



# The Cat Tale



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## 1st SATURDAY BREAKFAST



Photo from Berneal Flach

### See What You Have Been Missing??

That's right, it's the **Breakfast Crew** and they gather on the first Saturday of every month at First Watch Restaurant at 81st and Lewis. If you missed the November gathering be sure to be there on December 7th at 9 am. Who knows, maybe Santa will make an appearance!

## LOOKING AHEAD TO UPCOMING EVENTS

By the time you have received this letter the November event, a brunch at the CaneBrake Resort in Wagoner, OK will have been held so there will be a report on that in the Jan/Feb "Cat Tale".

If you did not know about this event because you did not receive an e-mail then **you need to make sure we have your correct e-mail address**. Also check your spam filter as it may be set to delete all mass mailings. Make sure your filters will accept messages from [mmra@valornet.com](mailto:mmra@valornet.com) or [tulsaleathercare@gmail.com](mailto:tulsaleathercare@gmail.com). The first address is your editor Linda Young, who sends out most of the e-mail notifications about upcoming events and the second is Stan Lackey, the club web master, who notifies members of breakfast gatherings.

We want all members to know what is going on in their club but we can't do that if we don't have the correct information, so please, if you are not getting e-mail from us, please help us get the correct information.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

**7:00 pm, Saturday, December 7, 2013**  
**Don and Carol Wright's Home**

Don and Carol Wright have graciously offered to open their home again for our annual Christmas bash. The

Wright's live at: **5316 E. 11th Place in Tulsa**. Their phone number is 918-299-2839 in case you get lost on the way to their house

Their home is always decorated for Christmas with a lovely Christmas tree which has to compete with Carol's beautifully blooming orchids and amaryllis.

Of course there will be lots of good things to eat and all food and beverages will be provided by the club. The festivities will start at 7:00 pm so plan to be there and have an enjoyable evening with your fellow club members.



## INSTALLATION DINNER Saturday, January 25th

Moving right along in to 2014, put this date on your calendar now. This is a Saturday evening and we are going to be having our Installation Dinner at the Lone Star Steak House in Broken Arrow. Complete detail will be in the Jan/Feb "Cat Tale."

We do this every year to introduce our new officers for the coming year. How do we get these officers? By having members approve the Board of Directors who are listed on the ballot that is enclosed with this newsletter. Our new officers are drawn from the current slate of Board members.

It is easy to toss the ballot aside and forget about it, but the officers are very interested in the comments you put on that ballot as it helps them decide on what kind of events you would like to participate in next year.

You have already separated the ballot from the newsletter, so please, pick up a pen and fill it out. There is already a stamp on it so all you have to do is put it in the mail box for the postman to pick up. The ballot must be received by December 5th to be counted but you can have yours mailed in plenty of time.

## Salisbury House Concours

By Linda Young

For the second year in a row we have attended the invitational Salisbury House and Gardens Concours in Des Moines, Iowa. Last year the Neidell's 1959 Kellison was featured in the "forgotten fiberglass" class. This year we were back to be part of the Jaguar class taking the Young's 1974 XJ6 and the Neidell's Mk1.

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The show, held as a fundraiser for the upkeep of the beautiful house and gardens that belonged to the Weeks family. Carl Weeks made a fortune in cosmetics during the 1930's and the skin care products are still made and sold under house brand names in drug stores like Walgreen's.

The weeks family lived in the house for 30 years and during that time collected an extraordinary number of books, art, historic documents, musical instruments and decorative items most of which remain in the house.

The 9 acres of gardens provide a beautiful backdrop to the historic cars that are parked there for the day. We were all fortunate that once again the weather gods smiled on Salisbury and the threat of rain cleared and we had a beautiful day for the show.

The Jaguars were displayed on the grass along the long drive leading up to the court yard of the house. The organizer tired to get models from the earliest years up to the early 70's. This made "Nice 1" our 1974 XJ6 the newest Jaguar there.

The show was particularly enjoyable because we got to see some old friends from JCNA concours days and we had time to catch up.

Jim and Lisa Hendrix, from St. Louis, brought their 1930 Swallow.



Not only did they attract a lot of attention with this unique little car, they also won 1st place in the Jaguar division. The also won the Haggerty "Kids Choice" award the same as the Kellison did last year. Now that's a tough bunch of judges to please!

Their car was particularly interesting to another entrant who had a 1932 Austin American Bantam. The cars share a lot of the same chassis parts and some basic design and engineering. The owner of the Austin was so excited to see the



The Swallow He ask Jim if he could park beside it for some photo's. Of course Jim was happy to oblige.

Another entrant and JCNA friend from St Louis who appeared was Phil and Maria Taxman with their 1939

Jaguar SS 2.5 Litre Saloon.



Phil has had the car re-painted since we saw it last and the ivory body and white fenders really make the car look nice. The Taxman's took 2nd place in the Jaguar class.

This year they did something a little different at the show in that there was an award for "Art and Design" wherein all the cars were judged by a panel 3 architects, who should know a little something about design. There were a lot of beautiful cars there but the one judged the best combination of 'Art and Design" was the 1966 Jaguar XKE Series I Coupe owned by George and Elaine Pfalzgraf of Cedar Falls, Iowa.



As usual there were some really stunning and unusual cars there again this year. This 1928 Gardener 85 Sport Roadster took the "Salisbury Class" which is their version of 'best in show.



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The weekend also included another "Heartland Driving Tour" which took us through some very beautiful Iowa countryside. I was impressed with the neatness of all the homes and farms we saw. They just look like a Norman Rockwell painting. The tour took us to some interesting places including a REAL swap meet.

This was the "51st Annual Early Wheels of Iowa Swap Meet" and is one of those swap meets where everyone



cleaned out the barn and the shed and brought it. I mean you could find just about ANYTHING.

We paid a visit to the Iowa Aviation Museum in Greenfield, IA where there were several interesting planes dating from as early as a 1928 Curtiss Robin up to a Huey Cobra Gunship.

From there we went to the Schildberg Antique Car Collection which is a private collection of antique cars that also includes several 50's and 60's Corvettes. An interesting side note, the Airplane museum was started by John Schildber and the car museum by his brother Dennis Shildberg.

We made a quick stop in Menlo at the White Rose Gasoline station on US Highway 6 which is the longest highway ever built in the US. It is twice the length of route 66.



Time was starting to run out but we had one more stop we wanted to make and that was in PODUNK.

Yes, there really is a Podunk, Iowa and we have been to Podunk! Two very nice ladies run this little restaurant/store

where we stopped for some cold water then it was back to Des Moines for the entrants dinner provided by the Cadillac Dealer. It was all part of a really great weekend.



## RACING AT CIRCUIT OF THE AMERICAS A BRIEF NOTE

By—Les Neidell

From October 23 through October 27 I, Scott Young, Jeff Henning, my son David, and four of his buddies from Europe participated in the first Vintage car races to be held at the new Formula 1 circuit just outside of Austin, TX.

About 550 cars pre-registered with SVRA (Sportscar Vintage Racing Association) but the track, Circuit of the Americas (COTA) had never hosted an event of this magnitude. The beginning was a little rocky, Scott and I waited 8 hours to get into the paddock, but once in it went fairly smoothly.

Our cars were a 1959 Kellison J-5, which ran a stock 210hp Chevy 283, and a 1968 Corvette, equipped with a slightly overbored 350 Chevy that dynoed at 475 hp and 510 ft lbs of torque.



Cars were first grouped into classes that reflected their SCCA racing status during the years in which they would have competed. Then multiple classes were built into larger groups - some of which had over 60 cars. Supposedly these groups reflected relatively equal cars. While the cars may have been relatively equal, the same could not be said of the drivers.

All drivers are supposed to hold Vintage racing licenses, but vast differences in ability and skill levels quickly became apparent. Some drivers were over a minute behind the leaders, resulting in difficult, if not dangerous situations. Invariably the slower drivers generally appeared the least competent; unable or unwilling to use their cars wisely or well.



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All our drivers (Scott, David, Jeff, and a Welshman, Tom Roche) raved about the track. And what's not to like? It's 3.427 miles of the newest road racing track in the world.

Two types of events were held - "standard," relatively short Sprint races, and longer Enduros, lasting up to 90 minutes.

Most competitors did not enter the Enduros. But we, much more knowledgeable than most of our more experienced competitors, entered both! Perhaps most exciting of these was the Keenan Motors Historic GT/GTP Enduro, in which our Corvette competed. We had worked it all out - this Enduro required two 5 minute pit stops, and we planned to use three drivers, David, Scott and Tom, in that order. But we awoke on Sunday to a wet track, so we had Tom drive first. Americans are simply not accustomed to racing in the wet, that's the norm in England. Tom went out first. When he came into the pits to change drivers and refuel he was 9th overall, after beginning in about 25th place.

Scott described our fueling stops as the "Keystone Cops in action." YOU can judge by the photo.



**Scott Young and Tom Roche display their 'gold' medals for their 1st place finish in class in the enduro.**



*Editors Note: This trip to the vintage races at the Circuit of America's in Austin, Tx was quite a road trip. It was the first outing for the 'new rig' which is so big I don't even have a picture of it yet. In addition to David Neidell flying in from the Netherlands, driver Tom Rouche and 3 of Tom's friends came from the UK. It was the first trip to the US for 3 of them and they had quite a "Texas time" of it! Les will write some more about their week in Texas for the next issue of the "Cat Tale".*

## CHRISTMAS LIST

Gift Ideas from Santa

Ok, it's that time of year again. What to buy for the person who has everything? Well, top of the list is a new Jaguar of course. Unfortunately the recently announced Jaguar SUV will not be available for delivery until next year.

Well, here are a couple of suggestions. The Jaguar store at 3905 S. Memorial has those really nice shirts (\$39.95). They have some in stock so you might get lucky and find just the one ready for you to take home and wrap up. However, if not they can order one for you. They also have some other nice items that will go well with your Jaguar. Just stop in and see Dave Stanfield in the parts department and he will be glad to help with your shopping.

For the person who like to cook, you can contact Joan Neidell (jretired@sbcglobal.net) and see if she has any of those Philbrook cook books left (\$22.00). The books are taste tested recipes put together by the Docents at Philbrook Museum and sure to be delicious.

## NEW MEMBERS

We want to welcome several new members to the club. Richard and Diane Salamon of Tulsa who have a beautiful 1055 XK140 MC. Richard drove his Jaguar to breakfast a few months ago and caused quite a stir in the parking lot a First Watch.

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Just before Scott went out I asked him to move up at least two spots! "Right!" was his reply. After half a lap the track went to yellow. A Mustang had hit the inside wall at the beginning of the home straight. So while Scott ran under the caution he actually moved up to fifth place. That of course didn't last long.

But the team did very well, 1st in class (ask Scott to see his gold medal) and 17th overall.

**Phillip Childers** of Tulsa, and I am sorry I don't know what kind of Jaguar he has, and **Todd Coady** of Tulsa. Todd came to the pot luck and he and Scott Young had lots to talk about as it seems Tom has several interesting race cars.

**Stephan and Berneal Flach** were also at the pot luck and are regulars at breakfast. We hope to see all of these new members at the next club event.

### POT LUCK DINNER

Speaking of that Pot Luck dinner, it was a great success! We had lots of members showing up and lots of great food. In fact, it was so much fun that your "Cat Tale" editor forgot to take any pictures!

So here's the call; if there is anyone who would like to take some pictures at our events and then send them to me (Linda Young), I would be very grateful for the assistance!

I know there are some members who enjoy taking pictures and I would like to hear from them. We're not talking professional photography, just some snap shots of the group having a great time. So be ready to say "Smile!" and snap a few pictures for your newsletter.

### SOME PEOPLE HAVE ALL THE FUN!

By—*Bane McWolf*



As the day of the Scottish club of Tulsa's Halloween party approached, I had decided to go all out on my costume and I had been practicing putting on the 'appliance' which is basically a glued on mask. I had an appointment at **Andy and Bea Pierson's** house at 4:45 prior to the party to have a photo shoot so if I started getting ready at 2:45 in the afternoon I should

be able to get everything on and be at the Pierson's by 4:45pm.

I started with putting glue on the bridge of my nose and forehead and then working out one side at a time and then up and down. It took about 20 minutes to secure it to my satisfaction that it would not fall off my face and make sure I could still blink my eyes and move my lips. I had a long black curly wig that would cover my own hair line and skin so that was not a worry.

I was going to wear "Scottish Black Tie" for the event. That consists of a tuxedo like Jacket and 3 button vest, a black kilt, black kilt hose, with my black wingtips. I was truly "the wolf in black". The final touch was my name badge, "Mr. Bane McWolf, Predator".

I chose a black kilt first so as not to offend any clan members by wearing a tartan. I also did not want to wear the MacGregor tartan because that is my clan and I did not want to give any clues to my identity and the final reason for black was it just seemed appropriate for the character.

I arrived at the Pierson's and was greeted by Bea who upon opening the door said "Heaven's I forgot you were coming!" Andy was kind enough to take a few photos then it was off to the party.

When I arrived at the party my costume was a hit, and no one knew who I was. When asked to "sign in" I pointed to my name tag and signed in as Mr. Bane McWolf. It was fun fending off questions from those trying to guess who I was. How old am I? Just 8; in dog years that is. A couple of young girls were dressed as Red Riding Hood and at the encouragement of their parents I approached them about our mutual "friend". They were puzzled. What friend? "Well, how is Grandma," I ask? The younger one caught on immediately and started to laugh so I howled right along with her.

The lighting in the hall where the party was taking place was kind of twilight to darkish so with the quality of my appearance (as well as my charming wolfish demeanor) I was able to give a few people a light "shiver scare". However the person I startled the most was probably the toll booth attendant when I stopped to pay on the way to the Pierson's.

The party was a lot of fun but I was ready to go home when it was over. Fortunately when I got home my dog Diego was happy to see me and didn't bite me!

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- 2013XF 2.0L I4 T/C (177) British Racing Green and Barley leather, \$53,620
  
- 2013 XJ (173) V6 S/C **AWD** – Ebony with Jet Leather, \$79,370
- 2013 XJ (176) V6 S/C 340hp – Polaris White with Truffle & Cashew Leather, \$78,945
  
- 2013 XKR Convertible (147) 5.0L V8 S/C, Ebony and Charcoal, \$104,395
- 2014 XK Coupe (160) V8, Lunar Grey & Charcoal, \$79,895
- 2013 XK Convertible (163) Indigo Blue with Ivory leather and Blue top, \$91,725
  
- 2014 F-Type Conv (153) V6 S/C, 380hp, Stratus Grey, Jet leather, \$94,470
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**2013 COMING EVENTS CALENDAR\*\***

**\*\*Official JCTI events are in BOLD**

- Dec 7- Breakfast at First Watch, 81st and Lewis, 9:00 am**
- Dec 7- Christmas Party at the Wrights home—see page 1 for details**
- Jan 4—Breakfast at First Watch, 81st and Lewis, 9:00 am**
- Jan 25- Installation Dinner at Lonestar Steak House in BA**
- More info in the Jan/Feb newsletter.**
- Feb 1—Breakfast at First Watch, 81st and Lewis, 9:00 am**

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— Erma Bombeck

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