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The View from Behind the Wheel, By Ralph Spayd, Photo by Steve Dellinger

Need to start off with a list of names, here goes: Mark L, Cat L, Jim W, Kerry S, Rob S, Jim K, Jim H and Bonnie C. Why the list of “who’s who” to begin, well if you had the good fortune to attend the first BBQ, the June CCC or our tech session, you’d recognize this list of distinguished members. They individually and collectively put together probably the most fulfilling, exciting and special three week period in our club history. I’ve only been a member of LANCO for 15 years but think it’s safe to say this was our best three weeks. The BBQ on May 20th and venue were just awesome. Our tech session on May 21st, was just great fun and informative for both techies and our future “hookers” and the June 3rd CCC is always a very classy and fun event. I can’t thank our hosts enough for their generosity and hospitality. A good time was had by all. If you missed the events you did miss a special time for LANCO. With all that in our rear view mirror, let’s look forward. June is busy with ice cream nights on the 14th and 21st. On the 24th we have the Lancaster Rotary Wheels and Wings car show at the Lancaster Airport. We also have an invitation from the CPTC to meet and share a grand tour to the Carsonville Hotel. Not too shabby a follow up to our epic three week marathon!! Taking the long view, on July 14th we’ll be at Haar’s Drive In for a movie night. July 22nd is the Moss Motor’s 75th anniversary celebration and we’re organizing a caravan to the celebration. There is lots of ice cream nights planned in July on the 19th and 26th as well as a CCC on July 1st and of course our monthly meeting on July 9th.....whew!!! Now taking the really long view we can see our Taste of Britain on August 27th which now includes all antique European cars and Das Awkscht Fescht on August 4th – 6th. Gotta say, with all that, there is something fit your fancy and give reason to drive you LBC. But if your LBC isn’t cooperating, never ever miss an event so bike, hike, walk or bum a ride and just join us. It’s all about joining and sharing our time together. The cars are all very nice and special but secondary. We’re a club focused on people. What a lead in to my soapbox for the monthly missive. I’m actually at a loss for words (I know, hard to believe). The past month was so special for me and the club. I’m touched beyond words by the generosity of our members to plan and share their time, talents and open up their homes to the club. What wonderful gifts we were given by our distinguished list of “who’s who”. At these events I love watching the interaction of our members as we enjoy good food, conversation, beautiful surroundings and of course swapping car stories with each other. Just being and savoring our time together. And today was no exception as we held our monthly meeting at the Centerville Diner. We hold a short business meeting, conduct a serious “nametag” drawing (right), quiz the group on trivia and then lapse into long conversations at each table. And all of this is woven together by our cars. Who ever thought our cars could be such a catalyst for all we collectively enjoy?

For me, time goes by too quickly as I just want to savor these shared experiences for a bit longer, but we can’t so we’ll just have to keep on creating new experience to enjoy and I’m OK with that.

The future is not something we enter. The future is something we create. – Leonard I. Sweet



Meeting Day

Quite the Weekend, by Ralph Spayd, Photos by Charlie Baldwin and Gloria Ciarrocca

This weekend is going to be tough to beat, with all the brisket and knowledge that was digested on May 20th and 21st at our BBQ Brisket picnic on the 20th and our Tech session on the 21st. First a big thank you to Mark, Cat, Jim and Kerry for hosting the brisket BBQ event. As Mark and Cat discovered, LANCO does many things well, but getting accurate RSVP's from the club are a bit tricky. Kinda like fixing oil leaks on your LBC's - they just keep coming. So, our world class BBQ team made the right decision to move the event to Jim and Kerry's restored barn as they just kept coming....that is the RSVP's! The barn is a fully restored Swiss design and is just spectacular and did accommodate the crowd. The weather was perfect, the food was phenomenal, and the venue was spectacular. We could not have asked for a better day. We did have a special guest as King Charles made a very stoic appearance!

The following day we held our monthly club meeting/tech session at Jim H's shop. This was our first tech session in several years since Uncle Tom H. retired. The first part of the session was led by Gregg S. and covered electrical issues and schematics. A lively discussion ensued with lots of electrifying questions and sharing solutions. Gregg presented his 3-page MGB schematic and Bruce noted his Bentley has a 40 page schematic.....yikes, I didn't know you could make up that many color combinations for wires! But the British ARE quite resourceful...The second half was presented by Bruce H and how to defeat an SU fuel pump. Well actually how to install a backup/flow through secondary pump if in the unlikely event your SU pump fails. Seriously, what are the odds of that happening...hahahahah. It's a relatively simple install and easily done even by Larry C. That's how easy! Concurrently those not attending the tech session were treated to "Intro to Becoming a Hooker" by Bonnie. This could become a good fund raiser for the club and appeared to have a wide appeal. Possibly replacing TOB??? Please check with Bonnie for details. Well, after all that we did adjourn to the Casey Jones' Restaurant for dinner in Strasburg. The restaurant was very nice, service was good and the view from the deck was beautiful. It really was quite the weekend; if you missed it, you missed a good one. Give Steve R a call to get the details and ask for "honey". If Gregg answers, hang up!

Remember to check out our web site at www.lancomgclub.com and follow us on Facebook and

Meetup. Mark your calendars for the upcoming events.



Mr. Mark's BBQ



Food in the Barn



Nice Venue!



Historic Farmhouse



Gregg talks Wiring



Bonnie talks “Hooking”



Dinner at Casey Jones



And then Bob said ...



Happy Table!

June Coffee – Cars and Conversation, By Ralph Spayd, Photos by Steve Dellinger

Rob S and Jim K hosted their 3rd CCC at their “garage” for LANCO. The event is our premier CCC of the year and keeps growing. If you missed it, I hope you had a good reason, as it’s just spectacular. The garage is a wonderful venue to host just chocked full of auto memorabilia AND beautiful cars. Rob and Jim are very gracious hosts and this year was no exception. We had 30

members attending and an eclectic mix of cars. The food, beverages and friends were a wonderful mix and made for a great event and place to share our common passion for all things automotive. Be it British, French or American, they are all works of moving art and a privilege to spend time in their presence. Sipping coffee (at a distance) from the Delahaye is a special treat. Thanks again to Rob and Jim for hosting.



Great Venue!



Car Show?



The Café is Open



Chillin' in the Shade



Food in the Garage



'36 Auburn Boattail Speedster

Movie Night at the Prestons', By Steve Dellinger, Photos by Steve Dellinger

On the evening of Saturday, June 10th, LANCO members, Austin Healey members and others were invited to Pam and Bob Preston's house in Lancaster for an outdoor movie night – the featured film was the original (1969) version of "The Italian Job", starring Michael Caine and Noel Coward. A dozen or so LANCO members were in attendance. There was also one Classic

Mini in attendance! Free hot dogs (loved the hot dog roller grill) and popcorn were available, along with lots of other goodies! Another great opportunity to interact with other “car people.” Bob’s projectionist talents were flawless. No police were called to “quell the noisy crowd” and a few neighbors were seen enjoying the free show from afar.



Hanging out on the Deck



Popcorn



“Classic” in attendance!



The “Theatre” is filling up

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