

**Anders Ditlev Clausager** 

Chief Archivist - Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust replies:

Mr Nantes is unfortunately absolutely right.

The bit about the radiator badge on Lady Lyons's car being to her special request is one of those rubbish myths that I kind of inherited when I joined the JDHT. As my knowledge of these cars has grown I have realised that the badge and radiator shell are a complete mish-mash. I suspect that because of wear and/or damage, the radiator shell was replaced by a careless repairer probably in the 1940s or later, and if a correct prewar radiator shell was then not available, a post-war item was used, with the post-war Jaguar wings, upon which was then stuck the pre-war badge, and it is there to this day. (Slightly similarly the ex-Appleyard SS 100 displays the post-war wings and Jaguar badge but on this car I think it was done deliberately)

The radiator/badge combination is only one of several things wrong with the Lady Lyons car. I agree with our Director John Maries, it would be a good idea to have someone like Allan Crouch, the SS Registrar, go over it.

I had not got around to amending the vehicle history sheet and was embarrassed to see François copy this in a recent JH magazine issue.

Dear Ed

Thank you for the additions to the Lady Lyons piece. We realised that over some forty years many

items would have been added, altered or substituted on a car that was kept in the ownership of the Lyons family. You are quite correct; many of the additions were simply not around in 1937. As you can see from Anders's reply, there are plans to have the car carefully looked over by an expert on the SS cars so that it may be 'corrected' in due course. Do send us a picture of your SS Jaguar, we would be most interested to illustrate your model on our pages.

My apologies are due to Anders for my keenness in writing up the Lady Lyons car and not checking all the facts.

Kind regards, François

Dear Sirs

I would like to know where I could buy the Stefan Wahl of Germany Trans-kit to transform my E-Type front headlamps to Series 1 style as featured on page 57 of Jaguar Heritage No. 18.

Sincerely, C Goolnik, London WC1

## Wahl Lights

Many readers wanted to know about the kits from Germany, so we contacted the writer of the letter that set off the demand. Mr Schoen has sent the following details:

'Mr. Wahl offers the headlamp cover transkits, which as a homage to aerodynamicist Malcolm Sayer ought to be seen as "Malcolm Sayer Commemorative Set" are available for all Series 1, 11/2, 2 and 3 E-Types. Installation is straightforward DIY, as it requires neither welding nor repainting.

The kits include all necessary parts plus instructions in English, and the modification can be reversed any time, although it is highly unlikely that someone would want to fit the old parts again after having gone back to the roots, i.e. the true spirit of the originator.

As the covers are made of clear acryl luminous intensity is hardly impaired with 99 per cent +; surrounds (chrome finishers) are high gloss polished aluminium. Price for a complete transkit is Euros 1,156 - standard or Euros 1,380 - concours (p&p not included)'.

To satisfy demand we have included all Stefan Wahl's details elsewhere in the magazine as an

advertisement, which shows the Transkit, laid out ready to fit.

## The following email was addressed to Stefan Wahl:

I am delighted to find that you refer to the D and E-Type Jaguars as 'Malcolm Sayer's designs', as my father died in 1970 unhappy that he had never received proper credit for his work.

He would have been very pleased to see what you are doing with your 'restoration' kits because he hated having to alter his designs to suit what he thought were silly regulations!

Very best wishes to you, Kate Sayer

Dear Simon Beales

We were delighted to win a pair of tickets to the 'Festival of Speed' at Goodwood on Friday June 24, and very much enjoyed the whole day, there was so much to see.

Enclosed is a copy of the photo taken when we met you in the Jaguar pits.

Best regards Ivan and Gill Mason, Surrey

Glad you enjoyed the day at Goodwood - there is nothing else like it for anyone interested in great cars. Hope you were encouraged to attend the Revival Meeting, which is even more spectacular.

