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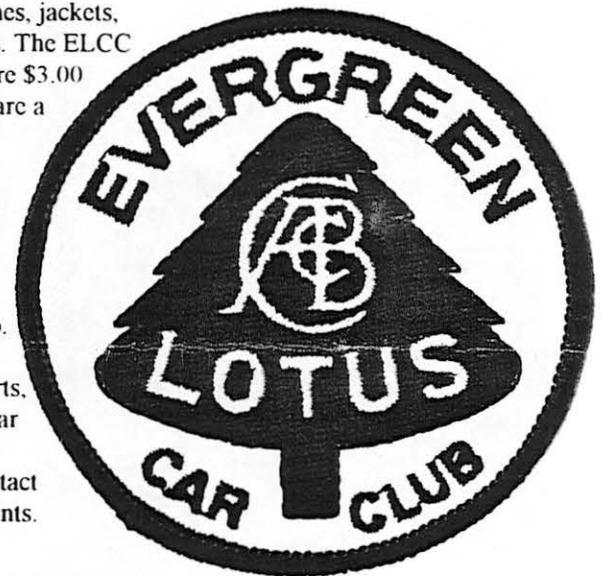
MATTERS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST

ELCC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

They're here! All nice and ready to be handed out to prospective members that you should happen to meet. Contact Susan if you need some to distribute. They will also be available at meetings.

ELCC PATCHES, JACKETS, SHIRTS & HATS

Here is what the new club patches look like. Susan can take your order for patches, jackets, shirts and hats. The ELCC club patches are \$3.00 a piece. They are a 3 inch round patch with a yellow background with green & white stitching of the club's logo. Sew them on hats, sweatshirts, jackets, your car working duds, whatever. Contact Susan with wants.



ON THE COVER

Photo by Susan Hagaman

Club member's standing outside Barrier Lotus in Bellevue among all the Lotuses before the tech sessions that was held in March. That's Jerry Parrish's 1993 Esprit in the foreground. It was a beautiful sunny day until a thundershower made the Elan owners run to put their tops up. Then the sun came out again. Many thanks to Barrier Lotus for hosting our club meeting.

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I will start off this column by informing the club that we have secured the services of Don Anderson as our new club treasurer. Don has been a long time member of ELCC and has been the host of great barbecues at his home the past few summers. Last year, Don treated us to a fascinating insiders view of human powered submarines. Don owns and normally drives a white Lotus Esprit Turbo and I say normally because Don's Lotus is currently being repainted. Perhaps Don will write an article on his experiences of repainting his Lotus for this newsletter as he found out it could be very involved.

should make plans to attend this weekend affair. I know you will enjoy it!

Susan Hagaman has taken over the responsibility of membership duties from Jim Taylor and Susan has designed and produced the new membership application that was handed out to club members at last months tech session. Looks real neat! Should you have any prospective members contact you, please give them Susan's phone number and an application will be sent to them post haste.

From the Driver's Seat Chairman's Column

by Kenny Richins

The Tech session at Barrier Lotus was great. Gerry Foley's presentation on the art of fiberglass work was truly insightful and his use of visual aids in showing proper procedures was truly helpful to all of the members that attended. Steve Bator gave an excellent talk on upholstery work and covered what the Lotus owner should and should not attempt on his own. Upholstery maintenance was also discussed, to Armorall or not to Armorall. Randall Fehr gave a brief but detailed presentation complete with a handout on the maintenance and service needs of early Lotus automobiles. All told there were twenty members of our club in attendance which was a great turnout!

The next club meeting, which will be ELCC's 10th Anniversary Party, will be at the home of John and Nikki Daniels. John and Nikki have been members of the club for almost ages now and both have served the club as officers. I am especially proud of the fact that they are hosting this 10th anniversary meeting. We will be going to a local restaurant after the meeting for dinner to celebrate the club's anniversary. Susan and I will bring along to the party the video we showed at the tech session of the Lotus/Bugatti weekend in England last summer and some other videos that we have. The TV at the dealer was really small and had bad sound so you couldn't understand anything that was being said. Bring those old photos of your Lotus ELCC Adventures to share with everyone. Also when you are at the party, take some time to ask Nikki about the up coming Ocean Weekend event. I know that she has some great stories to tell about this annual club trek to the western shores of the Pacific Ocean. The bottom line is this, you really

The first Solo II autocross school for the year will be held on Saturday, April 23rd at the Boeing Space Center parking lot in Kent just off of SE 212th St. I know in previous years many ELCC members have partaken in this fun, low key, enjoy your car outing. You don't have to drive your Lotus, just any car that will pass a simple safety inspection, i.e. no leaking fluids, good tires, battery secured in a normal fashion (no bungee cords), seat belts and good brakes. Helmets are provided to use. I believe the day will start out with a brief classroom session and then progress to actual driving with instructors. If this sounds like it would interest you, call 255-0658 for a recording that will tell you who to contact to sign up. You MUST PRE REGISTER. This event usually fills up fast and has a limited entry of 50. You can give me a call if you should have any other questions. AND, to top it all off, you can drive in the SOLO II autocross the next day for free!

I have the pleasure of announcing that as of this issue we now have three paid, honest to goodness, advertisers in LOTUS LINES! First on the list is R.D. Enterprises. This firm specializes in both restoration and performance components for the Elan and Europa models. Some of the parts that they carry are exclusive to their business. Ask for Ray and mention that you are a member of ELCC. JAE has returned as an advertiser. Tom, Jeff, and Jay, the proprietors of JAE, are very knowledgeable in the Lotus automobile and can help you with your parts needs. Randall Fehr, fellow club member and restoration expert, is now advertising for his mechanical and body restoration services to all club members. Randall is operating out of the shop of Phantom Restorations in downtown Seattle dividing his time between his customers and those of Phantom. Call Randall for all of your restoration needs. I want to thank all of our advertisers for supporting our club. Their contributions helps insure the future of our organization. When you are looking for parts for your Lotus do your shopping with our advertisers first.

Till next month Happy Lotusing!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The third meeting of the year for the planning of the WWABFM took place on April 7th with the next meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 12th, 7:30 pm at the Pietro's in Overlake. Again, quite a few changes were announced. The autocross is not going to take place due to conflicts with the site but they will be having a tour with a picnic at the end. Location of the picnic site is undetermined as of now.

The early registration incentive this year has been changed back to a drawing of \$500 cash, just like they had last year. The Fred Hutchison Cancer Research Center has been selected as the charity to benefit from the proceeds of the WWABFM. They will have volunteers available to help us if needed and have a superb public relations department to help advertise the event. Radio station KBSG is being sought to do a remote broadcast from the site and Al's Auto is being approached as a sponsor.

close shoot of your car with all of it's specifications and history along with you, the owner, making remarks about your car and a recording of your car's exhaust note. Or for \$50 they will shoot your car up close and just give a specification summary of it along with the recording of the exhaust note. You also get a copy of the video, too, on both of these. Limited to the first 40 who sign up. Contact Susan for more info.

One area that they are working on correcting is the traffic flow and parking at the site. Long lines and back ups are going to try to be avoided as much as possible.

In the Swap Meet section, spaces for sale this year will be well defined so people cannot take advantage of the situation by taking more than their fair share. Spaces are 10ft X 20ft, \$15 if you have entered a car, \$30 if not. Additional spaces are \$15 each. Cars for sale will be in a separate area. They will now have a separate, special area for vendor displays and sales so they won't be mixed in with the Swap Meet. It will be in the first parking lot as you come in. Vendors who display here will be asked to donate door prizes for Friday night.

Posters and entry forms should be out soon. If you participated last year you will get one in the mail. If not, they will be available through the club. Contact Susan or Ken.

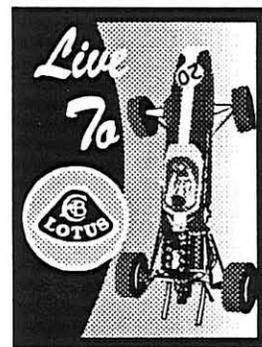
**WWABFM
Highlights
April
LOTUS
Convention**

Also new this year is a local business that is going to make a professional VHS video of the WWABFM that will be available for \$30. The neat thing about this is that for \$80 they will do an up

The latest information received regarding the Lotus Convention in September is that they have added a special feature to

the week long activities. The Lotus Convention will be hosting the "Uniting of the Lotus Racers" in conjunction with the Classic Sports Racing Group. It will unite vintage and historic Lotus Formula Cars, from Juniors to Formula 1 and Lotus Sports Racers together in a featured race at Sears Point Raceway. So far the agenda goes like this:

- WEDNESDAY, Sept. 7th: Registration, tech seminars, social get together.
- THURSDAY, Sept. 8th: Day Tours, tech tour, autocross, tech seminars, driving seminar by Skip Barber Racing School, evening reception, tech inspection, photo & model contest.



FRIDAY, Sept, 9th: Track day with different driving groups based on experience driving the track, group photo at track, banquet at headquarters.

SATURDAY, Sept. 10th: Casual concours at Sonoma Winery, track parade at noon with Lotus corral at track to view vintage racing. Featured race for Lotus race cars only. Grand banquet in evening with awards.

SUNDAY, Sept 11th: Lotus will be the featured marque at the Palo Alto British Car Meet, the oldest and largest North American British Meet. Enjoy over 700! British cars!

If you have missed previous Lotus Conventions, you definitely shouldn't miss this one!

REGISTRATION FORMS SHOULD BE OUT NEXT MONTH. IF YOU DON'T RECEIVE ONE, CALL KEN OR SUSAN.

You probably noticed that the 10th Anniversary Party got changed around quite a bit from the announcement I printed for it last month. The reason being is that on the 23rd the MG club is holding their annual LaConner Tulip-Daffodil Rallye and SCCA Solo II has changed their first Solo II autocross school of the year from May 21st to April 23rd. I would like club members to be able to participate at either one of these events and I encourage them to do so as both are a lot of fun. They have added many new car classes for the rallye (you don't have to drive your Lotus) due to it's popularity with all marque clubs. Personally, I have never been on this one but from talking to other club

members who have said it is a lot of fun. They had over 150 cars on it last year! Even if you don't go on the rallye you can meet everyone at the finish/picnic/awards at Fort Casey on Whidbey Island.

Since I changed the date to the 30th I would be unable to play the part of the Pied Piper as on this Saturday I have to work. Giving much thought over what I had

previously planned for the 10th anniversary party, I scaled it back quite a bit. I had found out that some of the places I had planned to go to like the General Petroleum Museum are only open for banquets/parties on the weekends. Then there was the problem of museums not opening until noon on the weekends and the parking situation in downtown Seattle. At some of the lots it is at least \$7 to be able to park for more than three hours. So I said forget that, let's make it simple. So I came up with the new party plan. Hope you like it. We are going to visit club members Nikki and John Daniels new home in Mukilteo and give it a good old ELCC housewarming party. Since we will be up near Everett we will be having a buffet dinner at 6:30 pm followed with some dancing at Gerry Andal's Ranch Restaurant near the Everett Mall. So wear your cowboy duds, dudes! Price of dinner is \$11, all you can eat!

We had a great turn out at the tech session ELCC had at Barrier Lotus on the 19th of March. Over 20 members attended, many new ones. It was great to see you all. Thanks go to Steve Bator, Gerry Foley and Randall Fehr for their fine and informative presentations. I had a cake made decorated with our club's logo on it there to celebrate the 10th anniversary.

I guess Kenny and myself, after reading my lamentable statement last month on not getting the Twin Cam done

in time for the Lotus Convention, inspired us to give it the good old college try. We proceeded recently in completely taking it all apart. The suspension is all off, the motor is out and apart (it's a good thing, too), the seats, dash and carpeting is all out. Since we've gone this far we are planning on taking the body off the chassis soon as it has some rust. We still can't believe that this car had *ONLY* 40,000 miles on it as everything is completely worn out and we found evidence the engine has been worked on (not very well I might add). We also decided that we are going to paint it bright yellow for an obvious reason. So now Kenny is working on two Europas, simultaneously, along with a future rebuild of the Ford van's engine. Whew! Wish us luck!

While I was talking to WWABFM organizer Sue Taub on the phone the other night I got a call from a guy in Lynnwood saying he found mention of our club, ELCC, in the Seattle Times newspaper, Snohomish/ Everett edition for Monday, April 11th. I was taken aback as I had no idea what he was talking about. I took his name, address and phone number and told him Kenny would give him a call back. Returning to Sue, I told her about the call and she told me that they were trying to get an article written about the WWABFM in the local newspapers and the only person that would do it was based out of the northend. Evidently this reporter, not telling anyone when it would be published, printed a listing of the various British marque clubs in the area and we were on the list. But, alas, no article about the WWABFM was written. Kenny called the guy back and he has a '74 Europa TC, apart of course, and I sent him a membership application hoping that we get a new member! I will try in the future to get club info printed in the local Seattle Times in their car club events listing that comes out on Wednesdays. It appears just before the car classifieds.

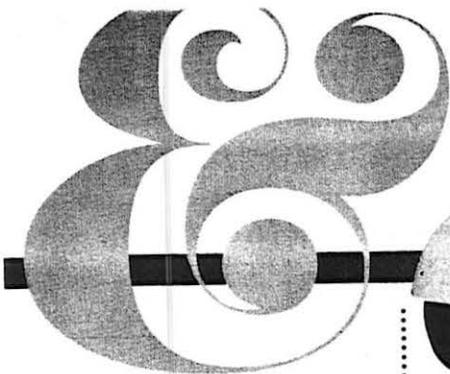
So there are a lot of upcoming events of many different venues to participate in: autocross school, rallye, club meeting/dinner, Ocean Weekend trip, Vancouver All British Field Meet, more autocrosses and an upcoming ELCC rallye. What more could you want? Hope to see you out at at least one of them. Don't forget to let Nikki know if you are planning on going to the ocean.

If you happen to be in downtown Seattle before the 4th of June, check out the "Kustom Kulture" exhibit at the Center On Contemporary Art on First Avenue across from the Seattle Art Museum. They are showing work from the three Kings of car art: Von Dutch, pin striper extraordinaire (trademark: flying eyeball logo), Ed "Big Daddy" Roth (trademark Ratfink) and painter Robert Williams. This exhibit is touring the country and Kenny and myself are planning on viewing it soon.

Between The Lines

Editorial

by Susan Hagaman



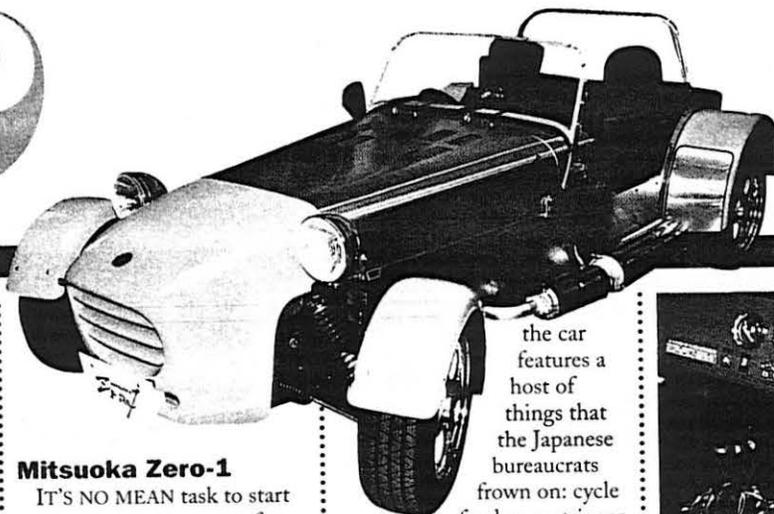
GET THE CREDIT FOR IT!

Following the success in the U.S. of credit cards linked to auto manufacturers, the trend has now spread to Britain. GM was first, announcing its VISA card in late 1993. Following the U.S. pattern, the card is called the GM Card, which may come as a surprise to Britons who have heard of Vauxhall, but not General Motors. Ford has linked with Barclay's, one of Britain's largest banks, for its version of VISA. Both rely on the sales gimmick that has made these cards a hit in the States: discounts on cars that depend on how often the plastic is passed over the counter.—I.N.

Mitsuoka Zero-1

IT'S NO MEAN task to start up as a proper auto manufacturer in Japan. There are a thousand and one regulations a vehicle must satisfy that befuddle even the mightiest of auto manufacturers and leave certain foreign contingents complaining about "non-tariff trade barriers."

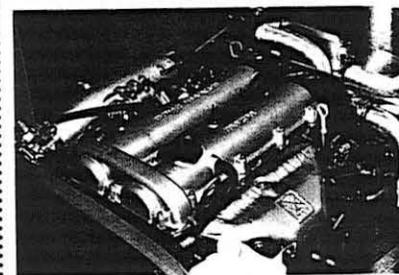
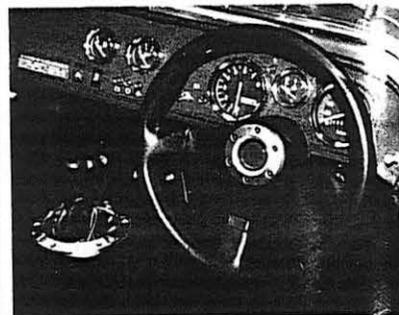
Mitsuoka Automobile of Toyama, however, recently proudly proclaimed itself the "12th Japanese manufacturer" and introduced its first product, the Zero-1. Amazingly,



the car features a host of things that the Japanese bureaucrats frown on: cycle fenders, outrigger exhaust, no doors, etc. In fact, the Ministry of Transportation granted Mitsuoka a limited production approval, the limit being 99 cars to be sold to the public.

The Lotus 7-look-alike Zero-1 is a very clever vehicle, built around the tried, tested and popular Mazda Miata's 1.6-liter powerplant, together with its rear suspension. The front suspension is Mitsuoka's own design using tubular un-

■ The Zero-1, a Lotus Seven spitting image, uses the Miata's 1.6-liter engine and 5-speed transmission.



Reprinted from the April 1994 GGLC's THE CHAPMAN REPORT

HISTORIC LOTUS

Classic Team Lotus Limited *by Randy Tragni*

An announcement has recently been made of a new organization to support the owners of Lotus Single Seater Race Cars. This organization is being headed by none other than Clive Chapman, son of Lotus Cars and Component founder Colin Chapman. A partnership of ex-Team Lotus personnel will help provide documentation and authentic (and replica) components for sale to owners of the marque. These personnel include Andrew Ferguson, Chris Dinnage and Manning Cuckle, all Team Lotus lifers!

The initial and present emphasis will be to document and support the existing Formula One chassis that are out there, although this support will eventually extend to the other formula, also. Additionally, they will offer factory support to historic racers (of Formula One chassis) and provide specialized merchandise to club members. Individuals interested in more information should contact: Classic Team Lotus Limited, Potash Lane, Hethel, Norfolk NR14 8EY England. Or you may telephone (country code 44) 0953-601621 or fax to 0953-601626. What follows is the text from the original announcement.

CLASSIC TEAM LOTUS LIMITED *The Spirit of the Marque*

Classic Team Lotus Limited is a new company which represents the continuing involvement of the Chapman family with the Lotus Marque. The objective of Classic Team Lotus are to preserve and promote the Monoposto Lotus racing history and act as a point of focus for all the owners of the cars which played such a large part in establishing the Lotus legend. To achieve these objectives the company has been entrusted with responsibility for all the Monoposto Lotus racing designs from 1957 to 1990. These designs are a testimony to the dedication and innovative skills of Colin Chapman and all those involved in the history of Lotus. Classic Team Lotus will celebrate and perpetuate the Spirit of the Marque. The goals of the Register (formerly Team Lotus International Register) are to identify all the surviving Monoposto Lotus racing cars and establish communications with their owners. The Monoposto classification (single seat, open wheel) encompasses 60 designs from the Lotus Type 12 to the Type 102. Of the estimated 1,400 manufactured, nearly 350 surviving chassis have been identified thanks to the support of owners and enthusiasts across the world. Classic Team Lotus wants to help in the preservation of these ultimate monuments to Lotus innovation.

ELCC'S 10th ANNIVERSARY PARTY!

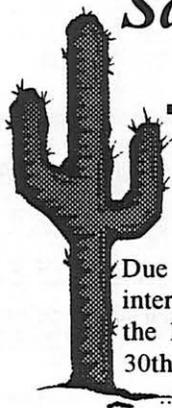
Saturday, April 30th

1 pm until ???

at John & Nikki Daniels new home in Mukilteo

PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE

Wear your western threads and bring along your ELCC/Lotus photos and/or videos to pass around. Awards to the best dressed dude & dudette!



Due to other conflicts with events that may be of interest for club members to participate in, the date of the 10th Anniversary Party has been changed to the 30th of April, one week later. Also for our hosts, John & Nikki Daniels, this date was better for them to work with. We will be gathering at their new home

in Mukilteo to eat, drink, chat watch videos and most of all, be merry! You can also take this opportunity to sign up with Nikki for the Ocean Weekend on May 14 & 15. Door prizes are being sought so this is one event you shouldn't miss. One idea that was passed along

was for members to bring old & new photos, videos, whatever of past ELCC events to share with everyone. So look for those scrapbooks and photo albums.

After the partying will be heading off to nearby Gerry Andal's Ranch restaurant to partake of their nightly buffet dinner then do some dancing and listening to music afterwards. So dress in your best western duds as we will be giving out a prize at the Daniels for the best dressed dude and dudette!

DIRECTIONS TO DANIEL'S NEW HOME: 6423 Chennault Bch Drive.
Phone: 348-3553



From Northbound I-5 take Exit 182, Alderwood Mall exit. Coming up 405 proceed over I-5. Stay in left lane, do not go to mall. At Hwy 99 make a right then the next left immediately at signal onto Mukilteo Speedway. From Southbound I-5 take the Everett Mall exit and proceed to Hwy 99 then right onto Mukilteo Speedway. At second light turn left at an ARCO gas station. Make a right turn at a sign that reads "Right lane must turn

right". Straight thru the next stop sign and you are now on Chennault Beach ROAD. Take the second left right after the sign to get onto Chennault Beach DRIVE.



Proceed down the hill and admire the view. Their house will be on the right painted Lotus colors, yellow with green trim. Also be on the lookout for other Lotus paraphernalia to mark the location.

Come on out and have a good time!



Upcoming Events

April

r.d. enterprises, ltd.

PO Box 698, 290 Raub Road, Quakertown, PA 18951
Phone (215) 538-9323 Fax (215) 538-0158

- **Stainless Steel Exhaust Systems** in stock for Elan S1,2,3,4,Sprint, Europa TwinCam, Elan +2, Seven S4 and Caterham 7. Complete systems with tubular headers, pipe and mufflers. Call for details.
- **Spax Adjustable Shock Absorbers** for Lotus road and race cars; adjustable for both damping and ride height. Easily adjusted in place; no need to remove from car. Special 10% discount when you purchase set of four shocks. Spanners for adjustable spring platforms are also available from stock.
- **Adjustable Wishbones for Elan, Elan +2 and Europa:** Tubular wishbones that retain rubber bushings at the inboard mounting points give you suspension adjustment without compromising ride quality. Ideal for both road and competition use.
- **Elan Models:** 1/24 scale plastic kits and 1/43 scale white metal kits or assembled cars. Call for details about these and other Lotus scale models.
- **Teflon Shock Covers:** Eliminate squeaking rear springs on your Europa when you install these.
- **Lotus accessories:** patches, emblems, key fobs, coffee mugs, umbrellas, caps, Lotus-related books.
- **New flyers have just been mailed. If you're not on our mailing list call for your free copy!**

Prices do not include shipping or tax if applicable.
Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00-5:30, Friday 9:00-5:00

1994 ELCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

← *Dates with question mark are tentative* →

APRIL	23	SCCA SOLO II autocross school Boeing Parking lot in Kent
APRIL	23	MG Club LaConner Tulip-Daffodil Rallye
APRIL	30	ELCC 10th Anniversary Party/Dinner
MAY	14	Vintage Races- SIR
MAY	14/15	Ocean Weekend—Long Beach— Nikki Daniels, Organizer
	21	Vancouver ABFM—Vandusen Gardens
JUNE	?	ELCC Rallye—Maury & John Montag- rallyemasters
JUNE	25	Indy Car Race-Portland
JULY	2 & 3	Vintage Races-SIR
JULY	9	Autocross School—Boeing
JULY	9 & 10	Norm Thompson Vintage Races-PIR
JULY	23/24	WWABFM—Bellevue Comm. College Tour/Picnic on Sunday
AUGUST	20?	ELCC Picnic—Anderson's-S. Bellevue
SEPTEMBER	2-4	Portland ABFM—P.I.R.
	7-11	Lotus Convention—San Rafael, CA
	24?	Snohomish Car Show
OCTOBER	29	Halloween Party/Cider Run-Snohomish
NOVEMBER	?	Nothing planned so far
DECEMBER	10	Christmas Party—Urquhart's-Kent

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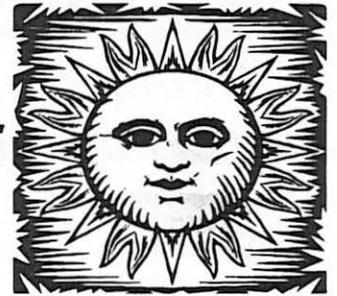
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AUTOCROSS DATES: All events at Boeing Kent or Everett.
SOLO II: 4/24, 5/22, 5/29 Bremerton, 6/18 & 19, 7/10, 8/13 & 14, 8/28, 9/25, 10/2. **WWSCC:** 5/15, 6/5, 6/12, 7/17, 8/21
 24 hour hotline for latest info: 255-0658

Other events may take place during the year so read your upcoming issues of LOTUS LINES carefully and thoroughly.

OCEAN WEEKEND AT LONG BEACH May 14 & 15



HAVE YOU MADE YOUR RESERVATIONS YET WITH NIKKI? 348-3553 Deadline May 8th

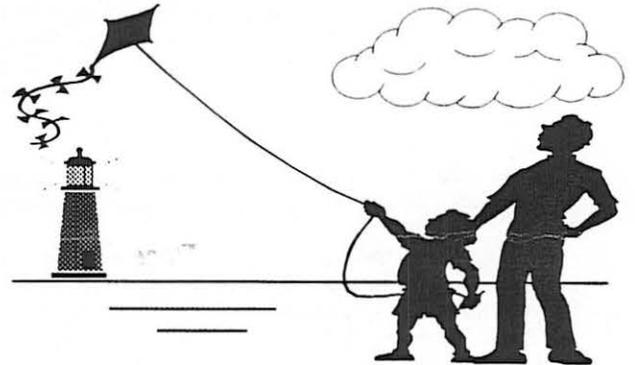
It's almost that time of year again for ELCC's annual trek to the ocean at Long Beach. This year's event will be just like previous years except we will be going a few weeks later and won't have to fight the crowds. We will have our usual breakfast at Denny's in Fife

then tour down. Kite flying and go karting will take place along with plenty of eating, Saturday evening at the Crab Pot and Sunday Brunch at the Chautauqua Lodge where we will be staying at. They also have an indoor pool and hot tub so bring those swimsuits.

Nikki Daniels is in charge of this event and she will need to know if you are coming and want to reserve a room by May 1st. Some suites have ocean views and sleep 6 to 8 people. CONTACT NIKKI AT 348-3553 to reserve a room or for more information.

Upcoming
Events

May/June



VANCOUVER ALL BRITISH FIELD MEET

Saturday, May 21st Vandusen Botanical Gardens
37th & Oak, Vancouver, BC

Gates open at 8 am
Admission to Gardens is
For more information call
Bev Kolosoff at
604-465-1871 after 6 pm



ALL BRITISH SWAP AND SHOP

Sunday, May 22nd Kerrisdale Arena
5670 East Boulevard
Vancouver, BC

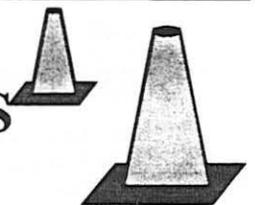
Gates open at 10 am until 4 pm
Admission: \$2.00 per person
Info call Dave Kotow at 604-873-8585 days

ELCC'S "FUN TIME" RALLY in June

with Maury and John Montag as your hosts and rallymasters.

Watch for date and time in the May issue of LOTUS LINES. It will be held sometime in early June.

SOLO II AUTOCROSS SCHOOL



Saturday, April 23rd

Boeing Parking Lot-Kent

Call 255-0658 to pre-register & for more info or call Susan or Ken.

Landers

An old jalopy can be a real mint in disguise

Dear Ann Landers: You advised "Take My Car, Please" to accept her husband's clunker because some things aren't worth fighting about. You were right on the money. I, too, have a husband who kept his old car for sentimental reasons — we drove away from our wedding in that car.



His '58 Chevy sat in our garage collecting dust and rats for over 20 years. Twelve years ago, someone offered us \$20 for it, and we were tempted but decided not to sell it, and I'm glad we didn't.

When our daughter was to be married in 1991, I suggested to my sentimental husband that the old Chevy would make a romantic getaway car for the newlyweds. Six months and \$8,000 later, we had a beautifully restored classic. Our niece used the car in her wedding last April. What was once an old junk heap is now a family tradition. Patience pays. — Cruisin' in California

Dear Cruisin': It certainly does. The writer of the next letter makes it clear that some of the old katrinkas are worth their weight in gold.

Dear Ann Landers: Please tell your readers those old cars sitting in garages can be worth a fortune. A Model T Ford, for example, is worth from \$10,000 to \$100,000. A Model A is worth \$10,000 and up. A Duesenberg, Cord, Auburn, Graham or Stutz-Bearcat will fetch at least \$100,000. All it takes is a new paint job, a tank of gas, fresh oil in the crankcase, a hot battery and a new set of tires and presto, the car is running.

Tell the woman who wrote to be patient and cash in big time. — J.L., Long Island, N.Y.

Landers

Men and automobiles are closely related, says one

Dear Ann Landers: It has been said that the most difficult task of a woman's life is to give up her kitchen. For men, it's giving up an automobile. Being a male, here's the way I see it.

Man is like an automobile. As it gets older, the differential starts slipping, and the u-joints get worn, causing the drive shaft to go bad. The transmis-



Dear J.L.: YOU told her — and millions of others, but you didn't say where the buyers are. Here's more on the subject.

Dear Ann Landers: In reply to "Take My Car, Please," why in the world is she complaining about ONE car?

We have a 1936 Plymouth that we have agreed not to talk about because it has caused so many fights.

We also have 13 OTHER cars on our adjacent three lots and five or six more on someone else's property out of town.

These are my son's precious mementos of his days of glory. The woman who wrote should be thankful her husband has only one. — A.R., Spokane, Wash.

Dear Ann Landers: I, too, have a husband who brought his beat-up old truck to our first home and insisted on lugging it to our second home, too, in spite of my protests.

When our sons were 12 and 14, they started to work on the truck with their father and turned it into the envy of all who saw it.

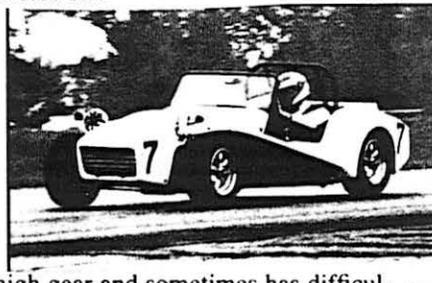
My husband gave it to our oldest boy when he turned 16, and he, in turn, gave the truck to his brother when he turned 16. It was a great bonding and learning experience for all of us. — San Diego, Calif.

Dear San Diego: Your letter and hundreds of others I've received are proof that cars are often like members of the family. I'll bet millions of readers have a sentimental warm spot for a car they once owned. Ours was a Hudson, circa 1935.

It was one of the fanciest cars in Sioux City. Another car in my life was a gray Chrysler that belonged to a fellow I dated in high school. Of course, it was his dad's. What lovely memories!

Gem of the Day: Recall it as often as you want. A happy moment never wears out.

With your
LOTUS



sion won't go into high gear and sometimes has difficulty getting out of low. The cylinders get worn and lose compression, making it hard to climb the slightest incline.

When it is climbing, the tappets clatter and ping to the point where one wonders if the old bus will make it to the top. The carburetor gets fouled with pollutants and other matter, making it hard to get started in the morning.

It is hard to keep the radiator filled because of the leaking hose. The thermostat goes out, making it difficult to reach operating temperature. The headlights grow dim, and the horn gets weaker. The memory chip drops a few bytes, and the battery needs constant recharging.

But if the body looks good with no bangs, dents or chipping paint, we can keep it washed and polished, giving the impression that it can compete with the newer models and make one more trip down the primrose lane before the head gasket blows. Gentlemen, start your engines. — Pinging Like Crazy in Tulsa

Dear Pinging in Tulsa: Some psychologists say many American males consider their vehicles an extension of themselves.

Your little essay certainly gives validity to that theory. Thanks for making the connection. I find it fascinating that this is strictly a male thing.

13th ANNUAL LACONNER TULIP-DAFFODIL RALLYE

hosted by the Northwest MG Car Club



Saturday, April 23rd 10 am

Payless Parking Lot-Mt. Vernon

Entry Fee: \$8 per car



Join over a hundred sports and special interest cars from Whidbey Island and finish up at historic old Fort Casey. Western Washington and Canada for one of the biggest You may want to pack a picnic lunch and or kite to and most fun driving events in the Northwest! The enjoy while your score is being tabulated. The Tulip Rally has gotten bigger and better every year with last year's event drawing nearly 150 cars. Like last year, How about it? You and your navigator will enjoy we will honor the top ten finishers as well as many beautiful scenery and have a shot at some great awards special awards such as the oldest car to finish, hard luck and door prizes. Make your plans now to join us and be and the infamous featured marques. Best score awards prepared to have a lot of fun! Bring your camera! for Triumph, Mustang, Mini, Italian, German and others. We will also recognize the top Canadian finisher as well. Dash plaques will be given to each entry.

The course this year will send you here and there in the countryside surrounding the Tulip Festival area. The rally will have you gathering clues to questions about things and places you pass along the way. All you need is a sharp eye, a pen/pencil, something to write on and a sense of humor. Speed is not necessary or recommended. Time and distance will be used in tie breaker situations. The rally will continue on to north



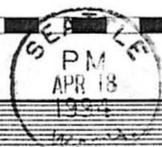
Want to tour up with other contenders?
Tacoma: Meet at Godfather's Pizza, 7:30 am, at 5114 6th Avenue.
Kirkland: Meet at the Totem Lake Mall off 405 at 8:30 am in front of the Ernst Hardware.
Want to have breakfast? Gather at the Mitzel's in south Everett at exit 186 on the west side of I-5 at 7:30 am.

BRING A CAN OF FOOD FOR NW HARVEST AND GET AN EXTRA DOOR PRIZE TICKET!
QUESTIONS? Call Kevin Cobby at 362-7686 or Ken Bottini at 883-9615

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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| <p>APRIL</p> | <p>23</p> | <p>SOLO II AUTOCROSS SCHOOL
Call 255-0658, pre-registration is mandatory. Entries are limited</p> | <p>MAY</p> | <p>14 & 15</p> | <p>Ocean Weekend at Long Beach
Breakfast, tour, kite flying, go carts, partying, good time weekend.
Call Nikki Daniels at 348-3553 for more info and to reserve a room.</p> |
| <p>APRIL</p> | <p>23</p> | <p>MG CAR CLUB LACONNER TULIP RALLY 10 am, Mt. Vernon
Call Kevin at 362-7686 or Ken at 883-9615 for more info.</p> | <p>MAY</p> | <p>21</p> | <p>Vancouver All British Field Meet at Vandusen Gardens in Vancouver, BC. Gates open at 8 am. Admission fee. Swap Meet on Sunday.</p> |
| <p>APRIL</p> | <p>24</p> | <p>SOLO II Autocross-Boeing, Kent
Call 255-0658 or Susan and Ken at 827-3223 for more info</p> | <p>MAY</p> | <p>22 & 29</p> | <p>SOLO II -Boeing Space Center
Parking lot in Kent. 29th at Bremerton Call 255-0658 or Ken & Susan for more info.</p> |
| <p>APRIL</p> | <p>30</p> | <p>10th Anniversary Party/Dinner
NOTE CHANGE OF DATE
FROM THE 23rd TO THE 30th
1 pm at John & Nikki Daniels,
6423 Chennault Bch Drive Mukilteo
348-3553</p> | <p>JUNE</p> | <p>?</p> | <p>ELCC FUN TIME RALLYE
Maury & John Montag-rallyemasters
More Info next month.</p> |