



# Pacific Tiger Club

## Newsletter

### ROOTES OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

#### From the President

Our September meeting found a group of us attending the Ponies in the Sun car show in Yakima, WA (Budd Bennion, Atkissons, Dunns, Jewells and Brett Simpson). On Saturday morning the 15<sup>th</sup> the day started with the group meeting at the Triple X in Issaquah. From there Kevin and Judy Jewell led us over Snoqualmie Pass and into Ellensburg for a lunch stop at the Red Horse Diner. If you haven't been there before it is worth the stop to see all the automobilia on the walls and you will often times see classic cars, hot rods and motorcycles in the parking lot. We then proceeded down the Canyon Road which is a scenic drive that follows the Yakima River and ends at the city limits of Yakima. That evening we met other car show participants at a local drive inn where we sampled their delicious ice cream. Our hotel was across the street from Sarge Hubbard Park which was the venue for the car show on Sunday. We hardly got the engines warmed up the next morning to get

situated into the show. The organizers of the event put on a raffle and provided a lunch for the participants. The awards ceremony concluded by 4:00 pm and we all convened back at the hotel for libations, socializing and dinner. We all stayed the night Sunday and enjoyed a leisurely drive home on Monday, thus avoiding the Sunday traffic jams that often occur over Snoqualmie Pass.





The Issaquah Hailstone Feed Store and Antique Gas Station was the site for the Annual General Meeting on October 12<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately the weather didn't cooperate and we experienced the start of fall with rain and wind. Space was a little tight but we all managed to find a seat and eat Subway sandwiches accompanied by many great side dishes provided by the attendees. Bill Clemans drove their blue Series II Alpine and to everyone's surprise a second almost identical blue Series II arrived driven by Kylie Keyzer and her husband Jeff. Both cars were prominently displayed in front of the antique Shell gas pumps. We held a short meeting where all the officers were re-elected for another term. However, our secretary Jim Clark would like someone to volunteer to replace him if possible.



We just concluded our November meeting on Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> where we put together a tentative schedule of events for 2013. We have some driving tours scheduled for the June, July and August meetings. These should be fun and I hope many of you will attend. Thank you to the Kuenzi's, Jewell's and the Atkisson's for volunteering to host and organize these events! Hopefully it will be another warm summer that will allow us to drive our cars and enjoy these outings. We have also included some car collection tours along with visiting a few restoration shops (subject to confirmation) If you have some ideas of other things to do please let me know, many of the events have not been finalized yet. (See Tentative Schedule of Events)

Our next meeting is the annual Christmas Party which will be at the Jewell's home on **Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm.** The club is going to purchase all the food so you don't have to bring a dish unless you really have a favorite one you want to provide. Please RSVP to the Jewell's so they can get an idea of how much food to purchase. There is a gift exchange so please see the details in the email announcement about how much to spend and what type of gift to bring if you want to participate. Also please bring a canned food for donation to the local food bank. Our club has some extra funds available so we approved a donation of \$200.00 to Hopelink for a holiday donation.

I inadvertently forgot to send in the results of the Concours and Rallye from Sunbeam Northwest held in August. The following are the results:

**Concours:**

**Stock Tiger:** 1. Dennis Junk 2. Dave Dunn 3. Kathryn Fitzgerald

**Personalized Tiger:** 1. Rod Souder 2. Russ Colgan 3. Gary Haslip

**Modified Tiger:** 1. Allen Denson 2. Bob Hokanson 3. Ed Fullerton

**Alpine:** 1. Bill Clemans 2. Jerry Rathburn 3. Bill & Sharon Smith

**Saloon:** 1. Frank & Cindy Cardiff

**Rallye:**

1. Bruce & De Walen
2. Brent & Tina Edinger
3. Ed & Carol Fullerton
4. Dan & Cindy Kuenzi
5. Jerry Rathburn & Lynne Paugh

Dunn for now.

Dave or Budd Bennion.

- Dave thanked Dick Saunders for his article in the newsletter about another group sponsoring the next Sunbeam Northwest.

Future events discussed:

- The club’s Christmas meeting will be at Kevin and Judy Jewell’s house. Kevin and Judy decided on the date during our meeting – December 8<sup>th</sup>

Suni 2014:

- Max Pahmeier talked about coming Suni 6 event, in Colorado; with a possible Pikes Peak climb. Apparently the road to the top of the peak is paved now. Mark your calendar for Colorado Springs, CO on June 29<sup>th</sup> thru July4<sup>th</sup>. It will be the 50<sup>th</sup> year of the tiger.

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**Secretary’s Report**

AGM Meeting held at Historic Shell Gas station in Issaquah, WA

Meeting called to order by Dave Dunn on 14 October 2012

Old Business:

- Dave thanked everyone who helped or worked on the Sunbeam Northwest 2012 event
- Dave also reported that the “Ponies in the Sun” event was a fun event, attended by about 150 various cars.

New business:

- All PTC officers will stay on for the next year. Dave announced that the next meeting, at his house, will be for planning purposes. We are hoping to set some of the dates for the 2013 calendar. If you have some ideas for meetings, you can email

Membership:

- Budd reported that the club currently has 82 members. New members Jeff and Kylie Keyzer were present and parked Kylie’s 1962 Alpine S-II in front of the shell station for a nice photo op. Dave Wright brought in his Sunbeam Tiger Diecast model for show and tell. Two colors are now available on line. Dave had the green one-yes, British racing green.

Meeting was adjourned: Minutes submitted by Jim Clark

## **Laps from the Past**

Nov, 1992: Brian Doan is newsletter editor and he is looking forward to review of classic automotive books in the newsletter. He cautions the reader not to let their dues lapse and run the risk of missing any riveting issues. The Holiday Party will be at the home of Max and Kathryn Pahmeier in Renton. Twenty years later the Pahmeiers are still hosting our parties as they were our hosts again last year.

Dec, 1995: Von Levandowski has a column devoted to racing topics. He reports that Brent Edinger picked up 2 seconds at SIR from just a race alignment. Starke Shelby's race car is getting the finishing touches to be ready for the coming season. The Christmas party is being hosted by none other than Max and Kathryn once again. PTC membership was reported at 125, with 59 members that had a Tiger only, 33 Alpine only and 12 members that had both at least one Tiger and Alpine. There were other combinations as well. Did you remember that Clifford Harrington ultimately left the coach building business to become a successful table ware manufacturer?

Dec, 2000: Dick Sanders reports on recent ebay sales including an Alpine V for \$5,700 and \$21,200 for a 1935 Hillman Aero-Minx roadster (A what you say?). 2001 Sunbeam Northwest is scheduled in Sisters, OR by event organizers Cardiffs and David Boyd.

Nov, 2003: This was one of our last really well attended evening AGMs with 48 people showing up at Ivar's Salmon House. Brian and Lisa Bogdon have a long article about attending the Maryhill Concours and Hill Climb. Allen Grant was participating in the Hill Climb with his Cobra. Allen was a driver with Shelby American in the early days. My Shelby American Racing History book shows Allen placing second in the 1963 LA Times GT race, behind Bob Bondurant, but ahead of Lew Spencer and Dan Gurney, all driving Cobras. Later that same year he placed 8<sup>th</sup> overall at the

Monterey Grand Prix. Brian describes how he and Allen switched the Tiger carb to the Cobra and Allen proceeded to turn in a top time of the day for closed wheel cars.

Dec, 2004: Newsletter has a report on the upcoming Tigers North weekend in the Vancouver, B.C. area. A Bremerton buyer was the successful bidder at over \$44K for a Mark II Tiger on ebay. The report on Craig Burlingame's LRSD (end of the year rallye) shows 4 Alpines in attendance and not a Tiger to be seen. Were they all saving themselves for Tigers North?

Kevin Jewell

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## **PTC Annual General Meeting Oct 14, 2012.**

The place of the AGM was the historic Shell Station in down town Issaquah, WA. Can you believe it, two Sunbeams showed up and we thought there was a big mirror reflecting the same car twice. The Alpine S-II closest to the building belongs to Bill and Glenda Clemans and the other Alpine S-II belongs to new member Kylie Keyzer.



As usual we had to blow a horn to stop people talking to get them to sit down to eat. President Dave Dunn then recapped Sunbeam Northwest and a few other events held this past year. Then door prizes were given out and everyone went home with something useful I hope.

So that ends this year's driving days but since your car is in your nice warm garage now, you can get it ready for next year road trip, no excuses.

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**Treasurer:** Bob Bennion

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**Chairpersons**

**Activities:** Larry & Eileen Ingersoll

[Laingersol@aol.com](mailto:Laingersol@aol.com)

**Membership:** Budd Bennion

[budd.bennion@comcast.net](mailto:budd.bennion@comcast.net)

**Historian:** Brett Simpson

[brsjal1@comcast.net](mailto:brsjal1@comcast.net)



Two Series II Alpines, same color, both with hard tops and wire wheels. What is the chance of that?



See you on the road.  
Budd Bennion

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**2012 EVENTS CALENDAR**

**Dec 08** Christmas Party @ Jewell's  
**2013 Tentative Schedule of Events**

- Jan 12 Museum of Flight
- Feb ? Restoration Shop/Car Collection tour (to be confirmed)
- March ? Restoration Shop/Car Collection tour (to be confirmed)
- April ? Performance Coatings (to be confirmed)
- May ? Vintage Racing Motors (to be confirmed)
- June 08 Dan & Cindy Kuenzi's home (possible driving tour)

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**2012 Executive and Officers**

- President:** Dave Dunn  
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[ddunn@andoverco.com](mailto:ddunn@andoverco.com)
- VP/Newsletter** Kathryn Fitzgerald/Mike Clark  
[Tiger2@telus.net](mailto:Tiger2@telus.net)
- Secretary:** Jim Clark

- July 13      **Tour to Anacortes –Jewells to organize**
- August 10    **Tour to Indian Island-BBQ at Atkisson's in afternoon**
- Sept 14      **Art Morrison shop (to be confirmed)**
- Oct ?        **AGM- site to be determined**

If you know of other events we should be listing, please contact our activity chairs, Larry & Eileen Ingersoll.

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**PTC Club event, Sept 15-16, 2012.  
Yakima "Ponies In The Sun".**

A few members of PTC went to the 'Ponies in the Sun' Ford car show in Yakima Sept 15-16. The organizers had added a class for Sunbeam's and their Ford powered cars. (All Sunbeams were invited) The two members from Yakima also turn out. The weather could not have been better. The show was on Sunday but we drove over on Saturday. We had to take one detour east of Cle Elum 6 miles toward Blewitt Pass and saw some of the results of the fires that were just north of Ellensburg. We stopped in Ellensburg at the Red Horse Diner for lunch. Always a fun place to stop. Right after we pulled in a tour of Ford Mustang's pulled in organized by the Sun Country Mustang club. They were glad to see the Sunbeam Tigers knowing we were also going to the car show the next day. We drove south down the Canyon road as it is more fun than the freeway and checked in to the hotel in time to cool off. Saturday evening one of the events was to go to the Kings Row Drive Inn to show off ones rides. The host car club gave out some prizes at the Drive Inn.

The next day was the car show with about 156 cars in attendance, most of which were Mustangs. The Sunbeam Tigers had a lot of interest, like how did they fit a V-8 in and it must be a blast to drive. Most went back home Sunday but I stayed and went back on Monday via Chinook Pass. Yea, I am retired and can do

that.

Budd Bennion



PTC stop in Cle Elem on way to Yakima car show, Sept 15th. Brett Simpson red Ford Lightning, Kevin & Judy Jewell's Tiger, Dave & Anita Dunn's Tiger, Larry & Linda's Tiger and Budd Bennion's 1965 Galaxie.



Beautiful day and stretching our legs.



Tigers at Yakima's Ford car show were well received.

Thanks: Budd

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For those of you aware of the Optima Ultimate Street Car Challenge you already know what an accomplishment it is to get your car into the show. Dale Akuszewski not only qualified, he finished 18<sup>th</sup> overall (according to a very knowledgeable car person in attendance he should have finished at least 12<sup>th</sup>). Among the ridiculously high dollar cars, Dale's Tiger was very well received and he was approached by Hot Rod Magazine for an upcoming issue of the mag.



Dale's 17" x 8.5" modular Panasports are worth \$900 a corner, little potatoes compared to the Forgelines that the big boys were running @ \$1200 to \$1500 each! Dale did Tiger owners proud and placed very high in all events

considering his car was untested on a road course. His oxblood leather interior is done by "Gabe", the Mexican upholster that was doing Boyd Coddington's interiors, among others.

Thanks: Glenn Fukui

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## PTC Newsletter: by E-Mail?

Do you wish you got your newsletter earlier? Well, we can solve that very easily. If you are willing to receive your newsletter via email, we can probably save at least a week in the time it takes for you to get the newsletter. That week is what it takes us to print the newsletter, collate, and mail. Sound good? Simply confirm with our newsletter editors your current email address to: ([tiger2@telus.net](mailto:tiger2@telus.net)). Not only will you get the info earlier, but you will help the club control our costs.

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**We need your help! If you know of any Sunbeam Events, please contact your Activities Co-coordinator and we'll get it in the newsletter.**

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**DO WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT ADDRESS AND EMAIL? HELP US KEEP OUR RECORDS UP TO DATE AND SEND YOUR CHANGES TO BUDD OR THE EDITOR.**

## Profile your car!

We would like to have a profile of your car, even if everyone knows who you are. Please email your profile to Mike & Kathryn. New to the PTC, Let us know the details, as we would like to do a feature article on your car!

Latest Block video:

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LuDN2bClYus&feature=player\\_embedded](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LuDN2bClYus&feature=player_embedded)

Thanks: Alex MacLaurin

**We want to hear your great stories! Do you have a great story to share? Send us the details with your photos. Let us know!**

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### **SUNI 6 UPDATE**

To answer a number of calls and enquires concerning the status of SUNI 6 the following is offered:

I have been working with CATO (David McDermott and Jeff Eakin) to locate a site that has a local club that can assist in Hosting SUNI 6. We have decided on Colorado Springs Co. We are going to use the Marriott hotel. They have a great facility and they have offered a very attractive room rate of \$99 that includes a full breakfast for 2. Of course they have a pool and there are many other attractions in the area which will enhance the site.

Date: June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Yes, there is a great Auto Cross site just a few miles away and I am hoping everyone will want to take a drive up a little bump on the prairie called Pikes Peak (only 14,000 ft) while there. Don't worry Colorado is only a mile high and should not present a problem. I am hopeful that we will get all our clubs behind SUNI 6 and while we will be celebrating "Fifty Years of the TIGER" all ROOTES CARS are encouraged to attend.

Stay tuned; more to come.

Max Pahmeier  
206-660-8034

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## **PTC ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY**

HOSTED BY THE JEWELL'S

SAT, DEC 8  
1 PM – 5 PM

425 885-0103

NO POTLUCK THIS YEAR! PTC IS FURNISHING ALL FOOD AND DRINK.

RSVP TO

[KEVINANDJUDY@ISOMEDIA.COM](mailto:KEVINANDJUDY@ISOMEDIA.COM) (BY SAT, DEC 1) LETTING US KNOW HOW MANY IN YOUR PARTY SO WE KNOW HOW MUCH FOOD TO PREPARE.

FEATURING HOLLY SANDERS AS MC FOR OUR GIFT EXCHANGE.

BRING A NEW WRAPPED NONSEASONAL GIFT WHICH IS UNISEX OR MARKED MALE OR FEMALE. COST LIMIT IS \$15. EACH PERSON WHO BRINGS ONE WILL GET ONE. LET'S HAVE 100% PARTICIPATION!

FESTIVE COMFORTABLE ATTIRE  
PLEASE LEAVE YOUR TUX AT HOME

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On a more solemn note, have you been filled in on Max's recent plight? He had open heart surgery a few days ago and is in Colby Providence Hospital in Everett recovering. He is just now able to have visitors so we're trying to figure out how we can get in to see him. We found all this out because he goes to our church in Snohomish.

Bill (and Glenda)

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In the event that you are trying to find “real” gas in the northwest, Jim has found an interesting link

<http://www.buyrealgas.com/Washington.html>

**Stolen Tiger alert from Norm Miller:**

<https://skydrive.live.com/?cid=b63ea59c60ac1d44&resid=B63EA59C60AC1D44!385&id=B63EA59C60AC1D44%21385&sf=1>

**Renewing your membership?**

**Members are asked** to please send all membership correspondence to Budd at: 14720 30<sup>th</sup> NE, Seattle, WA. 98155 (206)364-8478 or via email:

**budd.bennion@comcast.net.**

Annual Membership fee \$32.00 US/35.00 for foreign members.

**Canadian Funds Payment to PTC**

We ask each Canadian member to calculate the current exchange rate into US funds. Example: dues today \$35.00USD=38.50 CAD (based on 10% exchange rate)

Make payment payable to Pacific Tiger Club and we will process via our bank. Exchange rates are constantly changing. For assistance you may use the following website:

<http://www.xe.com>

**Pacific Tiger Club Christmas party information.**

We would welcome a canned or other non-perishable donation for our local food banks. This year we have selected Hopelink as our recipient. The club will also be making a cash donation. So, please bring a food donation with you to the holiday party.

There will be a gift exchange. If two people are attending, and both want to participate, please bring two gifts.

Location is near Bear Creek Country Club off Avondale and NE 128<sup>th</sup> in Redmond/Woodinville. If you are using

Mapquest and it puts you on NE 116 th, be aware that you will never get there. Try a different service, or call for directions. Hope to see you there.

**TECH TIP**

**COOL UNDERHOOD TEMPS**

Eastwood • 800/343-9353 • Eastwood.com

Rebuilding a car can be daunting when the bills start to stack up, so reusing as many parts as you can is important. You still need those used parts to last, however. You can protect and preserve old exhaust manifolds or headers with Eastwood's new Hi-Temp Internal Exhaust Coating. A wide-fan nozzle at the end of a 2-foot hose makes it easy to get the coating into the tubes, where it sets up a thermal barrier that can withstand temps of up to 1,800 degrees F. Not only does that protect the manifolds, but it also cuts down on underhood heat.

**Price: \$19.99**



Thanks: Budd

## For Sale

### 1. 1966 Sunbeam Alpine S-V

I purchased this darling car in May, 2006 from the original owner; the car is road-worthy and just had a complete overhaul of the Stromberg Carburetors and the brake system including an upgraded Brake Servo unit. The car is the original color of 39-Carnival Red; the car was repainted (the original color) in the mid-1980's by the original owner. The body is straight; the previous owner's wife put a few dings in the right rear quarter panel and bent the bumper (see photos). The VIN matches the chassis. I had a custom header put on the car in 2008 because the original exhaust manifold was badly cracked. Everything else on the car is stock equipment. It does not have overdrive; the engine is in good shape with good compression; most of the peripherals have been upgraded since I bought the car (distributor, coil, fuel lines, starter, 5-blade fan, new clutch hydraulics). The car would benefit from upgraded seats and interior work. I have lots of extras that I will include with the car (Tonneau cover, original manuals, some parts for the interior restoration, an extra set of SU carbs, and other minor items including (2) Chrome headlight rims).

I am asking \$6500, but will consider all reasonable offers from truly interested buyers. I would like to sell the car before I have to store it for another winter season.



Please contact Donna Rudiger at [donna.beamer66@gmail.com](mailto:donna.beamer66@gmail.com) 360-770-5756

2. 71-73 HILLMAN/SUNBEAM AVENGER, PLYMOUTH CRICKET PARTS - Shop manual set. Mostly new: ext. front lens, estate left tail, Hoses brake kits, eng. gasket set, ex. twin down pipe, wheels, eng. head. LATE 60's ARROW/HUNTER SEDAN, ALPINE COUPES (baby barracuda) New frt. & rear ext. lamp assy. &/or lens, speedo cluster. Used frt. & rear axle assy. / eng. / trans. / wheels, etc. CALL AS I HAVE DISSASSEMBLED A COUPLE OF WRECKED 1969 SUNBEAM ALPINE COUPES and ALPINE ROADSTER. 503-351-3618 Richard [cricket-73@comcast.net](mailto:cricket-73@comcast.net)

3. **1964 Series IV Sunbeam Alpine.** Last licensed in 1982, garaged continuously since. Excellent restoration candidate. Less than 1000 miles on 1592cc engine completely rebuilt in 1981, Weber conversion also completed in 1981. While there is rocker panel rust, this is a desert car (Pocatello, Idaho) and the chassis looks much more rust free from below than all other Alpines examined. Car is virtually complete and assembled, but has not been started in over a decade. I am the second owner. This was my first car, purchased in 1976. \$2500 O.B.O. near Carnation, WA. I'm hoping to find someone who wants to undertake the complete restoration that I always intended.

Buell Ish [buell@vectrafitness.com](mailto:buell@vectrafitness.com)

4. 1967 Series 5 Alpine 70,000 miles,

stored last 10 years, rust free Arizona car, in British Green. Asking \$10,500 – Offers!  
Contact Don Atchison 1 360 275 2773.  
Located in Belfair



5. Cute as a bug, but needs "a little" TLC.

Carol Christensen



6. In my search for a particular Tiger part, I came across something that looked familiar but doesn't appear to be any part or portion of my current rolling stock. They resemble tail lights from a Rootes Group car but I'm not sure as to the model. Maybe a S2 or S3 alpine? Then there are the badges. Badges? "We don't need no stinking badges." Anyone know what these are from? Would anyone like to buy them? What do you have to trade? How does \$160 sound for all?



Brett [brsjal1@hotmail.com](mailto:brsjal1@hotmail.com)

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## **WANTED**

1. I am looking for a Tiger to buy. I would prefer a good driver with the thought of restoring it in the future. I would also consider a relatively rust free car that is in need of restoration. If you happen to know anyone that would want to trade a Tiger for a Series I E-Type coupe that is rust free but in need of restoration, I would consider that as well.

Don Joy  
Yakima, WA [britcar1@msn.com](mailto:britcar1@msn.com)

2. "Looking for Sunbeam Alpine/Tiger **hardtop** for a Tiger Mark 1a. Please call Josie at 250 613-0065."

## REGALIA

Hats, Hats, Hats... We got 'em! all have the "Pacific Tiger Club" Logo on the front, some have Tiger or Alpine on the side and some have no added logo on the side. Contact Budd for a price and make any form of payment to "Pacific Tiger Club" and mail to Budd Bennion, 14720 30th Ave NE, Seattle WA 98155-7512.



Want a "Pacific Tiger Club" logo on your coat? Note to all, since there is not an official club jacket, etc. I can have the club logo embroidered on any article of clothing you have. Bring me your favorite jacket or buy a new one, anything, shirt, blanket, bag, etc. Cost \$8.50, shipping is extra.

Budd Bennion

Save postage by picking up regalia at club meeting

Fleece jackets \$30 + postage \$4  
Polo shirts- Lady's = \$20 + postage \$3  
Men's = \$15 + postage \$3



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