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#### The **BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB**

"BAHCC" was founded in 1951 by and for the automobile antiquarians dedicated to the preservation of PRE - 1916 ancient motor vehicles. "BAHCC" is one of the numerous Regional Groups of the Horseless Carriage Club of America "HCCA" which has 4600 members nationwide. "HCCA" membership is required of all active touring Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club Members, but is not required for "Associate" members. New membership into our club is invited.

# BAHCC TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR TOUR/SWAP MEET INFORMATION: 510-835-6069

**MEETINGS:** First Wednesday @ 7:30 PM monthly (except July and December - no meeting) at Piedmont Community Hall, Piedmont, CA near Piedmont City Hall. (Public Phone at the hall: 510-547-9311) April and November are potluck dinners starting at 6:30 PM. Guests welcome. Special presentations at meetings.

**BOARD MEETINGS:** No longer monthly. See calendar for schedule. Members welcome.

ADDRESS: c/o President PHONE: c/o President

WEBSITE: www.BAHCC.org

#### **EDITORS NOTES:**

We are starting the new year off with easy activities that will ease us into the touring season. The Nut's and Bolts event on January 8th and the Great Train Ride and visit to Old Sacramento. Take a look inside this issue to see what is coming up. The February Sweetheart lunch promises to be a nice way to treat your sweetheart to a day out so be sure to make your reservations. The Byl's have been working hard to get our Mendocino Tour planned. It looks like a great tour and sign-ups will begin at our February meeting. Sign up early to be sure that you are not left out of this May tour. If you are interested in helping out, be sure and let them know also.

Remember all are welcome to join members for dinner at the El Agavero Mexican Restaurant.

# From the West Wing

of the work shop.

It's February already and the BAHCC is running strong on all four cylinders. In the first month of the year we had a very interesting Nuts & Bolts tour of the facilities of Nichols Manufacturing and Nichols Sport Bike Service in Milpitas, and a most enjoyable train ride to Sacramento for sightseeing, a visit to Sacramento Vintage Ford Parts, various museums and a fun time with friends.



January's Board meeting was about two fun filled hours of planning for the clubs' future. The Byl's Spring Tour promises to be a great one to be held May 12, 13,14,15 in Willits. The tour will include a visit to Ridgewood Ranch, the retirement home of Seabiscuit, "horse racing's all-time leading money winner" and star of a movie of the same name. What does this have to do with cars? Seabiscuit and Ridgewood Ranch were owned by Charles Stewart Howard, stamped perhaps the most successful Buick salesman of all time. Howard owned Buick Dealerships all over the West Coast of the U.S. beginning in 1906 in San Francisco. There's a lot to see and do there so mark your calendars now.

The subject of a swap meet keeps coming up. Should we do this again? Think about it because the membership may be asked for their opinion. That's you!

The Vice Presidents' job description may be changing. The Board is discussing making the VP a coordinator of club communications and information. Stay tuned for more on this. By the way, who is this new VP? In this issue you will find out. Read on.

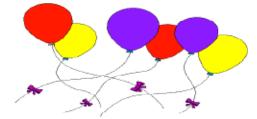
Rumor has it that the Durein's took off for Scottsdale and the Barrett – Jackson Auction in January. Did they buy anything? Come to the February meeting and find out!

Do you have a project car that has been sitting in your garage for years and you'd like to get it going? This club has the knowledge and skills and resources to help you fulfill your dream. Sign up for a Nuts & Bolts visit to your garage and our dream team will move into action. Call now!

Happy Motoring, Whitney Haist Prez

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

SILVEIRA	Barbara	2/3
MACCALLEN	Roger	2/6
KOPP	Jack	2/7
HOFFMAN	Diane	2/7
CROWELL	Christine	2/9
GURNEE	Anne	2/10
AZEVEDO	Genelle	2/12
ZIMMERMAN	Marlene	2/17
EBERS C	harles	2/21
CERRUTI	Veronica	2/22
PRATT	Scheryn	2/22
PAVA	David	2/23
CRUZ/ZYLSTRA	Harold	2/24
DUREIN	Susan	2/27



#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Chet	Marlene	Feb. 5, 1986
Don	Barbara	Feb. 9, 1952
Steve	Diane	Feb. 13, 1982
Bill	Kaaren	Feb. 19, 196
Lee	Marianne	Feb. 25, 195
	Don Steve Bill	Don Barbara Steve Diane Bill Kaaren



# Welcome Aboard!





by Eric Lundquist

Don and Joyce Azavedo once again did an outstanding job of organizing the BAHCC annual train trip to Sacramento, and subsequent gala Mexican dinner in Martinez. Tonv Wollesen, Jim Boyden and three of Jim's "Hot rod" friends boarded the California Special in San Jose at 8AM Saturday morning; then at 9:44AM the rest of us boarded in Martinez including Whitney and Diane Haist and two guests, Ed and Karen Archer, Bill and Kaaren Brommer, Don and Joyce Azavedo, Eric and Muriel Lundquist with grandkids Alexis and Tyler Lundquist, and Don and Pam Johnson. Happy to have everyone on board.

The weather this year was cooler than normal. Fortunately there was no rain. Visibility was low, with no sun, and no scenery to look at, and in our "car" we were riding backwards, so we got to see where we had been "in the fog". About an hour and \$27.00 later (round trip) we arrived in Sacramento.

On arrival, half of the group took the Sacramento Light Rail to Sacramento Vintage Ford in Rancho Cordova, about 20 miles away; the remainder headed to Old Town for lunch and shopping. The Light Rail train was a "adventure" in itself and we had no trouble finding it as it departed from almost the same spot as the California Special, different



rails of course. Light Rail operates on the "honor system" as we didn't see any "conductors" to take our tickets. Our "Sunrise" station was stop #18, and at each stop, Donnie and I kept asking "are we there yet". I think that drove Jim and Tony nuts. Jim's Hot Rod guys seemed to like it however, and they were a nice group.

Four vehicles were waiting at Sunrise Station to take us one mile to Sacramento Vintage Ford. Jim and Kathy Ryan had their 1915 Hudson, Robert Hopkins brought his 1915 Hudson, there was also a 1934 Ford two door with rumble seat that Tyler Lundquist (our grandson) rode in. Joe Anino was there in his car for backup for the 1 mile trip to Vintage Ford. Rae didn't make the trip, but we told Joe to wish her well.

I rode up in the front seat of the Hudson with Jim Ryan. These Hudson's had the Hudson 6-40 engine, which referred to six cylinders and 40 horsepower, a very high number for that vintage car, and most cars then had only four cylinder engines. The Hudsons' were very strong and large cars, and the brief trip was reminiscent of various tours in our "pre-1916 vehicles". Cold, windy, but with the smooth powerful engine and up-shifting through the gears. Fun.

Sacramento Vintage Ford (excellent website - www.vintageford.com) has probably been around for at least 60 years. Its 10,000 sf (approx) showroom accommodates dozens of cars, frames and parts for sale, along with a vintage "soda fountain" where most of us enjoyed

lunch. This is a place to surely put on your 'bucket list" to visit. Their personnel were very helpful, and there were many many unique items to Ford, that just looked fun. Videos of Ford racers on Bonneville were shown, which Doug King would have loved to see that as he is in the 200 mph club for Bonneville. Tyler found a "cast" replica of a 1934 Ford pickup for \$8.00. I asked Tyler if he thought this would make it home without being broken, and of course he said "of course, no problem, Grandpa". Well, by the time we finished dinner, the spare tire was gone, and front bumper had come off. The tire was found on the floor, and Muriel and Tyler "superglued" the bumper the next morning.

We took the Light Rail 45 minutes back to Sacramento, walked to Old Town, and found Muriel, Alexis and Pam Johnson and two of Muriel's friends that had driven down from Eldorado Hills near where George and Fran Sherman live. They had eaten lunch at Fat City (excellent restaurant by



the way). Donnie and I found them downstairs at a great shop for antique dresses next door to Fat City.

While Donnie and I watched the girls trying on hats and wigs, several "strange" costumed people arrived wearing strikingly beautiful

Victorian costumes. They looked like they might be from a "movie set", maybe "Maverick" or some dandies from the "old west". Both men and women <u>had</u> hats with goggles. Their group, the





"Steampunks", got together yearly and had just finished their lunch on the Sacramento Steamboat at the Old Town Wharf.

They were in the store for the same



reason we were, to find vintage clothing. Their goggles were from the Jules Verne (1850's) era, where the Steampunks originated. They were "time travelers", long before the automobile. In May 2010, the Steampunks group exhibited across from the BAHCC at the San Mateo County – Makers Fair. I look forward to talking

more to them at this vears Makers Fair. Very unique group, incredibly intricate costumes and headgear. This is a very "dedicated" high class group that



BAHCC should invite to attend some of our outings, and perhaps interest them in joining BAHCC. Our costumes and clothingaregood, their sare unbelievable.

After shopping, everyone met back at the train depot, and boarded the 5:44 train back to Martinez. Some years ago, Don and Joyce had found a great Mexican restaurant about two blocks from the train station, so we headed there for dinner, and after marguerita's, dinner, and desert, we headed home.

Nice job, Don and Joyce, and thanks to all that attended.

# OLD SACRAMENTO TRAIN TRIP by Joyce Azevedo

The California State Railroad Museum's exhibit, Rails and Reels: Hollywood, Trains and the Making of Motion Pictures, has something to intrigue everyone from movie fans to train buffs! The exhibit features a variety of railroad-related artifacts, such as scale models of railroad cars used for special effect crash scenes in the 1939 epic Union Pacific; a full-size smokestack and headlamp used to "backdate" steam locomotives to represent the "Old West," station signs used in movies, including High Noon, a costume from the 1979 television movie Orphan Train, plus sheet music, movie posters, lobby cards, original film scripts, and other Hollywood-themed promotional items from railroad related films dating from the early 1900s. This was the stage at the main event of the day – The Railroad Museum.

Whether you are a fan of railroads or automobiles or antique clothing there was something for everyone on our day adventure to Old Sacramento aboard Amtrac.

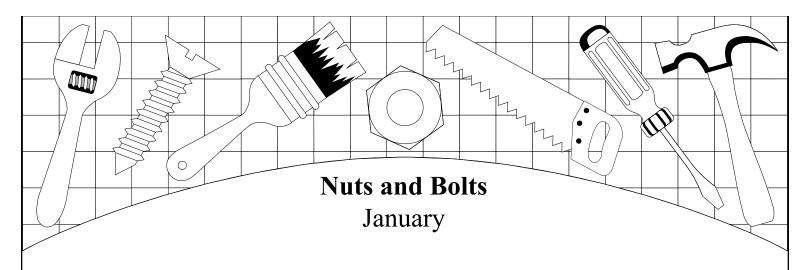
Member's road the train from as far south as San Jose, but most boarded the train at the Martinez Station for about an hour ride into Old Town Sacramento.

Some boarded the Light Rail immediately for a ride to the Ford Museum and a day of looking at cars. They were greeted by local members in their antique cars that drove them the rest of the way to the Ford Museum.

Some that stayed back walked the town, ate lunch, and enjoyed the shopping. One great stop was the SACRAMENTO CITY DRY GOODS Store which had a variety of Men's and Ladies' clothing and hats, mostly from the 1800's, but some early 1900's. A small clothing museum was opened for some to tour and see originals dating from the early 1800's. Madam Peterson takes these antique fashions and makes patterns, which she sells in the store. Early style wigs were also available and if not in stock could be ordered as Pam, Muriel and Joyce did. They had a lot of fun trying on hats and sampling the wigs as you can see by the photos.

After a day of fun we all boarded the train back to Martinez or San Jose. Those who started in Martinez walked to dinner at the local Mexican Restaurant in town.

It was a fun day for all who attended, thanks Don Azevedo for organizing this event.



### Varoooooooom

That's the sound we all heard as Mike Lawrence put his racing motorcycle through it's paces on the Dynamometer. Over 100 horsepower and over 100 MPH. Wow! This is just one of many things that Mike does everyday at the Nickols Manufacturing Company where Mike works. Of course he tests other peoples' motorcycles as well. In addition to the Dynamometer test he gave us a full tour of the facilities. We were able to view a CNC milling machine turn out a very delicate part made of Delron - a very tough plastic. It is amazing to see all of the machining done so accurately and precisely without the touch of a human hand -all done with computer programming. The operator need only put in a fresh piece of stock and then remove the finished item. The shop has quite a number of machines, both milling machines and lathes that turn out all sorts of work for the Air Force, as well as, other government agencies. We were shown a very delicate part about the size of a football that had been carved from a solid billet of aluminum. It would have been a very hard job for a milling machine operator to have done this the old fashioned way and certainly would have taken a lot longer. Thanks Mike for a great day.







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# **Nuts and Bolts** February

The February Nuts and Bolts will be held at Bill Brommer's house, Saturday, February 5, - 9:00 AM to Noon at 19529 Alana Road, Castro Valley, CA. For questions call Bill at (510) 538-1795.

The project of the day will be to get Bill's 1908 One Cylinder Cadillac started and running. After 2 years of a ground-up restoration the car needs to be ready for the One and Two cylinder tour in April. That is April of this year! So come on by and give Bill a hand - on the end of the crank handle. See you there.



#### A BABY SHOWER

An invitation to the Ladies of the Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club ---please join us in celebrating the pending arrival of

Ben & Erika Kopman's new baby boy.

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Sunday, February 20, 2011 - 1 to 3 PM

1309 Blake St., Berkeley, CA 94702

Registered: Babies R Us, Amazon.com & Target

R.S.V.P. requested to: Kaaren Brommer (510) 538-1795 or kebrommer@aol.com

#### This warning is a good one! I wonder how many people know about this~

A 36 year old female had an accident several weeks ago and totaled her car. A resident of Kilgore, Texas she was traveling between Gladewater & Kilgore. It was raining, though not excessively, when her car suddenly began to hydro-plane and literally flew through the air. She was not seriously injured but very stunned at the sudden occurrence!

When she explained to the highway patrolman what had happened he told her something that every driver should know - NEVER DRIVE IN THE RAIN WITH YOUR CRUISE CONTROL ON . She thought she was being cautious by setting the cruise control and maintaining a safe consistent speed in the rain. But the highway patrolman told her that if the cruise control is on when your car begins to hydro-plane and your tires lose contact with the pavement, Your car will accelerate to a higher rate of speed making you take off Like an airplane. She told the patrolman that was exactly what had occurred.

The patrolman said this warning should be listed, on the driver's seat Sun-visor - NEVER USETHE CRUISE CONTROL WHEN

THE PAVEMENT IS WET OR ICY, along with the airbag warning. We tell our teenagers to set the cruise control and drive a safe speed - but we don't tell them to use the cruise control only when the pavement is dry.

The only person the accident victim found, who knew this (besides the patrolman), was a man who had a similar accident, totaled His car and sustained severe injuries.

NOTE: Some vehicles (like the Toyota Sienna Limited XLE) will not allow you to set the cruise control when the windshield wipers are on. If you send this to 15 people and only one of them doesn't know about this, then it was all worth it.. You might have saved a life.

http://www.snopes.com/autos/techno/wetroad.asp

# Treat your Sweetheart to a Champaign Brunch for Valentine Da<sub>2</sub>

February 13<sup>th</sup> ---- 11:15 am

\$13.95 per person

I LOVE VOU Mexico Lindo Restaurant 6690 Knoll Center Parkway Pleasanton (corner of Knoll Center Drive and Bernal Ave., one block east of I-680)

BE MY VALENTINE

Come on out and enjoy an excellent Champaign Brunch of traditional Mexican foods plus Chicken, Ribs, fruits and deserts or an omelet cooked to order. Enjoy food and friends and after brunch, we will take a short tour of 20+ miles if the weather is favorable and there is enough interest.

Directions: Exit I-680 at Bernal Ave. (Fairgrounds exit) and go East for one block. Turn left on Koll Center Drive for one block. Turn right on Koll Center Parkway and turn right into the parking lot. If you are pulling a trailer, take an immediate left in the parking lot and park between the vacant buildings and Koll Center Parkway.

If you have not already signed up and want to come, please call Esther or Joe at 915-846-8512 or write <a href="mailto:essiejoe@sbcglobal.net">essiejoe@sbcglobal.net</a>.

#### **TOOLS EXPLAINED**

#### **DRILL PRESS:**

A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

#### **WIRE WHEEL:**

Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, "Oh, \*\*\*#!"

#### SKILSAW:

A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

#### **PLIERS:**

Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

#### **BELT SANDER:**

An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

#### **HACKSAW:**

One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle...

It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

#### **VISE-GRIPS:**

Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

#### **OXYACETYLENE TORCH:**

Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race..

#### **TABLE SAW:**

A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

#### **HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK:**

Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

#### **BAND SAW:**

A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminum sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

#### TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST:

A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

#### **PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER:**

Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but, can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

#### STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER:

A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws and butchering your palms.

#### PRY BAR:

A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

#### **HOSE CUTTER:**

A tool used to make hoses too short.

#### **HAMMER:**

Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent the object we are trying to hit.

#### **UTILITY KNIFE:**

Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while you are wearing them.

#### Son of a b\*\*\*h TOOL:

Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling "Son of a b\*\*\*h" at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.



1906 Turcat-Mery

Celebratated as the marque that won the inaugural Monte Carlo Rally in 1911

#### 1911 THE FIRST MONTE CARLO RALLY – MONACO

1911 was the year of the first Monte Carlo Automobile Rally held at the request of Prince Albert I, grandfather of Prince Rainier III (married Grace Kelly). 23 cars showed up for the first race which covered 1000 Kilometer (625 miles) in the countryside just North of tiny Monaco, situated between France and Italy. These cars set out from different locations in Europe, and all converged on Monte Carlo as their "finish" line.

The first race was more of a showpiece for automobile manufactures to demonstrate the design and comfort of their cars. Race results were based on a combination of road worthiness, plus judges perception of the vehicles, which was somewhat arbitrary, and made some entrants unhappy. But, those that won, gave the manufacturer a great deal of publicity.

Cars racing included a 1911 Turcat-Mery (45 hp closed car sedan), a Gobron and a Martini. The Turcat-Mery was a French car made from 1899 to 1928 in Marseille, France., and bore the last names of its founders. They had purchased a Panhard et Lavassor and Peugot, and improved upon the designs before producing their Turcat-Mery and had been racing the cars since 1903.

The Gobron car is also known as a Gobron-Brille (French) and the Martini (Swiss) cars were designed for racing, and had been manufacturing and racing cars as early as 1903 so it is not unusual for them to be interested in the first Monte Carlo Rally. All manufacturers suffered in WW1, and by WWII all three companies had gone out of business.

Eric Lundquist.

# BAHCC BACK ROAD MENDOCINO COUNTRY TOUR MAY 12-15, 2011

Enjoy: Touring over the scenic back roads of Mendocino We will Visit:

Mendocino (Thursday)

Seabiscuit Ranch (Friday)

• Emandal organic Farm and Ranch (Friday)

Covelo and possible wine tasting (Saturday)

Train and Farm Museum (Sunday AM)

Roots Steam Engine Restoration ( Sunday AM)

Possible education regarding fire prevention and control/or wine tasting

**Dress**: Era clothing appreciated but not required

**Lodging**: Hotel Baechtel Creek Inn and Spa RV Resort

101 Gregory Lane, Willits, CA 95490

707-459-9063

Special rate: \$110 plus tax

The hotel is holding 20 rooms at this price. Please make your own reservations ASAP. This rate includes swimming, hot tubs, breakfast and parking This special rate will only be guaranteed for 20 rooms. After that, the price may return to the usual rate (\$130 plus tax)

For those who want to stay in their trailer: KOA Camping and RV 1600 Hwy 20, Willits CA 95490 707-459-6179

**Tour Costs**: \$250 driver \$200 Adult passengers This includes:

- 2 half days and two full days of touring
- Cocktails: Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening in conference room
- Breakfast: Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Hotel
- Box lunches Friday, Saturday and Sunday (may have banquet)
- Dinners Friday and Saturday evening
- Tours and activities at Seabiscuit, Emandal, Museum
- Trailer parking across the street from hotel
- Security

**Registration**: With a completed Registration Form, please send a nonrefundable deposit of \$100 payable to BAHCC. Balance due April 1st. Send your form and deposit:

Jennifer Byl Blaker 13650 Longridge Road Los Gatos, CA 95033 408 307-3388











## **BAHCC**

## BACKROAD MENDOCINO COUNTRY TOUR May 12 - 15, 2011

## **REGISTRATION FORM**

Driver Inform	nation			
Name:		HCCA#:		
Street Addres	ss:			
City:		State:	Zip:	
Phone#:	I	E-mail address:		
Names of Pas (age if child)				
Car Informati	ion			
Make:	Model:	Year:	Body Style:	
Insurance Car	rrier:		Policy #	
Waiver of Re	elease and Liability (Please r	ead and sign)		
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Driver's Print	ted Name			
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Tour Chairs:	Nancy and Fred Byl Eric and Muriel Lundquist Doug and Mary Lou King Don and Pam Johnson	510-798-2459 650-888-5096 or 650-8 510-537-3909 707-782-0229	88-5097	



## A Biographical Sketch on BAHCC's 2011 Vice President Lynn Kissel

Lynn David Kissel was born on April 3, 1949 in Lancaster, New York. Displaying an aptitude for science and mathematics, he received his Ph.D. in physics in 1977. Married in 1972 to Jeanne, they have one son, Andrew, born in 1978. They moved to their current home in Livermore in 1991. Lynn's hobbies include: restoring, driving and exhibiting his antique cars; personal computing,

digital photography and website development; and writing.

Lynn's professional career included positions at the University of Pittsburgh, PA, Sandia National Laboratories, NM, and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, CA. His work focused on high-performance computing, computational physics and the direct numerical evaluation of the interaction of x-rays and gamma-rays with matter. Lynn had a key role in the development of BlueGene/L, the world's fastest supercomputer in 2005-2007. Through his international science efforts, Lynn spent time in foreign destinations including Argentina, Brazil, China, Croatia, England, France, Germany, India, Poland, Romania, Russia and Sweden. He retired in 2009 as Deputy Program Director for Advanced Simulation and Computing at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

A shade tree mechanic as a teenager, Lynn would run his modified 1966 Chevy at the local drag strip on weekends. Much later in life, Lynn raced *AtomAnt* (a modified Mini Cooper S) on road tracks across California and Nevada. Attributing his mechanical skills to his father, John, Lynn's interest in pre-war automobiles has been developing only since 2005.

The Kissels enjoy anthropomorphizing (attributing human characteristics to inanimate objects) by giving names to their cars. They currently enjoy the activities and the people they meet through them with *Annie* (1914 KisselKar Touring), *Bugsby* (1924 Kissel Speedster, aka a *Gold Bug*), *Ginger* (1937 Cord Beverly), *Penny* (1938 Olds Coupe), *Moleka* (1979 Mercedes SL), *Queenie* (2003 Ford Excursion), *Goldie* (2004 Jaguar S-type) and *Gypsy* (2007 Toyota Prius). In 2010, Lynn and Jeanne were honored to exhibit *Bugsby* at the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance.

Maintaining a personal website he calls *Locomotus Primordius* (www.starship.org), Lynn chronicles his adventures with his small automobile collection. Having created the current site for NorCal Olds a few years ago, Lynn has recently assumed responsibility for managing the website for NorCal CCCA (Classic Car Club of America).

In 2009 Lynn published a four-page history of Kissel radiator emblems in *The Kisselgraph* (December, 2009; newsletter of the KisselKar Klub). More recently, his brief history of the Kissel Motor Car Company and a report on an historic gathering of *Gold Bugs* filled seven pages of the CCCA *Classic Car* (Volume 58, Number 4, Winter 2010).

Lynn's current projects include freshening of *Annie* and *Ginger*. He is also developing a multipart article for the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Club Newsletter on modeling and measurements of the airflow around a Cord radiator.



## Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club Minutes of General Meeting Wednesday, January 5, 2011

Meeting opened at 7:39 p.m.

Officers Present: Board Chairman, Kaaren Brommer, President, Whitney Haist, Vice President, Lynn Kissel, Secretary, Mark Cerruti

President Haist opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the first meeting of the New Year.

Johnny Crowell introduced the only guest present, his son Mike Reilly.

President Haist asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 2010 General Meeting. The minutes were not approved pending review by Don Azevedo.

Treasurers Report: Dave Pava was absent but did forward a report to the President. Whitney conveyed that there were no significant changes to the financial status of the club in the past month.

Chairman Report: Kaaren Brommer thanked Johnny and Christine Crowell for the post-meeting treats. The Brommers have agreed to take over Hospitality and urged club members to sign-up for future meetings.

Vice Presidential Report: Lynn Kissel, had nothing to report other than buying his wife a new 6-year-old car.

Gazette Report: Editor, Muriel Lundquist was absent. Whitney suggested a possible new feature for the Gazette, of club members writing self-bios. He added that it might be interesting to see what other member's interests and experiences are. Lynn Kissel agreed. Don Johnson and Doug King mentioned that a similar feature was utilized several years ago with some success.

Bill Brommer announced that this Saturday's "Nuts & Bolts" will be hosted by Mike Lawrence, at his shop in Milpitas. Bill sent a sign-up sheet around the room looking for volunteers to host future gatherings.

Sunshine Report: John Morrison informed members of Barbara Silveira's serious illness. However, Barbara is responding very well to treatment. - - - John also reported on Louise Rosen's recent auto accident, and further complications during her hospital stay. - - - Tony Wollesen informed members of Jack Kopp's very serious condition. Members remarked on receiving Christmas cards and other correspondence from Jack despite the severity of his illness, not to mention his advanced age.

Tour Report: Ed Archer began the report with the upcoming Train Tour to Sacramento. Ed mentioned a side tour to "Sacramento Vintage Fords Parts" via the Light Rail which Charles Ebers remarked as an exceptional value. Don Azevedo announced that members may meet for dinner at a Mexican restaurant in Martinez following the tour. - - - Joe and Esther Sernach have a Sweet-Heart lunch and possible tour planned for the Sunday

before Valentine's Day. Attendees will have lunch at a Mexican restaurant in Pleasanton, with a 20 to 30 mile car tour to follow, weather permitting. - - - Johnny Crowell is working on the March Green Brass Tour but has no date as yet. - - - Nancy and Fred Byl reported on their progress of the May tour in the Mendocino area. They are looking at hotels in the Willits area and are investigating a possible side-tour to the ranch connected to the racehorse Seabiscuit, then watching the movie that evening. Other possible side-tours include a visit to the Parducci Winery, the town of Covelo, and the Skunk Train in Fort Bragg. Nancy is thinking May 12-15 for the tour. Jim Boyden, Johnny Crowell and Karen Archer urged Nancy to pick a date ASAP and "stick-with-it!" Joyce Azevedo recommended getting the tour info to the National Gazette so it can be posted. Lynn Kissel introduced the hazard of driving brass cars on US 101, which will be inevitable during the tour. He showed members a Flashing Yellow Light that could be mounted on the rear of an old car, citing the Morrison incident of last year as good reason to do so. Esther Sernach mentioned that the CHP can be helpful as an escort. - - - President Haist apprised members of the "Pacific Coast Dream Machine" show in Half Moon Bay.

Ladies Activities: No activities planned other than the "ladies only" baby shower for Erika Kopman on February 20<sup>th</sup>.

Website: Erika Kopman reported that the new email feature is working very well. Also, she has updated the site to reflect the new Board Members.

Communications: Don Azevedo spoke of Bob Hopkins' 1912 Model 43 Buick. Bob's grandson, Patrick, now has the car and is looking for original photos of the car from past shows or meets.
- - - Don Johnson says he may get his Model T, which crashed last year, back from Henningsen next week. - - - Doug Durein showed the attendees a Reverse Thread Chaser Kit he found in the November Hemmings Motor News. - - - Bill Brommer recommended an old book that is now back in print, "Ford Methods and the Ford Shops." The book is about how the cars were built. - - - A member reported that white tires will soon be unavailable. Production at the Vietnam factory has ceased, due to poor workmanship, some say. - - - Whitney Haist offered the group the old tires off his Model T Ford. - - - John Morrison held up lost & found articles from the Christmas Party.

New Business: President Haist met a gentleman who had participated in the "Great Race" driving his 8 cylinder Chevrolet, and may come to speak to the group at a future meeting. - - - Esther Sernach suggested a good guest speaker would be someone who is an expert in what to do in the event of a car fire. - - - Don Azevedo is looking into tracking systems for antique cars, due to the events of 12/19, and will keep members informed of his findings.

President Haist reminded members that "dues are due!" and asked for a move to close the meeting. Kaaren Brommer raised a motion to close and Erika Kopman seconded the motion.

The meeting closed at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Mark Cerruti, Secretary

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January 15 Saturday Sacramento train trip. Don Azevedo

January 29-30 Turlock Swap Meet

February 13 Valentine's Day Lunch and possible tour Joe & Esther Sernach

March Green Brass Tour Johnny Crowell and Mike Riley

March 18-19 Chickasha Swap Meet

\*April

April 14-16 Bakersfield Swap Meet April 1&2 Cyl. Tour (2010 21-24)

May 21-22 Maker Fair, San Mateo Expo Center Erika Kopman

May 12-15 Bay Area Spring Tour Fred and Nancy Byl

\*June Tour & Picnic?

June 11-12 SCVMTFC Endurance Run and Lowland Tour

June 26 Palo Alto Concours Lynn Kissel

July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Parade Piedmont John Morrison

\*July

July 26-29 HCCA National Tour Oregon City, Oregon

August 13? Alameda Tour Durein, Casssidy and Ebers
August 28 Hillsborough Concours Eric Lundquist

September 11 Autos in History Park, San Jose John Morrison

September Silver State Tour (2010 19-21)

\*October 5-8 Hershey Swap Meet

\*October Pumpkin Tour

\*November Holiday Tour

December Christmas Party

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<sup>\*</sup>Need a volunteer to plan an event for this date.

