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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

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EDITORS NOTES:

Happy New Year!

Welcome to our new 2012 Board and a big THANK YOU to our retiring board members. We appreciate your hard work and all of your time devoted to making our club a very special organization. To the many others who are working in the background with tours and committees we thank you for all you do for our club. Dave Pava has asked that all members be reminded that their dues is due by December 31, 2011. If you have not yet made your decision as to whether to receive your Gazette by mail or just email you need to decide before the next issue as this will be the last mailed copy without dues payment. Send your check and membership information for updates to our file to Dave Pava. All information was sent with the December Gazette.

Our New President Lynn Kissel



Living in an information age...

I hope that this first note as your new BAHCC board president finds you and your family in good health and spirits. I'm looking forward to another fabulous year of activities with you and our old cars.

Did you enjoy yourself at our annual holiday dinner-dance and party in December? Jeanne and I sure did. Carolee and John Morrison certainly produced another spectacular evening and we should thank them for their efforts. The food was great and we really enjoyed shaking our old bones out on the dance floor.

We have a great organization with a large number of active members, fun tours and social activities, great venues for communication of our ideas through our newsletter and website. It's hard to find ways we might improve on this situation. Still I have one thought for the new year that I'd like to run up the flag pole; will anyone salute?

I would like to see more information content in our monthly meetings. In the ideal world, each of us would come away from these meetings with more knowledge about our hobby, our fellow members or the general human condition. I have some ideas on ways we might make this happen, but I solicit your thoughts, too.

As a simple way to get started, I'm hoping that it may be fun to institute a BAHCC *Show and Tell* segment at our monthly meeting. We will go around the room and solicit voluntary comments from those present.

I imagine these to be brief teasers that would run a minute or two. Questions and comments from others might extend the conversation, but if it goes too long we might suggest the discussion be continued later over refreshments. Bringing a prop (a small piece of hardware, a can of product, a hat pin or some other bit of physical stuff) will help illustrate your remarks and make them less abstract. Your topic need not be profound, yet shared, it might trigger a profound thought in others. To make this most effective, it will help for each of us to think about in the days before the meeting.

Do you want some examples of what I'm thinking about? What project you are currently working on?

What new or subtle insight have you gotten? What new piece of vintage hardware or clothing have you acquired? Have you read something about life during the horseless-carriage era? What strange little problem have you encountered or solved? What new or old product have you used that worked well or poorly? As one concrete example to help get us started in January, I plan to bring a can of *Slip Plate*TM, some treated metal and my opinion to how well I expect it to work on leaf springs that I'm rebuilding.

What do you think? Will you help me by bringing a bit of information to our meetings and sharing it with others?

Your president,
Lynn Kissel

[Photo – Royal_Tourist.jpg]

A Royal Tourist model US Army vehicle, circa 1906. The vehicle was the conveyance of General Frederick Funston (leftmost figure in the back seat). (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brass_Era_car)



Annual Christmas Party 2011

Our annual Holiday Dinner Dance and Installation of the 2012 Board was held at the Community Hall in Piedmont on Saturday, December 10th. With gifts for all from Santa and music by our old favorite the Home Grown Band the evening was quite festive. A special thank you goes to Carolee and John Morrison for their planning and hard work in making the evening such a great success.







Holiday Tour, 2011

The Sunday after Thanksgiving is a traditional day for touring in cars, old and new. Those not "touring" to or from Grandma's house gathered at Rudgear Park and ride for a day that started with hot coffee and low-fat donuts. Tour leader Don arrived in his 1931 Model A and brought daughter Kelly along to take pictures for the day. Several people trailered their cars to the starting spot, but none came as far as Jim and Kathy Ryan. They came all the way from Orangevale. They were accompanied by friends from the east coast and joined later by guests from the Lafayette area.

After downing all those donuts, the group departed for Orchard Nursery in Lafayette. What a treat it is to shop there, even if you're only window shopping. We enjoyed the indoor shops as well as the nursery area itself with so many decorated trees we could not count them.

After leaving the nursery (some of us reluctantly) we toured beautiful tree-lined streets and roads as we made our way to Martinez. There, we were welcomed at the museum of our hosts Norm and Adria. A beautiful lunch was laid out for all to enjoy. First, we had to pry the fellas away



Decorating Motel T Style



Archers always have fun

from the restoration projects, but eventually, everyone had a seat and enjoyed the food and fellowship. After lunch, Don led the tourists back to the start/finish line and we called it a day.

Those attending were: Azevedo's, Don & Kelly, Alex (in the 1914 Buick) with guest, Kelly T., Ed and Karen Archer (1915 Ford Speedster), David & Patricia Pava (1936 Packard), Lloyd and Jane Riggs (1956 T-Bird), Bill Cassidy (1914 Model T), Charles Ebers (1912 Model T), Mark Cerruti (1931 Model A), Whitney & Diane Haist (1924 Dodge), Lynn & Jeanne Kissell (1938 Olds), John Morrison, brother Lane & son & Tony Wolleson, (1935 Ford), Jim & Kathy Ryan and guests (1915 Hudson), and Mike & Rene Lawrence (1911 Mitchell). Those who came in modern cars were Bill & Kaaren Brommer, Bill Austen and Joyce Azevedo. Add the Schwartz family to that and we had a healthy turn-out of 35 members and friends. Many thanks to all who helped with this tour and lunch and thank you to Kelly A. for the photos.

Joyce Azevedo



Archer Model T



Train around the pond at the nursery



Karen Archer dons her gay apparel



Beautiful tree in Martinez



Car of the Week: 1926 Ford Model TT

Phil Teslow isn't sure if Al Capone ever really spent any time behind the wheel of a Model TT Ford truck. It's certainly possible, though, that some of Capone's law-breaking mafia family knocked around in the durable Ford trucks while they were pedaling beer and booze back in the Capone gang's 1920s heyday.

But chances are that if Capone and his cronies ever piloted such a vehicle, they never had one as nice as Teslow's splendid Ford flatbed stake truck. And they almost certainly didn't drive around with a sign on the door of the truck announcing who they were.

"I always had the idea for a truck like this, and I knew it was the kind of truck Capone could have used," said Teslow, who's wonderfully restored and reconstructed 1926 Ford wears a sign that reads "Alphonse Capone 2nd Hand Furniture" on the side — a nod to Capone's actual business card from the day. "This one doesn't look like it came out of the factory. The paint is not flat or matte — it looks like a working truck and that's kind of what I was after.

"Capone wasn't going to be driving any shiny truck around with his booze in it!"

This article and picture was taken from OLD CARS WEEKLY online, Car of the week, November 22, 2011.

DUES REMINDER:

Treasurer, David Pava reports that many members have not yet paid 2012 dues. To avoid uninterrupted membership benefits please renew your membership today. A yellow renewal form was included with the Gazette last month; it is probably sitting on top of your desk - \$35 for email membership or \$60 with the Gazette by US Mail. Checks should be made payable to the BAHCC and mailed to David before January 1, 2012. To avoid having your name published next month send your check today!

CALENDAR Line up

- January 4 Club Meeting
Piedmont
- January 14 Nuts and Bolts
Doug's Garage
See announcement
- January 18 Board Meeting
Kissel Residence
- October 10-13 Hershey Swap Meet
- Sponsor a tour by contacting
Tour chairman Ed Archer

Do you have something to sell?

Advertise in the Gazette. Contact a board member for more information.

Share ideas in the Gazette or write an article about your favorite pre 16 car and be published in our Gazette. Contact the editor with your ideas.

FOR THE LADIES

1914 Shirtwaist

Fig. 400 Closing with graduated box-plait at center-front; wide graduated tuck over the shoulder; one-piece full-length sleeve with deep cuff; with or without turn-back cuff. All the pattern pieces were contained in the envelope. The illustrations are copied from the front and back of the envelope.

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1910 Gibson Tuck Blouse

The blouse is easy and quick to construct. The original embroidery pattern can be done entirely with an outline stitch. If you can sew an even running stitch you can embroider an outline stitch. Outline stitch lessons are included in the instructions. If you prefer insert lace to embroidery I have included five insert designs.

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1910 High-Neck Blouse

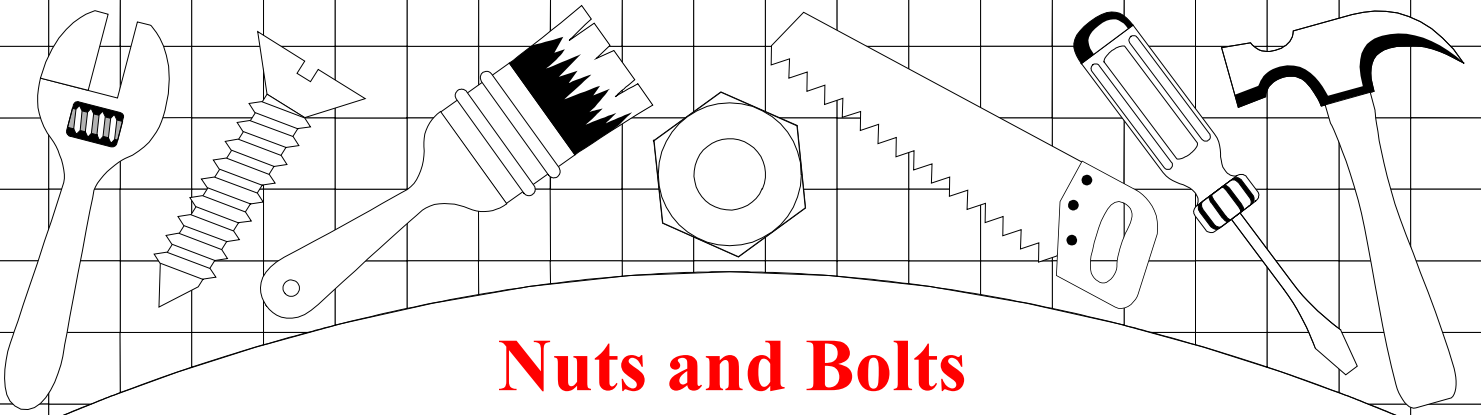
Fig. 403—This blouse was copied for those of you who wish to learn or know how to use French Hand sewing techniques. The instructions include the French Hand sewing method for applying insert lace as well as modern machine methods. If you wish to use insert lace instead of embroidery, five insert lace designs have been included in the instructions.

Special instructions have been included for those who wish to adapt the blouse to a shoulder rather than a center back closure. The patterns were copied with the permission of Bonnie Annett.

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from Esther's collection



Nuts and Bolts

The January Nuts and Bolts will again be hosted by Doug Durein. It will be on Saturday, January 14, 2012 at Doug's Garage 2709 Santa Clara, Alameda, CA. Give Doug a call at 510-523-4995 if you need directions. He promises to have the Pot Belly stove fired up and hot coffee and doughnuts for all. Bring your projects and questions to the session and we will see what surprises Doug has in store for us. So mark the event on your calendar and we will see you there.

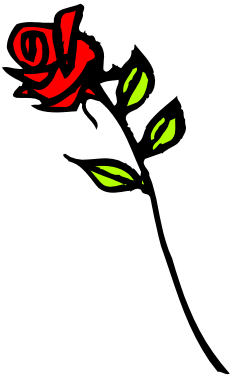
January Birthdays

MORRISON	Carolee	1/1
RYAN	Matt	1/2
METAIS	Anne	1/3



January Anniversaries

NICOLAUS	Stan	Carole	Jan. 16, 1960
RITCHEY	Don	Lillian	Nov. 8, 1985
PAVA	David	Patricia	Jan. 19, 1997
BOYDEN	Jim	Jean	Jan. 25
HOLTHAUS	Mark	Terri	Jan. 27, 1996
ARCHER	Ed	Karen	Jan. 31, 1959



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Minutes of Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 16, 2011

Meeting opened at 8:30 p.m. at the Brass Door Restaurant in San Ramon.

President Haist asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the October Board Meeting. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer David Pava provided the latest p&l statement to those present and added that there were no major changes in the club's financial health since the last meeting.

Old Business: The Holiday Tour being organized by the Azevedo's is on. The tour will be on the Sunday following Thanksgiving and will start at the Walnut Creek *park n ride* and end with lunch at the Schwartz Museum in Martinez.

President Haist reviewed the proposed slate for the Board of Directors for 2012 as follows:

President, Lynn Kissel

Vice President, Fred Byl

Treasurer, David Pava

Secretary, Mark Cerruti

Chairman of the Board, Whitney Haist

Tours & Authenticity, Ed Archer

Membership, *vacant*

Sunshine, Susan Durein

Hospitality, Jeanne Kissel

Gazette Editor, Muriel Lundquist

Web Master, Erika Kopman

David Pava made a motion to accept the board as stated and Kaaren Brommer seconded the motion. The new Board of Directors for 2012 was accepted.

The new Board agreed upon the following dates and locations for future Board Meetings:

January 18th at the Kissel Residence

March 21st at the Brommer Residence

May 16th at the Haist Residence

August 15th at the Cerruti Residence

October 17th at the Pava Residence

November 14th at the Brass Door Restaurant

Vice Presidential Report: VP Lynn Kissel proclaimed that as President, he will continue his efforts to coerce more members to provide biographies for the Gazette. In addition he will work with Erika to make the website a bigger part of the club. Lynn continued that the website needs to be more current and become a "hub of information."

New Business: Doug Durein offered a few suggestions for the coming year. Doug thinks our Roster includes a lot of outdated information and needs to be cleaned-up before the next printing. Doug also would like to see the Nuts & Bolts gathering, which sometimes occurs the Saturday following the General Meetings, to become a regularly scheduled event. He added that there doesn't necessarily need to be a project to attend to, but that it's just fun to get together and "kick tires."

Eric Lundquist will no longer be collecting dues. Members will remit their dues directly to the Treasurer, David Pava.

Lynn Kissel made a motion to close the meeting and Fred Byl seconded the Motion. The meeting closed at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Cerruti, Secretary

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