid in the form of the Bentayga Hybrid and plans to add the vehicle's plug-in hybrid powertrain into more models. (5/9) Bentley is redesigning its Continental range, starting with the GT coupe. Next in line will be a new GT Convertible and then the Flying Spur sedan which is likely due out as a 2020 model. The next Flying Spur will have headlights that feature a larger inner and a smaller outer light, which is the opposite of the current design. At the rear, the license plate cutout moves from the trunk to the bumper and the taillights are taller and no longer wrap around the sides. The Flying Spur will benefit from some Porsche engineering and the VW Group's MSB platform which was developed by Porsche and made its debut in the 2017 Panamera. The engine is likely the upgraded 6.0-liter twin-turbocharged W-12 that makes 626 horsepower and 664 pound-feet of torque that is used in the Continental GT. Another possible engine is a 4.0-liter twin-turbo V-8 or a plug-in hybrid option. The lone transmission should be an 8-speed automatic, and all-wheel drive will likely be offered as standard.

**Jaguar (TATA):** (5/4) Jaguar Land Rover Classic is advancing its global expansion strategy with the opening of its first facility outside of the UK with a brand-new Classic Centre in Germany. The new Classic Centre in Essen is directly operated by Jaguar Land Rover Classic, providing factory service in Germany. In addition, the company is also introducing a service to support classic car enthusiasts seeking pre-owned Jaguar Land Rover classic vehicles using the new 'Works Legends' online portal. (5/11) Jaguar is creating a support series for Formula E called the Jaguar I-Pace eTrophy. This vehicle built around a dedicated racing version of the I-Pace made its dynamic debut at the 2018 Formula E Berlin ePrix. The drive was only to show off the vehicle. The racing action will come in December coinciding with the Formula E 2018/2019 season and will feature up to 20 I-Pace SUVs. The Jaguar I-Pace eTrophy will be an "arrive and drive" style series, where Jaguar maintains the vehicles and handle all logistics. The race car, sadly, is not for sale. (5/19) If you followed the Royal Wedding you might have seen Harry drive Megan from Windsor Castle in a leased Jaguar E-Type Concept Zero. The E-type Zero combines the renowned E-type dynamic experience with enhanced performance through electrification. It's totally original in specification, apart from its state-of-the-art 220kW powertrain and modified instrumentation and facia – although these are also inspired by the original E-type. The LED headlights are also used to achieve energy efficiency. The car's structure, including suspension and brakes, has not changed, simplifying the conversion and homologation. It drives, handles, rides, and brakes like an original E-type. Even the front-rear weight distribution is unchanged. The Jaguar E-type Zero not only drives and looks like an E-type, it also offers outstanding performance with a 0-100km/h (62mph) time of only 5.5sec, about one second quicker than a Series 1 E-type. (5/21) Jaguar product boss Hanno Kirner has hinted at plans for a potential family of sports cars. Kirner told Autocar that the F-Type has been a major success and that Jaguar loves sports cars." Kirner's comments follow lead Jaguar designer, Ian Callum, who just last year proposed the return of the XK. It's very possible a new Jaguar sports car could come by the way of an XK revival, but Kirner was careful to only use the term "sports car." Even a sport sedan like would fit the product chief's calls for another sports car. However, any future sports car family weighs on Jaguar-Land Rover's decision over future platforms. The future platforms will likely accept a range of powertrains, including hybrids. It's unclear if the strategy will fit into future sports car plans, however. Kirner didn't dismiss the idea of a hybrid sports car but also assured a defining characteristic of them is the engine itself. "At Jaguar, all I can say for now is that we will continue to invest in sports cars," he said. [Glen: Amen to that!]

**Land Rover (TATA):** (4/30) On April 30 day 70 years ago, the very first Land Rover was revealed at the 1948 Amsterdam auto show. Since then, over seven million have been built and to mark the occasion, Land Rover held a special live broadcast on YouTube celebrating seven decades of the SUV. The brand showcased some of its most memorable models as it told the story of how Land Rover came to exist after World War II. The

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broadcast also included special insight from engineers, designers, Camel Trophy drivers, restorers, and explorers to help tell the Land Rover story. Watch the video above. Additionally, Land Rover Classic revealed plans for a production run of V-8 powered Defender Works models with 400 horsepower. Furthermore, restoration is underway on a pre-production 1948 Land Rover model, one of the three SUVs from the 1948 Amsterdam auto show, that had been missing for two decades. (5/16) Land Rover is offering an extra-exclusive coupe version of its popular Range Rover SUV for a mere \$295,000. The 2019 Land Rover Range Rover SV Coupe is limited to just 999 units worldwide with deliveries starting later this year. The coupe design was chosen to give the vehicle an extra air of exclusivity compared to the regular Range Rover. The body style also channels the original Range Rover, which was launched as a two-door and later spawned the more familiar four-door design. Power in the SUV will come from Jaguar Land Rover's familiar 5.0-liter supercharged V-8 with 557 horsepower and 516 pound-feet of torque, which will see the Range Rover SV Coupe hit 60 mph in 5.0 seconds. Top speed is 165 mph. (5/28) The styling of the new Range Rover Velar has taken the brand's design in a dramatic new direction. For the base price of \$70,595, the Velar R-Dynamic SE comes with a 380-hp, 332-lb-ft 3.0-liter supercharged V-6 mated to an eight-speed automatic; an electronic air suspension; permanent AWD with Eco, Dynamic, Mud/Ruts, Grass/Gravel/Snow, and Sand modes; torque vectoring by braking; dynamic stability control; and 20-inch wheels. In addition to the usual luxury accoutrements, standard features on this trim level include a powered gesture tailgate, LED headlights, and comfy 10-way perforated leather/suede-cloth seats. Standard safety features include autonomous emergency braking, a rearview camera, lane departure warning, a driver condition monitor, reverse traffic detection, traffic-sign recognition, and an adaptive speed limiter. And there are plenty of options to run up the price as well.

**Lister (LMC):** (5/24) The John Tojeiro designed Coventry Climax powered sports racing car is up for sale. First registered on 21/04/1952 and intended for race, hill climbs and sprint use, the Tojeiro-JAP was notable as the first car to bear a Brian Horace Lister chassis number and the second Tojeiro ever made. With only 3 Coventry Climax Powered sports cars built, the car is an attractive, lightweight, 1100cc sports racer with all-round disc brakes, and aluminum bodies built by Maurice Gomm, over a multi-tubular space frame. It is known that the Coventry Climax originally had a de Dion rear axle, VW gearbox, and single rear disc. The Coventry Climax was modified in era to its current and more conventional rear layout with a different rear body before it was purchased by David Lee in 1977. If you are interested in owning a special car with a wealth of history, contact Lister. Lister is looking for offers above £80,000 (\$106,500 USD).

**Lotus (Geely):** (5/8) Lotus is in the process of developing two new sports cars and an SUV. The sports cars will come first and one of them is tipped to be an Elise replacement. The other, Lotus CEO Jean-Marc Gales revealed to Autocar in an interview published Tuesday, will be a proper supercar along the lines of the Esprit that ceased production in 2004. It will be the flagship of the expanded Lotus range and is said to be coming in 2020. Gales also revealed in the interview that the supercar, naturally, will benefit from low weight and that it will use an extruded, bonded and riveted aluminum chassis just like Lotus' current lineup of cars. Carbon fiber and other composites will likely play a role, though, such as for the body panels and possibly the front subframe.

**McLaren:** (5/24) The 2018 McLaren 720S zips from zero to 60 mph faster than a Ferrari 488 GTB. The McLaren 720S is the company's first second-generation supercar replacing the 650S. The 720S is built using a Monocage II and weighs just 3,167 pounds. It is powered by a 4.0 L twin-turbocharged British V-8 mounted in the middle of the car. And all that power is routed to the rear wheels through a 7-speed dual-clutch transmission. Zero to 60 mph takes just 2.8 seconds. The quarter mile zips by in 10.3 seconds, and the car tops

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out at 212 mph. To keep the tires on the road, the dampers are hydraulically linked and monitored by two pressure sensors each. Twelve additional sensors, including an accelerometer at each corner, assess data in each of the car's Comfort, Sport, and Track modes to determine the best damping to keep the Pirelli P Zero Corsa tires glued to the pavement. But the driver can adjust the Variable Drift Control feature to govern how early stability control kicks in to catch oversteer.

**MG (SAIC):** (5/18) At the Beijing Auto Show, MG presented the MG X-motion concept car. The X-motion follows the MG brand design philosophy of Emotional Dynamism that was showcased in the brand's first full electric sports car concept, the MG E-motion. The 'X' in the product name X-motion represents the endless possibilities of how people can relate to the design, and not that MG considers it a typical crossover vehicle. Crowned as the MG Range Captain the concept has been designed to be the largest model in MG's growing product portfolio. With a bold, dominant design, the X-motion has a muscular appearance that conveys a sense of fluid motion. Design features to highlight include the stellar field grille that frames the iconic MG badge and distinctive hurricane aluminum alloy wheels. MG has also employed a custom LED design to create the hunter eye headlight and light field taillight that are a statement in the MG design language.

**Mini (BMW):** (5/1) MINI UK is celebrating the 25th anniversary of the MINI Convertible. The Rover Mini Cabriolet convertible first went on sale in 1993 and is the bestselling convertible model in the UK. At launch, Mini Cabriolet cost almost double of the Classic Mini. To mark this significant milestone, MINI UK is launching a special 25th Anniversary Edition of the MINI Convertible with anniversary tread plates and plaque, along with an exclusive combination of Lounge leather upholstery in Satellite Grey and a Starlight Blue metallic exterior. (5/24) Thousands of MINI Owners will be taking on the ultimate American road trip in 2018. This year's event will take place July 14 – July 22 and the destination is the majestic Rocky Mountains. The trek is sure to offer fun, excitement and memories to last a lifetime. Don't own a MINI? No problem, MINI has the solution. Just visit your local MINI Dealer for a test drive!

**Rolls Royce (BMW):** (5/2) Rolls-Royce is set to enter the SUV game with a new model called the Cullinan, the name borrowed from the largest diamond in the British Crown Jewels. Instead of SUV, Rolls-Royce describes it as an "all-terrain, high-sided vehicle." The design looks very much like Rolls-Royce's existing models but with an extended roofline and a much taller ride height. The Cullinan boasts Rolls-Royce's-exclusive aluminum spaceframe architecture, an eight-speed automatic with all-wheel drive, and a 6.75 L twin-turbocharged V-12, which delivers 563 horsepower and 664 pound-feet of torque. The idea of an off-road capable Rolls-Royce is likely an oddity to some, but even a brand as traditional as Rolls-Royce cannot sit back and ignore the booming demand for SUVs in key markets like China, the Middle East and the United States.

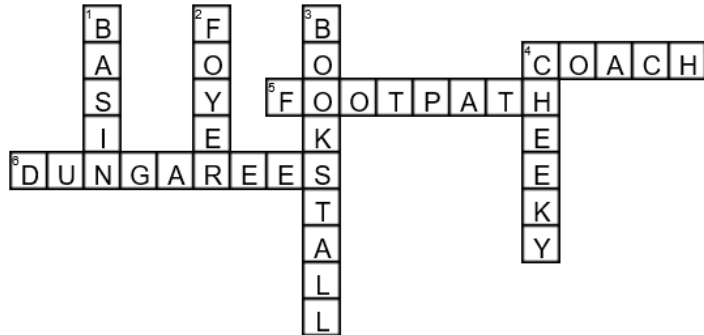


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### ANSWER TO THE CAR QUESTION:

The Queen was seen driving a British racing green Jaguar. Some have reported that the car was a 2009 X-Type Estate (station wagon) because that was the car pictured in the news release. However, although the Queen did once own one, it was reported sold in 2016. Did she buy another one? I don't know. But the royals have an estimated 10 million pounds (\$13.3 million dollars) worth in vehicles.



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