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"Mirror in the Mist"

*Reflection in the mirror on Carl
Hanson's XK120, taken early in
the morning at the
JANE Concours d'Elegance
in August 2008.
Photo by Ed Avis*



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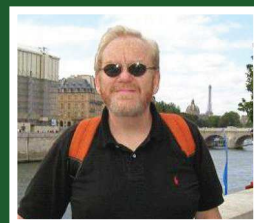
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President's Update February 2009



Slipping and a sliding, when is spring arriving? Seems like a long time ago.

By Ray O'Brien

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My driveway is a sheet of ice and there's no ice melter left around Brookline. "Maybe tomorrow," says Home Depot. In the meantime, I'll just keep sliding. Hopefully, everyone has power and is holding up through this miserable winter.

I'm writing this prior to our January meeting, which had to be rescheduled for Wednesday, February 4th, due to more snow. If you like snow, keep shoveling; if not, dream of spring, like I do.

You should know that Carl Hanson and the officers and directors have already lined up a great event list for 2009. We have slaloms, a rally, the Concours, tech sessions, and more. To view the calendar, logon to the club website at www.j-a-n-e.org. Better yet, attend a meeting or two. It's a great way to participate in the club's activities. At our next meeting we will have a review of all of the upcoming events.

Speaking of events, just two days ago I attended a great tech session at SNG Barratt, along with 34 of my closest friends from JANE. What a great time we had learning from Tony Lee and his crew in Manchester, NH. Looking at all of that great Jag stuff made we want to get the E Type back on the road again. See the report in this month's issue for more details on this great event.

Have you renewed your membership for 2009? If not please contact Tom Moses and renew as soon as you can. Got updates? Adrian Curtis is working on a new membership directory to be published soon, so please send changes or additions to Adrian, or logon to the JANE website, an easy way to update all of your membership information.

The Board of Directors has selected two members as JANE delegates to the JCNA AGM: Aldo Cipriano, Chief Judge for JANE, and Adrian Curtis, who has served JANE in many capacities. JCNA is celebrating its 51st year and is holding the meeting in Denver, CO, March 19-21. Aldo and Adrian will provide us with a report and the highlights of the AGM when they return. Look for their report at the April meeting.

We have two meetings coming up. The rescheduled January meeting is next Wednesday, February 4th, and our February monthly meeting is as scheduled, for Wednesday, February 25th. Both meetings will be at the Wayside Inn in Sudbury, MA, at 7 p.m. Hope to see you there. 🇺🇸

RAY

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Calendar of Upcoming Events

From the Editor

WHEN

WHAT

WHERE

February

15 - Sun - 4:30 p.m. Valentines Day Dinner
25 - Wed - 7 p.m. Monthly Meeting

Gibbet Hill Grill, Groton, MA
Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA

March

20-21 - Fri-Sat JCNA Annual General Meeting
21 - Sat Pancake and Maple Syrup Brunch
25 - Wed - 7 p.m. Monthly Meeting
28 - Sat - 10 a.m. Tour of Tom Larsen's Car Collection

Crowne Plaza, Denver, CO
Overlook Farm, Rutland, MA
Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA
Weston, MA

April

18 - Sat Spring Slalom
22 - Wed - 7 p.m. Monthly Meeting
26 - Sun Judges Training Session

Fort Devens, Ayer, MA
Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA
TBA

May

2 - Sat Spring Rally
27 - Wed - 6 p.m. JANE Picnic on the Lawn

Departure site TBA
LAAM, Brookline, MA

June

TBA Magical Mystery Tour
07 - Sun British Car Day
14 - Sat JCSNE Concours d'Elegance
24 - Wed - 7 p.m. Monthly Meeting

The Destination is the "Mystery"
LAAM, Brookline, MA
Lyman Orchards, Middlefield, CT
Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA

July

TBA Cruise Night
19 - Sun Myopia Hunt Club
22 - Wed - 7 p.m. Monthly Meeting

Kimball Farm, Westford, MA
North Shore
Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA

August

14-16 - Fri-Sun Concours d'Elegance Weekend
23 - Sun Pot Luck Picnic
26 - Wed - 7 p.m. Monthly Meeting

Sturbridge, MA
Groton, MA
Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA

September

4-7 - Fri-Mon Rolex Vintage Festival Weekend
18-20 - Fri-Sun British Invasion Weekend
23 - Wed - 7 p.m. Monthly Meeting

Lime Rock, CT
Stowe, VT
Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA

October

3-4 - Sat-Sun Owls Head Foreign Car Show Weekend
TBA North Shore Tour
28 - Wed - 7 p.m. Monthly Meeting

Owls Head, ME
Salem, MA
Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA

November

18 - Wed - 7 p.m. Monthly Meeting

Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA

December


06 - Sun - 3 p.m. JANE AGM and Holiday Party

Vesper Country Club, Tyngsbury, MA

The JANE 2009 wall calendars and the window decals are still available from Alan Quinn. See page 11 for more information about the calendar, plus thumbnails of the 2009 photos, and an order form for both the calendar and the decals. Get yours now!

The *Coventry Cat* that is printed and mailed out each month is also posted on the JANE website. As a matter of fact, it is usually available on the website sooner than it arrives in your mailboxes, and it is in color on the website. You might be surprised at how much better it looks in color. Go to www.j-a-n-e.org, logon, go to the JANE Home Page, then select *Coventry Cat*. They're all there, in color, all the way back to November 2002.

Are you doing anything interesting these few cabin fever months before the driving season begins? A car project? A new car? A fun trip? Any new grandkids? Let me know of any news that's fit to print, so I can let everyone else know!

And here's a reminder. When you go to JANE events, please take your camera and take lots of pictures for the event reports. You may get the perfect shot that no one else did, and it just might appear in *The Coventry Cat*. 

Puddle

Membership



**JANE
WANTS
YOU BACK!**

All 2008 memberships expired on December 31, 2008. If you haven't renewed yet, get it done! Visit www.j-a-n-e.org and follow these steps:

- From the Home Page, scroll down, click the Member Pages menu button on the bottom left.
- From the Login screen, enter your User code and Password and click the Submit button.
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Upcoming Events

JANE Monthly Meetings Longfellow's Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA



Longfellow's Wayside Inn

JANE's monthly meetings are on the fourth Wednesday of each month (except for November and December). Some of the meetings feature a program of interest to car folks, others are devoted to discussing business matters. But whatever the agenda, there's always the opportunity to visit before the meeting, have a nice dinner together, and linger afterwards for more schmoozing. So come on out and catch up with other JANE members at the next monthly meeting, February 25th, 7 p.m., at Longfellow's Wayside Inn.

The Wayside Inn is a historic landmark, the oldest operating inn in the country, in business since 1716. It's a place worth coming out to see even if it weren't our JANE meeting place. The address is 72 Wayside Inn Road, Sudbury, MA. Phone 978-443-1776. The Inn's website, in case you want to check it out, is www.wayside.org. 

At the February Monthly Meeting, February 25th, Carl Hanson will give a PowerPoint presentation on the status of his project on the 40th Anniversary Commemoration of JANE and NEXKA. Come to the meeting! It's your chance to get a preview of the publication, due out a little later this year.

Save the March 25th Monthly Meeting Date! 2008 Le Mans Brady Presentation



The Brady boys will once again be presenting their annual report of Les 24 Heures du Mans. Come and join the fun as they share their sardonic perspective and humor relating their experiences at last year's race.

Experience the wonder of the **new JANE electronic projector** as the Brady boys march through their 2008 French campaign.

The presentation will include a narrated slide show covering the Driver's Parade in Centre Ville du Mans, the support race known as the Legend's Race, and the main event, the 24 Heures Du Mans. The presentation should last about an hour. Donations will be welcomed.

Just kidding!

JANE Valentine's Dinner

Sunday, February 15th

JANE's Valentine's Dinner is on again for this year, Sunday, February 15th, 4:30 p.m., same place as last year -- Gibbet Hill Grill in Groton, MA. The Gibbet Hill Grill is a lovely restaurant sitting amid the rolling fields of an old farm. The food is excellent and the company will be great -- other JANE members! Here's Gibbet Hill's website if you want to check it out: www.gibbethill.com.

Tom Moses is organizing this event. **Space is limited, so make your reservation soon. Send an email to Tom at tmoses@spillcenter.com, and put JANE Valentine Dinner in the subject line.** 🍷



The Gibbet Hill Farm



CHECK OUT THE 2008
VALENTINE'S DINNER
EVENT REPORT
(WITH PHOTOS)
AT
WWW.J-A-N-E.ORG

The JCNA 2009 AGM will be held at the Crowne Plaza in Denver Colorado. Complete information about the hotel, the schedule, the activities -- a visit to the Cussler Museum (cars) and Wings Over the Rockies (airplanes) -- is now available at <http://www.agm09.com/>.



Aldo Cipriano and Adrian Curtis are JANE's representatives and voting delegates at this year's AGM. But other JANE members are certainly eligible to attend. Go to the AGM website -- www.agm09.com -- for registration information if you are interested in going. It's a fun event even if you are not a delegate.

Annual Pancake and Maple Syrup Brunch

Saturday, March 21st



Carl Hanson

This year we are going to a new location for our traditional first outing of the spring . . . “Pancakes at Overlook Farm” in Rutland, MA. Overlook Farm is the Heifer Project Learning Center, part of Heifer International, a world-class organization with a mission to end hunger in the world by providing domestic animals for needy people in third-world countries. Their website is www.heifer.org/overlook.

During this fun-filled event, we will take a scenic tour to the farm in Central Massachusetts, watch the maple sugaring process, tour the farm (lots of animals for our kids to see!), and enjoy a hearty pancake breakfast with maple syrup and pork sausage. Hopefully, our Jaguars will be out of winter storage by the first day of spring, but any motor vehicle will be welcome on the tour!

We plan to meet in the parking lot across from Longfellow’s Wayside Inn in Sudbury, MA, at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 21st. In case you haven’t been paying attention, the Wayside Inn is our current JANE meeting venue, at 72 Wayside Inn Road in Sudbury, just off U.S. Rt. 20. Departure time is 10 a.m. sharp! We will take a scenic route for 40 miles to the farm and will get there in time for our reserved brunch at 11:30 a.m. Don’t worry about getting lost, we will have maps for everybody. Alternatively, you can make your own way to the farm, but please let us know so we don’t worry about leaving without you!

Admission to the farm activities and breakfast comes at a price . . . \$10 for adults; \$5 for children 3 years to 10 years; free for children age 2 and under. This is a very popular event and we have reserved a limited number of places (16). We can increase or decrease the number if we do so in advance. Consequently, **we need to have a head count on or before Friday, February 20th. Please contact Carl Hanson at telephone 781-275-2707, email at chansonjag@aol.com, or postal address 40 Springs Road, Bedford, MA 01730.** Reservations after February 20th will be at risk. You can come along for the drive, but we cannot guarantee that you will have a place for brunch! (The Blue Moon Diner is a short ways up the road in Gardner.....) 🍷

Pancakes at the Farm



*Observe the maple
sugaring, tour the farm
and enjoy a hearty
pancake breakfast with
maple syrup and pork
sausage.*



**SATURDAYS,
March 14 & March 21
2009
9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

JANE Tour of Tom Larsen's Car Collection

Saturday, March 28th

Tom Larsen opens his eclectic car collection to JANE members March 28th, 10 a.m. Tom has been collecting for some years now and has brought together an assemblage of very interesting and desirable automobiles. He will be opening his collection to JANE members and friends for the first in a series of Collector Cars road trips.

Tom's cars are housed in several garages at his home in Weston. If you're a motorhead, you'll enjoy seeing some great cars: a Ford Thunderbird convertible, an early Mustang convertible, and a pair of Model A's, along with a 35 Ford roadster. There's a beautiful Split Window Corvette Stingray and a rare BMW Zo8. His Euro collection is very interesting as well. It includes an Alfa Romeo Giulietta Spider racer, a Ferrari Lusso, a Jaguar XK120 OTC, and many more beautiful cars.

Come and share a Saturday morning with us touring Tom's collection. We plan to start at 10 a.m. Tom has many interesting stories about his cars and is excited about sharing them with JANE members.

Tom lives at 44 Robin Road in Weston, MA 02493.

Directions: From Rt 128 N&S take Exit 26 to Route 20 West. This exit is a rotary for those coming from the north. Proceed to Rt 20 West. In about ½ mile turn left onto Summer Street. The first street on the right is Robin Road. Tom's home is a little over ¼ mile up on the right. If you get lost or confused, call Chuck Centore at 978-201-9782.

For those interested, after our tour we will be sitting down to an informal late lunch at the Chateau Restaurant in Waltham. 🇬🇧



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JANE Spring Slalom

Saturday, April 18th

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Get ready for the first slalom of the year -- April 18th -- Devens Air Force Base



Adrian Curtis on the course in his XK120 at the JANE Fall Slalom

The first slalom of the 2009 campaign will be early this year – April 18th to be specific. Yes, we know that is a Saturday, not a Sunday, but that leads us to our next point. We wanted to try a new location, so this event will be at Devens in Ayer, MA, running on the old runways. This is a great venue – flat, good surface, and lots of space! In fact, we are thinking that in addition to the “official” timed course, we may be able to set up a second, untimed practice course. So everyone should get plenty of seat time.

Mark April 18 on your calendars now. Get everything working right and get ready to run!

As always, volunteers are welcome (and needed, particularly if we are going to do the second course)! If you want to help with setup, timekeeping, scoring, food, cleanup, anything, please contact Tom Parish at tparish@carlisle-co.com (978-828-4707) or Bill Parish at wdparish@verizon.net (978) 486-9830. 🇬🇧



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Event Reports

Everyone Was a Winner - JANE Tours SNG Barratt

by Ray O'Brien and Tracey Levasseur

Photos by Ray O'Brien, Tracey Levasseur, and Dennis Eklof



Ray O'Brien

It was about 40°F on a beautiful and sunny Saturday morning when I drove the XKR, still covered with a bit of winter slop, up to Manchester, NH, to visit and tour the facilities of SNG Barratt. Upon arrival I met Tonya Lee, wife of Tony, the general manager, and the crew of SNG.

The tour kicked off with coffee, donuts, and other goodies, and by 10:30 a.m. we had 35 JANE members in attendance (counted by Tonya). Attendees were asked to put their names on tickets for a raffle following the tour. We went into a meeting room where SNG had a display of Jaguar parts and accessories. Tony began by introducing his staff and giving the group a talk on the status of Jaguar (spares) parts. SNG has access to over 180,000 parts worldwide, and this list continues to grow as more parts are remanufactured. The USA location in Manchester stocks about 20,000 parts: mechanical, electrical, panels, trim, and more.

Tony gave us a brief history of the company, which was actually started "across the pond" in the 1970s by Stephen Barratt. Like many of us in attendance, Stephen was a gearhead, who bought an older E Type to restore and then purchased another for spare parts. After the restoration he advertised the spare parts and was amazed at how many others were looking for those hard-to-get parts. Thus, SNG Barratt was born.



Tony Lee, General Manager of SNG Barratt USA

Meanwhile, back in the former colony of New Hampshire, one Peter Gould was running British Auto USA and doing business with Stephen. Upon Peter's untimely passing in the mid-1990s, Stephen purchased British Auto USA, incorporating it into SNG Barratt.

Tony stressed the importance of customer satisfaction with the materials they provide; he wants happy customers and repeat business. A case in point, he used a piece of Cantrail chrome from my Series 3 E Type as an example. When the SNG part didn't fit, SNG purchased the same part from another USA supplier, and this part also didn't fit. Tony contacted his colleagues in the UK, and SNG is going to remanufacture the part in brass, bend it, trim it, and chrome it to match the original part.

SNG also offers a 10 percent discount to JANE members on most items. Simply identify yourself as a JANE member and you'll receive the discount.

After a brief question and answer period we began the tour. We divided into two groups, some heading first to the trim shop, others to the warehouse.

The parts warehouse is organized on racks of shelving and in bins labeled with Jaguar part numbers. Tony commented that they separate right- and left-hand pieces to ensure that the correct parts are shipped.



Tracey Levasseur



Members drink coffee, admire the automotive "toys," and chat before SNG Barratt's Tony Lee enters to start the tour



Tony Lee (second from right) takes members through SNG Barratt's floor-to-ceiling parts warehouse

Upstairs at SNG Barratt is the trim shop. They have a huge “closet” full of patterns. Patterns for every Jag model, from the carpet to the seats to the headliners and door panels. And they have shelves and cubbyholes full of leather, wool, vinyl, piping, and even a lightweight plastic material they use to replace the cardboard interior parts that deteriorate and lose shape over time. It’s hard to guess how many people stood with mouths hanging open as they saw the expertly stitched leather seat covers on the workbench for someone’s E Type. You would swear it came straight from Coventry. Members walked around caressing the leather and carpet fabric as if it were cashmere or silk. Simply amazing.



This “closet” contains patterns for carpets, seats, even door panels for all Jag models

Following the tour the JANE group went back to the room we started in, where the tables were full of Jag accessories. Tony announced that the far left table contained more than enough items so that everyone who entered a name on a raffle ticket would go home with a prize. Among the goodies on the table were key fobs, coffee mugs, ties, hats, books, metal Jag advertisement plates, and even a stuffed toy Jaguar (of course).

Special thanks must go to Tony and Tonya Lee and the entire crew at SNG Barratt for being such gracious hosts, and supporters of JANE. 🇺🇸



“Feel that leather! That is supple.” Dennis Eklof’s smile says it all.



Work in progress . . . a giant biscuit? Well, sort of. It’s a biscuit-colored piece of hardura.



A green seat cover being worked on in the trim room



Several brown, black, and green cows gave their lives so that Jag enthusiasts can restore their prized possessions. Here yards of leather await transformation into seats or door panels in the trim room.



Tracey Levasseur and Susan Curtis are pleased with the books they got in the raffle following the tour

JANE Members Making News

JANE's Jungle Cat Racing team made the November-December 2008 issue of **Jaguar Journal**.

Adrian Curtis wrote a very nice article, including photos by Buzz Hawes, about the team's adventure last August at the 24 Hours of LeMons race at Stafford Motor Speedway in Connecticut. Adrian told it all, from the initial idea of entering the race through all the preparations and the race itself. This year the race in the New England area is scheduled for July 11-12, and Jungle Cat Racing is already signed up! 🏁



JANE's 2008 Jungle Cat Racing team. L to R: Bruce Murray, Gary Hagopian, Tom Moses, Chuck Centore, Dennis Eklof, Adrian Curtis, and Matt Hagopian.
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A basic dilemma for old-car owners arises when a car is in well-cared-for original condition, but getting tatty around the edges. Would it be more beneficial to strip it down and restore it, or to work with what is there and gently bring back the appearance of a good used car? Not such a simple question, as several more quandaries are also involved. What is the goal of the owner? What special attributes might a particular automobile possess that would either benefit or be hurt by either approach? What about the relative cost of one process or the other, and the ultimate effect

on the value and aesthetics of the car? In the end, it's not so simple to select the "proper" course of attack.

In the case of my 1954 Jaguar XK120 Coupe, the decision was an easy one for me. I essentially appreciate and seek out well-preserved, well-maintained cars. Most restored cars look alike to me, especially if they have become static display pieces and have lost their basic functionality as automobiles. They must appeal to my sense of design and my desire for sporting performance and handling. To my eye, and to the seat of my pants, the XK120 Coupe (FHC to those of us with our noses in the air) represents an ideal combination.

About a dozen years ago, while dropping my E Type off for service at a local vintage Jaguar repair shop, I espied the very lovely and very original appearing Coupe that immediately became the object of the sort of lust that I had previously reserved for svelte redheads. To further enflame my ardor, it was factory equipped with the SE option package. Its owner, Frank, was the quiet type who didn't show it or bring it to events, so it had flown under the radar and was not generally known to local enthusiasts. He just maintained it for his personal enjoyment and had done so for 30 years! Of course, it was not for sale. He responded kindly to my inquiry by inviting me to visit him at his nearby home and to go for a ride. Needless to say, after he offered to let me drive it, I was utterly smitten. Frank and I hit it off nicely, and he promised to call me if ever he decided to find it a new home.

About a year later, he actually called! The circumstances of his life had changed and he wanted to talk to me about his Coupe. Long story short, about a month later I drove it home, and I took the longest possible route to get there!

Over the years quite a lot of mechanical freshening has been necessary, none of which has changed the outward appearance at all. The incredible patina of its 1970 paint job and unaltered interior are truly charming. The interior had never been redone, including the varnish on the burl walnut dash. The seat cushions always bothered me, though, as they were dried out and split in ways that were not repairable. I just couldn't bear to have them reupholstered, as the interior would then have looked out of character with the rest of the car.



The seat cushions were definitely a bit tatty

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For several years I searched both locally and through national media, hoping to find someone who was replacing their interior and might have the old leather available. It would have to be faded red, with plenty of the background brown showing through. A couple of false chases ended in disappointment, but then a call came from a member of JANE, offering me the leather from his XK120 OTS, which he was replacing. For Joy!

When I arrived at his home, I was terribly let down to observe that his old leather had been dyed a garish shade of red. I could see, however, that some remote spots had not been covered with the awful dye and seemed somewhat close in color to my seats. Not exactly what I was looking for, but there was a glimmer of hope.

I dragged the motley stack of drooping leather home, and did some testing with leftover cans of various solvents that were in a corner of the garage. I discovered that acetone removed the dye, and if I worked quickly with it, it evaporated rapidly and didn't seem to have any deleterious effect on the underlying leather. The base color under the dye was perfect! So, armed with toothbrushes, sponges, and rags, and protected with rubber gloves, long sleeves, goggles, and a painter's mask, I had at it.



Acetone, toothbrush . . . the works!

I took the whole mess to Jonathan Chase, whose shop in Marlboro is known as Skin and Bones. Although I knew him only passingly at the time, I knew his reputation as a highly skilled fussbudget of an upholsterer, with many high-quality restorations under his belt. I explained my objective, and he assured me that he could use my patches to fix up my seats. He disassembled the cushions, reinforced their basic structures,

and fiddled with the replacement bits and pieces until he was assured of good fits. He then conditioned the leather to make it soft and lustrous, and the result was remarkable!



Jonathan Chase, at his "Skin and Bones" shop, disassembled and reinforced the cushions, then used my leather patches to recover them.

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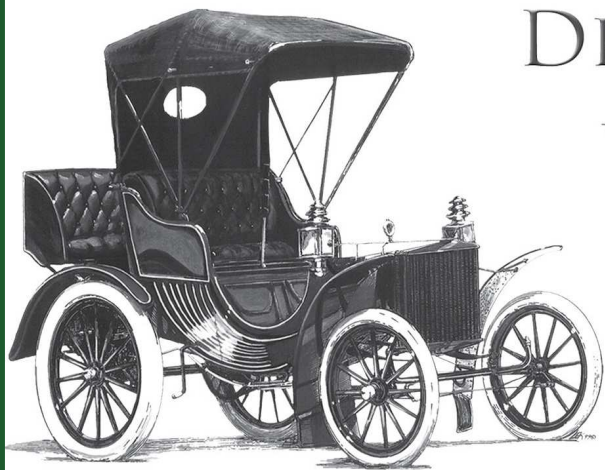
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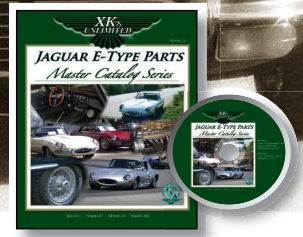


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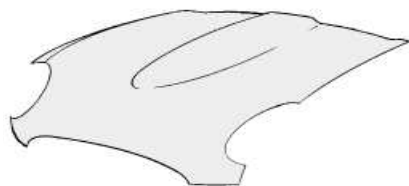
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