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Horseless Carriage Club*



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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. Permission to reproduce articles is granted provided credit is given to the original source.

The Gaslight Gazette is published 11 times per year with one issue for the months of JULY and August.

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: Monthly. See calendar for schedule. Members welcome.

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

WEBSITE: www.BAHCC.org

Editors Notes:

Happy New Year!

Plans are being made for an active year with tours, activities and speakers at our meetings. We hope to see you all participating and having fun.

This first meeting has a speaker on the Jeremiah Obrien. There will also be a video presentation. Be sure to attend. Those wishing to join some members for dinner before the meeting - we will be meeting around 6pm at El Agavero in Montclair for Mexican food.

We will again be taking the train to Old Sacramento in January so be sure to read the flyer to get the information on that event. We will be having Nut's and Bolts this month so look for that announcement.

Many of you have already paid your dues and sent back the paperwork to Eric. If you have not done so yet, please do so right away so that we can get the new Roster out early. See you all on January 7th!



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE – JAN 2015

What a great BAHCC Christmas Party Dec. 10th hosted by Carolee and John Morrison, and Susan and Doug Durein, with a special visit by Santa (John Morrison) and Santa's helper (Don Azavedo). The tables were beautiful, the prettiest yet; the dinner magnificent; music by keyboardist Ron Sparza superb. Some asked if Ron could come back again next year. Of course. Thank all of you for putting on this wonderful affair which was enjoyed by all, and made a perfect end to a great 2014.

BAHCC recognizes two new members to the 2015 Board of Directors – Jon Alff and Bill Schrambling, both who are going to “co-chair” the Tour Chairmanship. Their first event is the VALENTINES DAY luncheon. See flier.

At our next meeting, outgoing President, Ed Archer will receive his “farewell” gavel from the BAHCC Board who missed giving Ed this at the Christmas party. Sorry about that Ed, but thanks for a truly great year of leadership, enthusiasm and ideas. We are continuing in your footsteps.

For 2015, the Board and President will endeavor to have speakers at each REGULAR meeting. Subjects may be car related or not; but still will be of general interest so our members can go home thinking “I wouldn't have known that had I not attended the club meeting”. Let's broaden our knowledge with these monthly speakers. Some months are still open for speakers if you have something or someone you want to have at the regular meetings.

2015 will continue where 2014 left off, as your Board has a good precedence to follow. The Board meets monthly, members are invited and the Board looks forward to your comments. It is our mission to give you the best bang for your \$35/\$60 dues money of any car club.

At your service, always, Eric

Eric Lundquist, BAHCC President 2015 650-888-5096 cell

BAHCC EVENTS for January 2015

- 1. Jan. 7th - WED – 7:30 PM REGULAR MEETING:** Our speaker is from the SS Jeremiah O'Brien – last of the WW2 Liberty Ships that is anchored and does regularly scheduled trips around the bay. Don't miss this talk. See flier
- 2. Jan. 10th - SAT – 9:00 AM NUTS AND BOLTS** – Durein Garage – Alameda – Model T Ford Repair – (Doug Durein and Gerald Robinson). See flier.
- 3. Jan. 17th – SAT – 8:55/9:44 AM Sacramento Train Trip** – Jack London Square Amtrak – 8:55AM; Martinez Amtrak – 9:44 (or 9:54 Zephyr). Dinner in Martinez on return. Visit California Auto Museum and Old Town. See flier.

BAHCC EVENTS for February 2015

- 1. Feb. 4th – WED 7:30 PM – REGULAR MEETING:** Guest Speaker – on Art Nouveau – lamps and drawings from the pre 1900 era. Some of the lamps appeared on the first cars. See flier.
- 2. Feb. 15th – SUN 10:00 AM – VALENTINES DAY LADIES LUNCH** at Frankie, Johnny and Luigi Too – Dublin CA. See flier.

Other exciting events for 2015:

- August **Sunday Field Meet** and Bar B Que at the Masonic Home in Union City (Don Azevedo)
- September **Santa Cruz Area Tour** (Sam Gurnee).

ALMOST PROPER CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP

Well, I gotta practice what I preach, so when Karen and I went to pick out and up our Christmas tree this year.....I took our camera, and used it! Disclaimer.....Okay, we didn't pick the tree up in a horseless carriage (as defined by the HCCA) but kinda close, our 1924 Chevrolet truck. It's an annual event for us, the Saturday after Thanksgiving, jump in the old truck head to Reagan's Nursery in Fremont and after arriving there generally within 5 minutes we've made a selection. This year was a little different because the truck was laid up for repairs. The starter stopped working and the poor old truck has needed the brake bands relined for a few years (don't want to rush things). Not that the lining was worn out, it was probably the best thing available "off the shelf" 30 or so years ago, but it's hard woven lining and it just doesn't stop the truck.

Well, once I got the wheels off, I found that the drums were badly worn, I mean real bad, dished on the once flat surface and thin on the outside edge to the point that they had to be replaced. All that took place in August and here we are in November so as you can see it took some serious time but I finally found some good used drums, relined the bands with the new grey molded lining (B & A Friction, San Jose), and picked up the starter from the repair shop in Livermore (Deans Auto Electric), and I could have been ready by Saturday after Thanksgiving....., well close, but I was saved by the rain storm that weekend! So I stayed home and finished the job.

Monday saw improved weather and so as soon as I could find the time I headed down to the garage, turned the ignition key on, hit the starter and after a half revolution.....nothing. So, got the old crank handle out and with one pull choke on and the next pull, choke off it fired right up, and off we went, right into the black clouds that had formed to the south. By the time we reached south Hayward it began raining, and heading further south looked pretty bad, so I turned tail and headed back home. The amazing part is....., we have brakes!!! Even wet they're a far cry better than they were.

When we got home I removed the starter and returned it to the shop. After a couple more days of bad weather, it cleared and still without starter we headed to Fremont and as usual, 5 minutes or so got a great 8 foot tree. We have 10 foot ceilings so an 8 footer is just right. The nursery loves our process and goes overboard helping to load the tree and such. The tree is a light load for a one ton truck and it handled the trip just fine, but with that light a load in a 1 ton truck we got the worst end of the deal with the rough bone shaking ride. The next day Dean called and said the starter was fixed. Evidently according to Dean the truck probably has a bad ground connection and it burnt (melted) the new brush spring that he had installed, so an easy fix for him and the ball is in my court to figure out how to better ground it.

Back to the brake drums, I've got to tell you the rest of the story. After contacting multiple antique parts suppliers and Chevy guys with no success, one of the Chevy guys that specializes in antique truck stuff looked it up in his original parts book and said that the same drums were used from 1923 to 1925, and all of the sudden the light went on in my head (sometimes it's a little dim but still functioning). I have a spare truck rear end assy. in storage, with later model wheels on it, probably 1925 wheels because they are still wood spoke but are smaller dia. as they changed the size in 1925, but the brake drums might be the same. So I went down to Westley where my storage is and sure enough the drums were correct and in good shape. Duhhhhh..... check your own stuff before you expend loads of time trying outside sources. Merry Christmas everyone.

ED ARCHER



SAT JAN 17, 2015

BAHCC Horseless Carriage Train to Sacramento

AMTRAK TRAIN SCHEDULES

<u>Getting to SACRAMENTO</u>		OR	<u>Returning from SACRAMENTO</u>	
Train Numbers	Train #724	#6 Zephyr		Train #743
Lv San Jose	7:50 AM		Lv Sacramento	3:35 PM
Lv Oakland London SQ	8:55 AM		Ar Martinez	4:35 PM
Lv Emeryville	9:05 AM	9:10 AM	Ar Emeryville	5:13 PM
Lv Martinez	9:44 AM		Ar Oakland	5:26 PM
Ar Sacramento	10:58 AM	10:58 AM	Ar San Jose	6:48 PM

Most of the BAHCC will board Train #724 "Capitol Corridor" in Martinez at 9:44 A.M

(There is also the "dome car #6 Zephyr" that leaves Martinez (only) at 9:54. Both the #724 and "#6" arrive in Sacramento at 10:58 AM.

There are plenty of discounted Discounted Tickets on the #724, but limited discount tickets on the more scenic "Zephyr". There is no "Zephyr" service on the return trip.

BAHCC will be Leave Sacramento on Train #743 at 3:35PM; ar Martinez at 4:40 PM

Dinner will be at the great Mexican restaurant in downtown Martinez

AMTRAK TICKETS

50 % Discounted Tickets are available ONLY "On Line" at the link below:

<http://www.amtrak.com/50-off-weekend-travel-capitol-corridor-train>

Discounted Senior - Round trip \$32.50 (Martinez); \$49.30 (Oakland); \$68.00 (San Jose)

SS Jeremiah O'Brien

Mr. Robert Griffing , retired attorney from Piedmont on *SS Jeremiah O'Brien's* history

Launched on June 19, 1943 from South Portland, Maine, the *SS Jeremiah O'Brien* is the sole survivor of the 6,000-ship armada that stormed Normandy on D-Day, 1944. The *O'Brien* made seven World War II voyages, ranging from England and Northern Ireland to South America, to India and Australia. The vessel also made 11 crossings of the English Channel carrying personnel and supplies to the Normandy beaches in support of the D-Day invasion. After the war, the *O'Brien* was «mothballed» at Suisun Bay, north of San Francisco.



The enclosed bridge

In 1979, following dry-docking, generous donations of money and supplies by numerous individuals and companies and thousands of hours of restoration work by her volunteer crew, the old ship entered service on San Francisco Bay in like-new condition.

In 1994 the *O'Brien*, steamed through the Golden Gate, down the west coast, through the Panama Canal, and across the Atlantic to England and France and participated in the 50th Anniversary of Operation Overlord--the Allied invasion at Normandy that turned the tide of World War II in Europe.

Tour the *SS Jeremiah O'Brien*, a [National Historic Landmark](#), permanently moored at Pier 45, at the foot of Taylor St., in San Francisco. Open to the public daily, 9:00am to 4:30pm, except major holidays. The 2500-horsepower, triple-expansion reciprocating steam main engine is operated on Steaming Weekends (normally the third Saturday and Sunday of each month) so visitors can see the engine plant in action and take rides. Several San Francisco Bay cruises are scheduled each year, with occasional longer voyages to west-coast ports such as Sacramento. There is a fee. Please visit the ship's website or call 415-544-0100 for further information.



Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club Presents

VALENTINES LUNCH



SUNDAY FEBRUARY 15, 2015 11:30 AM

FRANKIE, JOHNNIE & LUIGI TOO! RESTAURANT

11891 DUBLIN BLVD. (Just west of Foothill Rd.) DUBLIN, CA. 94568

If the weather happens to be real nice and you feel like driving your antique car, (any year) have at it! After lunch, we'll have a little impromptu tour. But the main thing is, **JUST COME** and enjoy spending time with your friends while relaxing & having a delicious meal in our own private room. The adjoining parking lot has loads of room for trailer parking.

PRICE \$ 25 - INCLUDES TAX & GRATUITY: SPINACH SALAD , COFFEE & TEA. CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: SAUTEED JUMBO PRAWNS; MARINATED CHUCK STEAK; GRILLED SALMON; or VEAL SCALOPPINI MARSALA.

**PLEASE SEND MEAL CHOICE & CHECK PAYABLE TO BAHCC BY FEB.10th
TO: John Alff – 1719 – 10th St., Berkeley, CA 94710 Tel: 510-558-0143**

Directions: Foothill Rd. is an exit off of I 580 just west of I 680 in Dublin. Head north on Foothill Rd. then left turn at the first stop light and the restaurant is immediately on your left.

*Give me a **BRAKE!***

I frequently hear car owners and drivers use several terms as if they are synonyms. They are “parking brake”, “hand brake” and “emergency brake”. To clarify this I turned to several auto makers Book of Instructions, the Cyclopedia of Automobile Engineering (American Technical Society, 1915) and Dykes Automobile Encyclopedia, 1924.

Nowhere in any of this documentation can be found the term “parking brake”. This is a contemporary term for, in most applications, is a single purpose device to hold stationary a stopped car. Emergency systems are now built-in, such as dual master cylinders, common in modern autos with four wheel brakes.

On the other hand, the “hand brake” and “emergency brake” are synonymous terms for just part of a more complex brake control system used in early autos. Such autos are fitted with two sets of brakes called the “running service” or foot brake and the “hand brake” being the correct terms.

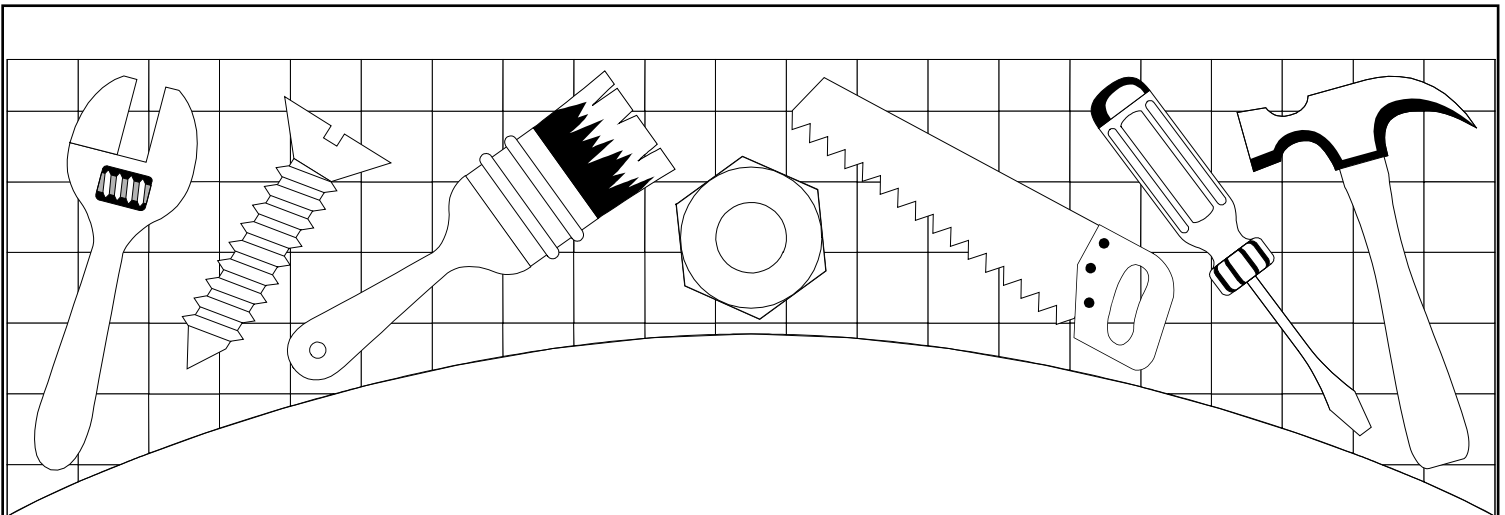
The foot brake is applied by pressing on the foot pedal, convenient when running. The hand brake is applied by a lever at the side of the driver’s seat, so placed that he [sic] may apply his [sic] whole force to it. The hand brake connects, in most cars, with the internal expanding brake inside the brake drum on the rear wheel hub. True, it is usually applied when the car is parked, **HOWEVER**, in an emergency situation, it may be applied in conjunction with the service brake, creating a very effective stopping system. Two friction forces are applied to one drum, much like caliper brakes on a rotor in modern cars.

In cases where the driver is preoccupied with steering and shifting gears, I have seen the front passenger recruited to apply her [sic] whole force to the lever.

Regardless of what you want to call it, keep that lever on the floor in mind as a very desirable tool in getting your car stopped when there is some urgency to prevent otherwise deleterious results from occurring!

Drive safe.

Whitney Haist



NUTS AND BOLTS EVENT SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 2015

“Assessing a 1917 Model T Pickup Truck Head to Toe”

Location: Doug Durein - Alameda 9 A.M.

Treasurers Report for the year 2014.

In 2014, your club raised \$2,210 in dues and another \$554 from our spring auction.

During the year, over \$1,500 went to refreshments at monthly meetings, several one day tours, picnics and a joint board dinner. Your dues also cover our beautiful meeting place, The Piedmont Community Center, for about another \$1,000. Production of a limited number of hard copy Gazettes and the Roster cost the club cost another \$1,000. The color Gazette runs about \$5.00 a copy, delivered, hence the extra dues charge for the hard copy. The Valentines Brunch and the Holiday Dinner are virtually self-supporting, with no cost to the club general fund.

As you can see, the club is subsidizing club activities to the tune of about \$1,000 per year. That comes from cash reserves created by the hard work of our members at our swap meet in years past. This has to make the BAHCC one of the best car club values on the planet!

Whitney Haist
bean counter

January Birthdays and Anniversaries

MORRISON	Carolee	1/1
MARIN	Doug	1/2
RYAN	Matt	1/2
METAIS	Anne	1/3
HENNINGSEN	Renee	1/8
FORBES	Mark	1/13
BROMMER	Kaaren	1/20
GULARTE	Bill	1/27
ARCHER	Karen	1/31

PAVA	David	Patricia	Jan. 19, 1997
BOYDEN	Jim	Jean	Jan. 25
ARCHER	Ed	Karen	Jan. 31, 1959

HOLIDAY DINNER PARTY

December 10, 2014

On Wednesday, December 10th approximately 60 of our members and guests gathered at the Piedmont Community Center for our annual Christmas Party, hosted by John and Carolee Morrison and Sue and Doug Durein. This years traditional holiday dinner was provided by Steve Piane of Catering for All Occasions and the music featured Ron Sparza on his Tyros Keyboard. The music change was welcomed by all with some dancing to the rhythm of the keyboard. Santa arrived on time to distribute gifts to the smiles of the young children in attendance. Thanks to the committee for the fun time and getting us in the mood for the holidays.



BAHCC CALENDAR JAN / FEB 2015

Wed. Jan. 7 – 7: 30 PM CLUB MEETING

Speaker on SS Jeremiah O'Brien

Sat. Jan. 10 – 9:00 AM – NUTS AND BOLTS

Doug Durein's Garage – Alameda CA

Sat. Jan. 17 – SACRAMENTO TRAIN TRIP

8:44 AM Oakland departure

9:54 AM Martinez departure

Dinner in Martinez on return

Wed. Jan. 21 – 7:30 PM - BAHCC BOARD MEETING

Fred Byl's house – Oakland, CA

Sat. Jan. 24 – All day - TURLOCK SWAP MEET

Wed. Feb. 4 – 7:30 PM – BAHCC CLUB MEETING

Speaker: Katerina – Art Nouveau in the late 1880's

Sat. Feb. 7 – 9:00 AM – NUTS AND BOLTS - TBD

Sun. Feb. 15 - 10:00 AM Valentine's Day Brunch

Wed, Feb. 18 – 7:30 PM BAHCC BOARD MEETING

Jon Alf's home – Berkeley, CA

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