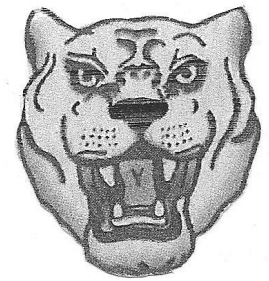


The Cat Tale



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FIRST SATURDAY BREAKFAST Dec 4th and Jan 1st

Uh-Oh! The word is out! The DayBreak Café is a great place to have breakfast! Yes, the Tulsa World did a full page write up on them praising not only their great breakfasts but their lunch menu too! You know what that means; you need to get there by 9:00 am on the first Saturday of the month to assure yourself a seat at the table and a place in the parking lot! (good thing it is a huge parking lot!)

So get up early on Saturday morning and meet your fellow club members. The coffee will be on the table. Get your order in before they run out of eggs!

SUNDAY NOV 14TH SMOKE WOODFIRE GRILL OWASSO

There may be a little nip in the air and some color in the trees so it will be a perfect day for a drive north to Owasso where we will have Brunch at the **Smoke Woodfire Grill at 201 S. Main Suite #100 in Owasso.**

This is not your average BBQ joint. It is a full service restaurant with an impressive menu, curated by executive chef Erik Reynolds. This include a list of local craft beers, an extensive wine list and signature cocktails. If you have not been here before I suggest you check out their web site <https://smokewoodfiregrill.com> and take a look at the menu.

To get there, get on SH169 N toward Owasso and take the exit toward 66th St N/76th St N. Keep left, follow signs for Westbound 76th St Use any lane to turn left onto E 2nd Ave/E 76th St N. The restaurant is on your left.

Plan to be there by 11:30 am for an enjoyable brunch or lunch of your choosing. Please **RSVP** to Berneal Flach at bkflach@gmail.com or call her at 918-299-3553

Happy Anniversary! Saturday, December 4th

Yes, at long last we are going to celebrate the Club's 50th Anniversary. On December 4th, 1970, the Jaguar Club of Tulsa came into existence with an official charter from the Jaguar Clubs of North America.

Due to the Covid pandemic, (which we are all tired of talking about!) we did not get to have our planned celebration last year. **HOWEVER**, we are not going to let a little thing like that stop us from having a good party!

Mark this date on your calendar - **Saturday, Dec 4th** - when we will be having dinner at the Olive Garden in Utica Square. There will be more information about this event coming as we get closer to the date.

DUES ARE DUE!!

Well folks, the bad news is, time, inflation and the national organization have caught up with us. We have not raised the club dues since 2013 but this year JCNA has raised the membership dues for all affiliated clubs by \$10.

Well, a nine year run with no dues increase is a pretty good record but this year we are going to have to face the reality that everything is more expensive and our dues are going to go up. The 2022 Dues will be **\$60.00** per year for membership in the local club and the national organization. The dues for Associate Members, meaning the local club only, will be **\$40.**

Just for grins, I did a little checking around to see what other national organizations charge and membership in the BMW club is tiered. \$58 annual and 12 month wait for rewards rebates; \$159 3 year and 6month wait for rewards or \$1750 for a lifetime.

Porsche is 1 year, \$49, 2 yrs \$90, 3 yrs \$132. By comparison it is \$100 to be an "at large" member (no local club affiliation) of JCNA, dropping to \$50 every year there after. So it is cheaper to join your local club for \$60 and get it all.

I don't know what the local BMW or Porsche club charge for dues, but I would guess the Jaguar Club is still a bargain, so send in your dues today. Fill out the form on the back of this newsletter so we can update our records. Remember, we have to have our national dues paid by February so please get your checks in pronto or use your banks bill pay function.

Ballot Enclosed

Stapled to your newsletter is the 2022 Board of Directors ballot. We skipped one year as the board members agreed to continue because club activities were curtailed due to the pandemic. Now we have resumed meetings and events and it is time to select board members for 2022. Those being elected to the board on this ballot

will serve a two year term.

As usual, there are some questions at the bottom of the ballot and the board really would like to hear from the club members. After more than a year of no events and then cautious events, we want to know what the members are interested in doing and of most importance, any suggestions for things the members would like to do.

So please, pry the staple out, mark that ballot and drop it in the mail. It is already stamped so you don't have to worry about that either. We are waiting to hear from you!



Brits in the Ozarks

By Stephen Flach

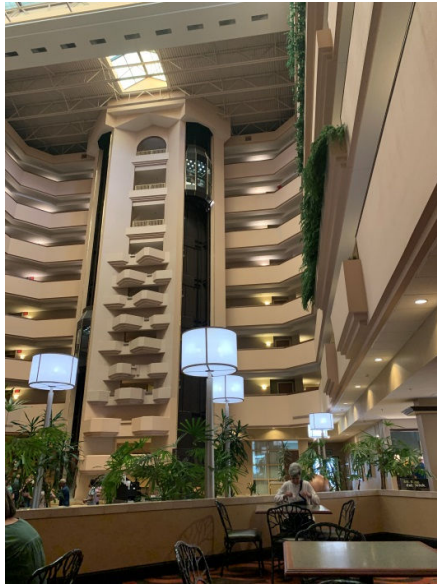
Well, it is a fine weekend in October, so what should we all do? I Know! Let's all go to Fayetteville for the Brits in the Ozarks car show. The schedule was:

Thursday Oct. 7th driving tour through Arkansas Ozarks.
Friday Oct. 8th driving tour including stop at Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art Show Registration (4:00 - 6:30 P.M.), cook out and parking lot party (6:30 PM until ...) Holiday Inn Convention Center of NW Arkansas
Saturday Oct. 9th car and cycle display and popular choice judging 10 AM - 2 PM. Awards Dinner at the hotel 6 PM Speaker: Author John Nikas

We (Berneal and I) arrived Friday afternoon to register. We missed the driving tours, which AJ heartily recommends, as she enjoyed the Thursday drive through the Ozark backroads scenery. On Friday, the tour stopped at Crystal Bridges Museum. I think everyone made it there, maybe had to add some oil, but no fires. Next year we (Berneal & I) will sign up for whatever tours are offered.

Registration Friday was friendly and efficient in the 8-story atrium of the Holiday Inn. Pre-registrants had an envelope and maybe a goodie bag if they registered early. We did neither of those and registered there. We got the envelope and bought award dinner tickets, and a T-shirt (after giving them a check).

After registration we sat in the bar, had a beer and waited for other club members. Holiday Inn was nice enough to give us free drink coupons, I am not sure why, but a free drink is a free drink. Richard arrived with his Austin Healey 3000 (just Richard, the Austin Healey stayed outside). Richard introduced us to a table of his Tulsa Austin Healey club members, and we enjoyed finding out where we were all from, what we did, and just why we bought British cars. I guess our garage floors needed more oil. We met the woman who directs the Heart of Route 66 Auto Museum, west of Sapulpa, and heard the tales of Austin Healey drivers taking a trip to the car show in the rain. And, yes, water on the car floors!



The cook-out was scheduled for 6:30 and smelled really, really good, so we all meandered out to the parking lot to see if the chicken was done. It needed just a little bit longer, so we drank a free beer while meeting entrants. This was the biggest turnout ever, so there was no lack of people to talk with. Some show participants had driven their British cars to Springdale, and some trailered their immaculate vehicles. We met a graphic artist from Dallas, who did an oil painting of her Jaguar XK8 and brought it to the show.

Then the chicken arrived from the grill and we all queued up in proper British fashion, regardless of make or model, Rolls Royce owner next to MGB owner, all very egalitarian. Berneal and I grabbed a curb to sit down and eat. The BBQ chicken was delicious and huge, so Berneal's leftovers were transferred to my plate.



When it was getting dark, it seems to do that in Arkansas, we wandered around the parking lot then went inside to the bar and met more dedicated British car owners and discussed what spare parts they put in the boot for the trip. Finally, we all called it a night, (not sure what else you could call it, maybe non-day, or absence of photons) and went to our rooms to get ready for the show on Saturday

Hotel breakfast included watching Little Leaguers and their parents among our car owners. So it made sense that we noticed one boy (future Babe Ruth?) practicing with his bat all evening in the lobby (no ball, just practice swings).

The drive south to Fayetteville was short, with the sun and breeze spectacular for a car show! We were directed to the "G" class for newer model Jaguars, but first to the photographer, then down the gravel road, over a hill, around a tree to a space in the back.

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Parked in front of us was a white 1950 Jaguar XK-120 Roadster with a stylishly clothed lady skeleton sitting in the passenger seat. Owner Sue later invited children and adults to sit in the driver's seat for humorous photos. Next to us was the artist with her XK8 Jag and painting.



The show attracted a very good crowd, from club members, to the general public, and people who like cars.



The car and cycle display, with "popular choice" judging, started at 10 a.m. One gentleman walked around teaching his grandson the fine points of judging. With 28 classes, the ballot was long. The Morgan class had only one entry, so it was a shoo-in for first prize.

MGs were well represented, with six classes, T's, A's, Midgets, and B's (chrome, rubber and GT).



Of course Austin Healey's were well represented by Richard's entry, which won first prize in class. They were handing out free oil because Castrol was the show sponsor. This seemed very appropriate for a British car show.



The Tulsa club was there in force. Someone parked a Corvette behind Scott, AJ and Linda. Oh, the horror, the horror, a piece of Detroit Iron, I mean Detroit plastic at a British car show. Well, there was a MB and a BMW also, but they parked out of the way.

I believe a good time was had by all.



There were hamburgers, chips, hot dogs and soda available, with people lined up most of the time. The silent auction went well, and there were cases of Castrol GTX oil available to bid on in case the free 2 quarts were not enough for the drive home.

The Awards Dinner at the hotel ballroom at 6 PM was delicious, with cheese cake and ice cream for dessert!

The dinner speaker, author and newspaper columnist John Nikas, gave us a fascinating, historical account of the British auto industry. His books include: *Rule Britannia*, *When British Sports Cars Saved a Nation*; *Triumph Spitfire & Gt6: Setting the Small Sports Car Standard*; *The Triumph Tr: From 20s to TR6*; and *The MG T-Series: The Sports Cars the World Loved First*.

John described how and why the British auto industry in the 20's and 30's never created large automobile manufactures, but rather consisted of many small companies with minimal automation. The British establishment saw no need for mass production of automobiles, the ones they were buying were fine, why build more. British companies relied on the apprentice system. You started sweeping floors and in 30 years you would be chief engineer. This guaranteed a static design. You learned how to do things from Fred, who learned from George. University graduates were not welcome. "I've been working here 30 years guv, how does that young whippersnapper know more than me?" So things were done by rule of thumb, just as they were always done. Heavy cast iron blocks, Lucas parts and oil leaks.

However, when Britain needed airplanes for WWII, they turned to the small auto companies for the technical know-how to build planes. Some of the first tries were not real good, but with the whippersnapper engineers, they produced very good airplanes.

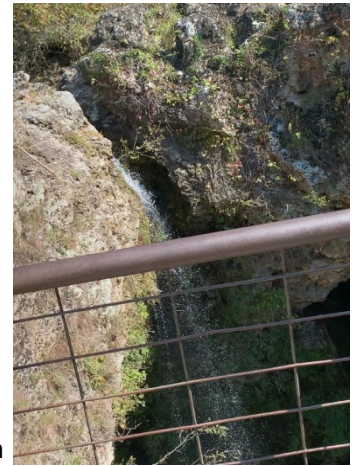
The local chapter representatives of the ALS Association gave a brief talk on what they do and the terribly debilitating effects of ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). All of the proceeds of the event went to ALS along with donations from the attendees at the awards banquet.

Bill Watkins handed out the trophies with assistance from a Vanna White stand in. With 3 places in 28 classes, the table of trophies was quite full. Recipients had to keep their acceptance speeches very short, before they were played off. We all applauded each announcement and the recipient had just enough time to say thank you. More information will be available on British Iron Touring Club web site. In the meantime, look at the web page anyway, it is interesting. After the awards, we headed back to the bar to swap stories, meet MG owners and generally talk about everything and anything, even non-auto topics (go figure).

Sunday morning, we packed up and drove home, stopping to see Dripping Springs Scenic Waterfall. They also have yurts there, I am not sure why, we are quite far from Mongolia and are not very nomadic. Oh well.



Well, we did see the waterfall, but the flow rate was a bit low. As for the springs, we could not find any springs. Not a single compression



spring, extension spring, leaf spring, belleville washer, torsion spring, die spring. Not even a spring clip. We looked everywhere, over hill and dale, through trackless wilderness and still no luck. I can't see why this place is called a spring. So we gave up and went on home, final-

ly stopping at Andolini's for pizza and beer.

**HO! HO! HO!
It's Time to Start Your
CHRISTMAS SHOPPING!!**



We have it on good authority that there will be NO SHORTAGES of Socks and Underwear this holiday season!

We are gathering up packages of socks and underwear for our annual gift to the Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless. These are much needed items that the Center is always in need of. We like to give something

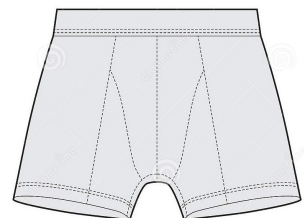
that is lasting and helpful and clean socks and underwear will keep a person warm longer than toys and turkey.

The Tulsa Center recently completed an expansion of their facility to serve more clients. They average 300 to 400 people per day helping them find jobs, get medical care, find housing, get help with personal care, food and clothing. Their case workers help people through the morass of bureaucracy to get the services they need to get their lives back on track.

Your gift of a few packs of socks may not sound like much but it is a big help. If you look at the Day Centers web page (tulsadaycenter.org) you will see men's and women's socks and underwear near the top of their needed donations list.

You will have a couple of chances to deliver your donation starting with our upcoming dinner at Smoke Wood-fire Grill on Nov 14th.

Remember all sizes are welcome and don't forget the kids! You would be surprised at the number of families with children that receive much needed services at the Day Center,



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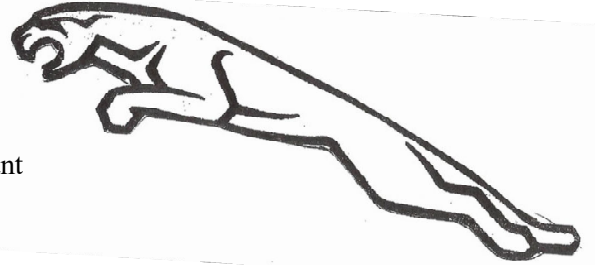
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The Marland Mansion

On August 28th a group of club members made the drive to Ponca City to visit the Marland Mansion.

E. W. Marland holds a prominent place in Oklahoma and American history as an oil baron who once controlled 10% of all the world's oil and as a US Congressman and the 10th Governor of Oklahoma. There is also the somewhat scandalous history of Marland who, upon the death of his wife after a long illness, married his adopted daughter who became the first lady of Oklahoma.

The mansion was built between 1925 and 1928 at a cost of 5.5 million dollars. The master Architect was John Duncan Forsythe, who brought in scores of artists, sculptors, decorators and internationally renowned craftsmen to work on the project.

After falling on hard times Marland was forced to sell the home to the Discalced Carmelite Fathers in 1941 for just \$66,000. In 1948, the Fathers sold the estate to the Sisters of St. Felix who operated a private high school on the grounds. During their tenure, they built a number of structures on the grounds, though all have been removed except for Angela Hall, built in 1958, and still operating as a school. The Felician Sisters moved to New Mexico in 1975, and sold the estate to the City of Ponca City and Continental Oil Company, which transferred their partial ownership to the city, for \$1.5 million.

The amazing thing about this ownership history is that the mansion has suffered no significant damage or removal of all the artistry and artifacts attached to the home when built.

Clark Frayser had arranged for a guided tour for our group and we were lucky to have a gentleman who was quite familiar with the house and pointed out a lot of the interesting items and told us their history.

The Hunt Kitchen and the Winter room on the lower level are adjacent to each other. This is where Marland would entertain his guests to food and drink before starting off on a fox hunt or a polo match.

The ceiling of the room between the beams is covered in exquisite paintings depicting pre-Colombian Indians, travels through the Cherokee Outlet Land Run and concludes with the



discovery of oil by Marland Oil Company. A small door off the kitchen leads to the poker room, a scene of many high stakes poker games during prohibition and to the 550 ft tunnel that goes to the boathouse on the one remaining lake which is how

liquor was delivered during Prohibition.

Many of the original furnishings have been returned to the mansion over the years since the City opened it to the public. The house is truly a treasure and we spent so much time there we didn't have time to see the grounds or Artists Studio. Just trying to take in all the beautiful artwork on the walls and ceilings was almost overwhelming.

It was a lovely trip and many thanks to Clark for arranging it and to **Berne-**

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FLach
for the photos.



Part of our group at the hunt kitchen. The man in the center in the light shirt was one of the docents who led our tour.



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2021 - 2022

EVENTS CALENDAR**

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

There will be club events in 2021. Board members are following CDC recommendations so gatherings can be fun and safe for all our members.

- Nov 6th Breakfast at DayBreak Café - 81st and S Lewis Ave. 9:00 am**
- Nov 14th Woodfire Grill - Owasso - BBQ/Brunch. See page 1 for details.**
- Dec 2nd - 50th Anniversary Celebration Dinner! Olive Garden - more info coming**
- Dec 4th Breakfast at DayBreak Café - 81st and S Lewis Ave. 9:00 am**
- Jan 1st - Breakfast DayBreak Café - 81st and S Lewis Ave. 9:00 am**
- Feb 5th - Breakfast - DayBreak Café - 81st and S Lewis Ave. - 9:00 am**

In our time, political speech and writing are largely the defense of the indefensible.

George Orwell

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