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JANE's AGM and Holiday Party

Carl Hanson and Dennis Eklof were in the holiday spirit.

JANE President Ray O'Brien and our Hostess, Avis Mello, got the festivities going

Photos by Michael Kaleel and Dennis Eklof

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Happy New Year!

I hope your holidays were full of fun and visits with family.

By Ray O'Brien

New England did get an earlier than usual winter blast that included ice storms and a lot of snow. Hopefully all of you have power restored and heating working. As usual at this time of year, the E-Type is stored away safe and warm until spring returns. The XKR is not getting much use, but is available for those nicer winter days.

The past year was a great one for JANE. We had 100 events, possibly the world's record. We had slaloms, tours, training sessions, social events, tours of the local Jaguar dealers, events with other car clubs, the concours, of course, and many opportunities to meet and greet old friends and make new ones.

At our last meeting, the AGM and holiday party, a new slate of officers was elected. Here is the roster for 2009, along with a list of our board of directors.

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We'll kick off the new year with a tour of SNG Barratt on Saturday, January 24th. See details inside this issue. Our VP-Events is having a meeting in a few days to plot out this year's activities. 2009 promises to be as active and as much fun as last year, with many events already booked and more being planned. We should have the preliminary list together soon. If you have an idea for an event, contact me or Carl Hanson. We would love to hear from you.

Our next monthly meeting is on Wednesday, January 28th, at the Wayside Inn in Sudbury. We hope to see you there. Happy New Year, and drive those Jaguars! 🇺🇸

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JANE Calendar of Upcoming Events

From the Editor

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
January		
24 - Sat - 10 am	Tour of SNG Barratt	SNG Barratt, Manchester, MA
28 - Wed - 7 pm	JANE Monthly Meeting	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA
February		
15 - Sun - 4:30 pm	JANE Valentines Day Dinner	Gibbet Hill Grill, Groton, MA
25 - Wed - 7 pm	JANE Monthly Meeting	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA
March		
25 - Wed - 7 pm	JANE Monthly Meeting	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA
27-28 - Fri-Sat	JCNA Annual General Meeting	Crowne Plaza, Denver, CO
April		
18 - Sat	JANE Spring Slalom	Fort Devens, Ayer, MA
29 - Wed - 7 pm	JANE Monthly Meeting	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA

The JANE 2009 wall calendars have been delivered and are now available from Alan Quinn. See page 7 for more information about the calendar, plus thumbnails of the 2009 photos and an order form. JANE window decals may be ordered on the same form. Get yours now!

Welcome to a new *Coventry Cat* advertiser this month, Coventry West, in Atlanta, Georgia. See their ad on page 6.

If you're doing anything interesting this winter, don't keep it to yourself. Let me know, so I can let everyone else know!

Prebble

MANY MORE 2009 CALENDAR EVENTS WILL BE POSTED IN THE FEBRUARY COVENTRY CAT AND ON THE JANE WEBSITE.

Wish List for 2009 JANE Events

Carl Hanson is the new VP-Events and is currently putting together plans for 2009. JANE is one of the most active clubs in the country, with many events to choose from, sometimes three or more per month. Carl will be adding a number of events to the 2009 calendar, and there's still time to voice your opinion on what you would like to see the club doing this year. So speak up, and be ready to host an event if you feel strongly about it. We will make sure to advertise all events well in advance so that you can put them on your calendar. Besides our regular Concours, Slalom, and Rally programs, we have room for tours, parties, and tech sessions. Here are some ideas:

- Tech sessions . . . maybe two or three
- Magical Mystery Tour
- Drag Race Night
- Go-Kart Races
- VSCCA Rally . . . maybe not a JANE event, but could be
- British Invasion
- Owl's Head Car Show and overnight at the Eastwind Inn
- Myopia Hunt Club Picnic and North Shore Tour
- Lobstah Run
- Fun Rally and Winery Tour . . . Rhode Island or Long Island
- Lime Rock Weekend
- Newport Concours Weekend
- Local and regional tours . . . maybe with an overnight destination

Carl Hanson is working on a 40th Anniversary commemoration of JANE and NEXKA and will have the publication ready for purchase sometime early in 2009. The club started as NEXKA in 1968 and changed its name to JANE in 1986.

At the January 28 meeting Carl will give a PowerPoint presentation on the status of the project and what he has to date, but he is still looking for more material. Any information on the club would be appreciated, particularly between 1970 and 1984 . . . photos, stories, presidents, etc. Call Carl at 781-275-2707 if you can provide any information that he's missing.

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 are business meetings, others are minimal business followed by a program of some sort. But they are all a good opportunity to catch up with club members and to keep involved with the club. If you've not been to one of the meetings in a while, come out and join in.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 28th, at Longfellow's Wayside Inn. 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.

First JANE Event of 2009 -- Visit to SNG Barratt Saturday, January 24th

Tony Lee, SNG Barratt Group General Manager, has offered to hold an open house at his shop in Manchester, NH, on Saturday, January 24th, at 10:00 a.m.

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Please email Ray O'Brien at raymondobrien@comcast.net or call Ray at 617-734-5949, and let him know if you plan to attend, and how many people are coming.

JANE Valentine's Dinner Sunday, February 15th



JANE's Valentine's Dinner is on again for this year, Sunday, February 15th, 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!

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.

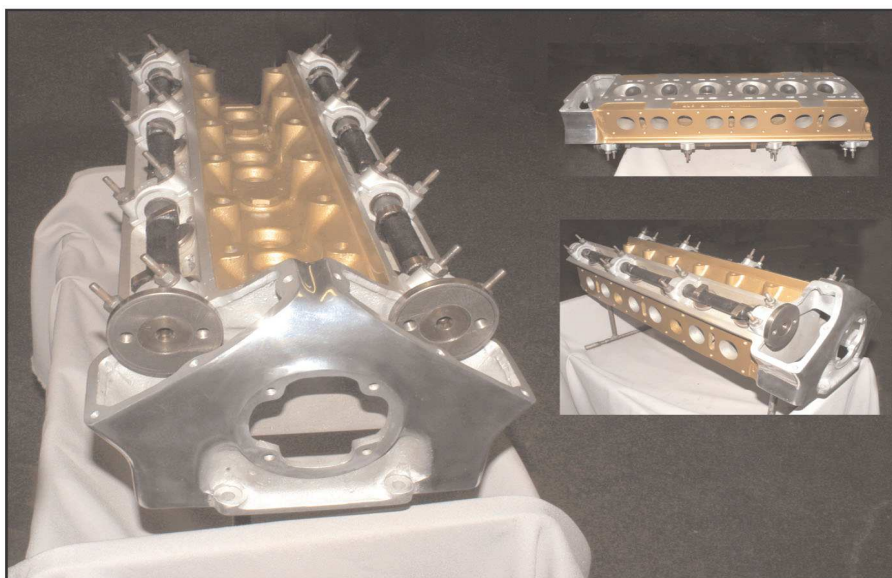


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Your calendar will arrive shrinkwrapped and with a cardboard insert to protect it in transit. Get several—for your home, garage, office, even your friends and family! They're reasonably priced at \$15 each, 2 for \$28, or 3 for \$40, including shipping. Order your calendars today!



An example calendar page



A Jaguar E Type makes a perfect cover graphic



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2009 Membership Renewals Strong

By Tom Moses

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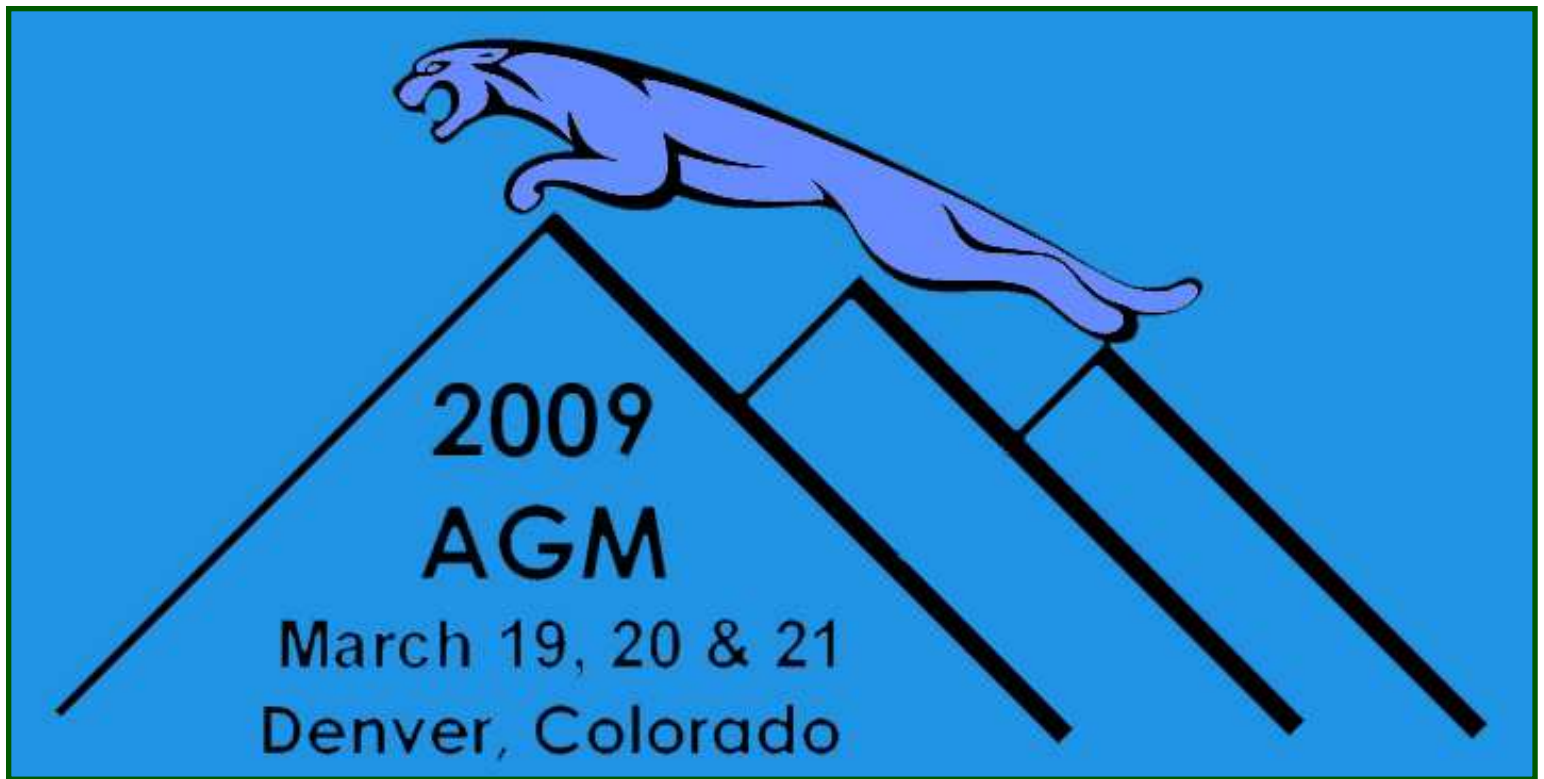
- From the Home Page, scroll down, click the Member Pages menu button on the bottom left.
- From the Login screen, enter your User code and Password and click the Submit button.
- From your personal JANE home page, choose the Renew button on the left.
- Pay your dues online using PayPal. \$60 per year with printed *Coventry Cat* and \$50 per year with electronic *Coventry Cat*.

You may also email Tom Moses, tmoses@spillcenter.com, and request renewal by mail.

The cut-off date is January 31, 2009. Former members who have not renewed by that date are removed from the database prior to our submitting the 2009 JCNA roster to JCNA's national membership chair. The roster, along with new member forms, change of address forms, and dues must be received by JCNA by February 15, 2009. Clubs whose rosters and dues are not received on time find that their delegates are ineligible to vote at the AGM in March. 

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1961 Jaguar Mark IX

Tom Letourneau's '61 Jaguar is one of those "barn find" stories. When he discovered it, the car was only partially restored, and he had his work cut out. Letourneau, a former Porsche factory employee, is no stranger to old-car projects, having previously restored a Saab 99. The biggest challenge was completely dismantling the Jag's body and removing the fuel tanks for proper repainting. Letourneau takes his prized restoration to the occasional club event and cruise night.



At the JANE AGM and Holiday Party in December, Tony Lee, from SNG Barratt, contributed five gifts for various awards. **Edward Werner Cook**, from Coventry, CT, won three of them! One was for having driven the farthest to the party (97.9 miles according to Google) and another for having driven the oldest Jaguar to the party, his 1986 Metallic Steel XJ6 Series III. Ed then topped off these awards by having the good fortune to be sitting at the place with Tony Lee's business card taped to the bottom of the bread and butter plate, for which he won a \$50 gift certificate! Ed insists that his real intent was to drive that distance for good camaraderie, not for the loot -- honestly!



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JANE AGM and Holiday Party

By Ray O'Brien

On Sunday, December 7th, Avis Mello once again hosted JANE's Annual General Meeting and Holiday Party in the main ballroom at the Vesper Country Club in Tyngsboro, MA. The ballroom was decked out in holiday style with Christmas trees, lights, and poinsettias on every table. The weather was being its usual winter pain in the neck so we had a few cancellations, but about 50 folks made it and had a great time.

We started at 3 pm with cocktails and some delicious hors d'oeuvres, and kept partying even during the meeting, unusual but true. The adult beverages put everyone into a holiday mood!

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 pm, with Ray O'Brien and Avis Mello welcoming one and all. The business meeting kicked off with Chuck Centore representing the nominating committee and presenting the slate of officers to serve throughout 2009. It is a pleasure to welcome our new secretary, David DeBlois, and our new VP of Events, Carl Hanson.

Appreciation awards were presented by Ray O'Brien to all of the officers, directors, and those who ran club events during 2008. It is a tireless and dedicated group of individuals who help keep the wheels turning.

I also had the pleasure of introducing and presenting Dick Cyr, President Emeritus of David's House, a check from JANE for \$2000. Dick Cyr gave a moving talk about how David's House was started and how it provides a home away from home and support for families with children receiving treatment through Children's Hospital at Dartmouth and at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, NH. David's House is located in Hanover, NH. JANE had chosen David's house as its charitable donation recipient for 2008.

Tony Lee, Managing Director of SNG Barratt USA, attended and presented five gifts, three of which were won by Edward Werner Cook, one by Margaret Caruolo, and one by our newest members who attended the party, Wayne and Paula Adams. Special thanks must go to Tony Lee and SNG Barratt for their continuing support of our club.

With the business meeting concluded we sat down for a very nice dinner, followed by the traditional Yankee Swap. Always a lot of laughs, and everyone who brings a present leaves with one. All in all, a very merry time was had by all. 🍷



Brenda Soussan with Marilyn and Evan Parkinson



Sanda O'Brien and Carmen Chiungos



Ed Hall and Chuck Centore



Nancy Monaghan and Tom Larsen



Jane Murray has Carl Hanson's and Bruce Murray's attention



Debra Cipriano with Tom Moses and Aldo Cipriano



Chuck and Patt Centore acknowledged for their many contributions to JANE



Ray O'Brien introduces Dick Cyr, from David's House



Michael Kaleel and Brenda Soussan receive recognition for their work with JANE's annual Concours



Margaret Caruolo with Ray O'Brien



John Chiungos gets a ladies purse in the Yankee Swap!



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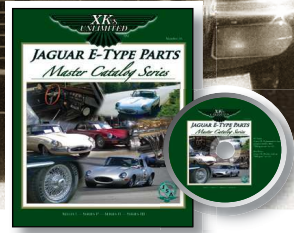
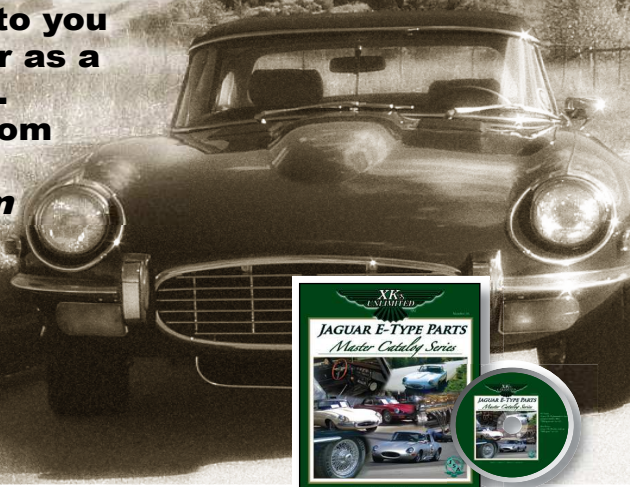
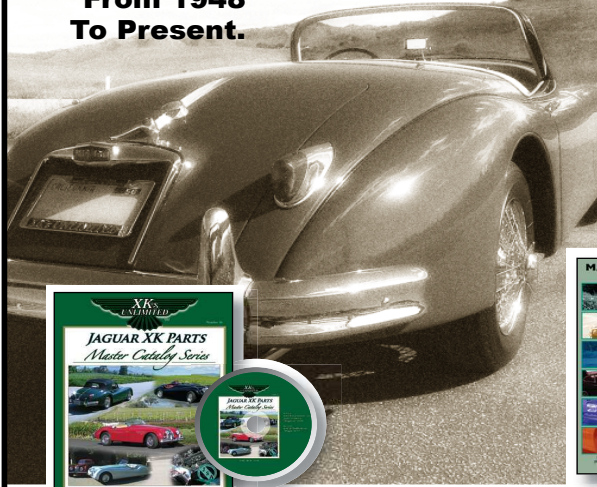
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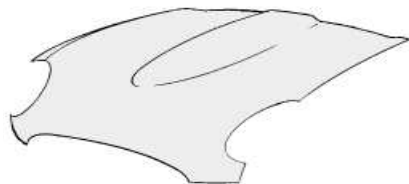
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