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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Beverly's Calendar & "Thanks All Around"

It has been my privilege to serve as Club President the past two years and, quite frankly, it has been a blast. A very large part of this is due to the exceptional group of officers and club members who have not only been willing to contribute their time and considerable talents but have always been a pleasure to work with. To all of these folks I am deeply indebted for helping make the past two years a real joy. A large "thank you" also goes to all of our club members who have taken their time to participate in club events of interest to them. The real reward for those of us who plan activities is when they are as well attended as our events have been.

There is also one very special person that has been there every step of the way and that I owe a great deal of thanks. You see throughout our married life there has always been a large annual calendar that hangs in Beverly's kitchen where she faithfully records upcoming events. At the end of each year the old calendar becomes the recorded history of the past year's activities and in January a new one magically appears. For the past two years, along with birthdays, anniversaries, and doctor's

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Gainesville Christmas Parade

Submitted by Pat Harmon

What better way to kick off the holiday season than to parade our Jaguars down historic Green Street in Gainesville. Last year we did this for the first time and had a lot of fun joining the parade of antique cars driving past the gorgeous anti-bellum homes in downtown Gainesville. The parade this year is on **Sunday, December 6th, starting at 5:00 pm** and only lasts for thirty minutes or so. After that, you can park your car and stroll down Green Street where you will find the homes decorated for the holidays and open for touring. The town square is nearby with very nice restaurants and perhaps we can all get together for some food and fun. Plan on meeting at 4:00 4:30 near the Hall County Civic Center swimming pool. It is near the intersection of Riverside Drive and Green Street (GA-60) and across the street from Green Grocery (971 Riverside Drive NE). If you plan on attending this event please give Pat Harmon a call so he can look for you. 

New Officers Confirmed at Annual Business Meeting

Submitted by John Baxa

New club officers were confirmed unanimously at the annual NGJC business meeting held November 21st at Pappadeaux's restaurant in Alpharetta. Elected President was Larry Kludt, Vice President, Pat Harmon, and by license of a change in the by-laws Dick Maury was elected to Vice President for Concours which separates the Chief Judge's function from the role of Concours organizer. Other positions were unchanged from the current year:

- Treasurer..... Roy Cleveland
- Secretary..... Jack Sweeney
- Newsletter Editor John Baxa
- Newsletter Publisher John Yates
- Webmaster..... Dick Maury

Carolyn Sikes presented a report to the membership about the activities of the Cat Boutique at the club's Concours for the past several years. Her report is summarized here in a separate article.

Brian Herman reported on plans the club is considering for activities in association with this spring's feature at the High Museum of Art, "The Allure of the

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December 8th Deadline for Christmas Party Reservations


Sunday, December 6th Gainesville Christmas Parade



Club Trip to GMP Models in Winder Tentatively Scheduled for January 23rd

Submitted by John Baxa

Leading off the schedule of events for 2010, we hope, is a trip to the design shop where diecast models come to life. It is important to note that this date has not been confirmed, so consider the date January 23rd as tentative and look to next month's newsletter for more information, but we wanted to give you a "heads up" about this trip.

A frequently asked question in the diecast model hobby is exactly how these things are made. It's a long process that necessitates a lot of attention to detail and can take up to 18 months from concept to product. GMP Models is a Winder, Georgia firm begun in 1991 which has grown to a leader in the diecast replica hobby. Those who have seen their operation here in Georgia highly recommend this tour of their facility as a fun few hours. So, as they say, stay tuned for further developments... 



A Perfect Fall Day For Drive Number Two

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

After basically horrid weekend weather all fall who would have guessed that a Sunday in the middle of November, when the weather should be a bit iffy, would turn out to be just perfect for a top down drive. The following club members took full advantage of the warm sunny day and joined in for the drive to the restaurant at Montaluce Winery: John Baxa, Amos Cordell, Bob Wheeler, Roy and Linda Cleveland, Larry and Jo Ann Courant, Vail and Linda Frost, Ray and Margaret Gore, George and Sandy Haldane, Pat and Nancy Harmon, John and Arlene Hollier, Dave and Beverly Kirkman, Larry and Kathleen Kludt, Joe and Betty Newell, Dick and Mary Lee Maury, Bob and Linda Ray, Ivan and Myrna Ruiz, Marvin and Carolyn Sikes. We also had three guest couples along to enjoy the day with us: Ben and Jan Brashears, Bob and Kim Daly, and Lynn and Linda Newport. In all thirty-six of us sat down together for a mid afternoon lunch. If laughter is any indication then everyone was having a very good time before heading home.

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North Georgia Jaguar Club Dues For 2010

Submitted by Roy Cleveland

appointments, all of our club activities have somehow found their way to the correct date and time. We may not be the first to arrive but without Beverly's calendar we would probably not have arrived at all. I should also note that Beverly has taken untold telephone messages and made sure that I followed through on them; not an easy task I might add. She has tolerated finding the television frequently tuned to the Weather Channel as I agonized over an upcoming event and her good humor has been tested more than once. However, in the end, we went to some very interesting places, did interesting things, made new friends, and developed stronger relations with our old ones; and had a lot of fun along the way. I am truly grateful for that opportunity.

In closing I only ask that we give the newly elected club officers the same support that you extended to me the past two years. In January there will be a new calendar hanging in Beverly's kitchen just waiting for exciting new adventures for all of us.

Drive Friendly,

Dave K



The 2010 membership dues for NGJC are \$47 and are due by January 1. Prompt payment permits us to send our roster to JCNA on a timely basis and spend less time sending out renewal notices. If you are going to renew your membership for 2010, please mail your dues by the middle of December. If you know you aren't renewing, a quick e-mail to Mary Ann Kretz or Roy Cleveland would be appreciated so that our roster mailing to JCNA will not be delayed. We have to send a roster to JCNA with dues payments for each member on the roster in early 2010 so it is very important that we have all our dues collected early in January or at least know who is renewing. The dues checks will not be deposited until early January so those of you who like to maximize your cash utilization can go ahead and mail

that check. Please make your check payable for \$47 to the North Georgia Jaguar Club and mail it to P.O. Box 1234, Gainesville, GA 30503.

In making your decision on renewal, you should consider the following tangible benefits of club membership: (1) discounts on repairs and parts from Hennessy Jaguar, (2) rebates from Jaguar on purchases of new Jaguar automobiles available only to members of JCNA, (3) subscription to the Jaguar Journal published by JCNA, and (4) access to the knowledge accumulated by members of NGJC during years of experience with Jaguars. The discount from Hennessy on a \$600 repair would more than pay for your annual membership dues.



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North Georgia Jaguar Club 2009 Calendar of Events

Submitted by Larry Kludt lrkludt@kcc.com *Club Member Facilitator

Officers

December 2009

Sunday 6th – Gainesville Christmas Car Parade *P. harmon

Sunday, 20th – NGJC Annual Christmas Party * I. kludt

January 2010

Saturday, 23rd – Tour GMP model manufacturing in Winder GA *B. Hernan

February 2010

Saturday, 13th – NGJC Valentines Day Luncheon – Pearl Lian Restaurant – Duluth, GA *D. Kirkman

March 2010

Friday-Sunday, 12,13,14th – Amelia Island Concours – possible overnight – *need someone to sponsor trip

Sunday, 28th – Early Spring Drive *D. Kirkman

April 2010

Saturday, 17th – Concours Judge Training (new and current) – Hennessy Jaguar

Gwinnett *P. Harmon

Saturday 24th – Spring Drive *D. Kirkman

May 2010

Saturday, 1st – The Mitty Historic Car Races – Road Atlanta *P. Harmon

Saturday, 15th – British Motorcar Day – Rome, GA *D. Kirkman

Sunday, 23rd– Spring Slalom Racing – Chicopee Center Oakwood *D. Maury

Saturday-Sunday, 29,30th – Overnight Drive, Highlands *R. Cleveland

June 2010

Saturday, 12th – High Museum of Art Car Exhibit – Atlanta *B. Hernan

Sunday 13th – Jags 'N Friends Picnic – Norcross *B. Hernan

July 2010

Saturday, 17th – Overnight CJC Concours d' Elegance – Little Switzerland NC *P. Harmon

Saturday, 31st – Tech Session – XJS Model Jaguars – Duluth *C. Engelhorn

August 2010

Saturday, 21st – Summer Drive – Need someone to sponsor

September 2010

Saturday, 11th - British Car Fayre – Norcross *P. Harmon

Sunday, 26th – Fall Slalom – Chicopee Woods Gainesville *D. Maury

October 2010

Friday – Saturday, 1-2nd – Petit Lemans – Road Atlanta *P. Harmon

Sunday, 10th – NGJC 9th Annual Concours d'Elegance – Gainesville *D. Maury/P. Harmon

Saturday, 16th – Euro Auto Festival – BMW Plant SC

Saturday, 23rd – Fall Drive *D. Kirkman

November 2010

Friday-Sunday, 5-7th – Hilton Head Concours Overnight *D. Kirkman

Saturday, 13th – Annual Club Business Meeting *L. Kludt



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2009 Hilton Head Island Concours d' Elegance And Motoring Festival Has Strong NGJC Participation

Submitted by Dave Kirkman

Twenty NGJC members made the trip to Hilton Head Island, SC the last weekend in October to participate in the prestigious Hilton Head Island Concours d' Elegance and Motoring Festival; Jim Anderson and Mary Ann Kretz, Larry and Mary Ann Courant, Chris and Patti Engelhorn, Vail and Linda Frost, Don and Marlene Hart, Brian and Linda Hernan, David and Beverly Kirkman, Marvin, Carolyn, and Marty Sikes, Ivan and Myrna Ruiz and Bill Tilden. This three day automotive extravaganza features a weekend of historic sports car races, a Charity Drive on Friday, a Car Club Jamboree on Saturday and the Concours d' Elegance on Sunday.

Friday morning came bright and early for the Hernan's, Kirkman's, Ruiz's and Sikes' as they participated in the kickoff event for the HHI Concours weekend; a Concours Charity Drive that starts with a gourmet breakfast at Berkley Hall, a very exclusive gated community. The drive participants then visited the 8th Air Force Museum. The 8th Air Force lead the day light bombing of Nazi Germany and the museum is dedicated to these brave men and women who served during WWII. Next

was a catered lunch at JCB's Savannah facilities. JCB is a British based manufacture of specialty excavating equipment and is best know to us for " JCB DIESELMAX" their diesel powered streamliner that set the land speed record for diesel powered vehicles at 350.092 MPH.. We rounded out the day with a few parade laps at the historic races. As might have been anticipated, given the participants, this resulted in an impromptu "race" when someone's E-Type dove under and passed someone else's Corvette in the "S" curves! Fun all around!!

Saturday was the Car Club Jamboree at the Motoring Festival with over two hundred owners, from specifically invited car clubs, displaying their cars on the Concours field. Although Mercedes Benz was this year's Honored Marque, there was a significant representation from all the invited British Car Clubs including six cars from the NGJC among the Jaguars. We were all pleasantly surprised when Dave's 1969 E-Type was called up to receive a Chariman's Choice award and later when both Dave's E-Type and Vail Frost's Mark II were called up again to receive Crescent Awards recognizing the top

twenty five cars on the field. Again this year we all gathered on Saturday evening at Andy and Nancy Shearouse's home on the May River. Andy is a long time friend of Dave's and the Shearouse's have hosted our group on the Saturday evening before the Sunday Concours for several years now. Andy is also an excellent cook and we enjoyed, what many of us have come to regard as the highlight of the entire weekend, a low country boil as we watched the sun set over the tranquil river marshes from Andy's backyard and dined on Shrimp and all the trimmings until we could eat no more!

Sunday is the Concours de' Elegance. Dave Kirkman and Bill Tilden served as Concours Class Judges again this year and Marvin and Carolyn Sikes had cars on the field. Carolyn's 1962 Corvette had been selected to participate in a class representing the history of Corvette and Marvin entered his XK140 in the British Sports Car Class. Although neither car won any awards this time around everyone had a wonderful day in the sun and enjoyed the company of good friends and the beauty of the being surrounded by classic cars.



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Submitted by John Baxa



Automobile" which will feature 18 limited-edition cars from the 30's to the 60's including an XKSS formerly owned by Steve McQueen.

Plans are coming together for a weekend of activities in June combined with the club's annual picnic in Roswell which would include a Saturday gathering with members' cars at the High in Midtown. This should take place the weekend of June 12-13. We'll have more details published here as plans are firmed up.

Much of the discussion of the meeting centered around the slate of activities for 2010. Pat Harmon led the discussion and has put together a schedule of events which you can see on page three of this newsletter. Pat has requested additional input from the membership at large, to include anyone who was not able to attend the meeting. Please look at the questionnaire published in this issue and send a copy to Pat with your opinions.



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Cat Boutique Organizing Committee Reports to Board of Directors

Submitted by Carolyn Sikes, Nancy Harmon, Bev Kirkman, Linda Cleveland

The NGJC Cat Boutique was begun in 2007 by several women in the Club (see above) as a way to provide a fun, Jag-related, shopping experience for attendees at our annual Concours d'Elegance. It has proven popular and has grown each year. We wish to continue it.

Many items for sale at the Boutique are donated by club members but when we have needed funds to purchase quantities of items (tee shirts, visors, jewelry, etc.) or something special we have found or created (silent auction item), the Club has graciously advanced this money and we have paid it back and either broken even or made money on the items. NGJC has also allowed us to purchase a permanent sign for the boutique and has provided petty cash (always paid back) on the day of the Concours. We are grateful for the support the NGJC Board of Directors has shown to us.

We understand that it is very important that the Boutique organizers communicate clearly with each other and with the Board in regard to funding purchases and recognize there is room for some improvement in this regard. With this in mind, we offer the following for your consideration and approval:

- (1) Annually the Cat Boutique Committee (CBC) will request the NGJC Board to approve a specified maximum amount for purchases they wish to make during the year. After the Board approves this amount, the CBC may submit reimbursement requests up to this specified maximum to the Treasurer for reimbursement.

- (2) All proceeds from the sale of items purchased and/or donated is to be returned to the club treasury.
- (3) Any purchased items not sold will be retained by the committee for future sales.
- (4) Any donated items not sold will be returned to the person who donated them.
- (5) The Cat Boutique is not to be involved with the sale of any vendor items not purchased by the Boutique or Club or donated to it.
- (6) The Cat Boutique encourages club members to find items they feel may be appropriate for sale. All such items must be approved in advance by the CBC in order to receive reimbursement.
- (7) The Cat Boutique will be allowed to advertise in the NGJC Newsletter and on the Club website under policy guidelines established by the NGJC Board of Directors.

We do respectfully request that you continue to work with us as we try to keep the Boutique "open" at future Concours.



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Club Activities Questionnaire

Submitted by Pat Harmon

As we plan our activities for the upcoming year, it's really important that we get feedback from our membership so that we can do what YOU want to do. Whether you're into turning wrenches, racing around traffic cones, driving around Georgia or enjoying good food and company, we want to plan next year's activities so everyone will get involved.

Following is a brief questionnaire and your chance to tell us what REALLY TURNS YOU ON. I promise that we will listen. Please fill out the following and stick it in the mail to:

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Following is a list of event types. Please rate each one with your preference from 1 (don't like) to 5 (really like)

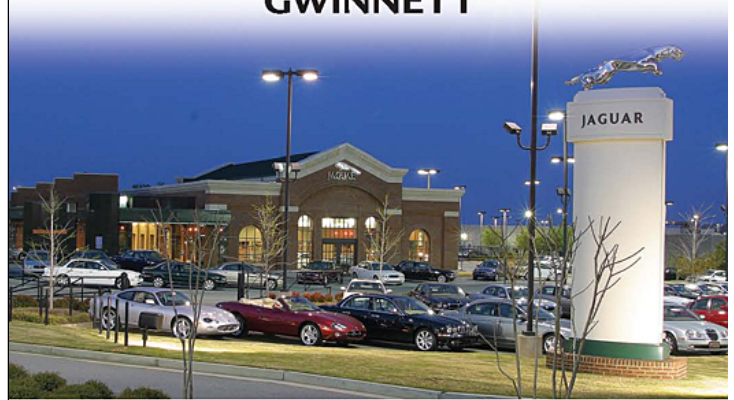
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