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## Utah Concours d' Elegance 2010 Thanksgiving Point Gardens *By Susan Cady*

On Saturday, August 28, 2010 several of our WMJR members participated in the Concours d'Elegance at the Thanksgiving Point Gardens.

This year during the Concours the 75th year of Jaguar was highlighted. As part of this recognition for Jaguars, our WMJR member Art Pasker had his beautiful Jaguar Mark V Drop Head photographed as the featured car. The

photo was enhanced using the art of typography by Concours featured graphic artist, Joe Pep. The typography gives the photo the look of a painting. The photo was used on the Concours limited edition poster and was also printed on the Concours program booklet and on Concours T-shirts.

Art stated that this photo shoot was great and also very expensive, as his car got stuck in low gear during the photo shoot

and he had to replace the whole transmission. In addition, one of our other WMJR members, David C. Hobson

Cadys fell in line behind the lead 2011 XJS Jaguar from Garff Jaguar to caravan with the other cars to the museum. At the museum we had a wonderful lunch prepared for us and then we toured the museum which has a magnificent collection of Utah art, with over 1500 paintings, drawings, prints and sculptures.

On Friday afternoon after we returned from the museum, the Cadys and David Hobson got to be part of the ABC4 News weather broad-

cast from the front lawn of the Thanksgiving Gardens Reception Center. Meteorologist Roland Steadham did his 5:00pm forecast with the Cadys' XK120 Coupe and David Hobson's XK140 Roadster in the background.

This was pretty exciting to have our cars displayed on TV. Roland Steadham was

DDS, did an article on the history of Jaguar which was published in the Concours program booklet along with photos of his XK140 Roadster.

There were several other events that were set up in conjunction with the Concours for participants to enjoy. On the Friday before the Concours, Mike and Susie Cady joined in on a tour in their XK120 to the Springville Museum of Art in Springville, Utah. The

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very nice and explained the situation with all of the thunder cells in the area. He also said that hopefully there would be a break in the weather for the Concours the next day. Luckily the next day was beautiful with just a few light winds.

That evening some of our club members attended a banquet in the Thanksgiving Point Gardens Reception Center. After a delicious buffet we all enjoyed the guest speaker, Jeff Mahl, great-grandson of the American who won the 1908 New York to Paris around the world race in a Thomas Flyer. Jeff Mahl told the account of his Great grandfather's race in first person, as if he was George Schuster. His account of all the trials encountered on the race were fascinating. Along with the storytelling of the race, Mr. Mahl showed numerous photos that depicted the event. I cannot put into to words

how spelling bounding and interesting this whole experience was. Those of you who were unable to participate missed a great opportunity to hear the story of this Great Race first hand.

On Saturday, the Concours took place in its new venue of the Thanksgiving Point Gardens. All of the vehicles were placed throughout the Gardens to provide maximum visual affect. The Jaguars were displayed next to the English Gardens (how appropriate). The beautiful backdrop of the gardens provided a magnificent display for all of the classic and vintage automobiles.

WMJR members who participated in the Concours were Art & Martha Pasker, David Hobson, Mike & Susie Cady, John & Liz Green, J. & Kay Jennings, Ken & JoAnn Borg, Jim

Revel, John Whitney and Rick Shea. Some non-club members who displayed Jaguars were Ardell Brown, Annette McDonough and Bernie Fuchs.

After a full day of enjoying all of the displayed automobiles an awards ceremony was held. Bill Rothermel, joined the Concours again this year to present the awards. Bill currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Antique Automobile Club of America Museum in Hershey, Pennsylvania. Mr. Rothermel provided information on each car as it drove to the winners circle. He credits his mentor for his knowledge of automobiles and taught him that with every great car comes a great story.

This years WMJR members who received recognition/awards for their cars are as follows:



*Art Pasker* - 1950 Mark V Drop Head Coupe - First Place in Class for Jaguars and the Mayor's Choice Award



*J. Jennings* - 1951 OTS XK120 - Second Place in Class for Jaguars

*J. Jennings* - 1993 XJS Convertible - First in Class for newer model Jaguars

*David Hobson* - 1981 Rolls Royce Silver Spirit 4 Door Sedan - Second Place in Class.

For more photos by Susan Cady, see the [WMJR web site](#)





## Member Spotlight: Dave Hobson

*By Liz Green*

Dave was born and raised in San Diego, California. During high school he fixed up cars and was able to buy his first Jag when he graduated. It is his 1957 XK140 roadster which he still has after 48 years.

He went on to school at San Diego State for one and a half years then to BYU for two years where he graduated with a BS Degree in Psychology and a minor in Music. From there he went to USC for Dental School and Loma Linda for Orthodontics. He practiced in California for a long time and then moved to New Mexico.

He just retired in July. However, he will not just sit still. His new venture is Stock and Commodity Trade. He also has cars he will be

restoring.

Some interesting facts about Dave: he was in a rock n roll band in high school, he put himself through dental school by playing the organ in the Methodist Church, he is an excellent piano player.

I remember once we were at a Christmas Party with the Jag club in someone's house, they had a piano there so he sat down and played Christmas Carols for us. He plays the saxophone, string bass, organ and piano.

He served a mission for two years for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Canada. His mother was born in 1911 in the Mormon Colonies in

Poncho Villa. His uncle was the founder of Mesa, Arizona and has a street named after him which is behind the Mesa LDS Temple. His uncle was Jesse Daugherty Hobson, the name of the street of course is Hobson St.

Dave has five children – two boys, three girls. He also has 18 grandchildren. Now for his cars: 1957 XK140 roadster, 1961 Mark IX, 1967 420G, 1967 420, 1981 Rolls Royce, 1988 XJ12 series III, and a 1994 XJ12 sedan.

Dave is a very interesting man and knows a lot about cars and is an excellent musician. How can he get his hands dirty in the greasy car engine and then play the organ and piano. I guess he washes his hands really good!

# What I Did On My Summer Vacation

By Dan Schweikert

*Ed. note: WMJR member Dan Schweikert was on California's Monterey Peninsula in August for all the terrific collector car events that happen there each year. Here is his photographic report.*

My photos are in three groups. The **first group** comprises to-be-auctioned cars that John Swensson and I saw in downtown Monterey...some just out on the closed off streets.



'49 Delahay with a Saoutchik body...sold for \$3.3M.



'38 Talbot-Lago T150-C with a Figoni-Falaschi body ... sold for \$4.62M.

Just a side note on the people who come from all over the world (not just from Utah) for this weekend featuring the Pebble Beach Concours d' Elegance, Historic Automobile Races and five big car auctions.

"The annual Woodstock for super-rich car collectors"...to quote the *Wall Street Journal*. "With investment returns so low and stocks so volatile, the

wealthy are finding other places to put their money."

The *W&J* reported the top sale was \$7.26M for a '59 Ferrari 250 GT LWB Spider. Reported elsewhere, total auction sales in Monterey were \$172M, exceeding last year's total of \$120M.



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1915 Van Blerck Speedster. Has a huge chain drive to handle the 17 liter engine! I couldn't find the sale price on this one.

**Second Group:** cars out at the Laguna Seca track.



A lineup of *ten* Rolls-Royces. Passersby could look at them but I'm not sure why they needed to show ten.



A FERRARI limousine!



A very tidy '65 Corvair with a Corvette engine mount amidships.

**Third Group:** The city of Pacific Grove had a five block long lineup of cars that varied widely in prep/condition.



A Porsche Spyder. Very nice.



A Facel Vega. Not sure what year but I remember a much nicer "His & Hers" pair of Facel Vegas at a mansion in the Hollywood Hills - I was attending a party there in '63. Yah, it's a longer story.







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An MG TD with a wood boat tail body. Beautiful ... ..but can you imagine the amount of work? And why spend all that effort on an MG?

And finally, a Jag picture...a "Jag Special" that was in the pits at the Monterey Historics.

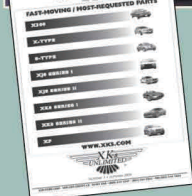
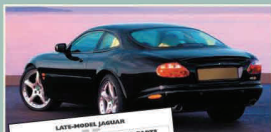
While the car looked familiar, I don't know anything about it. I couldn't find it in the race program ... although some of the #86 cars, didn't show up in the listings by class.

However, the on-line listing shows it as the "#86 1955 Hagemann Jaguar Spl." I found all the details in <http://www.conceptcarz.com/vehicle/z15021/Hagemann-GMC-Special.aspx>



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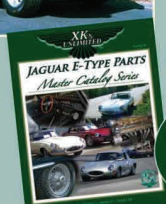
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## Fall Colour Tour With The BMCU Saturday October 2

Once again our stalwart sister organization the British Motor Club of Utah has invited the WMJR to putter along on their annual Fall Colour Tour (note spelling).

In keeping with tradition, no planning details will be made public until a week or two before the event. This includes the tour route, which in past years has included the Mount Nebo loop, Wolf Creek pass southeast of Heber City, and the Monte



*The Cherrys' XK150 Drop Head Coupe on the 2006  
BMCU Colour Tour*

Cristo pass east of Ogden.

Whatever the venue it's sure to be a fun and colour-ful day. To learn those elusive details, keep your eye on the BMCU [Lucas Calendar](#) (as reliable as its namesake).

Though sunny brisk weather is the norm, one detail has already been set: the rain date is Saturday October 9.

Be There or Be Octagonal (as in MG).

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## Event Calendar

### *October 2*

Fall Color Tour with the BMCU

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### *October 23*

Hallowe'en Party

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### *November*

Planning Meeting

### *December 4*

Christmas Party

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