Concours d’Elegance…

THIS YEAR’S CONCOURS HAS BEEN CALLED BY MANY the best they’ve attended in many years. This has been a theme of the emails and notes from the outa towners as well as the local folks.

I think there were a couple things that made it more enjoyable than some others. First, we had great weather, though it was plenty warm on Saturday the 4th of June. A breeze helped, but it was still hot. But no threat of rain or thunderstorms!

Then, from an organizational point of view, we had team leaders that did their jobs efficiently and quickly without a lot of guidance from me. As Chairman, most of my work was to remind folks of what they already knew to do, and put out minor fires as they came up. For example, we had more restrictions put on us by the Health Dept, and a number of phone calls got the info we needed to stay in compliance. Then the team leaders made it happen.

Speaking of the Health Dept, I must tip the COJA hat to Bob Stewart for heading up the cooking teams. When the Health guy arrived, he ended up telling Bob we had the best setup for food service he’d seen for our type of activity.

The big white tent made an excellent place to have the food service items, though next year we’ll hafta address the lack of airflow in the tent, it got kinda warm in there! (A special thank you to Sarah and Cynthia for being in charge of the food issues, it went well. As usual!)

A hard lesson we learned last year was regarding the storage aspects of tents and tables and such. Last year, we were delayed until nearly 9:00 before we could start setting things up. This year, we made use of Roger Abbott’s new enclosed large trailer and pre-loaded all the stuff on Friday afternoon. Tent setup was started about 7:30 and the result was that food service, cooking, parking, inspections, and all the other details were pretty well hammered into submission by about 9:30. I was amazed that for the first time in several years, I got to clean my car, sit in the shade, and visit with folks.

And please note that it was not just Jaguar folks carrying the load. When we unloaded the white tent, we had a task force of MB and Jag guys working as a team to get the tent up and ready. Bruce Parker even came out at 7:00 to help, even though he had to leave for other things that morning.

The KOMA broadcast truck arrived fairly early and Ronnie Kaye came in shortly thereafter, and had his equipment for the music. We had live spots on the radio, and Ronnie did a live commentary on the show and had me add briefly to the broadcast.

All in all, we had 23 cars for judging and 5 for display only. I did not get a count of cars from the MB folks, but their line of cars stretched almost to 12th street!

The cookers got goin’, the crowds started arriving, donations were made to Coffee Creek, and the judges were hitting the line to get the work done on the points.

One of the neat aspects of car shows that I enjoy is being able to visit with the folks that come by to see our mistress cars. Don Ferrell brought an old friend, Revere Young. Perhaps you don’t know it, but Don was the Adjutant General of the Oklahoma Guard and a Major General! Revere Young was the Commander and a General Officer as well, and I had the good pleasure of serving un-

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nder these two men in the Air Guard. It was fun to hash over some old flying stories from back in the day.

At a few convenient moments, Ronnie Kaye had Joy Milligan make a few comments on the PA system about the Coffee Creek Riding Center. The mission of the center is to provide therapeutic horse riding to disabled and handicapped young folks. Our mission for the weekend was to raise enough money to buy another horse and provide funds for a year’s upkeep on the horse.

It appears that our Concours had some effect on the public beyond contributions to a local charity. It seems that on Saturday, the dealership sold 3 new Mercedes Benz cars, a new SUV, used cars sold 1, and Jag-Volvo sold a new car. Six units in one day is good, as support for the dealership is part of the mission of our club and the Mercedes club.

By about 2:00 or so in the afternoon, it was getting close to wrap-up time. The judges and the paperwork were wrapped up and scores were locked in, and by about 3:30 it was time to release the herd.

Once again, we had plentiful labor support to get the tents struck and the place picked up. By the way, didja see the cardboard boxes we purchased from Waste Mgmt? I made COJA signs for them, and the 10 boxes and plastic liners are available for use at future events as needed!

It took about an hour for the work to be completed, but it was done and our equipment, tents, and related gear were put away. Several of the MB and Jag folks stayed around in order to help clear the MB showroom for the awards dinner that evening.

Awards Dinner

Cynthia had arranged once again for Joey’s to cater our dinner. Those folks don’t miss a beat! Dinner was wonderful, as usual.

The silent auction went on while we enjoyed a bit of wine and fellowship before dinner, and bids were written down for items. Hey, even my car show display door do-jobbies were sold at a high price! Charlie Laurence

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provided a driver’s suit from the days of Jaguar’s Silk Cut racing team. Way cool!

One of the difficulties we had was the lack of seating for the guests. Now mind you, we had plenty of table and chairs for the folks that had made reservations. Not so much for the folks that just dropped in! There was some scrambling going on to provide seating for everyone, but it finally did get settled. (Good thing Cynthia gave a number higher than we had originally figured!)

A problem we had last year was the inability of everyone to hear the announcements. We, meaning Johnny Alston, solved that problem. Y’see, Johnny donated an amplifier and speaker setup to the club! The setup is an old guitar amp and microphone system he’d had around the house and he wasn’t using ‘em any more. That system was a knock-out!

After dinner, we had a real treat for the live auction portion of the evening. Glenn Short has a friend at church who’s a professional auctioneer. Glenn arranged for Gary Rader to come and work the live auction for charity, and he was a major hit!

Gary’s “job” was to auction off 9 items and he did a great job. His booming voice, quick wit, and lively cadence kept everyone on their toes! You had to pay attention or you’d be left in the dust!

Some of the items we had for auction were a complete fluid flush from BG. This item includes a complete flush and renewal of critical fluids in your car such as brake fluid, coolant, anti freeze, power steering fluid, and much more. The retail value of this offer was over $700 and Shane York got it for less than half! And there’s a BG guarantee with the program, so it’s very valuable.

Tom Davis bought an autographed jersey from Thunder player Eric Maynor; that item went for $1000!

The dealership put together a package of car make-over items that are essentially a detail job for a car; Jeff Hand grabbed that beauty for $425.

Cynthia McCoy did some careful bidding and ended up with a fine lady’s luxury watch, and a glass bowl sculpture valued at well over $1000 for $650.

Who doesn’t like NASCAR? Jess and Sarah apparen-}

tly are fans, Sarah grabbed a batch of tickets for $500.

There were several other items of high value, but at the end of the session, we had raised over $10,100 in round numbers for the Coffee Creek Riding Center. Well done indeed!

Many of the folks indicated in that they really enjoyed the work done by Gary Rader; perhaps we can obtain his assistance for next year’s event. He certainly added to the excitement and fun.

Next on the agenda was the passing out of the trophies to the various class winners. Johnny Alston presented the trophies to the folks, the results are posted on the JCNA website and the scores for our club members are shown on this page.

The Mercedes folks then presented their members with the various trophies, which reminds me of a goof that we made.

Seems that during all the hustle and bustle and planning, we forgot to obtain a “People’s Choice” trophy for the Jaguar side of the event. Dang! I hate it when that happens!

Since I hadn’t talked to the MB folks about their trophy, and thus wasn’t sure if they were properly prepared like we should’ve been, I opted to exercise command leadership and stopped at Byron’s to get a few items that would be suitable substitutes for trophies. You know, for the German winner, a six pack of German beer would suffice. For the British side, a pack of Guinness in large cans would hafta be the prize of the day.

Turns out that Mike Sunday of the Dallas Club got the nod for People’s Choice, and his stunning Mark II originally belonged to actress and comedienne Ruth Buzzi! The car is dark blue and outstanding! Oh, since the MB folks planned ahead and got a trophy, I kept the German beer!

Once our business was all completed, we ended the evening by asking everyone to pitch in and help to clear the floor area for Monday’s work day. Tables and chairs were stacked off to one side, and trash got picked up, and we were ready for the drive home.

Stay tuned for the presentation of the check to Coffee Creek during the week following Monday July 4th.
Cars for Sale…

Got this note from Charlie Laurence:

‘62 Jaguar XKE roadster—This is a completely original one owner light blue XKE which includes the original tool roll and the optional hard top. The car has 144,000 miles on it, but the engine was completely rebuilt 10,000 miles ago.

The rest of the car has just undergone a frame off (if it had a frame) restoration and has been appraised at a 100 point car valued at $125,000. Currently located in Denver, Colorado.

It will go on the auction block with RM Auctions in Monterey, California in August. This is your chance to buy without paying the auction’s Buyer’s Premium which is 10% for the Monterey auction. This is a car that I have known for 35 years and is as fine an example of a series 1 XKE as there is.

Seller’s contact info is:

Don Langworthy, 970-256-0060.

How about a really nice XK8?

Bill Sharpe down in Lawton is selling a ‘99 XK8 convertible, it’s Carnival Red with a light colored Ivory interior. The car is in excellent shape, showing 80,400 miles. You can grab this beauty for a firm price of $15,500 by calling Bill at 580-492-5222.

EuMoEx…

The heart of the Tulsa suburb of Sand Springs was the location for the European Motor Extravaganza on June 11th. The town really supports this show and the show was at the triangle park in the center of town.

The weekend started out with a barbecue cookout in the back parking lot of the hotel. Several of the Tulsa Jag folks are rather skilled at cookin’ up the goods, and they brought in the meal for the players to eat. We had a couple different types of meat, beans, slaw, you know…the works! It was great!

Saturday morning found us at the triangle for the show. First thing was a photograph of our car with one of the historical buildings as a backdrop. Each car was then parked along the streets and last minute cleaning began.

It was a big difference this year in the crowd of folks that attended. We had about a third of the cars compared to last year. But a big part of the normal crowd most likely went to the Leake Auction which went on at the same time. And consider that many of the folks that would be in the show tend to go to lots of auctions as well.

Participant judging was the mode for the show. That being the case, I was soundly thumped by Larry Bonner’s bright red XKR coupe. He bought the ’07 beast when it had only about 4,000 miles on it, and he scarcely drives the car! It is in beautiful shape and really catches the eye. To take 2nd behind his car was no shameful thing.

Jessa and Sarah Baxter got first in their XK8 class, and Nathan York took 1st in class with a great looking black Austin Healey.

I left at the end of the show, Nathan had left earlier, and the Baxter’s ended up staying over Saturday night as well. They said the meal for the awards banquet was first rate, and they brought the trophy photos back for me and Nathan. The trophy is actually a photo of each person’s car and then the text describes the standing of the car in its class. The setup is quite like what Harold Eiseman does for the participants in our Concours.

A fun addition to this year’s show was the Valve Cover Racing event. It’s sorta like the soap box derby races, but on a smaller scale. Ya hafta put wheels on a valve cover, paint it up, and then gravity is the power source as your entry runs downhill against the other cars.

Several of us got together for lunch and had a great meal at the Italian place on the corner. It was great! And of course, when we got back to our shady spot by the cars, it was very difficult to stay awake. Nap time!

Good fun was had by all, I suggest you consider coming with us next year!
Knight’s Car Show…

Saturday the 25th of June was one of the warmest days of the already hot summer. Who in their right mind would go traipsing all the way to Shawnee America to sit around and play cars with other adults? Well, it appears that several of our intrepid band of car nuts did just that.

Bill and Geleeta York showed up in their black ’48 Lincoln convertible, Charlie Laurence had “issues” with the suspension of his E Type and brought his ’51 Studebaker, and I brought my pickup truck.

The park in Shawnee is a really good place to have a car show, there are lots of trees, there is plenty of space between the trees, and the crowd that shows up is huge.

Clifton Hill went so far as to sponsor a class in the show, he covered the class startup fee to have a British Car Class. Neat indeed! But we didn’t bring any Jags.

The show featured a DJ that kept things fun, the kids got to do water balloon tossing, bubble gum blowing contests, and even a hula hoop competition!

I enjoyed the show enormously except for the fact that I parked my black truck right over a dry spot of bare dirt! The near constant wind made the black paint almost white with dust, so I began a wipe-down program on about a 6-minute basis! Charlie Laurence’s Studebaker was right next to mine, it too was covered in dirt dust, but it was painted light green and didn’t show the dust but a bit. Mebbe I can get some therapy for this cleaning and dusting obsession!

Bill and Geleeta York sorta gave up trying to keep their black Lincoln convertible clean, the dust got blown all over by the wind. (By the way, that Lincoln is powered by a 12 cylinder engine but it breathes through a single throat carburetor!)

For results, our group did well. Bill and Geleeta took 1st place in Open Top Class, Charlie got 2nd place in Studebaker, and I got to enjoy the fellowship of lots of car folks!

Charlie and I left before the awards were announced because it was just getting’ too hot! Still had a good time and hopefully next year, we’ll have a nice selection of Jaguars on hand!

GOBMC…

The 12th Annual Greater Ozarks British Motoring Club All British Car & Cycle Blow-Out is upon us! What the heck, you might well be asking, is that?

It’s a car show in Carthage MO that fills the town square with British cars and cycles. There are sidewalk sales and antiques and all kinds of “stuff” for sale. You can eat at a couple of different places, all good! There are shade trees for hiding from the sun, and a great selection of cars ranging from classics to modern.

The fun starts on Friday evening at the EconoLodge in Carthage. The host club has a cookout in the parking lot and the food is great! There is also a good quantity of malt beverage to go with the burgers and brats and hot dogs. It’s pretty neat to sit in the shade of the lodge, have dinner with friends, and talk about cars. I think it’s interesting too, that each year I’ve picked up a neat tip on cars, maintenance, or cleaning.

To get more information, you can call the editor (771-5715), or go to the Internet at www.gobmc.org to find out the goods. The first car you register will cost $30, the Saturday night awards dinner will cost $17.50 per person, Sunday breakfast is $8. Note that the cookout in the parking lot is included in the basic registration fee.

The host hotel is the EconoLodge located at Hwy 71 & 71 Alt in Carthage. Special rates for the show have been obtained but may no longer be available, so check with the hotel. The phone number is 417-358-3900.

We will probably caravan over to Carthage on Friday afternoon, July 22nd. We’ll set up a time and location to gather, but we’ll probably meet at the dealership around noon to 1:00 or so. Please let me know as I will be sending email notes to the folks that are going to attend.

The show is always fun, and you get to meet a buncha British car nuts just like us! How can you lose?

Summary

What: British Car Show
When: Friday-Sunday, Jul 22nd-24th
Where: EconoLodge and town square in Carthage, MO
Treasurer’s Report
November 15, 2010 to June 28, 2011

Balance, November 15, 2010 $ 5,541.28

Receipts:
- Memberships (50) 2,250.00
- Christmas Dinner 800.00
- Advertising 100.00
- Valentine Dinner 1,225.00
- Concours Dinner (Jaguar Club) 1,200.00
- Concours Dinner (MB Club) 850.00
- Concours entries 895.00
- Concours food sales 1,047.83
- Live auction 2,146.00
- Silent auction 509.00
- T-shirt sales 128.00

Total receipts: $11,110.83

Disbursements:
- Christmas dinner 1,087.84
- Christmas decorations 112.00
- Gift for Cynthia McCoy 41.19
- Valentine dinner 1,950.00
- Memberships to JCNA 1,232.00
- Concours dinner 2,658.81
- Concours entertainment 500.00
- Concours photo supplies 247.95
- Concours supplies (trash cans, tent, gas for generator) 169.62
- Concours hospitality 129.95
- Concours barricades 102.89
- Concours trophies 12.77
- Brochures printing 428.08
- Newsletter supplies 360.00
- Refund overcharge to Catherine Hennesy 25.00
- Postage 44.00
- Bank charges 12.00

Total disbursements $9,114.10

Balance, June 28, 2011 $ 7,538.01

Rogers Abbott
Treasurer

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Your Jaguar:
Year:_______________   Model:___________________

(Jaguar ownership is not a requirement for membership)
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Coming Events:

Friday-Sunday Jul 22-24
GOMBC, Carthage MO
Date TBA (August)
BG Tech Session
Saturday, Sept 10th
Progressive Dinner
Saturday, Sept 17th
JOASW Concours
Saturday, Sept 24th
Dealer Support Day

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