



# OVERDRIVE

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## CIAHCA READY FOR *INDY FEST*

**It promises to be a relaxed and fun Healey event**



**Above:** Bruce Gilham and his B38, a recent addition to the CIAHCA fleet, beckon to Healeys and their fans to "Return to Zionsville" for *Indy Fest*, Oct 10-11.

Under the leadership of Club President Jim Frakes and many involved Club members, our new fall event, *Indy Fest*, under this year's theme, "Return to Zionsville," should be a great event for our Club and those attending from others. Highlights begin with a Friday evening hospitality at the event's hotel, the new Wingate Inn, featuring food, drink, and games. Jim Switzer secured the arrangements with the Inn. Melanie Haskell is in charge of food and Ruth and Dick Buis the drinks Friday eve.

Saturday, we will drive up for the Popularity Show located along the brick-paved village streets of Zionsville, reminiscent of the successful show there during our national Conclave 2000 event. Gene Marinacci and Ron Francis handled the arrangements with the Village. Then, in the afternoon, we will leave on a relaxed rally/tour under the direction of rallymaster, Dick Storrs, in search of more Indiana fall colors.

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## Special Reminders

**Next Meeting:** Sept 19, Lone Star Steakhouse, 5116 W 38th, 293-9095, social at 6:30 pm

**British Car Days:** IN Br Car Union event, Sept 12-14 in conjunction with Mount Comfort air show, forms available

**SE Classic:** Sept 18-21, Little Switzerland, NC

**Fall Roundup:** Sept 26-27, Dayton Area, forms available

**Indy Fest:** "Return to Zionsville", Oct 10-11, NW Indianapolis, forms available

**Register for *Indy Fest* NOW !!!**

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Images from the IN British Car Union's *London to Brighton Run*: **(Left)** *Now and Then* - new and original Minis prepare to depart.  
**(Right)** A St Louis couple have their own *Arch de Triumph* in this beautiful TR3.



# CENTRAL INDIANA PAGE

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## August Meeting Minutes

**Date and Place:** Aug 19, 2003, at Lone Star Steakhouse, 38th Street

**Attendees:** David Broyles, Bob & Melanie Haskell, Craig & Sue Rice, Jim & Bonnie Frakes, Dick & Ruth Buis, Lewis & Sandy Jay, Grover Knight, Steve Berenyi, Dick Storrs, Jim Switzer, Roy Bowman, Jim Burck, Don & Mary Goodrich, Brent Porter, Bruce Gilham, Jon Monies, John Mann

After a social hour, Jim Frakes called us to order at about 7:40 pm. The agenda followed was:

**Opening Remarks—** Jim Frakes noted the success of some recent Club events, such as the Whiteland Karting and the Progressive Dinner. He also indicated that Ron Francis had sold his Mini to a cardiac surgeon from Washington, DC.

**July Meeting Minutes —** were approved as published in *OVERDRIVE*.

**Treasurer/Membership -** Craig Rice reported that the current membership count was 59. New members Lewis & Sandy Jay were recognized from those in attendance. A few Club shirts are still for sale.

**Tech Note —** Craig was then recognized and presented a few remarks regarding his search for the source of a little "shake" in his Healey 100 between 60-75 mph. He believed the possible source of this were the rear brake drums, which are not often examined for balance. *What was particularly memorable in his presentation was his rendition of the "shimmy," as he bodily portrayed an out-of-balance drum spinning!*

**Calendar and Events —** September is a busy month with several events including Lemon Creek, IN British Car Union's weekend, the Columbus Scottish Festival, the SE Classic and the Dayton area Fall Roundup.

**Indy Fest—** Jo Switzer has arranged the hog roast as dinner to be served at the Royce Museum. Craig Rice indicated that the Museum people suggested we obtain table and chairs for the dinner. For the Friday hospitality, Melanie Haskell will arrange for food and the Buis' the drinks. Jim Frakes and Jim Switzer will meet to discuss games and activities for hospitality. Dick Storrs is designing the rally route. Sue Rice and Jim Frakes will decide on award trophies and tokens given to all registrants. Event related T-shirts were discussed as the regalia item for sale. Jim Switzer asked about walk-up registration. Jim Frakes encouraged members to think about items for donation to the silent auction.

### **Indy Fest** from page 1

Later on, we will tour the extensive and unusual collection in the Royce Car Museum, which will also be the site of our awards dinner featuring hog roast fare. Craig Rice has secured the Museum location and Jo Switzer the food for the dinner. Sue Rice is in charge of trophies for the awards. All in all, a great "Return to Zionsville" is on tap.

**(Right)** Bruce Gilham has found a choice spot for parking his B38 during the upcoming Popularity Show.



Jim and Beverly Bush are happy with their AN5 Bugeye after the tech session also attended by Jim Frakes, Dick Buis, Rich Pfile, Roy Bowman and SU carbmaster, Brent Porter. Various engine and carb tune-up items were done.

*Photo: Jim Bush*



Jon Monies' and Joan Wright's Bugeye won its class in the Cincy British Car Show.

*Photo: Jim Frakes*



After the great appetizers served at the Haskells, the next stop in our Progressive Dinner was at the Switzers for pasta, salad and wine. Dick and Sherry Storrs are clearly enjoying dinner at the Switzers with Jim and Beverly Bush.

*Photo: Jim Frakes*



During desserts at the Storrs', we divided up into teams to portray an important part or quality of Healeys. This team of Melanie Haskell, Jon Monies, Frankie Pfile, Roy Bowman and Joan Wright is clearly into its rendition of *Summertime* (and *I'm Overheatin'*). But to some ears, it sounded more like *Rockin' Pneumonia and the Boogie Woogie Flu*!

*Photo: Jim Frakes*



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Dick Buis is setting up for the next curve at the Whiteland Karting event.

*Photo: Bob Haskell*



The last three images are all from the NIAHCA's Lemon Creek Winery show. This event is worth putting on your calendar for next year.

Maybe the class of the show, a mid-50's XK140 Jag



*You bring the bread and I'll get the wine. A perfect day for a picnic with this MGA roadster.*



The **Bel-Aires** from Fort Wayne laying down *That's All Right* with plenty of slapbass and backbeat. Even ventured into country a bit later with a couple of Buck Owens' hits. Sunshine, rockabilly, wine, brats and British cars were the perfect mix of ingredients.



# CIAHCA Calendar

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Sept 2003

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Sept 1 Labor Day  
 5-6 Lemon Creek Winery  
 12-14 IN Br Car Union Car Days  
 16 Club Meeting  
 18-21 SE Classic  
 26-27 Fall Roundup

Oct 2003

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Oct 10-11 **INDY FEST !!!**  
 21 Club Meeting

Nov 2003

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Nov 18 Club Meeting  
 27 Thanksgiving