



Overdrive

January, 2015 Official Newsletter of the Central Indiana Austin-Healey Club

From the President

By Bruce Watson

2014 ended on a high note with a wonderful Christmas Party hosted by Tom & Wendy Neal in Zionsville. We thank them for their generosity and hospitality. A lively gift exchange was held, with the usual steals of the most lusted-after items, and lots of good laughs. And Ruth Buis' donated two beautiful hand knit Afghans which raised \$175 for the clubs' Benevolent Fund.

2015 has gotten off to a good start with a very well attended meeting at George's Neighborhood Grill. The primary topic of the meeting was to put a calendar of events together for the year. As you will see in the Calendar tab on our website, there is no lack for things to do with our Healeys this year. Thanks to Webmaster, Bob Haskell, for researching a lot of the dates so the calendar would be accurate.

Next month, the Watsons will host the annual Daytona 500 Party and Chili Cook-off on Feb. 22 at 12:30PM. All club members are invited. We have enough Chili entries, so if you didn't sign up at the meeting, please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Beverages will be provided.

Jo Switzer is looking into a Duck Pin Bowling event at the alleys in Fountain

Square, sometime this spring, followed by dinner at a local restaurant. More info. on this as it develops.

If you are planning to attend Enclave in Gettysburg this July, you should make your reservations as soon as possible. You can make your reservations online at www.enclave2015.com.

Jim Frakes held a successful tech session at his business garage on Sat., Jan. 17. The group all pitched in to help strip Jim's white BJ8 to the frame for restoration. Thanks to all who participated.

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Next Business Meeting

The February business meeting will be on Tuesday February 10th, location to be determined. Doug Bruce will give a presentation on his vintage racing activities.

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Indiana British Car Union
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Austin Healey Club of America
<http://www.healeyclub.org>

From the President

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Well, it looks like a good year ahead, filled with Healey activities. Don't forget to get your cars out on a nice day or two this winter, and start them up. Keep working on those to do lists, so your car is ready to enjoy as soon as the Spring weather arrives.

Happy Healeying!

Bruce

Business Meeting Minutes

By Sherry Storrs

January 2015 Business Meeting at George's

We had a great turnout for the first meeting of 2015 held at George's Neighborhood Grill. Those in attendance were Bruce/Barbara Watson, new members, Peter/Kathy Van Horn, Bob/Melanie Haskell, Jim/Jo Switzer, Dick/Ruth Buis, Jim/Sandy Burck, Dick/Sherry Storrs, Tom Pearson, John Mann, Tom Neal, Steve Halleck, Jim Bush, Craig Rice, Roy Bowman, David Broyles, Pat Bruce, Bruce Gillum, and Jim Frakes.

President Bruce Watson began the evening by selling tickets for the 50/50 raffle. Our winner was Tom Neal. He graciously donated his share of the winnings (\$36) to our Benevolent Fund, which is now up to \$347. Thanks to all who purchased tickets.

Treasurer's Report – Craig Rice reported we are currently at 57 members who have renewed their dues, and 14 un-renewed.

President Watson then announced the tech session to be held at Jim Frakes garage on Saturday, January 17. Jim is planning to strip his white BJ8 to the frame for restoration. Arrive between 8 and 9 a.m. Lunch and drinks provided.

Next, we went through the proposed activities for the 2015 calendar. Highlights included:

Feb. 10 – Business meeting. Location TBA (Roy Bowman is working on securing a new venue). Doug Bruce will give us a presentation on his racing activities.

Feb. 22 – Daytona 500 party at Watsons

March 10 – Business meeting

March ? - Jo Switzer suggested a night of duck pin bowling at Fountain Square. She will get more information on this.

April 11 – Business meeting. Possibly at Blueberry Hill for breakfast.

May 12 – Business meeting.

Other items discussed:

1. Bruce Gillum told us about an exhibit of “Dream Cars” that will be at the IMA from May 3- August 23. He suggested this might possibly be a club activity. Tom Neal then suggested that we follow the tour with dinner later at the Woodstock CC.
2. Jim Bush said he had several ideas for a drive in our Healeys. One would be a drive to Plainfield where there is a restored classic diner. Another idea was a drive to the Shelbyville Co-op where we would weigh our cars.
3. **The Halloween party** will be held once again at the home/barn of Jim and Bev Bush. The date is October 24, 2015.
4. **National Delegates Meeting** will be held Nov. 7-8 in Indianapolis. Possible activities

for the delegates were discussed. They included a tour of the DeLaura Factory/Museum in Speedway, a tour at the IMS, Gasoline Alley Tour, Dr. Foster's car collection, and local attractions. Jim Switzer will coordinate these activities.

5. **September Round-up 2016.** Our club will be hosting. The weekend of Sept. 17, 2016 is open at the Four Winds Conference Center in Bloomington. There was some discussion as to the cost of the rooms, as that is still their “high season.” Jim Frakes, Jo and Jim Switzer, and Jim Bush have agreed to look into other possible venues for September Round-up.
6. **Enclave 2015.** Gettysburg, PA. July 19-24. If you're planning to attend, Bruce Watson suggested you make your hotel reservations soon. The website is www.enclave2015.com.

Jim Switzer, our past National Delegate had cards to pass out. This is the new marketing material. The red card was “recruitment tips.” The blue cards target current owners who are not yet club members. We were encouraged to take some of both.

Bruce Watson thanked Jim Switzer for his many years of service to the club as its’ Delegate.

Our next meeting will be February 10, somewhere on the South side. Doug Bruce will be making a presentation on his racing activities.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherry Storrs



The Stig? What do you expect at a white elephant gift exchange?



2015 Calendar of Events

February

10th Business Meeting.

13th -15th World of Wheels

22nd Daytona 500 Party & Chili Cook-off

March

10th Business Meeting (tentative)

15th [19th All British Car Swap Meet & Autojumble](#)

April

11th Breakfast & Business Meeting

12th Cars for the Cure (tentative)

May

3rd - August 23rd [Dream Cars: Innovative Design, Visionary Ideas](#)

3rd 38th Annual British Swap Meet and Car Show

12th Business Meeting (tentative)

14th - 17th [SpringThing](#)

15th - 17th [Carlisle Import and Kit Car Nationals](#)

29th - 31st [Champagne British Car Festival 2015](#)

30th - June 7th [Annual British Car Week](#)

24th Indy 500 Party

June

10th - 14th [2015 Brickyard Vintage Racing Invitational](#)

9th Business Meeting (tentative)

11th IBCU's London to Brighton Run

28th [28th Annual Micians British Car Show](#)

July

11th-12th [Mad Dogs and Englishmen British Auto Fair XXV](#)

14th Business Meeting (tentative)

19th - 24th [Enclave 2015](#)

August

1st [31th Annual Dayton British Car Day](#)

8th Indy British Motor Days

11th Business Meeting (tentative)

29th [Carmel Artomobilia](#)

September

8th Business Meeting (tentative)

12th - 13th [24th Annual Columbus Scottish Festival](#)

18th - 20th September Roundup

October

2nd - 4th [Newport Hill Climb](#)

13th Business Meeting (tentative)

25th Halloween Party

November

6th - 8th AHCA Fall Delegates Meeting

10th Business Meeting (tentative)

