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MAY BUSINESS MEETING 18th

7:30 PM RSVP 697-0933
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WHEELS FOR WINGS CAR SHOW JUNE 12th

I have reserved TEN spaces for our club. Please call me immediately if you want to enter this show for the benefit of the Aerospace Museum. Your car must be in Concours condition exterior and interior. You need not raise your bonnet. Cars will not be judged. We have reserved our space in a group with all British Car Clubs. Bring picnic lunch. Entry deadline May 15th. I have our ten entry forms. (Marian) 444-4076

Dunlop and Triplex win contracts as
BL buys British. (Financial Times,
London 1/31/83)

BL has opted to buy British in the first significant test of the state-owned car group's plan to buy overseas unless UK car component suppliers can hold prices. The one year contracts buy time for the suppliers who need to modernize their factories in order to meet competition from highly automated factories in France and Germany. Dunlop is the main supplier of wheels to BL, Talbot and Vauxall. Austin Rover's recent one-year contract for 2.5 million wheels is essential in keeping the Coventry factory open. BL's new purchasing policies, now under Government review, indicate that Austin Rover could increase its overseas purchases by up to 40%. The Dept. of Industry is studying the modernization needs of Dunlop and Triplex as well as those of Lucas and Smiths. All are seeking government aid to help in modernization.



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DON'T FORGET...BUCKLE UP!!!!

Alan Mandell

COURTESY OF ROAD Keep Honking Even if That Blonde Won't

by Bill Roeder

New York World Telegraph and Sun
Many queries have been received from new or prospective foreign car owners who wish to be posted on dos and don'ts. With an assist from Don Blackburn, leading arbiter of road etiquette, we shall attempt to cover the major points.

Q. I have just bought a Renault. Is it proper for me to honk at Jaguars?

A. Absolutely not. You are an economy car and must not attempt to rise about your level. You may greet other Renaults, Volkswagens, Fiats and the like. Do not try to become familiar with true sports cars unless you like to be humiliated.

Q. What do you mean, humiliated?

A. If you honk at a sports car he will not honk back. Worse, he will make sure that you know you are being snubbed. He will treat you to a brief, contemptuous stare, then turn away and fix his eyes on the road ahead.

What's Lower, Please?

Q. I see. Is there anything beneath me in the social order?

A. Yes. You may ignore Ramblers and Larks.

Q. When I do greet another car, what is the correct procedure?

A. If you are a roadster, a wave is sufficient. If closed, hit the horn lightly. When passing a twin (same make, model, year and color), flick lights.

Q. But isn't it dangerous to flick lights? It might upset the car behind me.

A. We're talking about the daytime, you greenhorn. At night, greetings are difficult. The small fender lights do

not necessarily indicate a sports car or even a foreign economy car. Some model Ramblers now have these lights.

Q. What if I honk at night, only to discover that the other car was a Rambler?

A. Hit the horn a second time, sharply. This lets him know that you weren't fooled.

Q. My friends laugh at me because, every time I go for a spin in my Triumph roadster, my sports car cap blows off. What can I do?

A. Get a smaller cap. No sports car cap is a proper fit unless it leaves a painful red welt across the forehead.

Q. I have a girl friend named Evelyn. Is it all right for me to spell out her name in luminous tape on the rear bumper of my Opel?

A. No, you idiot.

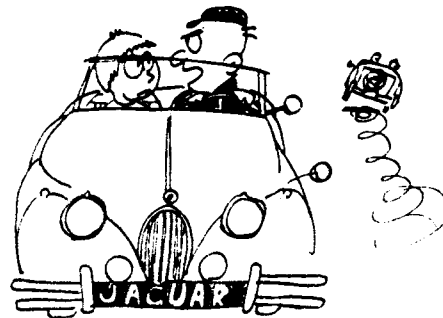
The Non-Honking Blond

Q. I am a male Austin Healey. I often pass a blonde Porsche but when I honk, she never honks back. What do you suggest?

A. Next time it happens, take a look at her license plates and see if they aren't MD. Doctors' wives are notoriously lax about the amenities, but don't let it discourage you. Keep beeping.

Q. I am a redheaded model, age 20, and I'm indoors all week long. On Sundays I get awfully bored sitting around my little apartment in the Village. Do you know anyone who would take me for a drive in a nice open car?

A. What is your phone number?



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ODE TO THE WINE TOUR

Over the meadow and through the wood the fox has chased the hound, the dirt is in the eye.....Ah, parched throughout a winery is in sight!.....

You know, one of the things I hate most about wine tours is listening to the vintnors flap about how their wine is produced, 'hell', lets get to the tasting, (if it doesn't cost a buck).

There's Curtis and Shelia, Bob and Jane, Marian and the other auction widows....Glen, Jack etc. where were you? One hundred sedans strung out in a row (looking like some plush funeral procession).


An E-Type leading with smoke in its exhaust (valves)? one or two more, I wonder where such an auto may be bought at a store?... (can it be started on a cold morning?)

A dash of the pen and the wine tour, you see, is nothing more than oblivion for me!

Shim Bucket

E-gad we sure had fun on that wine tour! hic...Ed.



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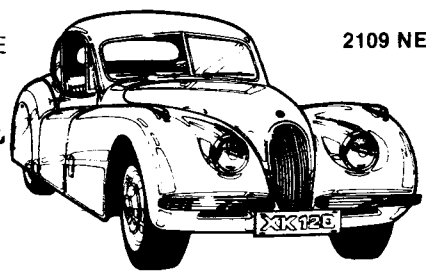
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DINNER MEETING - MANDARIN HOUSE

There was another record turnout for the April dinner meeting at the Mandarin House. Seventy club members squeezed into the banquet room and somehow the waiters managed to transport the seemingly endless array of dishes to even the most remote tables. Guests for the evening included the founder and first president of the Jaguar Club, John Duncan, and his wife as guests of Bob and Barbara Engh. Irma and Don Hayes were accompanied by their friends Annie and Nick Powrie who are from New Zealand and on a round-the-world trip. The guest speaker for the evening was Marian Butler with a lengthy list of announcements. The door prizes were won by Pat Botkin, Allen Mandell and Bob Atkins. Our thanks to Marge and Mary for another enjoyable dinner.

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LOS ANGELES CONCOURS

COSTA MESA - MAY 15

Jaguar caravan leaving CEASARS REST. in Mission Valley at 7:00AM, stopping for breakfast up the coast. This should be a great day and it is always an excellent event. There is no awards dinner after the show. Entry form was in your April newsletter.



POTLUCK & AUCTION

JUNE 11th

6:30 PM at the home of Dick and JoAnn Fuller's in Mt. Helix. \$5 per person to cover beer & wine, paper goods, table & chair rental and main dish-beef Briskett. Cook up your favorite recipe and bring it along with Jag parts or "white elephant" items for the auction.

California Wire Wheel

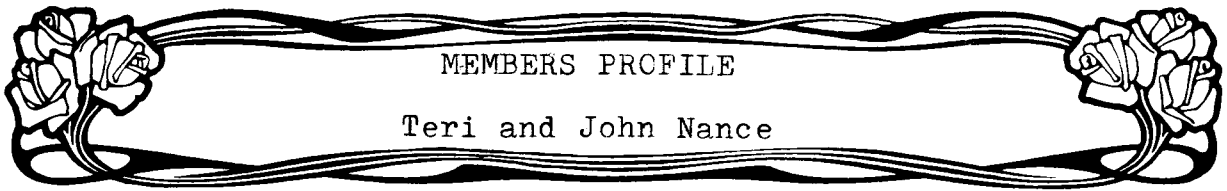
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MEMBERS PROFILE

Teri and John Nance

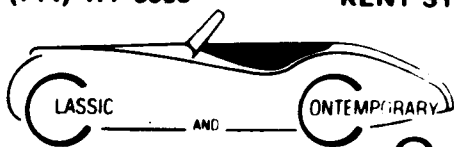
Teri and John Nance are both automobile enthusiasts in their own right. Both were raised around automobiles - Teri's brothers owned and restored Model A and Model T Fords and John's family has always been active in car restoration. His father was a friend of Bill Harrahs and contributed several cars to the Harrah collection. Teri is the Jaguar enthusiast and John is interested in antique automobiles and aeroplanes.

Teri's preference is for sports cars in general and XKE's in particular. She bought her E-type, a 1969 coupe, from a friend in 1978. In order to learn more about Jaguars she joined the club in 1978 and also enrolled in an auto-mechanics course at Poway High School (John Nance was the class instructor). Teri does all the work on her E with some help from either John or a friend. They have undertaken such major repairs as dropping the back end, changing discs and brakes; repainting the car (they used Dupont Imron, a plastic paint that does not oxidize and does not need waxing) and last year Teri, with the help of a friend, rebuilt the engine. The car is now reassembled and Teri is finishing the final adjustments. The Jag engine rebuild was her second, she learned the procedure on John's Corvette engine. Teri enjoys driving the E and although she enjoys Concours events she has no interest in showing her own automobile.

The XKE was one of several restoration projects that Teri and John have underway. Currently, they are working on a 1910 Stoddart Dayton (it consisted of a chassis and engine and John has built the rest of the car) plus a 1936 J/2 Taylor-Cub 40 hp Continental aeroplane. John obtained the plane in a trade with the Aerospace Museum for a 1922 Model T mailtruck which he restored to their specifications. John has also restored a 1934 dirt-track Sprint Car which was raced by George Connors and Ted Horn on the Triple A race circuit. It too was a ground-up restoration and is now on loan to the Aerospace Museum. John is a member of the La Jolla Regional Division of the Horseless Carriage Club and of the EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association). Each year the Horseless Carriage Club commemorates the first London-to-Brighton Run with their own event on the same weekend as the British event. The excursion is from Hyde Park St., La Mesa to Brighton St., Pacific Beach. Anyone interested in viewing the cars can see them when they make a pre-arranged stop for lunch.

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JUDGING SESSION

If you missed the first session a Randy Prine's last month, be sure and watch for the date of the next one. We had a very informative afternoon. Bring your "Cat" so we can judge it.

MAY

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Information</u>
1	Anza-Borrego Family Picnic	444-4076, Marian
13	Dinner Meeting, Singing Hills C.C.	Telephone Committee
14	Las Vegas Night, MG Club	560-1600
15	L.A. Jaguar Owners Club, Concourse d'Elegance South Coast Plaza, Costa Mesa	444-4076, Marian
18	Business Meeting	To Be Announced
22	MGA Club, Picnic & Winery Tour	RSVP 421-8082
29	Vintage Car Show, Fallbrook High School 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., pre-1957 autos. Registration \$5.00. Parts exchange 6 a.m. - 3 p.m.	619/728-2250 or 728-7796

JUNE

2-5	California Auto Expo, San Diego Sports Arena	
11	All-British Car Show, Clairemont Square Shopping Center	444-4076
11	Pot Luck Dinner, Joanne & Dick Fuller	Telephone Committee
12	Wheels for Wings, Balboa Park	444-4076, Marian
15	Business Meeting	To Be Announced
18	Jaguar Club Poker Rally, 7:00 p.m.	444-4076, Marian
19	Jaguar Club Tech Session, 1:00 p.m. Chez Fuller	440-0789
26	All-British Swap Meet, Chula Vista	444-4076

JULY

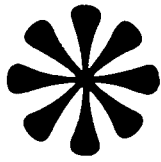
8	Dinner Meeting, Albie's Hideaway	Telephone Committee
10	Crazy Time Rally, Benefit for CNS	444-4076, Marian
13	Business Meeting	To Be Announced
17	Car Show, CNS Benefit, Marina Village, Sponsor: British Car Clubs	444-4076, Marian
31	MGA Club, Julian Gold Mine Tour & Brunch	444-4076, Marian

AUGUST

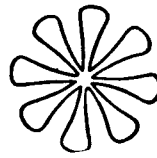
7	S. D. Jaguar Club Concours d'Elegance and Dinner Hotel Del Coronado	619/697-0933 Glenn Simpson
19	Beach Party/Fish Fry	To Be Announced



SAVE THIS!!! Barbara worked very hard on it



MESSAGE FROM MARIAN



I hope you are getting your "CATS" ready for all of the car shows coming up. Some of the shows are judging events and some are "display" only. If you have never participated in a car show, you should really give it a try. You meet so many nice people and it's a real thrill to have people compliment you on your great car. You'll hear comments from "Wow!!" to "what is it?". You will feel a great pride of ownership and forget the long hours of cleaning, shining, polishing, bruised knuckles & broken fingernails. Last week I spent over five hours cleaning four wire wheels (it beats housework). I got a good start on a suntan and at the car show I received a trophy for the Best Wheels & Tires. It's great!!

The weekend of July 11th and 12th, there are two good shows for display only. One is the ALL BRITISH CAR SHOW at Clairemont Shopping Center on Sat. June 11th. Deadline for entry is May 15th. We would like to have a very impressive display for this event. The next day is the Wheels for Wings show. Your car should be Concours interior and exterior for these events.

Concours quality cars are needed for July 17th for the CLASSICS & ALL THAT JAZZ car show at Marina Village. This show is produced by the British Car Council of San Diego as a benefit for the Center for Neurology Studies. This was a very nice show last year and promises to be even better this year.

Soooooo, if you are a "novice" entering these shows, by the time our Concours d'Elegance rolls around on August 7th at the Hotel Del Coronado, you will be "an ol' pro".

Call me at 444-4076 for information and entry forms.

MARIAN


Once more from the Editor...

Your Editor will just love you to death if when submitting stuff, the width of the columns are:

- if very short-----2 1/4
- medium-----4 3/4
- if longwinded-----7 1/4

and ALL SINGLE spaced. Marian pulesse get a good ruler! Otherwise my month went OK.

We now have quite a few good people advertizing with us, frequent them! they help pay for this mess.

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POKER RALLY

It's rally time. The June Special event is going to be a poker rally. After driving the course, I think it would be more appropriately named a "What In The World Are We Doing Here Rally."

The rally starts in the parking lot below the museum in Presidio Park at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, June 18th. You can reach Presidio Park off Taylor Street in Old Town.

We will lead you around the San Diego area doing our best to confuse both driver and navigator. When you start, you will receive an envelope containing one playing card which will be the first card in your poker hand.

You don't need an accurate watch and it's okay if your Jaguar odometer isn't working. In order to participate, you will need the following: 50 cents to cover expenses, a flashlight, 10 cents for a phone call, and a good sense of humor.

Just follow the instructions and you should be able to locate four additional sealed envelopes, each containing a single playing card. It will be necessary for you to get out of your car to locate the envelopes.

If you get confused, lost, or otherwise misdirected, call the phone number at the end of the rally instructions

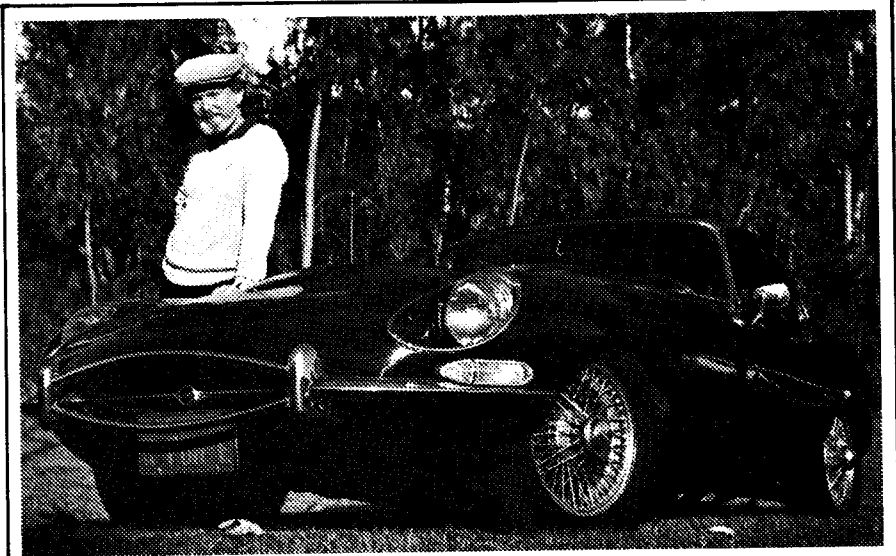
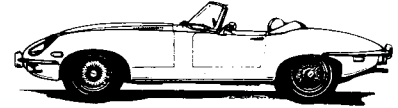
and we'll direct you to our final destination for no-host food and drinks.

We will be awarding first, second, and third prizes on the basis of your poker hand.

The cost for the rally will be \$3.00 per per-

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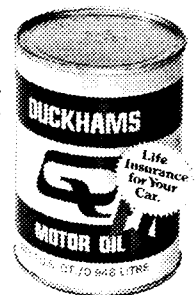
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JAGUAR OWNER

BY BOB BAKER

You look in awe of the Jaguar, especially the XKE for many years, thinking to yourself that one of these days, you will own one. Knowing that it is nothing more than a pipe dream, because they are simply out of your reach.

Then one fine Sunday afternoon you and your wife go to an Antique & Classic Car Show and Auction. You have no intention of buying a thing. But you get caught up in the excitement of the bidding and up comes a Jaguar XKE on the auction block, and much to your surprise the bidding starts within your range. You turn to your wife and say, "You've always liked them, you think we should bid on it?". She then says to you, "Go ahead, what have you got to lose". So you bid on it one time, thinking to yourself that you'll never get it, some one will out bid you. All the time hoping that they won't, again knowing that you can't go much higher. Then you hear the auctioneer saying, "Sir, you have just bought yourself a car." You stand there in a daze for a moment, then you start pushing your way through the crowd to get to the paper work.

But the dream has come true, you and your wife are now the proud owners of a 1966 Jaguar XKE Coupe, not knowing the nightmare that awaits you in a few days. You talk to the man that you just bought the car from. He tells you that the car has an oil leak in the left cam cover, and that the heater doesn't work. But again these small problems don't bother you. Right at this moment you and your wife are too excited to let anything bother you.

As you drive home, you are feeling a little cocky, feeling the power to the machine, the response of the steering as you glide from one lane to another. Seeing the looks of other drivers as you slip pass, thinking to yourself, don't you wish that you owned it?

The next day is Monday, so what car do you drive to work? The same cockiness, and proud feelings are still with you. To most of you who read this, know what I am saying, for you have had those feelings and hopefully still do. The second day arrives and again you drive the XKE to work, still not knowing of the nightmare that gets closer as each day passes. On the third day you reluctantly relinquish the keys to your wife, knowing that she has got the right. So the day goes on, and she takes the car to show it off to her friends. The day ends, you drive home, the Jaguar is setting stately in your driveway, and once again the proud feeling of owning a Jaguar comes to you.

As you both talk about the XKE, some of the excitement wears off. But from the auction you remember the previous owner saying something about an oil leak, and for the life of you, you can't remember where. So you decide to take the car to work and make arrangements to have the engine steam cleaned to find the oil leak, and have it repaired. No major problem, right?

The night before you had looked in the yellow pages of the phone book and found a shop to steam clean the engine, also they pick up and deliver. A kid comes by to pick up the car, this is at 10:00 AM. At 12 PM, as you are talking to your wife on the phone, your other extension rings so you put her on hold as you answer the other line. It's the manager of the shop where you sent the XKE, and he informs you that your car has just been wrecked! The nightmare has now STRUCK. You get off the phone with him, and pick up the line that your wife is on. You finally calm down enough to tell her what happened. The story from here, gets a little complicated to say the least. After seven months of fighting, we finally made a settlement on the damage, and are in the process of restoring the 1966 Jaguar XKE Coupe to its former beautiful self.

In the seven long months we have met many fine people associated with the Jaguar, who are helping and giving encouragement to the project of restoration of the 66-E. We are now members of the San Diego Jaguar Club.

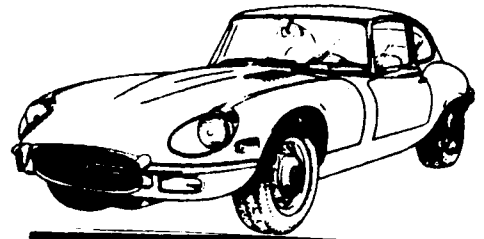
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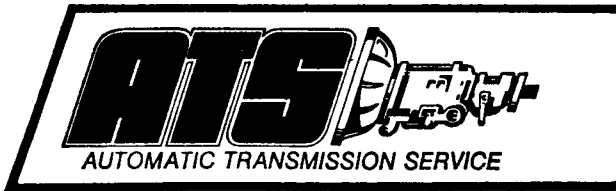
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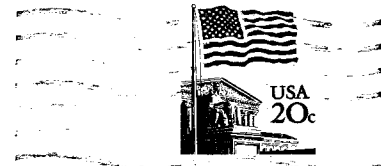
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