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News From the Museum Director

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Spring has been filled with local car shows and concours around the United States. I attended a local cruise-in in Ashland City, TN on May 29 with Andrea and our 4-lb. teacup chihuahua. I decided to take the 1965 Matra Jet 5. Needless to say, the car was a big hit as no one had any idea what it was. We were awarded the "Best Car" plaque so apparently it was well-liked.

Earlier in the day, Andrea and I took the Peel P-50 to do storytime at Davis-Kidd Booksellers in Green Hills, and they agreed to let us roll the P-50 inside so everyone could see it. Our spring intern, Thomas Guéniffey, also went with us to help take pictures. Andrea and I agreed she would be better qualified to read to the children since



Andrea Lane with pet teacup chihuahua Abel showing the 1965 Matra Jet 5 at the Ashland City Cruise-In in May.

she has raised three girls. When she was done, I gave a short talk on the history of the world's smallest car. We then allowed the kids to sit in the P-50 and have their picture taken. I want to thank Andrea for her help as she did a great job reading, and is wonderful working with kids. Thomas's help with taking pictures was also much appreciated.

June 5th was Family Fun Day and I spent most of my time demonstrating some of the museum's more interesting cars and giving rides in the 1956 Zündapp Janus.

June 12th was the date of the Ault Park Concours in



Showing the Peel P-50 to a group of kids at Davis-Kidd Booksellers.



See larger versions of the photos in this newsletter by visiting:
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The 1952 Citroën Cogolin won People's Choice at this year's Ault Park Concours d'Elegance.



The 1952 Citroën Cogolin on display at the 2010 Ault Park Concours d'Elegance.

it will be a fun event.

Greg Coston has finished the Dymaxion chassis, and it is driving very well. The Dymaxion is now in a container and headed for the Czech Republic to have the body made.

In closing, I want to mention we have a one-of-a-kind 1938 Datsun Fire Truck on loan from Daniel L. Banks. This rare fire truck was used in Japan where many larger factories had their own fire brigade. To say it's small is an understatement, but it is also very interesting. It will be here for a year, so when you get a chance, come by and see it.

Jeff Lane
Director

Cincinnati, Ohio, and the museum was invited to bring the 1952 Citroën Cogolin. I did the driving tour the day before the show and drove the first half one way, then the last half of the tour the other way; consequently, both engines were exercised. (If you haven't seen the Cogolin, it is a two-headed car that is fully functional in both directions). We had great weather for the show, and the crowd loved the Cogolin, so much in fact that it won the "People's Choice" Award which was a big honor.

On June 20th (Father's Day), the museum recognized fathers by allowing free admission for all dads. We had car rides, demonstrations, and basement tours to keep our guests entertained.

Summer Crush will be held on July 24, and the highlight will be the crushing of another car with the LARC. The museum's restoration specialist donated his derelict Pontiac to be the next victim. There will be other demonstrations and basement tours throughout the day.

In early August, Andrea and I will be participating in a two-week Microcar rally that will follow Route 66 from Los Angeles to Chicago. We will end up at the World Microcar Meet in Crystal Lake, Illinois August 21-22. It should be an exciting trip in a Microcar, and we plan to cover 250 – 300 miles a day.

The first annual Rally for the Lane will be held Sept 25. If you're not familiar with this event, please go to our website and check it out. We have already "sold" eleven cars, and I believe

The Engineering of Our Quarterly Newsletter... Now it's a Hybrid!

After a two-issue experiment with making this newsletter 100% digital, we've decided to once again print and mail copies to our members. However, if you are part of our email list, you will still receive a notification when the newsletter is available online so you will still have the chance to read it a few days before it will reach your mailbox. Because of this, we will retain some of the text and PDF Formatting that made it easier to read and navigate online including jump links that allow you to click to "jump" directly to an article as well as links to additional photos and media that can give you a greater look at the subject than we can include in an 8 page format. Of course these won't help readers of the printed page alone, but will help maintain a higher level of usability when accessing the newsletter where it is posted online: <http://www.lanemotormuseum.org/newsletter-archive>. We hope you enjoy the change!

Hagerty's Top 10 Quirkiest, Coolest and Most Unusual Collector Cars We've Covered



Article Courtesy Hagerty Collector Car Insurance

For more than a decade, Hagerty has placed policies on some of the greatest and most valuable cars in the world. But from time to time, they've also received requests that prompted them to say: "You want to insure *what?*"

"When we first set out to provide insurance for collector vehicles, we intentionally didn't want to discriminate and limit ourselves," says McKeel Hagerty, CEO of Hagerty Insurance Agency. "But we never anticipated how broad the collector category really is or how many unique and cool vehicles there really are out there. It's never dull. But we wouldn't have it any other way."

Below please find Hagerty's "Top Ten Quirkiest, Coolest and Most Unusual Collector Cars We've Covered."



Photo by Chad Davis

1. Ghostbusters car – If there's something strange in your neighborhood who ya gonna call? This '65 Cadillac wagon will surely protect you from ghosts. Of course, we ain't afraid of no ghosts. (Note: Vehicle pictured is a 1959. The vehicle we've covered is a 1965.)

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2. Pumpkin Chucker/Old Fire Truck – This vintage fire truck can shoot pumpkins ¼ mile in any direction you point it. The 25-foot long barrel makes garaging an issue, but it certainly keeps unwanted trespassers at bay.



Photo by Ed Rodgers

3. The Big Red Phone car - This 1975 VW Beetle was transformed into exactly what it sounds like – a big, red telephone. Complete with a keypad, receiver and matching owner/mascot, this car is not easy to miss.



The Phone Car ©Howard Davis and Photo ©Harrod Blank

4. Star Wars Land Speeder - Used by Lucas Films, the hovering vehicle made its first



Photo by Douglas Sonders Photography

appearance during Star Wars: Episode IV- A New Hope. The dirty, beat up land speeder was Luke Skywalker's alternate mode of transportation when his T-16 skyhopper was in the repair shop.

5. Cinderella's Carriage – This carriage evolved from a mere pumpkin and was hauled by a couple of mice-turned-horses. Pretty unbelievable you say? Well, it happened and it needed insurance, so Hagerty gave it the best coverage a budding princess would ever desire. No word



Photo by Stacy Rackley



Photo by Mike Hick

on whether elusive glass slipper coverage is next on their list.

6. Corvette Station Wagon – What do you get when you cross a truly iconic American sports car with a grocery getter? Apparently, you get what is most commonly referred to as a 1954 Commemorative Sport Wagon. Quite the oxymoron, but a conversation starter.

7. German Panzer Tank – Think you feel safe in your big, American SUV? This military vehicle can only hit up to 25 mph even on the flattest surfaces, but you'll never have the problem of getting stuck in traffic.



Photo by Mike Hicks

8. Velorex Oskar 3-wheel car – This 3-wheel, Czechoslovakian, vinyl-covered mini car enjoyed quite a long production run. It was produced from 1953 to 1971 in a town named Hradec Kralove.



Photo by Layton

9. 1985 Owosso Pulse – This futuristic looking vehicle is one of just 347 Pulses ever built. The "Autocycle," as it's commonly referred to, appeared in the film Back To the Future Part II.



Photo by Wells



Photo by Delaney

10. 1974 Dodge Clown Car - Want to be the funniest neighbor on the block? Park this in your driveway.

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The Mitty, 2010

By David Yando

My wife Lora and I always try to make it to The Mitty Presented by Classic Motorsports Magazine vintage races at Road Atlanta every spring. It's time to put the winter behind us and gear up for a busy spring and summer – what better way than to spend a few days soaking up some rays, eatin' some cheese, drinkin' some wine? (my apologies

to Donald Sutherland)

The weather looked like it was going to be pretty nice, so we took the museum's Citroën CX 2.5 GTi. We tend to travel heavy – chairs, coolers, camera bags, clothes for any situation – you get the picture. The GTi was almost perfect – huge trunk, great ride, good economy. If only the A/C was working it might've been perfect. (let's not mention the collapsed headliner that fell along the

back straight during touring laps)

We went down a day earlier than usual in order to take in "The Allure of the Automobile" at Atlanta's High Museum of Art. A stunning exhibit of 18 significant cars, it was curated by Ken Gross and laid out very nicely, with many privately-owned and rarely seen cars on display. It was well worth the extra day!

Anyway, on to The Mitty...



This is why I go to vintage races – the potpourri of cars in some of the fields. Here we see Bob Leitzinger, father of current racer Butch, in his 510 leading the field up through Road Atlanta's famous Turn 5.



My favorite car of the IMSA era – the Group 44 Jaguar. It won quite a few races before rules changes favored other cars, like the Porsche 962s and the Nissan and Toyota GTP efforts.



The newest BRE Nissan, wearing the same Brock Racing Enterprises livery as the two-time Trans-Am champion Datsun 510. Vendor Row has any sort of sports-car racing memorabilia you can think of, from vintage mechanical watches to hat pins to models and original artwork.



John Knepp, in charge of gears and electrics for BRE back in the day, takes the BRE 510 through Turn 10. A short YouTube video may be found by searching "john knepp bre" – you can see and hear the little car at speed.



This is just a small part of the huge Datsun/Nissan corral – all 510s here, with other areas devoted to hundreds of Z cars. Lotus may have been the featured marque, but they were outnumbered by old Datsuns easily 30-to-1.



Brian Johnson, lead singer for AC/DC, takes unfair advantage of a 911 in his Royale RP-4 sports racer, headed for Turn Six.



Friend of the museum Tommy Trabue enjoys his 1966 Porsche 911. A few hours later all the racers from Nashville would hear about the floods and pack up, leaving the racing on Sunday to others.



Well-known Nashville caterer Charlie Kates enjoying his retirement at the wheel of his 1961 Lotus 7.



Friend of the museum and long-time vintage racer and car collector Carl George runs his MGA towards Turn 6.



John Morton also enjoyed some close racing in the Mazda MX-5 (Miata) Playboy Cup. They liveryed a car just for him, seen here dicing with a few other Miatae.



Classic – a “B”, an “A”, an Elva (“She goes”), and a 356, sweep through Turn 5.



What’s the last time you saw a ’69 DeTomaso Mangusta racing? Me neither!



Bill Warner’s nice Group 44 TR-6. If the name’s familiar, think of the Amelia Island Concours d’Elegance...that’s his event!



See, I told you there were oddballs here, both on and off the track. Sunday morning we parked next to each other in the infield, comprising the entire French contingent, I believe. No trophies, however.



The B.O.S.S Series stands for Big Open Single Seaters, and is comprised of ex-Formula One, F5000, Indy, and Formula A and C cars. The ground shakes and babies cry. It’s great!



This ’71 Lola T192 was nicely presented in period livery.



This ’81 March 817, the ex-Bobby Rahal single seat Can-Am car, was great to watch. Lap times were just about equal to much more modern sports racers.



This ’66 Lola T70 Spider was nice to see. It’s representative of the very early days of Can-Am racing, with Lola winning the first championship in 1966.



A walk through the pits should never be neglected – you’d miss beauties like this...



What’s a vintage race without a true Bugeye?

My Hot Summer Vacation



By James Green

Last year my wife and I participated in the BABE Rally. The BABE Rally is a rolling party that takes place over a week while traveling from New York (Big Apple, hence the BA) to New Orleans (Big Easy, the BE. Clever huh?) in cars that cost less than \$500. Last year we traveled in relative luxury in a very well worn 1991 BMW 318is, lovingly named "Mudflap Girl." We had a great time and quickly bought a car for this year's rally.

"Shaggon Waggon" was the moniker emblazoned across the windshield of our newest rally car when we bought it, so we kept the cool graphics in place and rolled with it. I never fell in love with the air conditioner-less Shaggon Waggon and actually started to hate it somewhere in Alabama as temperatures soared in the lower 90's. So I decided I would recoup a bit of money and meet some interesting people by putting the seemingly indestructible Toyota on the market. Presented below is the advertisement I placed.

Sadly the whole plan went South when I loaned the car to a friend's son who destroyed the clutch in just a few hours. The Shaggon Waggon had died and was hauled to the scrap yard.

Shaggon Waggon, you will be remembered if not missed!

Shaggon Waggon is on the market!! - \$999

Date: 2010-06-21, 2:27PM CDT

Reply to: sale-dpjdk-1803473555@craigslist.org [Errors when replying to ads?]

1979 Toyota Corolla Wagon SR-5

Congratulations, you have found a great opportunity to purchase one of the most unique cars on the road today! Is your life boring? Do you get little attention on the highways and byways of life? Or maybe you are just weird and march to the beat of your own drummer? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then this beauty just might be for you. If you don't have a sense of humor or don't like talking to strangers, you don't need this car. It WILL get you noticed!

This fine automobile just completed a 3200 mile journey that included Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana! During the adventure it got 30 miles per gallon of cheap gas and burned/leaked no oil! Toyota overbuilt this one. The engine runs well and the 5 speed manual transmission is a joy to shift.

Obviously the design work done on this was done by a professional designer and that would be my brilliant and incredibly hot wife. Yes, a company pays her to design, the word "designer" is in her title! This sweet little number has Mondrian-schemed paint, a la "The Partridge Family" bus. The paint was meticulously applied by my wife and myself whilst we consumed copious amounts of delicious Yuengling Light, which is mighty fine beer, if I do say so myself. But I digress, back to the car. Six (6) different colors were lovingly applied



with rollers, like the ones professional house painters use, so you know it will hold up for years and look marvelous doing it. I, personally, painstakingly spent almost an hour recovering the old wood-grain panels with some spiffy wood-grained contact paper. It looks awesome and will no doubt hold for the life of this amazing car.

But the most eye catching feature is the head mounted to the hood. Kids love it! The head is from an old Operation Brain Surgery game that still works! The lovely locks were added halfway through our last journey and is an authentic Dorothy (Wizard of Oz) wig. I can't think of anything more fun than cruising along at 70 miles per hour and seeing a young Judy Garland's pigtails flapping about like the flags on an ambassador's Mercedes-Benz. An ambassador you will be, an ambassador for fun and love! What more could one ask for? I know! A completely shag carpeted interior! It ain't called the "Shaggon Waggon" for nothing! The door panels are covered in shag as is the dash. You're gonna love it!

The car is so cool and unique it was featured in an online article in Vanity Fair! Check out the link:

<http://www.vanityfair.com/online/daily/2010/06/would-you-drive-this-pos-to-new-orleans.html>

Your future transport is the sixth car featured in the slideshow. One of only seven cars in the world featured in the article!

It is difficult to put a monetary value on SO MUCH coolness. It is almost like pricing an original Picasso that you can drive. Such is our American way though. I am asking for a very reasonable 999 real American dollar bills. Seems too cheap, huh? Well here is a list of

what some people might consider problems and the elegant ways in which I, personally, dealt with each one:

1. Sometimes after running for a while the starter refuses to spin the engine. Simple solution: Have your brilliant and incredibly hot designer wife give you a push start. Or park on a slope.

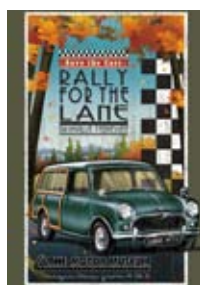
2. The brake master cylinder reservoir leaks a bit. Simple solution: The car will come with a large bottle of brake fluid with almost a quarter of its contents remaining. Probably a \$1.25 value.

3. The key only works in the back door. Simple solution: I, personally, installed a wire that enables you to unlock the passenger side rear door. This will give you easy access to unlock all of the other doors even when the car is loaded with luggage. It works great! Even a drunk valet can work the system at three in the morning.

I, personally, would consider trading for a Rolls Royce, but it might upset my brilliant and incredibly hot designer wife. We have too many cars so cash would be better since it is much easier to store, you know. Trades for road bicycles considered.

Oh yeah, one other awesome detail just popped into my head. Le Shaggon Waggon comes with super fly spinner hub caps. I, personally, had to special order these at Advance Auto. They were the last set of 13 inch spinners available. So I might even call them rare and they are most certainly unique now. Three are painted to match the car's groovy paint, while one has been wood-grained. They are hypnotizing and look like they were designed for the car by a professional.

Hipsters respond via email.



Rally for the Lane- September 25, 2010

Rally for the Lane is a one-day vintage car fan extravaganza. The museum has selected 31 cars from its collection that participants will be able to purchase the right to drive on the rally. The rally will start at 9:30 a.m. and head along the Cumberland River to Ashland City for a picnic lunch including rides in the museum's 1964 Amphicar!

After lunch everyone will enjoy a brief ride in the Amphicar on the Cumberland River (weather permitting). The Rally will resume and tour through rural Cheatham County with some beautiful and hilly two-lane roads.

Arriving back at the museum around 5:00 p.m., you will have completed about 120 miles of rally driving. The museum will then open the basement for a private tour; an award presentation will follow.

Rally for The Lane is a fundraising benefit for Lane Motor Museum in Nashville, TN. Lane Motor Museum opened in October 2003 and, since then, has grown from a collection of 80 cars to nearly 330. As a 501(c)3 non-profit, the museum relies on the generosity of the private community to help offset the many costs of operating a 135,000 square foot facility, the maintenance of over 330 vehicles and several ongoing restoration projects! While running a car museum is fun, it doesn't come cheap. The electric bill alone totals more than \$50,000 a year!

Your participation in the Rally will not only be a fun and exciting day for you but a great way to help support the mission of Lane Motor Museum: to collect, preserve and document automotive history for the enrichment of future generations.

Get more information at www.lanemotormuseum.org/rally-for-the-lane or by calling Vicki Garrison at 615-742-7445.

Upcoming Events



Summer CRUSH

Saturday, July 24, 2010- 11:00am-4:00pm

Summer CRUSH returns! Watch as all 200,000 pounds of the museum's 1959 LARC-LX drives over the shell of a vehicle. Have something you want crushed? Bring it along!*

*For safety, please don't bring items with glass or any flammable liquids. Lane Motor Museum reserves the right to reject items that are deemed unsafe. Please be prepared to bring crushed items home with you.

Keeneland Concours d'Elegance

July 15-18, 2010, Lexington, KY

Keeneland offers a unique four-day event featuring over a hundred exquisite automobiles on the historic grounds of Keeneland Race Course. Lane Motor Museum will be in attendance. (Concours Saturday, July 17 only.)

The Concours d'Elegance of America at Meadowbrook

July 24-25, 2010, Troy MI

Over 230 cars and motorcycles will be on display at this year's event and Lane Motor Museum will be one of them. Hope to see you there! (Concours Sunday, July 25 only.)

Grandparent's Day

Saturday, September 12, 2010

Plan a fun day out with your grandkids! Kids age 17 & under admitted free when accompanied by a grandparent! From 10am-2pm we'll have special activities including games & prizes, the chance to ride in a museum car, demonstrations and of course a lot of fun for all the family.



RALLY FOR THE LANE- Now On Sale!
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Visit www.lanemotormuseum.org for details!



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