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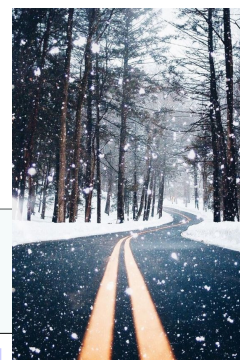
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NEWSLEAK

December Meeting/Party

NO JANUARY MEETING



January 2020



Twenty-nine members attended the Christmas party, meal, and short meeting on Saturday, December 7 in Forest Park. Secretary [Dale thanked Don and Hazel Klein for hosting, Pat and Bob Duffey and Barb Pratt for helping. \(applause\)](#) President Jeff, [President John \(new baby boy John on 11/25\)](#), Vice-Presidents John and Lauren, Business Manager / Delegate Jake, and Treasurer Cindy were away. [Secretary Dale](#), Editor Mary Ann, and Historian John Parrott had no report.

Dale read Membership Sandy's report. Forty-four members have paid their 2020 dues. Thank you, good going so far. About two dozen remain. So far AHCA has said only Steve Street paid online. If you paid online, please forward your confirmation email to Sandy so she knows. SLB96riva@yahoo.com Deadline per AHCA is January 15. We want everyone to renew.

Tech Director Tim reported on all the sixteen tech sessions of 2019. This did not include the team's help in repair, preparation, and selling of our late member Bob Merten's three convertibles. Big praise went to Bernie Grabow for the posting and selling of the two British cars on Bring-a-trailer. (applause) Tim was wanting to tie up some loose ends from 2019 and rattled off several members names. Who knows the status of "Mike" and his '63 BJ7 who is a friend of Ken Kreuter? Any info on Tom Swager and his Healey? Who bought Rodger Svobda's '61 Bugeye that was reported for sale for \$2000 in Alexandra, KY?

Upcoming 2020 projects include Skip's MGA crank, Schondelmayer's big Healey, Lauren Davidson's bugeye, Tim Lake's Jamaican-body Healey, and John Parrott's tranny and big Healey restoration. Call or email Tim if



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December Meeting/Party continued

you have questions, want to join in the fun, can update us on your 2019 projects in which we assisted, or need to schedule a session

Dale gave Treasurer Cindy's report. Since the November 16 OVAHC meeting at Jake and Joyce Jacobs: credits were \$1,785 for 31 2020 member dues, debits were \$119.30 for Tech Team hardware to Tim Ross, AHCA delegate meeting expenses were \$209.40 to Don Klein, payment to AHCA for 2020 member dues was \$1,550, Christmas Party Host allowance was \$200 to the Kleins for a total of \$2,078.70. We received a thank you note from AHCA treasurer Bev Sealand for our donation of \$492 to the DMH fund. Our balance is still very good.

Activity Activator Skip passed the mike to Kurt because of all his personally planned activities. "Cabin Fever Beater Trip to the Barber Motorsports Museum and Lane Motor Museum" is Friday-Sunday February 21-23, 2020 and it is a Motorcoach trip. No driving of your personal vehicle through ugly weather, relax and enjoy the ride on a deluxe, climate controlled, 55 passenger Motorcoach with onboard restroom and entertainment. Two night hotel (Hampton Inn Leeds Alabama, admissions to Barber and Lane Museums, restricted area tours, 2 breakfasts, one lunch included, along with a shop tour of Ross Restorations in Nashville Tn. Fact sheet coming soon, will send to Mary Ann for publication to the club, everyone is welcome to join the fun!

Then to celebrate his friend Laura's birthday, he has planned a fund-raising visit as a benefit at the Tri-State Warbird Museum on Friday, April 24. Wings, Wheels, Bacon, and Bourbon! The next morning Saturday, April 25 is the Spring Classic Driving Tour. August 28 – 30 is the Bellefontaine, Ohio Hill Climb Revival Two. More details to follow. For all activity questions, contact Skip.

Old business: Skip wants us to register for the Florida 2020 Conclave. The October Southeast Classic is in northern Georgia and he is planning an overnight, two day trip each way.

New business: Dale asked if anyone wanted to see the apparel books and order form he brought. Chris Wolfer took a book home for further inspection. We will place the order for some new shirts and /or baseball caps with an OVAHC logo after the next meeting, which is in February. Contact Dale with any apparel questions.

The next meeting is in February at the Jackson home in Westwood. Details will be published in that Newsleak. Secretary Dale thanked our hosts the Kleins, and her helpers Pat, Bob, and Barb for the wonderful party, (applause) and then adjourned the meeting. The gift exchange and further enjoyment of beverages and snacking followed.

Submitted by OVAHC [Secretary](#)

Dale Ballinger

"Fun times-a-plenty, in 2020"



Table decorations and wine glasses. Great party!



Lots of good food and appetizers—no picture of the bar, but there was one. Good friends and a wonderful get together with our OVAHC friends. Thanks to the hosts this year—Hazel, Barbara and Pat—did I miss anybody...



The year of tissue paper—we are keeping the tissue economy strong!





Merry Christmas 2019



Meetings 2020

January—no meeting
February—Jacksons
March—Wallace
April—Ballinger
May—Grabow
June—King

July—Cox
August -Wolfer (picnic)
September—Lindauer
November—Jacobs (Jake)
December TBA

Calendar for 2020

February 21-23—Kurt's overnight trip to Alabama & Tennessee (see details in this Newsleak)
April 16-19, 2020 – Texas Round Up
Spring—Date TBA *Vintage Car Dyno Day at Turn In Concepts*
April 24, 2020 – Kurt's - Wing & Wheel at Tri State War Bird Museum Batavia benefit dinner
April 25, 2020 – Kurt's - Spring Tour #8 – New Richmond
May 17-21, 2020 – Conclave 2020 – Crystal River Fla.
June 11-14, 2020 Rendezvous - Ontario Canada (Minnesota & mid west Canada clubs)
August 28-30 – Kurt's - Bellefontaine OH #2 Hill climb
September 17-20 – September Round up – Indianapolis
September 20-24, 2020 – Summit New England Area – Newport RI
October 1-4, 2020 – SE Classic – Buford Ga. Lake Linear Resort

Sports car event details from calendar

February 21-23, Barber Motorsports Museum & Lane Motor Museum Cabin Fever Beater trip. Motorcoach transportation, hotels, selected meals, admissions included. Cost is being negotiated, more to come!

Friday; Morning departure express to Nashville, stop at Ross Restorations for a break.

George Ross is a renown restorer with many Best of Show winners in his portfolio; in his spare time, he is a Concours judge and rescues a variety of animals. Quite the character, George will show us around the shop and charm us with his tales and yarns. On to our hotel near Birmingham for the night.

Saturday; Visit the Barber Motorsports Museum at the Barber Motorsports Park near Birmingham Alabama 10 am-5 pm. The Museum features the world's largest motorcycle collection! Along with over 700 motorcycles the museum features a number of sports cars including the world's largest collection of Lotus cars! George Barber goes big on all accounts. We have arranged for the premium guided tour including the lower level restoration shop.

Dinner follows the museum and our overnight in the same hotel.

Sunday; The Lane Motor Museum in Nashville is on the agenda breaking up the trip home.

Many of you know Jeff Lane from his participation in the Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance at Ault Park with a variety of unique cars. The collection features micro cars, the AH Sprite that Jeff raced in SCCA, aero-driven cars, French, British, Italian, military, amphibious and delightful vehicles of all sorts. Arrangements are being made to visit the usually "off limits" areas of the museum. Home Sunday evening.



TECH TEAM REPORT

Four principal members of the OVAHC tech team met in Deer Park at the Weigel Auto Service shop where Tim Lake has his 1961 Austin Healey / Jamaican. Photos are attached. Tim has this indoor space until “spring” when he has to move it out. Bob – the shops’ owner has gotten a set of new carbs installed, a clean fuel tank and tubing, and the front brakes working. He says the engine runs well, so no compression test was required. The frame looks intact, no major holes or bends, but it is entirely covered in heavy rust from being left outside for many years. The red thick fiberglass Jamaican body is ok, as is the glass, the doors have glass and winder mechanisms installed. The seats need reupholstery and look to be from a TR4 or TR6, as is the dash. After much looking and discussion on the effort and results between Tim Lake and Bernie, Richard, Skip and Tim Ross the initial plan was devised. Bob Weigel will allow Tim Lake to work on cleaning off the surface rust from the frame and spraying it with rust converter to stabilize the surface. Tim and Tim took the passenger door and seat to Ronnie Price (Mat) to get some estimates for reupholstery and door cards. Tim Lake will need to decide on color and degree/cost for this work and get that process started. This winter Tim Lake will need to construct a new replacement garage at his house to enclose the car for all the follow-up work required after Spring 2020, and for insurance reasons. The tech team recommended a spacious one bay garage with enough height for a lift and a good workbench, lights, heater, etc. Tim’s goal is to create a “driver”, not a show car, price is a consideration. The tech team will help with some work and advice, and Tim will start to do some of the mechanical work himself. Before the car is ready for the road, in short drives, the 60 spoke wheels and dry-rotted tires need to be replaced. Tim may be receptive to OVAHC members who might have a used painted set of 72 spoke Dayton, or have some steel wheels that bolt on.



Tech team members met at the garage of John Wallace on Wednesday, Dec. 11 to try to diagnose and remedy the occasional misfire in his Healey BN4. This problem came and went on our caravan to and from the Deadwood Conclave. Even with Scott Brown helping change out most of the ignition items the misfire kept coming back. Messrs. Pratt, Grabow, Brown, Campbell, Ross, Wallace, and new tech team member Paul Schondelmeyer tried first set the engine to TDC, then checked the alignment of the rotor and marked the #1 plug wire position on the outside of the distributor cap, then marked and moved the other plug wires per the firing order with CCW rotor rotation. The motor still ran rough and wouldn't pull any rpm's above idle. Out came the timing lights, and after a few tries to get the positive-ground power clamps found and connected, the timing flash was occasional also. We all proceeded to “jiggle” various wires and at Noon, for a short time, the engine ran smooth and had plenty of power. Despite Tim wanting the team to close the hood and slowly back away from the car, we had to find the offending wire or connection or component. Ken Campbell found that one of the wires between the coil and distributor was frayed and suspicious – so that was shortened with a new connector. Tim checked under the dash for the condition of the wires/connectors at the ignition switch –ok there. We successfully kept Richard from removing the distributor and rebuilding it. With the car finally running well, and after Richard adjusted the distributor advance and carb idle speed, we stopped for lunch. We all had our share of carbon monoxide from the closed garage, even with the exhaust hose to the outside (Thanks Scott). The next tech session will probably involve a few team members visiting Paul Schondelmeyer's MGA (get it running) and Healey BN4 (frame on a rotisserie) for evaluation and advise.



Hard work, study the instructions. OK. We're good to go! Found the problem! The best part of owning an Austin Healey is the coming together of like minded enthusiasts having fun together working on their "hobbies." I'm happy John now has the time to enjoy his passion. tructions and rewarded at the end of the day. We have a great "tech team".



Say good bye to Bob Morten's 69 E type Jaguar . Gone to another car lover in time for Christmas. Thanks to the tech team for getting her up and running and ready for auction. Those auctions are fun to watch

ROMEOS out for lunch to celebrate Christmas at the "lube".
Nice crowd—good friends.



Hello OVAHC,

We are publishing this notice in the January and February Newsleak especially for those without email addresses in our club. Please, everyone look around for new items to buy.

We have a plan for those of you who want to buy 2020 club shirts, etc. Jake Jacobs has a guy who will make them for us at a reasonable price. We won't use club funds or try to mark them up, either. You will order them in person, via email, or by phone, and the final order will be placed after the February OVAHC meeting. Catalogues will be there. We will have an order sheet if you are ready to order. The small club logo will be on the left breast area, or on the front of the caps. Pay when you pick them up beginning at the March meeting. No mail orders, please.

Feel free to check out the web version and we need the brand, item number, size, and color for each one you are buying. Final pricing will be as close to the catalogue as possible. Payments go to Jake Jacobs since he is pre-paying for all of them. However, since he is a super busy guy, **respond to me at dlb55ah@cs.com with your order. My phone number is 859-384-1345** if you need to order by phone or have questions. All sales final, please OVAHC Secretary, Dale

This first web site has prices, but it will be a little extra for the logo



<http://www.espinc.norwood.com/category/APPAREL/Apparel/>

The following web site has no prices, would have to check on each item. They would be almost the same as the other site. Some brands are lower in price.

WEB SITE FOR APPAREL: www.companycasuals.com/excel

for hats : <https://www.companycasuals.com/EXCEL/b.jsp?id=7794703&ln=126-7794703>

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