



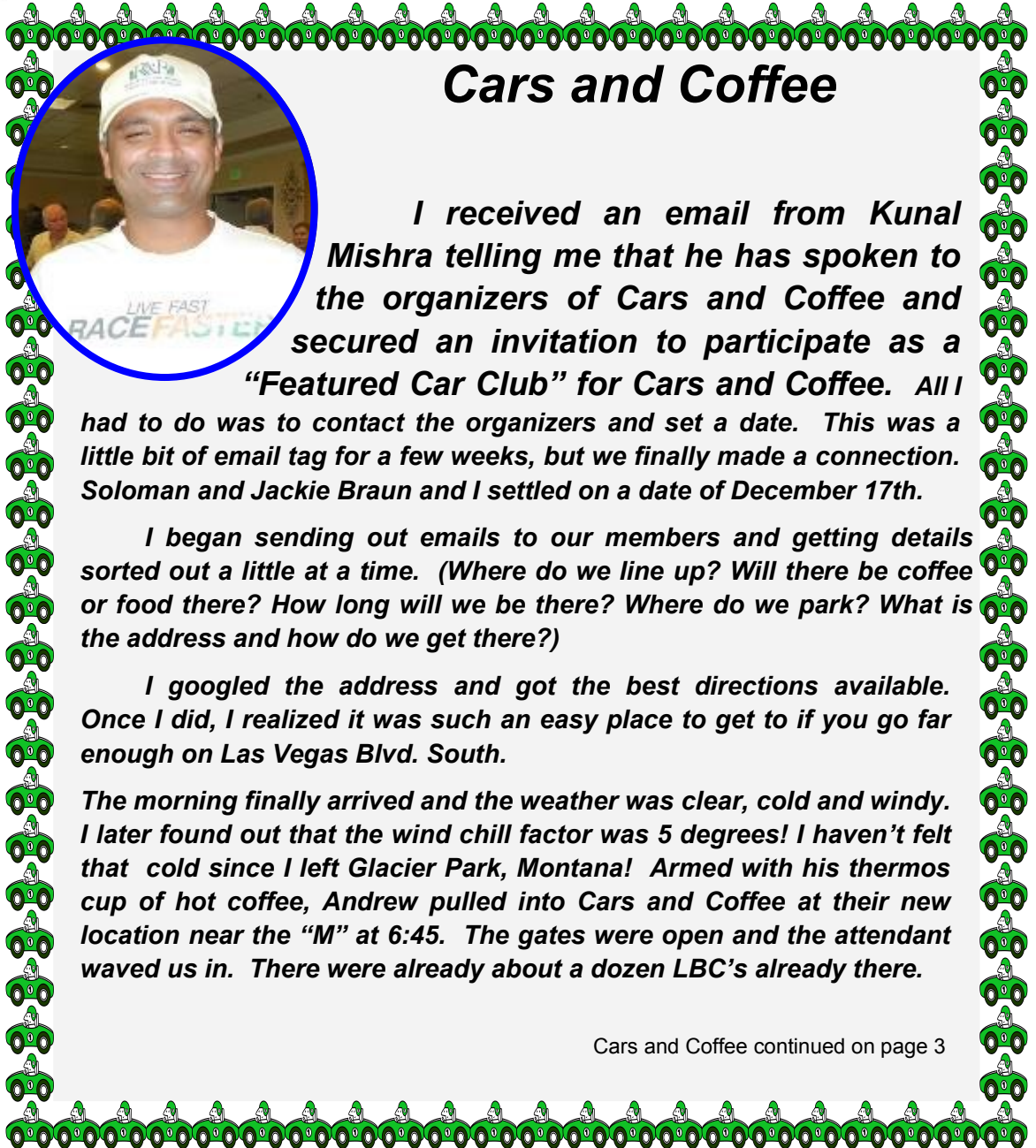
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February 2017

The Spanner



Cars and Coffee

I received an email from Kunal Mishra telling me that he has spoken to the organizers of Cars and Coffee and secured an invitation to participate as a "Featured Car Club" for Cars and Coffee. All I had to do was to contact the organizers and set a date. This was a little bit of email tag for a few weeks, but we finally made a connection. Soloman and Jackie Braun and I settled on a date of December 17th.

I began sending out emails to our members and getting details sorted out a little at a time. (Where do we line up? Will there be coffee or food there? How long will we be there? Where do we park? What is the address and how do we get there?)

I googled the address and got the best directions available. Once I did, I realized it was such an easy place to get to if you go far enough on Las Vegas Blvd. South.

The morning finally arrived and the weather was clear, cold and windy. I later found out that the wind chill factor was 5 degrees! I haven't felt that cold since I left Glacier Park, Montana! Armed with his thermos cup of hot coffee, Andrew pulled into Cars and Coffee at their new location near the "M" at 6:45. The gates were open and the attendant waved us in. There were already about a dozen LBC's already there.

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The British Auto Club of Las Vegas consists of British Car owners and enthusiasts dedicated to promoting the hobby of British automotive sport. The Club promotes Information and networking and revels in the social elements of British car ownership.

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Club members, prospective members and British car enthusiasts are encouraged to attend our meetings and events. Membership Meetings are held at **9:AM** on the *last* Sunday of each month at **Wildhorse Golf Club**, 2100 Warm Springs Rd. Henderson, 89014. Any change in location will be noted in the Spanner and our website: www.baclv.org

During our meetings, we will discuss events and activities, swap Lucas stories, exchange advice on repair problems and enjoy socializing with one another. *socializing* with one another.

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Celebrating our Members

February Birthdays

1/ Lorene Lindahl

1/ Sandy Lashua

4/ Beryl Masters

5/ Steven Scott

7/ Katrina Goodman

7/ Gary Payne

8/ Joe Adashack

11/ Shelly Menser

13/ Clara Ogle

13/ Pilar Wellbaum

18/ George McHarris

21 Laurie Rosenau

22/ Hap Polk

24/ Mimi Cerrone

27/ Joel Goldberg

Clara & Lorene

Sandy Laurie

Mimi

HAP!

Steve

Katrina

Dr. Joe

GARY

JOEL

George

Lovely Beryl

February Anniversaries

1/ Joe & Janet DeSimone

3/ Paul & Susan Barker

14/ Pat & Gary Payne

14/ Bill & Pilar Wellbaum

16/ John & Marilyn McGaw

Pilar & Bill

John & Marilyn



More of our members were driving in as the sun was coming up. Derek and Zeke Schneider were there, Mort showed up, Jim Shope, Steve Kilgour, Bruce Carpenter, Dave Ogle, Simon James, Bill Madan, Jonas, Bill Wellbaum, Wayne Headrick and a few more. We even had some prospective members ask how to join.

At 8am the National Anthem was played as we all stood at attention. Hi powered sports cars were whizzing around the track beside us as the fire and rescue stood by. Security kept pedestrians from jumping the pony wall onto the track. I was impressed, this was a well organized venue. British Auto Club members filled the first canopy. The trifolds that I had placed at the Cars and Coffee desk were almost gone. Visitors to Cars and Coffee were asking questions and looking over our cars. Our members circulated between the cars and in and out of the concession area (it was warm inside!).

As the morning progressed one of the organizers asked if we wanted to take a "Parade Lap" around the track in our LBC's. SURE! But, he would be the one to select the vehicles. He was limited to only a few and he had to inspect them for oil leaks. He selected the few, then another one and another one and just one more. He finally put a cap on ten vehicles. Excited, our guys lined up in formation. The first lap was to familiarize the drivers with the track. The next lap would be the "Parade Lap". He rode with Jonas in the Morgan and must have liked it because our LBC's were going around and around!

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**Jackie Braun
Cars & Coffee Organizer**



Keeping "warm" conversation going.



We had such a good response from the public and the organizers that Soloman and Jackie invited us back when the weather was warmer. We agreed to stay in contact and plan an event in the Spring. Everyone I talked to that morning froze their toes off, but had a great time. **I want to thank Kunal** for arranging the meeting. Without his help we would still be spectators. Thanks! ***I want to thank all the members who polished up their LBC's and braved the cold. It is members like you who keep the BACLV strong. Thank you all.***



Once around the track!



Twice around the track!



And the winner is.....

Did You Know.....

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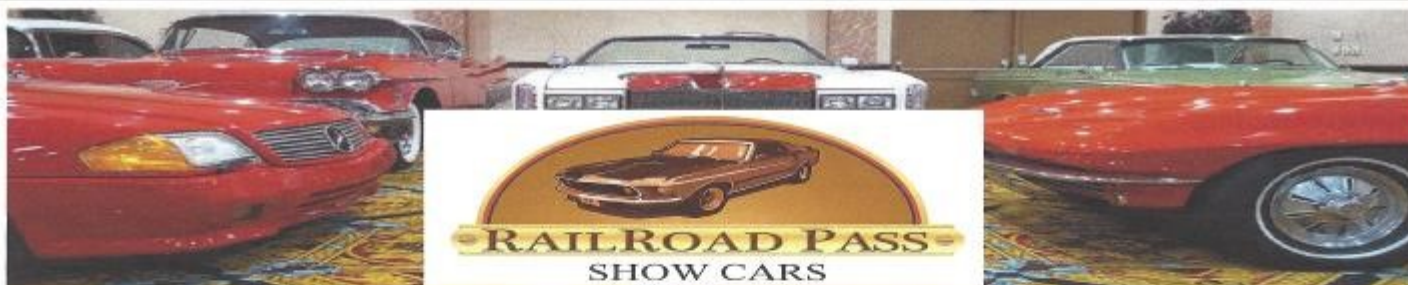
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San Diego for the Holidays!

By Andrew Lashua

What do you do when the kids grow up and go away to visit In-laws for the holidays? You run away from home! Well, that's what we did anyway. One of our favorite places is the Auto Museum at Balboa Park in San Diego. There were so many cars to see and "Do Not Touch" signs everywhere. Lucky for me, I have a wife who likes to talk to people. I noticed her in a conversation with two of the docents of the San Diego Auto Museum in Balboa Park. Before I could say anything, she summoned me over and the "Do Not Touch" signs disappeared! We got an up close and personal look at most of the cars there. There was an Austin Mini Wagon, all decked out for surfing, a 1948 Crosley Convertible. This Crosley got 44 MPG, but only got 72 mph top speed. The cost in the day was a whopping \$899.

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Austin Mini Wagon



1948 Crosley



1942 Army HD-XA, 745cc Model 841



French ~ Citroen 4 CV



1934 Indian

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The 1953 XK 120 Jaguar (right) was in prime condition! The cost of this 4 speed convertible cost was \$3345 new. But today it was priceless. This was only one of 2000 made in Coventry, England. William Lyons, who started and developed the Jaguar, was knighted in 1956 for his services to the British Motoring industry.



Another amazing car (left) was the 1959 Metropolitan 1500 Series III. With 55 HP it would get you up to 80 MPH and only set you back \$1479.

There were so many cars and motorcycles to see, we spent most of the morning just looking at vehicles. Making new friends and learning fun facts about interesting vehicles. We just missed a 3 month event on all British Cars! But we made notes to return when they display the "All Brits Autos" again.

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Save The Date

Sweetheart Brunch

February 12, 2017 11am ~ 1pm

Hosts needed, Apply within.

Contact Jim Oswald Events Coordinator at

jgreenozzie@yahoo.com

We will deliver more information by email when we

Have a solid venue.

Stay tuned.



St. Patricks Day Rally!

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This year it is hosted by those crazy guys and gals from the Mini Club! *ALWAYS A FUN RUN!* You never know what they have in store for us, but it is sure to be a great time!

If you are a new member, this is the one rally that you can't miss!

Watch your email and the website for more information as we receive it!

Fun Run! Good Food! And Great People!



Presidents Message



The Holidays are over! The election is over!

Now to get everything back to normal? Getting started with the "First Event" is well on its way. Barry Lagen is our guy to host this traditional event. Yup! We're off to Boulder Dam Brewing Company in Boulder City.

The BACLTV has a lot of things in the works for this year. We have so many events, social and car, that I hope we can get them all on the Calendar.

I spoke to the Board members recently and the Board has agreed to thank members who sign up (ahead of time) to host events. If you sign up 3 month in advance to host an event you will receive 250 EXTRA points! Doesn't seem like much right now? Well, just wait till the end of the year and be in the running for a free membership! We will be asking you to give us your suggestions for the events that YOU would like to do, see or attend. We have some cool car stuff too! I want to thank those members who came out on a moments (well, two days) notice for the photo shoot. That was great fun. And also those hardy souls who braved the freezing cold for the Cars & Coffee Event. Have a good week Everyone.

Sandy

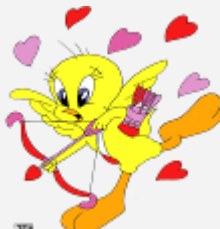
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Events, dates, times or locations are subject to change.

February 2017 Events Schedule

8th, 6pm Board Meeting ~ Market Grill

**12th Sweetheart Brunch TBA
Host Needed~**

**26th 9am General Membership Meeting
Wildhorse Golf Club 2100 Warm Springs
Rd. Henderson, NV**



March 2017 Events Schedule

8th, 6pm Board Meeting

St. Patrick's Day Rally Hosted by the Mini Club. Look for information about this fun event. New to the BACLTV? This is one fun event you don't want to miss!

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1959 Metropolitan built in Longbridge, England