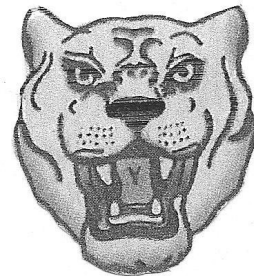




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HOW ABOUT SOME ICED COFFEE?

**First Saturday Breakfast
July 1st and August 5th**

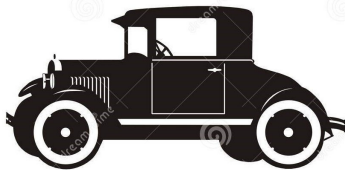
Yep, it's hot time in the summertime! But meet with your cool friends at the **DayBreak Café, 81st and Lewis** for our regular first Saturday breakfast conflag.

We will have lots to talk about what with our June EuroExpo Car show to discuss and the upcoming plans for dinners, picnics and a grand fall drive to Mt. Home Arkansas, you don't want to miss it.

Plan to be there at **9:00am** so you don't miss out on any of the lively discussions that take place on the first Saturday of every month. As any attendee can tell you, it can get pretty loud in that room! See you there!

**Saturday - July 15th
Gasoline Alley Classics**

We will be taking a trip down Route 66 to Sapulpa to visit the Gasoline Ally, a unique sign shop that features much more than just signs. Housed in a former Model T assembly plant and dealership on Route 66, Gasoline Ally Classics deals in upscale Automotive Memorabilia and are a longtime manufacturer of game room, garage, and man cave automobilia décor.



According to **Mike Webb and Clark Frayser**, who have been there, the building has been meticulously restored to it's Model T dealership days and crammed with interesting things to see.

Of course that means we will be spending some time there to see everything and of course we will then need to go have LUNCH to restore ourselves for the trip home!

Not all details have been worked out yet but take note of this date **JULY 15**, and more info will be sent out in about a week with instructions on where and when we will meet for the drive to Sapulpa and where we will be going for lunch.

**Wednesday, August 22nd
River Front Grill**

How about a nice relaxing mid-week evening having a lovely dinner and drinks with friends by the river? Sounds like a plan and **Mike Webb** is making the arrangements at the River Front Grill in Jenks so be ready to RSVP to Mike at mwebb@oklahoma.net or call him at 918-510-5722. Yes, there will be another e mail notice going out in August prior to this event to remind you to get your reservation in.

ANOTHER GREAT FALL DRIVE COMING UP!

Greg Bunch of the British Iron Group is putting together another great fall drive and once again drivers from the Tulsa Club, the Little Rock area and OKC are invited to attend.

**The Mountain Home Retreat
October 27, 28, 29**

The group will be meeting up in Springdale, AR and then head to Jasper for lunch at the Ozark Café. For those who have no been there before, the mushrooms are legendary!

From there it is on to Mt. Home, Arkansas and the Americinn by Wyndham, our host hotel for the weekend. Here is the important part, so pay attention!

This is a new hotel and we got a special rate of **\$107.50 per night , plus taxes**, For Reservations at this Special Rate, call (870) 701-1776 and **you MUST mention British Iron Car Club to get the special rate.**

Here is a brief description of what the weekend is going to include.

Friday: Lunch in Jasper at the Ozark Café
Dinner at Gaston's White River Resort (Gastons.com) to check the menu.

Saturday: Arkansas Scottish Festival
The Arkansas Bean Festival and Outhouse Races
Dinner at the Grill at Whispering Woods
(www.whisperingwoodsar.com) menu

Sunday: Rapp's Barren Brewing Company - Brunch
(rappsbarrenbrewing.com)
Blanchard Springs Caverns tour
Marketplace Grill Springdale (Marketplacegrill.com) menu

If you plan to make this trip, you need to get your hotel reservations in early because this is a busy weekend and is also peak fall color time in Arkansas. There are a limited number of rooms and once they are gone you may be out of luck.

AFTER you have made those hotel reservations, you need to contact Greg Bunch at (479)530-2792 because he needs to know how many will be attending each dinner/brunch and the cave tour to make reservations.

The full details of this weekend trip are available in PDF format. (they are a detailed 14 pages long) and I can send them to you if you want them now. Just e mail me at mmra@windstream.net. OR you can wait and get your copy the day we start out on the run.

Going to be a great trip so make your plans and reservation very soon!



CAR SHOW COMING UP! Brits in the Ozarks October 5th-7th

This will be the 21st year for the British Iron club to sponsor the all British meet in Fayetteville. This is always a really nice show with 100 plus cars.

The weekend will also include 2 driving tours, a tailgate party at the host hotel, and an awards banquet after the show on Saturday.



If you are interested you can get more information and download the registration form at their web site:

www.britishironwar.org

There will be more information in the next newsletter, but get the date on your calendar now so you don't miss out on this really great show.

Yes! There are other events scheduled for the remaining 6 months of the year. Be sure to check the "Coming Events Calendar" on the last page of the newsletter.

What's Happening at Jaguar Land Rover

Jaguar Land Rover's UK managing director Rawdon Glover has been moved to head up the Jaguar brand and see it through its all-electric relaunch over the next two-years.

Glover has been with JLR for over a decade, and MD since 2018. His current role will be covered by Patrick McGillicuddy, who is now standing in as interim Jaguar Land Rover UK managing director after just two years with the company - thus allowing Glover to focus on Jaguar.

In a press release issued this week, a Jaguar spokesperson said, "Jaguar will be reimagined as an all-electric, luxury brand by 2025. It will be a copy of nothing. As the business now prepares to launch the re-imagined Jaguar brand to clients around the world, we have appointed Rawdon Glover as brand managing director, Jaguar."

Meanwhile, a leak to the trade press this week appeared to suggest that JLR plan to reduce their number of dealerships in the UK from over eighty, down to less than twenty as they continue to work towards a sustainable future. Whilst the reports have not yet been substantiated and JLR is yet to make an official comment on the matter, it might indicate that perhaps even car manufacturers are moving towards a more 'online based' retail structure in the face of rising costs.

Germany's Treasured Autobahn Hits A Bump In The Road

Opinion by Paul Hockenos

Editor's Note: Paul Hockenos is a Berlin-based writer focusing on renewable energy in Europe. This article first appeared on CNN on Feb 23, 2023. The article has been edited for space considerations.

Horsepower-flush automobiles and the 7,200-mile highway system called the autobahn, are part and parcel of national mythology in Germany. But driving on the autobahn can be a chilling experience for the timid. But it's utterly disconcerting when, ticking along at a brisk 75 miles per hour, somebody blows by me on the left and then disappears over the horizon as if I were driving a lawnmower.

For decades, German drivers (overwhelmingly male ones) have relished this ostensible perk of limitless speed, many in precision-engineered automobiles with such storied names as

Volkswagen, BMW and Mercedes Benz. Now, the climate crisis is prompting Germans to rethink their relationship with the autobahn, long feted as the crème de la crème of highway systems.

Germany's transportation sector's carbon emissions, say experts, are attributable overwhelmingly to cars and trucks – and the higher the speed of a car, the greater the emissions. What's the purpose of four or five-lane thoroughfares in an epoch when new gas-and-diesel burners will, if the EU parliament has its way, be banned by 2035 anyway?

Of course, Electric Vehicles (EVs) require good roads, too. But because their horsepower and top speeds are often lower, they require less superhighway – and more charging stations on well-kept roads. An e-car's high speed, while impressive, still generally pales to the motorheads I see on the autobahn pushing 140 miles per hour.

Also, with limited resources, the burning question in Germany at the moment is whether tens of billions of euros earmarked for new and broader autobahn wouldn't do more good building out cycling highways, like in the Netherlands, or an improved high-speed, densely networked rail service.

Ultimately, the proclivities of the car zealots have no place in the 21st century when we're racing against the clock to decarbonize our economies. The European Union is toiling to sink emissions by at least 55% by 2030 Germany wants to better that by another 10%

The need for speed varies from country to country. Here is where the worlds leading economies set their speed limits on certain roads: Japan 62 mph, UK 70 mph, Canada 75 mph, France, Italy, Russia 81mph, US 85.

Germany has the most cars on the road of any EU country (almost 49 million). And while its EV sales are soaring, government dreams of having 15 million registered battery-installed vehicles by 2030 are expected to fall far short. This is why the International Energy Agency a global energy forum, urges Germany, as well as every other country with an automobile culture, to embark immediately on a sustainable transportation revolution. The EU's Green Deal foresees Europe as the first carbon neutral continent in the world by 2050.

But Germany is stalling, with the heavy-set automobile manufacturers and their powerful lobby staunchly behind the unrepentant car lovers. In six locations in Germany – including in Berlin, practically straight through my family's backyard – new autobahn lengths are being planned or built.

Germany's ruling government coalition makes the audacious argument that more autobahn would relieve traffic jams, which provoke popular ire and cast large emission footprints. "Preposterous," responds mobility expert Urs Maier of the Berlin think tank Agora Verkehrswende. "Studies and experience show definitively that the more road you pave, the more traffic you'll get..."

Environmentalists, on the other hand, insist that the key to bringing mobility emissions under control is moving private and commercial traffic from the road to rails. (German long-distance trains are largely electrified and boast less than a quarter of a car's footprint. But Germany's rail network – once a source of national pride – has suffered greatly from years of neglect under the various Angela Merkel-led governments between 2005 and 2021.

A wide-ranging shift away from internal combustion engines isn't going to doom either road travel or the autobahn. Instead, Germany's highways could be reimagined: a slimmer autobahn for e-cars, e-buses and e-trucks with regular high-speed charging
(cont'd on page 6)

EuroExpo Car Show Case Community Park Sand Springs, OK

This was our first time at a new location for our car show. The city of Sand Springs and Case Industries have partnered to build a lovely park for the cities residents containing many nice amenities. We started our Friday evening festivities with the BBQ dinner at one of the new shelters at the show site.

Don and Carol Wright arrive for dinner.



The **Neidell** family, **Joan**, son **Jason** and **Les**. Our Pit Master, who cooked all the chicken and bologna, **Greg Timo** (right) and **Cindy and Roger Hanes**. Missed getting a picture of our other Pit Master, **Mike Webb**, who was responsible for the pulled pork and brisket. There were also lots of great sides, baked beans, potato salad, corn salad, lots of cookies. If you went hungry, it was your fault.

On Saturday morning **AJ West** and **Sharon Timo** kept busy with registration of new cars coming in.

The rain that moved in early put a bit of a damper on the show and no doubt kept a few people from coming but we still managed to have a nice turn out.

The rain did move out of the area and the skies remained overcast which was actually a good thing because it kept the temperature and the humidity down so the heat did not become a problem.



There is a nice stage set up at one side of what the park calls "the Great Lawn", which really is large and surrounded by a circular concrete walking/biking path. Because of the rain, we decided not to park on the grass and the concrete path worked perfectly for staging the cars.



PUPPIES! There were puppies there! The Sand Springs Animal Shelter, who is the beneficiary of our silent auction, was there to help out and they brought some shelter dogs and some adorable pups that are ready for adoption. Pick out one to take home with you Steve!



A beautiful XJS from Joplin Mo.

We had a lot of items for the silent auction and a great place to display them on the stage.



Bob Triffo's 2004 XKR Portfolio

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ing stations, or in the future electric roads. With some 70,000 charging stations for electric vehicles across the country, Germany hopes to rapidly scale up that number to 1 million over the next decade.

Five decades after the German band Kraftwerk's 1975 hit "Autobahn" was released, its repetitive message – intended to evoke the monotony of traveling on the highway itself – isn't at risk of becoming obsolete in the near future. "We drive, drive, drive on the Autobahn. We drive, drive, drive on the Autobahn."

Al Clark

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of long time club member Al Clark. Al's career included being a science and computer teacher and he retired from AT&T as an OSP Engineering Manager.

Al was a past president of the Jaguar Club of Tulsa and he was also active in the Green Country Model Railroader's Association.

There was a private family service in Oklahoma City. The Jaguar Club wishes to express condolences to the family.

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For Sale by original owner; purchased in Oklahoma City from Benchmark Motors. 1994 XJS convertible 2+2 6 cylinder with 62,306 miles. Always kept in a garage. The transmission was replaced 10 or so years ago and the A/C has not worked for probably 8 years. The drivers seat leather and the leather cover on the console storage are worn or damaged. It has some leaks, needs rear shocks and sway bar bushings. \$5000 you can contact me at: conrad_joseph@hotmail.com



Riley's Rebuilds

Editors Note: An article about this young ladies entrepreneurial enterprise appeared in the May issue of the Hagerty's Driver's club magazine.

A gated neighborhood in an upscale Tampa suburb is a strange place to send your carburetors for rebuilding. The shop sits in the three-car garage of a lovely home. There is a long table with some chairs, and a workbench is parked next to a couple of soda blasters. All is lit by florescent bulbs overhead.

This the modest domain of Riley's Rebuilds, a carburetor rebuilding service headed by Riley Schlick.

Riley is a 17-year-old girl: A surfing, skating, soccer-playing, Jeep-driving high school senior. Four of her high school friends, all girls, have learned to rebuild carburetors too, rounding out the staff of Riley's Rebuilds. Ship them your worn-out carburetor, and they'll ship it back soda-blasted, ultrasonic-cleaned and rebuilt to original specifications.

Riley has always been interested in cars, starting out "holding the flashlight for my dad." When she was 14, she told her parents that she wanted to buy a car that she could rebuild, getting it ready for when she was old enough to drive. Her parents said it needed to have a manual transmission, not go above 80 mph, and have a real roll bar. The logical answer was a manual-transmission, four-cylinder Jeep.

To buy it, she needed a job, and the only place that would hire a 14-year-old is a local grocery chain. No, her father said, we're going to go out in the garage and figure out a way to make money. Hence the carburetor rebuilding operation, which has been in business for three years.

The business started with word-of-mouth, then it went to a Facebook page, "where it really blew up," Riley says. From one post, she received 2.5 million views, over 500,000 interactions, 10,000 shares, and 12,000 followers in four days. She figures she's rebuilt carbs from all 50 states, and she and her co-workers, try to restore the carbs back to stock condition, "but some of them are really messed up." So she's always on the lookout for spare parts, like choke flappers, linkages, rods, and jets.

Business is booming. The world may have abandoned carburetors for fuel injection, but there's "a whole weird underground" that still needs carbs, for circle track and drag racing and street rods. She has set up a Riley's Rebuilds booth at several hot rod shows, "and I had a customer tell me he needed a carburetor to bring his car to the show, and he bought one from us there, right off the floor, and took it home and installed it, and drove the car back."

Riley has a year of high school left, and she foresees no end to Riley's Rebuilds, even if she goes away to college. She's already talked to one college soccer coach who has pledged to help find room in the engineering department to let her do rebuilds there if she comes to his school.

"This has been a great experience," she says. "I've learned so much, and not just about carburetors."

That's Riley in the middle.



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- July 1 - Breakfast at Daybreak Café, 81st and Lewis 9:00 am**
- July 15 - Gasoline Alley Classic in Supalpa and lunch. See page 1 for details.**
- Aug 5 - Breakfast at Daybreak Café 81st and Lewis 9:00 am**
- Aug 22 - Tuesday night dinner at River Front Grill - Jenks**
- Sept 2 - Breakfast at Daybreak Café 81st and Lewis 9:00 am**
- Sept 23- Oil Capitol Gun Club - target shooting and picnic**
- Oct 7 - Breakfast at Daybreak Café 81st and Lewis 9:00 am**
- Oct 7th - Brits in the Ozarks Car Show - Fayetteville Ar
- Oct 27-28 - Mt. Home Retreat Weekend drive - details on page 1**
- Nov 4 - Breakfast at Daybreak Café 81st and Lewis 9:00 am**
- Nov 17th - Friday night dinner at Safron**
- Dec 2 - Breakfast at Daybreak Café 81st and Lewis 9:00 am**
- Dec - Date TBA - Christmas party**

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H.L. Mencken

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