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President's Update April 2009



Spring has sprung . . . events are kicking in . . . and the E-Type is out of storage!

By Ray O'Brien

I'm not going to dwell on it, but it was a long, cold, and snowy winter. The good news is it's over, and we've already had two events that got us out and about to enjoy the arrival of spring. For the actual first day of spring, Carl Hanson organized and hosted our Annual Maple Syrup and Pancake Run, a drive to Rutland, MA, for a brunch and tour of Overlook Farm. And in late March we went to Tom Larsen's to view his fabulous car collection. This event was set up by Chuck Centore, and we had a large group of members in attendance. Special thanks to Carl, Chuck, Tom, and Nancy for hosting these events.

I did manage to get the E-Type out of storage the day before the visit to Tom Larsen's. I put in a new battery, checked the vital signs, and had a fun drive to Weston. Before heading back to Brookline, Rod Gilbert and I dropped the top on the E-Type and cruised the back roads home, enjoying the sun and the drive.

During this initial voyage I noticed the throttle sticking at 3,000 RPM. All looked OK, so I pulled the carburetors apart and cleaned them, topped them up with 20w oil, and reassembled them. The next drive will show whether I've been successful or not. I hope to take it out again this weekend.

We have some great events on our calendar for April. The Spring Slalom is scheduled for Saturday, April 18th. Note that the Slalom has been moved to Devens Airbase in Ayer, MA. The Judges' Training Session is scheduled for Sunday, April 26th. You can read all about all of these events elsewhere in this issue and on the club website at www.j-a-n-e.org.

Planning has begun for JANE's Night on the Lawn at the Larz Anderson Auto Museum in Brookline, MA. It is scheduled for Wednesday, May 27th. This is typically one of our best-attended events of the spring season. Last year we had over 60 people. We are bringing back the same caterer as last year, who will be serving us a fabulous dinner. So again, mark your calendars now.

Our next regular club meeting is on Wednesday, April 22nd, at Longfellow's Wayside Inn in Sudbury, MA. Hope to see you there.

Ray

You should have received your 2009 JANE Membership Directory by now. Hope you enjoy it. We have many new members this year with some great Jaguars and a lot of enthusiasm! We've included two new JANE membership brochures for you to share with that nearby neighbor or friend who also drives a Jaguar or other enthusiast's car. If you know of an event where more JANE brochures could be distributed, contact Carl Hanson or Tom Moses. They'll have extras.

Adrian and Sue Curtis



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Calendar of Upcoming Events

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE			
	April				
18 - Sat - 10 a.m.	JANE Spring Slalom	Fort Devens, Ayer, MA			
22 - Wed - 7 p.m.	JANE Monthly Meeting	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA			
26 - Sun - 10 a.m.	JANE Judges' Training Session	Wagner Jaguar, Boylston, MA			
	Мау				
2 - Sat - 9 a.m.	JANE "Last Green Valley Rallye"	Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut			
9 - Sat - 10 a.m.	JANE Tour of Pete Bachand's Restoration Shop	o Marlborough, MA			
19-23 - Tue - Sat	JCNA Challenge Championship	San Antonio, TX			
27 - Wed - 6 p.m.	JANE Night on the Lawn at Larz Anderson	LAAM, Brookline, MA			
30-31 - Sat - Sun	JANE Magical Mystery Tour	The Destination is the "Mystery"			
	June				
07 - Sun - 9 a.m.	LAAM British Car Day	LAAM, Brookline, MA			
14 - Sun	JCSNE Concours d'Elegance	Lyman Orchards, Middlefield, CT			
24 - Wed - 7 p.m.	JANE Monthly Meeting	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA			
	July				
19 - Sun	JANE at Myopia Hunt Club Polo Matches	Hamilton, MA			
22 - Wed - 7 p.m.	JANE Monthly Meeting	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA			
_	August				
14-16 - Fri - Sun	JANE Annual Concours d'Elegance	Sturbridge, MA			
23 - Sun	JANE Pot Luck Party and Social Gathering				
26 - Wed - 7 p.m.	JANE Monthly Meeting	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA			
	September				
4-7 - Fri - Mon	Rolex Vintage Festival	Lime Rock, CT			
18-20 - Fri - Sun	17th Annual British Invasion	Stowe, VT			
20 - Sun	JDCLI Jaguar Drivers Club	Centerport (Long Island), NY			
	of Long Island Concours				
23 - Wed - 7 p.m.	JANE Monthly Meeting	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA			
	October				
2-4 - Fri - Sun	9th Annual British Legends Weekend	East Falmouth, MA			
3-4 - Sat - Sun	Owls Head Foreign Car Show Weekend	Owls Head, ME			
11 - Sun	JANE North Shore Tour	Salem, MA			
28 - Wed - 7 p.m.	JANE Monthly Meeting	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA			
	November				
18 - Wed - 7 p.m.	JANE Monthly Meeting	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA			
December					
06 - Sun - 3 p.m.	JANE AGM and Holiday Party	Vesper Country Club, Tyngsbury, MA			

From the Editor

Several JANE members were honored with JCNA awards at the 2009 AGM in Denver in March. Check out our winners on pages 14 and 15 in this issue. And let that be a reminder to you to write your interesting stories and take those perfect photos of your Jaguar, and submit them for publication in *The Coventry Cat*. You may be a winner next year!



Be sure to go to the JANE website, www.j-a-n-e.org for many more pictures from the Event Reports on pages 12 and 13. They are all in color, and there's even a video from the tour of Tom Larsen's car collection.



These economic doldrums are times when we could all use a little help. Is your Jag in need of some professional attention? Maybe one of our *Coventry Cat* advertisers can help. Please read their ads and give them your business whenever you can.



Did You Hear?

Jaguar jumped from its No. 10 spot in 2008 to No. 1 (tied with Buick) in J. D. Power's Dependability Study. The annual study measures problems experienced by the original owners of vehicles after three years.

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). If you've not been to a meeting in a while, come out of winter hibernation and exchange a few car stories with other Jane members.

The next meeting is April 22nd at Longfellow's Wayside

Inn in Sudbury, MA. The Inn has been in business since 1716 and is a historic landmark on the National Register of Historic Places. Arrive a little early for some schmoozing in the Old Bar before dinner and the program. The address is 72 Wayside Inn Road, Sudbury, MA. Phone 978-443-1776. Check out the Inn's website at www.wayside.org.



Tom and John Brady before presenting their annual Le Mans slide show at the March Monthly Meeting

JANE Spring Slalom Saturday, April 18th



Bill and Tom Parish JANE Slalom Co-Chairs

Do you feel the need . . . the need for speed? Final reminder, JANE's first 2009 slalom will take place on Saturday, April 18th, on the airfield at Fort Devens. Finding the entry road is a bit tricky – directions are at the end of this notice.

There are several differences for this event – so please note carefully.

- It is a Saturday, not a Sunday.
- The first-car-off time is slightly later, since we have to set up the course from scratch.
 - We will not be serving lunch BYOL.

Co-Chair Tom Parish slaloming his E-Type

We have advertised the slalom heavily with other clubs and are expecting a good showing.

Co-Chair To So mark April 18th on your calendars and get those cars ready to run. As always, we will be supplied to LONA constituted accuracy. This can be found at very views com (library /clolom /course html.)

running the JCNA-sanctioned course. This can be found at www.jcna.com/library/slalom/course.html. Check it out and commit it to memory. Therefore when you arrive, you will be ready to drive!

Schedule for April 18th

7:00 – 9:00 a.m. - Course layout – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! 9:00 a.m. - Registration opens – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! 9:30 – 10:00 a.m. – Tech inspection – TECH INSPECTORS NEEDED! 10:00 a.m. - Drivers' meeting and course walk-through 10:30 a.m. - First car off

We need volunteers to help with setup, course layout (especially for the second, untimed practice course), registration (3), scoring (3), tech inspections (4), course workers to pick up cones, etc. (4), and clean-up. Please contact Tom Parish at tparish@carlisle-co.com (978-828-4707) or Bill Parish at wdparish@verizon.net (978-486-9830) with any questions or to volunteer.

Directions to Devens Slalom Site

- From 495 take exit 30 (Route 2A/110) and turn toward Ayer.
- At the rotary about 5.5 miles from 495, continue on 2A, which is the second exit in the rotary (straight across, just past the McDonald's).
- You will then go about 1 mile and be in the center of downtown Ayer. Route 2A will take a right turn just past the main business district; there will be a Mobil station on your left at that corner.
- Travel about a half mile. A couple of hundred yards after Dunkin Donuts, take a left onto Bishop Road.
- You will pass a cemetery on your left. Go through the first gate.
- · Two hundred yards after the first gate, bear right at the Y intersection. This will take you into the slalom site.



Judges' Training Session Sunday, April 26th



Aldo Cipriano Head Judge

The annual Judges' Training Session will be conducted on Sunday, April 26th, commencing at 10 a.m. at Wagner Jaguar in West Boylston, MA, conveniently located off Routes 495 and 290. This venue was graciously arranged by Judge Steve Gordon and supports our belief that all sponsoring Jaguar dealers should be kept involved with club events. Next year we may rotate out to Woburn or Exeter Jag, then back to Lee.

The session will consist of a presentation of 2009 rule changes, a written test for Judges' certification, and practicing live judging on members' Jaguars. Breakfast and lunch will be served.

All current judges and new candidates are invited to attend. On average, JANE's Concours needs approximately 25 qualified judges on the field each year. Whether you are already a judge or plan to attend to become a new judge this year, please let Aldo know ahead of time that you plan to attend the training session. Aldo's email address is AldoC.Esq@comcast.net or call him at 508-481-8806.

The Last Green Valley Rallye Saturday, May 2nd



Tom Letourneau Rallye Master

It's almost that time — Rallye Time, that is
— for our combined JANE and AONE "The Last
Green Valley Rallye" (formerly known as the "Spring
Forward into Summer" Sports Car Rallye). You can
go to www.thelastgreenvalley.org to learn about the
beautiful area of northeastern CT, northwestern RI,
and south central MA that the rallye route will traverse. The Rallye is scheduled for May 2nd, with a
rain date of May 9th. (And if it rains both weekends
... I give up!)

We're hoping that we will have a big turnout and member support for this Rallye. In addition to being co-sponsored by JANE and AONE, we've invited our neighboring Jaguar and Alfa Romeo clubs from Connecticut to join us. The rallye route will be going into CT, stopping at Thompson Speedway so everyone can see what is left of the old historic road racing circuit of the 50s, 60s, and 70s!

The Rallye will start from Purgatory Chasm State Park in Sutton, MA (for directions and info, visit www.mass.gov/dcr/parks/central/purg. htm). It is easily accessed from either direction on Route 146. **PLEASE PRE-REGISTER**—it makes it much easier on both you and the organizers! If you don't, then plan to arrive plenty early to do registration. We can then concentrate on the Drivers' Meeting, which will start promptly at 9:00 a.m. The first car will be sent off at 9:30 a.m., and the rest will follow at two-minute intervals.

The Rallye will finish in the center of Putnam Village (CT), a New England hub of antique and boutique shops. Everyone will have time to meander through the Village before the awards are given out, speaking of which, they will once again be special and unique! We will have 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place awards for both Jaguar and Alfa contestants, along with a 1st Place overall award. There will also be the usual "Broken Spoke" award for the overall Last Place finisher!



Some of the beautiful scenery along the route of our 2007 rallye, as seen from the driver's seat of Dan Yates's 1970 E-Type.

As for the Rallye itself, my rallyes are really nothing more than glorified tours, which almost everyone has done. But, on my events, besides touring a lot of beautiful country back roads, all you also need to do is to follow a very simple set of instructions to get from Point A to Point B to Point C — and none of the instructions are tricky or designed to get you lost. You are asked to maintain average speeds always at or slightly below the speed limit.

While our rallyes are technically TSD (Time-Speed-Distance) rallyes, I always build in a gimmick "Question & Answer" factor for those participants who don't want to bother with the TSD, but would rather just follow the Rallye Route Sheet as a tour while trying to find the answers to all of the questions along the way. (Examples: You're riding through the village of Manville in Lincoln, RI, and the question reads, "What do the numbers 83820 represent?" If you were sharp, you would have noticed, when you drove by the village post office, that it was their zip code backwards! Another question might be, "What does the Little Red Hen do?" The answer would be, if you were paying attention and saw the sign, that it was a Nursery School!) And that, JANE & AONE members, is about as hard as I make it!

Finally, we will be dining at the famous "85 Main" restaurant in Putnam Village, or you can go next door to the beautiful Victoria Station Coffee House. Everyone will be on their own in their choice of food, and the awards, once the results are tallied, will be presented on the outdoor patios that both of these establishments have facing Main Street.

Registration info: **Please help us make this a smooth-running, fun rallye by registering no later than Monday, April 27th!** Fill out the form on the following page and mail it with your check for \$25 per car (payable to JANE) to the rally co-organizer, Steve Thomas, 105 Juniper Ridge Road, Gilford, NH 03249.

So, as Ernie Boch would say, "Come on down!" Please join us this year — I promise you will have fun!



Dave Lusteg and his son Matt accepting their 1st Place award in our 2007 TSD rallye from Tom Letourneau and Steve Thomas.



JANE/AONE "The Last Green Valley" Tri-State Rallye

General Rules and Pre-Registration

General Rules for the Rally

- 1. The judges' decisions are final!
- 2. Bring a watch, a calculator, an odometer, pencils and paper, but pack the rest of the gizmos away. (Scouts Honor)
- 3. You need a navigator.
- 4. Your car must have liability insurance.
- 5. Consumption of alcoholic beverages is not permitted during the event.
- 6. You must obey all traffic regulations! Improper driving is grounds for disqualification.
- 7. You must stop at each checkpoint to have your time recorded.
- 8. Have a good time and be respectful of the other participants and volunteers.

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Tour of Pete Bachand's Kustom & Restoration Shop Saturday, May 9th



Pete Bachand

A tour of Pete Bachand's shop, "Kustom and Restoration," in Marlborough, MA, is planned for Saturday, May 9th, at 10 a.m. Pete specializes in restoration, metal fabrication, mechanical, and design work, and we will get a chance to tour his shop and check out his current projects.

Coffee and donuts will be served, and for those who are hungry afterwards, we'll have lunch somewhere in the area. **Please let Ray O'Brien know in you plan to attend:** raymondobrien@comcast.net or 617-281-6171.

Peter Bachand Kustom and Restoration 65 Lacombe Street, Unit 13 Marlborough, MA 01752 508-281-6171





Here are examples of the equipment and the projects you'll see in progress at Pete's "Kustom and Restoration."

JANE Night on the Lawn at Larz Anderson Park May Monthly Meeting - Wednesday, May 27th



Lato "America's oldest car collection." For over 75 years, the Larz Anderson Auto Museum has been supporting the collector car community through a variety of educational programs, exhibits, and lectures.

The event will start at 6:00 p.m. Many members arrive early to socialize and get up to date with each other. We will use the same caterier as last year, so stay tuned for the menu. It's sure to be a hit, like it was last year. So dust off that Jag and cruise on down to Brookline. The event will be held rain or shine and we're sure to have a great time.

Your hosts will be Ray and Sanda O'Brien, and we hope that you will join us for a fun time and a gourmet

dinner. **Please let us know if you are planning to attend, as we have to give a count to the caterer in advance.** The cost for members is \$35 per person, with a very reasonable cash bar.

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Magical Mystery Tour Saturday and Sunday, May 30-31



Dennis and Prebble Eklof MMT Event

Save the date! The 2009 JANE Magical Mystery Tour is ON for Saturday and Sunday, May 30th and 31st.

Saturday, May 30

Departure Location: To be determined.

Route: Follow the "clues" over the approximately 200-mile route through beautiful New England back roads -- beautiful scenery, minimal traffic, all paved roads, no dirt! Route sheets will be handed out at the departure point the morning of departure. There will be three

distinct routes over part of the tour, so don't blindly follow anyone else. If you wish to tour with someone else, let us know so we can assign all parties in the group the same route sheet.

En route: Tour at your own pace. Stop for lunch, to shop, to view the scenery. This is not a TSD rally -- all you need to worry about is not getting lost, and showing up in time for the evening festivities. When you get your route sheets on the morning of departure, you will also be given a sealed envelope of "bail-out instructions" and a map, in case you do get hopelessly lost, but we won't be held accountable for the verbal abuse to which you may be subjected if you show up with an open envelope!

Destination: A beautiful country inn in a picturesque New England area. Only your tour masters know the location, so you'll have to trust us to have selected well. As those who participated in 2007 will attest, you will not be disappointed, but you must find it by following the route clues! **Upon Arrival:** We again plan to have a cocktail reception with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

Dinner: We will again plan an excellent dinner in a private dining room at the inn. Following dinner we will have an awards ceremony for the day's tour, including a "bent spoke" award, of course.

Sunday, May 31

Breakfast: At the inn.

Departure: At your leisure and your own route home.

Event Costs

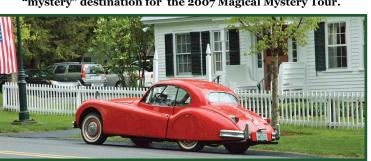
\$330 per couple. This covers room, evening cocktail hour, dinner, and breakfast the next morning, and it includes all taxes and gratuities. All wine or mixed drinks will be applied to your room bill for payment at check-out time.

Decision Timing

We must sign a contract and pay a deposit to the inn for the entire group by Friday, April 24, so we need your commitment, including your check for \$330, by Thursday, April 23. More details, including the departure location, will be announced in the May issue of *The Coventry Cat* and on the website. In the meantime, if you have any questions, contact Dennis and Prebble at dennis.eklof@verizon. net or 978-448-2566. We would like to know the level of interest as soon as possible. This event requires a significant amount of planning and preparation, so if there is not sufficient interest this time around, in these trying economic times, it will help us a lot to know as early as possible.



The JANE flag was flying from the second floor balcony as the participants arrived at The Old Tavern in Grafton, Vermont, the "mystery" destination for the 2007 Magical Mystery Tour.



Unfortunately, it rained the entire day of the 2007 tour, but Sunday dawned sunny and dry, and Bill and Pat Starck's XK120 looked no worse for wear for their day-after drive home.



Mike and Patty Axford, Tom and Clare Moses, and Jim and Crin Coull collaborated on the tour in 2007. Here they rehash the day's adventure at our dinner that evening.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW THE MMT WORKS, CHECK OUT THE EVENT REPORT ON PAGES 16 AND 17 OF THE JUNE 2007 COVENTRY CAT OR

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2009 JANE Jaguar Festival and Concours d'Elegance August 14-16



JANE Concours Co-Chairs Michael Kaleel and Brenda Soussan

www.jaguarfestival.com

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Spotlight on our Jaguar Festival Staff Photographers Mike and Patty Axford



007 Meets Pattygalore

by Brenda Soussan

ore than a quarter century ago these two met at a California pub while celebrating the coming home of mutual friends. Mike was in the 🖊 上 employ of the British Government, in the Intelligence Division (that's all he can tell us). Patty was working in administration for Chuck E. Cheese, where she was enlisted to sing one of the warbler songs that you would hear at the restaurant shows.

The match was good and a family was produced. The Axfords live in Groton, MA, where Patty is a professional photographer who specializes in children and teens. I have seen her work and it is fabulous. Patty also volunteers for "Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep." This organization sends professional photographers (at no charge) to area hospitals, when requested, to take photos of newborns who are critical and will not survive. These photos are a remembrance for the grieving parents. Even though she sometimes wakes in the middle of the night sobbing over a child she has just photographed, she will never say "no" to these assignments. Mike supports her in this work, which means Patty might be called to leave quickly in the wee hours or in the midst of a family gathering. Mike is an audio engineer. (Maybe he was the man who put the bugs in spies' rooms!) Mike volunteers his time to high school seniors who are doing audios for college entrance.

Patty and Mike are also musicians. Patty plays guitar and sings, and Mike tickles the keyboard. We are looking for other musically inclined JANE members to form a band called the Jagophiles to play at the Concours.

The Axfords bought their 1996 XJS two years ago and then promptly joined our club. Their favorite JANE event so far has been the Eklofs' Magical Mystery Tour in 2007.

Mike and Patty both worked very hard at the 2008 Concours, taking the photos of every car that was entered as it drove onto the field. Last year they had to leave for a family emergency and missed the free beer. Mike says that he won't be missing the beer this year.

The club is very fortunate that Mike and Patty joined JANE.



Jaguar Association of New England 37th Annual Concours d'Elegance

Saturday, August 15, 2009 9:00 a.m.

Sturbridge Host Hotel 366 Main Street Sturbridge, MA 01566 http://www.sturbridgehosthotel.com/

REGISTRATION FORM

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All drivers of registered vehicles who stay for the awards ceremony will receive a JANE 37th Anniversary Concours plaque with a photo of their car taken by a professional photographer on the field the day of the event.





Event Reports

Annual Maple Syrup and Pancake Run By Carl Hanson – Photos by Chuck Centore



Carl Hanson in the chow line with his plate.

Every year we open our New England Spring Driving Season with a tour to some out-of-the-way place where we can watch maple sugaring and enjoy a hearty pancake brunch with maple syrup, bacon, and sausage. This year our destination was the Heifer International Learning Center at Overlook Farm in Rutland, MA. Sixteen JANE members plus a grandchild (JANE-ETTE?) joined up at our usual meeting place, Longfellow's Wayside Inn in Sudbury, MA, on a beautiful, cool, but sunny Saturday

morning. After the usual parking lot chatter and handshaking, Sing and I rounded up the eight cars (four Jaguars!) and led the scenic trip out to Central Massachusetts through mostly back roads with curves and hills typical of our New England countryside.



Mike Kaleel and Brenda Sousan brought Brenda's XJS out on this first day of spring.

Along the route, we were astonished to see the damage to trees wrought by the terrible ice storm that occurred this past winter. We saw stripped hardwoods, topped pines, hanging "widow-makers," downed trees and branches, residents clearing up with chainsaws and brush fires. It looked like a whole region devastated by a giant hurricane or tornado. Our destination, Overlook Farm, did not escape the tree damage. As a result, there was no local maple syrup this year because maple trees already weakened by loss of branches could not tolerate the loss of additional sap.

The tour group was on the road for approximately an hour. When we arrived at the farm, Ed and Kathy Hall and their two grandchildren (more JANE-ETTES?) greeted the JANE tour. More chatter took place in the parking lot, followed by a hearty brunch in the farm's Visitor Center dining room, a down-to-earth facility. Pancakes, bacon, and sausages topped by plenty of maple syrup (imported from one of our neighboring New England states, no doubt!) provided ballast for the day.

After brunch, we wandered through the farmyard, properly shod with mud boots, as this is mud season in New England and Overlook Farm has a good crop of it this year!





Sing Hanson and Wayne Adams ready to enjoy the pancakes.



Ed and Kathy Hall with their granddaughters, Anna and Kylie.

So what is "Heifer International"? It is a nonprofit organization dedicated to ending world hunger through sustainable agriculture. Heifer provides training along with gifts of domestic livestock to families around the world, helping them to become self-reliant. Overlook Farm is one

of the learning centers where training takes place. It is a real farm, with lots of animals, including sheep, goats, chickens, water buffalo, a camel (!), llamas, and an alpaca. (Sing Hanson and Prebble Eklof fell in love with the baby goats and urged their husbands to adopt a couple! "No way," said



Chuck and Patt Centore's grandson Michael stopped by to visit the camel.

their husbands.) Especially interesting was the Global Village, where activities take place in examples of homes in each of the regions where Heifer works...Central and Eastern Europe, Africa, Asia/South Pacific, and the Americas. Programs are conducted year-round in the Village to introduce children of all ages to the cultures and life-styles of people around the world.



Chuck Centore modeling a South American tribal headdress.

Everyone agreed that the beautiful weather experienced on our first driving event is a portent of sunny, dry events coming up this year! So we want to encourage everyone to get their Jaguars out of storage and on the road!





Larsen's Garage Text and Photos by Chuck Centore





Our Host and Hostess Tom Larsen and Nancy Monaghan

If you missed the JANE visit to Larsen's garage, you missed one great event. Tom Larsen and Nancy Monaghan opened their home and their US and European collectibles for us all to see. Tom had many wonderful stories about each acquisition, and he magically brought us all back to the days when these cars were new. We were also well instructed in the techniques of proper year number plate acquisi-

tion. Tom has become an expert in this field.

An unexpected turnout of almost 50 JANE members showed up on a beautiful New England spring day. Tom had the garages open and refreshments available for everyone.

Whether a blue Alpha Romeo Spider racer or a Ferrari 250GTL Berlinetta "Lusso," you could not find better examples of the glory days. Tom represents the Italian contingent quite well.

A well-restored XK120 and an Austin Healey 100 make up his British selections.

A lovely Mercedes 300SL roadster, a beautiful Porsche Speedster, and a new BMW-Z8 make up the German selection. The choice of favorites was hard to pin down.

American iron was also on display with the '63 Corvette

Our event organizer and photographer, Chuck Centore, color coordinated with the racer.

Split Window Sting Ray. Then there was the beautifully maintained '55 Ford Thunderbird and a '65 Ford Mustang convertible. Wow -- what memories!

In addition, Tom has a '35 Ford Roadster on display. This was truly a favorite. Tom especially likes this one, as it is his birth-year car -- he thinks everyone should have one!



Most people don't like to divulge their age, but Tom is proud to pose with his '35 Ford Roadster, his "birth-year car."

A Model A and a Model T make up the early Ford section. A '52 Willys van from the year the Pillar House opened and a 1948 Willys CJ2 round out a truly wonderful collection. Tom certainly takes pride in his collection and was most generous in opening all of these wonderful cars to JANE's membership.

In addition to his fine auto

collection, Tom has on display many beautiful items from the famous Pillar House Restaurant of days gone by. Tom was the owner until it closed some years ago. If you ever went there for a meal or a function, there were plenty of reminders of just how wonderful a place it was and why it had gained such a famous reputation. When was the last time you walked into a garage with crystal chandeliers on the ceiling?

Vintage Pillar House Cookbooks were awarded to some of Tom's guests -- like Mike Iandoli for having the oldest JANE membership and to Mary Finan for having the newest Jaguar, a 2009 XF. Again, just a great setting for this beautiful collection. If you missed it, you really did miss an opportunity to share one man's dream collections.

Lunch at the Chateau in Waltham was enjoyed by 22 hungry travelers. Some even brought their vintage Jaguars into downtown Waltham. Taking over a good portion of the Chateau's public parking lot seemed like the right thing to do. There were a few odd fellows with Triumphs or BMWs, but we really did have a great time. Thank you, Tom and Nancy, for a truly wonderful day.



Above: The Sting Ray. Right: Tom with Mike Iandoli, longtime JANE member and former President of JANE, currently President of LAAM,





Tom's beautiful "Lusso" was recently on loan to the Larz Anderson Auto Museum for their "Passion, Design, Performance" Exhibit.



Aldo Cipriano, Jim Sambold, and Tom Finan applaud as Tom actually fires up the XK120.



Present your prized car collection on a fine spring day . . . and they will come!

Third Eye at the 2009 AGM (from the Wife and JCSNE Proxy) By Susan Curtis



Taking off to sunny, snowless, balmy Denver for the 2009 AGM was a treat. It is an opportunity to see and hear the people who are the movers and shakers who make things happen for all of us in JCNA. It was fun to meet club members from all over the U.S., Mexico, and Canada. Getting that many people together to express themselves and come to agreement is a terrific challenge. President

Steve Kennedy, with his pink hard hat in hand, was up to the job. That is probably why he was re-elected. Only his wife, Deanne, and his friend Rob voted against him. Vice President Dick Maury and Secretary Sherman Taffel kept their positions, also. It is very nice to be able to put the many names and faces together!

This is a passionate group. The two areas of heated discussions involved membership and rules changes, both bylaws and concours. I want to highlight some items I noted and then outline the rules changes.

When Lou Kairys gave his membership report, everyone jumped in with positive suggestions for a better club. Lou offers that we can: 1) get copies of our newsletters to dealerships and advertisers; 2) put our events into the local media; 3) use unique trophies; and 4) interact with other clubs. Other suggestions include: 1) we need to have fun; 2) get young people involved; 3) extend yourself to new members and mentor them; 4) connect with your dealership-tech needs; 5) advertise your club through dealers, suppliers, etc., with your brochure; 6) make a new club brochure to include the oldest car, the newest car, a group picture, names and addresses, website, and application (my suggestion). One club (fork and knife club) meets at a different restaurant for every meeting. There are a million ways to be creative and have fun with those Jaguars!

Jaguar and the Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust, together, are currently offering brand new pre-1977 genuine Jaguar parts for sale. Their website is jaguar classic parts.com. You can also order through your Jaguar dealer. Most of the production work is done in England, where the people and original tooling equipment are located.

JCNA is working on a Tool Exchange Program (George Camp). You send a deposit and postage, and they will send the tool. You return the tool when you are done using it.

A new Appendix E has been added and will be online soon. It is an unordered compilation of articles, letters, bulletins, etc., that document the Jaguar factory-authorized accessories available at the time of production. For anyone who's interested, we have a hard copy to share.

Gather the wagons around the Alamo on May 19-23 to join the 2009 Challenge Championship hosted by the San Antonio Jaguar Club. Call Brian Blackwell at 210-381-7737. We also have a CD about this event that we can share with anyone contemplating going to Texas.



JANE's Delegates to the 2009 AGM, Adrian Curtis (left) and Aldo Cipriano (right) with JCNA's Nelson Rath

JANE Members Recognized by JCNA at AGM

Tom Moses was awarded "1st Place - Events" in the JCNA 2008

Newsletter Awards for his article "Jungle Cat Racing Thrives and
Survives 24 Hours of LeMons!" in the September 2008 issue of *The Coventry Cat*.

John Brady took "2nd Place - Photography" for his "XK120 on an Autumn Day" on the cover of the November 2008 issue of *The Coventry Cat*.







Bylaws Changes

- 1. **Meetings:** Amendment allows that a location does not need to be determined for the AGM two years in advance because clubs cannot always commit two years ahead. Passed.
- **2.** *Proxies:* Three articles involving proxies: a) Only one proxy per club; b) mandating proxy holders to endeavor to determine preferences of the club they represent; and c) eliminate proxies altogether. All failed. However, wording will be added to the proxy
- form to "endeavor to determine preferences" of the clubs represented.
- 3. Parliamentary Authority: Robert's Rules of Order Newly *Revised* shall govern the proceedings of JCNA. *Passed*.
- **4. Amendments:** To add the fact that previous notice must be given to all proposed amendments to the bylaws. Previous notice and two-thirds vote required by Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised. Also a question of quorum definition. Tabled.
- 5. Officers' Terms: The new board and officers shall take office upon completion of the business of the AGM. *Passed*.
- **6.** *Directors' Terms.* Added. A regional director may be removed by the board for failure to attend or participate in three regularly scheduled, consecutive Board of Directors' meetings without cause, as determined by the Board of Directors. (They meet twice a year.) Passed.

Rallye Rules Changes

- 1. Entering a checkpoint from the wrong direction incurs a 50-second penalty. Passed for 2009.
- 2. If one member of a team is an expert, the team may not compete in Novice Class. Passed. Starts 2009.
- 3. Convert the "Straight ahead rule" to "Follow the main road rule." Passed. Starts 2009.
- 4. Non-members will not be scored in the JCNA Championship. All participants must comply with fees and document requirements. Passed. Starts 2009.
- 5. Over 40 minor changes, clarifications, or deletions passed for Rallye Program Manual. Passed for 2009.

No Rules Changes Were Proposed for **Slalom**

JCRC Rules Changes

Attachment 1 was passed at Friday's Board session. It includes a provision that a proposal which the JCR Committee failed to pass may be brought by the sponsor to the Board of Directors for review. If two-thirds of the Board approve, it will go to the AGM for a delegate vote.

- 1. Chapter I: Under Club Discretionary Trophies, change the wording "Display Only" Division to "Enthusiast" Division. Failed.
- 2. Chapter II: Entries must be driven to their assigned field parking to show they are drivable. Trailering to the Concours venue is allowed for all Champion and Special Division entries and for certain Driven Division entries (floating 35-year and older cars). Professional restorers must be prepared to show ownership. As above, Display Only Division remains. Passed. Starts 2009.
- 3. Chapter III. Driven Division allows floating 35-year and older cars to be trailered to an event in Divisions 1-5. Passed. Starts 2009.
- **4.** Chapter IV. There is a problem in carefully defining ownership of the car to keep the objective of a club for family and owners, and not commercial gain. Tabled.
- 5. Chapter V. Under License Plate Frames and Covers, a change allows that plain license plate frames, those advertising current or past Jaguar dealerships, JCNA, or JCNA affiliates promoting the Jaguar marque are accepted. Clear covers are allowed. Driven Division plates will be judged only for cleanliness and condition. *Passed*. Starts 2009.
- 6. Chapter VI. Exception of replacement parts to read "available under their original part number, finish, or superceded part nmber, but having a different color or configuration than the original will be accepted as authentic." Passed. Starts 2009.
- 7. Chapter VII. Pinstriping. Because there has been authorized and unauthorized after-market pinstriping (certain cars, locations, and material), there is a smaller penalty for inaccuracy to .5 each side, for a total of 1 point deduction vs. the old total of 4 points. Passed. Starts 2009.
- 8. Appendix E. Assembled bulletins, articles, advertising, letters by George Camp to aid in documenting accessories. Online soon.

JANE Placements in the	2008 JCNA	Slalom Standings	
JANE Member	<u>Place</u>	<u>Class</u>	
Adrian Curtis	1	В	
Ray Duhaime	1	K	
Jim Roberge	1	Spl	
Bill Parish	2	D	
David Dew	2	J	
Tom Parish	3	D	
Gary Hagopian	3	Н	
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Other Happenings

Advanced Driving Safety Skills School

White Mountain Chapter BMW Club New Hampshire Motor Speedway Sunday, April 26th, 2009 - 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Several JANE members participated in this school last year. It's a great way to learn and practice car control with good instruction, and the day concludes with a "slalom," which is right up JANE's alley! For complete details, information on requirements, directions, cost, etc.:

www.wmc-bmwcca.org/calendar.html

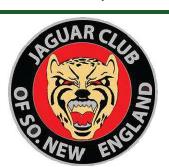
Registration opened March 1st. It fills up quickly, so check it out NOW for availability if you're interested! See the May 2008 issue of *The Coventry Cat* for Tracey Levasseur's write-up about JANE's participation at this event last year.

JCSNE Concours d'Elegance

June 14th, 2009

JCSNE's 36th annual Concours d'Elegance is scheduled for Sunday, June 14th. It will be held at Lyman Orchards, Middlefield, CT, a lovely location that really is an orchard.

This is a JCNA-sanctioned Concours, so it's a good opportunity to get your car judged at a lovely, nearby location, while also supporting our JCSNE "neighbors to the south."



For more information on the Concours, get in touch with Bob Aldridge at 860-482-9849 or via email at the spotted cat@optonline.net. You can also go to JCNA.com and click on Calendar, then NE Region, for more details and an entry form.

2009 JCNA Challenge Championship

May 19 - 23, 2009

The 2009 JCNA Challenge Championship will be held at the historic Menger Hotel in San Antonio, TX, near the Alamo and the San Antonio River Walk, with the San Antonio Jaguar Club hosting the event. Go to the JCNA website, **www.jcna.com**, and access the 2009 JCNA Challenge Championship for everything you need to know about the event:

Event flyer Registration form Detailed schedule Contact info





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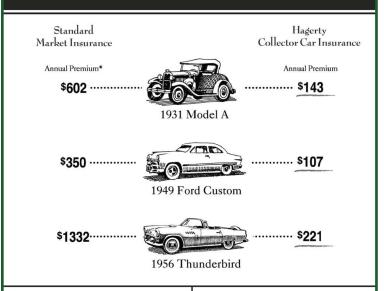
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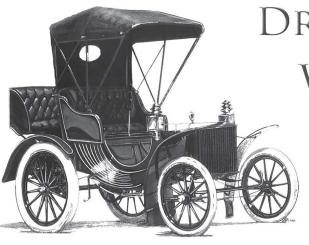
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1969 E-Type Series 2 -- This is a nice, driveable E-Type, purchased by the present owner 15 years ago. Mileage is 58,603. The car is very original and could be considered a "driver." To make it show-quality it would need a re-paint, interior carpets, seat cov-

ers, and some weather stripping. The engine has been fitted with triple Webers, but the original dual Strombergs have been retained. Location: Bedford, MA. Price: Appraised at \$39,500. Ad placed by CHanson. Phone: 781-275-2707, E-Mail: chansonjag@aol. com. (8/08)

1992 Jaguar XJ40 Vanden Plas Majestic--Topoftheline, extremely rare, complete leather interior (doe skin). Color: Black Cherry Pearl. Cylinder head and differential rebuilt at 120,000 miles. Approximately 180,000

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E-Type Series I Radiator - When I rebuilt my '67E-Type 4.2, I replaced the radiator with one of aluminum, so the original is surplus. Previous owner said it had been recored, but I cannot vouch for that. I never drove the car prior to the conversion to aluminum, so I have no experience with this radiator. The sale includes a high-quality aftermarket fan that is attached to the front of the radiator.

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