

Overdrive

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Presidents Message October 2018

As I write this, many of our members were making their plans to attend September Roundup in Lawrenceburg. As reported, Sue and I have a class reunion this same weekend (the 59th year of the fifty niner's), and will not be attended the Lawrenceburg event. As far as I can remember this will be the first time I have missed either September Roundup or its predecessor September Fest. We will miss you. I understand we have several members attending and expect to hear about a good event.

At the monthly meeting on September 11th, we had the pleasure of presenting to Riley Children's Foundation a check for \$5,000 to use for whatever their choice of funding needs may be. Special congratulations went out to Kathy Halleck for her role, and her able assistant Martha Berenyi for an excellent silent auction.

As of September 19, 2018, Eileen Wetzel, Chairperson of the 2019 Conclave reports 121 Registrations for Deadwood. He also reports the Host hotel is sold out. However, there are two more close by. In fact, Eileen reports the other hotels are closer to the host hotel than her room at French Lick was to our main activity, the Tech session, Regalia and registration tables, etc. Good news for us older people who had to walk many miles at French Lick.

CARS FOR SALE

There are at least five Healeys for sale in Central Indiana. Jim Frakes red BJ8, Dan Lindsay's beautiful Healey Blue BJ8, Sandy Joerhn's Healey Blue BJ8, Lewis Jay's nice red 100-6 BN4, Geoff Ford's Healey which I have not seen, and Lisa Spees, BJ7. If you need info on any of these I can provide a phone number.

TECH SESSION

No known further tech sessions are planned at this time. Call if you need something or just want to put the car on the lift to check something. John Mann is having an issue that is being looked at this week.

BLAST FROM THE PAST.

Last month's Blast from the past featured Jo Switzer and Dick Storrs. The event was the Ice Cream social at Dick and Ruth Buis home in 2008. The second was Roy Bowman and? The final picture was from Story IN.

AUBURN AUTO AUCTION RM/SOTHEBY REPORT

Bob Haskell and Jim Frakes made our annual journey to Auburn for the auction accompanied by Jerry Butler and George Wargny. It seemed like there were less cars than normal but the report from the Auction indicates they sold a record (for Auburn), \$21.7 million dollar's worth.

There appeared to be 16 Healeys for sale but apparently the owners thought they worth more than the buyers. Only four sold, two thru the auction and two more after the auction in the "still for sale" lot. #1 seller was a very, very nice BJ8 which went for \$95,600 on Saturday. It was nice, but that nice? Note that slightly beat another BJ8 that sold at the Monterey auction last month for \$95. Another seller was a '62 black BT7 tri-carb that went for \$60K. A very nice price for the seller. My observation that most Healey's on Friday, stopped at close to \$50K, some over to \$52K. There were some very nice cars that did not sell.

Below are some of the "no sale"

Overall, the owners wanted more than the buyers were willing to pay. A lot of nice cars and prices seem to be still very high, but some owners think we are still in the heyday of just a few years ago.

Dan Lindsay has sold his BJ8, to whom I did not ask. Lewis Jay has sold his BN4 to Mike Farmer who will be joining the blue grass club after a few items he wants fixed or changed. Lisa Spees (not in our club) has her car being worked on to get it running again after about 10 years. It is a deep red, almost maroon, BJ7 that just needs a lot of TLC.

Look forward to our Ice Cream Social the end of September and then on to Charleston, SC with the Bluegrass club.

Keep Calm and carry on. Keep the sunny side up.

Jim Frakes

CARS/PARTS FOR SALE or WANTED TO BUY

(Please send Jim Frakes or Steve Halleck any news of cars/parts that are for sale.)

Hi friends,

After 17 years of great fun, I am putting Puddles, Austin Healey BN1, 223995 up for sale. I would like somewhere south of \$50,000. Actually, I'd like somewhere north but I am realistic. She is a great car, runs great, is very solid. It is pretty much as I bought her from Jack Summers. I did upgrade to a gear reduction starter, Delco alternator, & 3.7/1 rear end gears. She is a great highway car. Will also sell with it, the car top trailer that we took on a number of trips. I have a number of spares & the original bits like the steering wheel, starter, generator, etc...

Please spread the word. My phone number is 547-722-3612.

Cheers to all!

Frank

Next Business Meeting:

The October meeting will take place during the Halloween party at the Bush's Barn.



It's that time again!

The Bushes are hosting the Healey Halloween Party at their barn on Saturday, October 27

6 PM.

As in the past, we will provide the hot dogs and buns, utensils, plates, beer & soft drinks iced down in the bath tub.

Please bring a side dish.

There will be Schneiders, selection of beer (NO BUD LIGHT) and wine.

Costumes are optional, but please dress for the weather.

RSVP by Wednesday, October 24th.

If you need directions, call us at 317-835-7827.

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Miami Valley AHC http://sites.google.com/miamivalleyahccom

Mid Ohio AHC

https://sites.google.com/site/midohioahc/

Northern Indiana AHC https://www.facebook.com/NorthernIndianaAustinHealeyClub

Ohio Valley AHC http://ohiovalleyahc.com

Indiana British Car Union http://www.ibcu.org

Austin Healey Club of America http://www.healeyclub.org

CIAHC Business Meetings, September 11th 2018

Melanie Haskell

The meeting was held at George's–Jim & Bev Bush, Steve & Kathy Halleck, Craig Rice, Bob & Melanie Haskell, Ruth Buis, Jim & Sue Frakes, Jim & Sandy Burck, Dick Storrs, Roy Bowman, David Verrill, David Broyles, Pat Bruce, Randy Belden, and Steve Berenyi attended.

Jim Frakes ran the meeting.

\$5000 from the funds raised during the Conclave silent auction was given to Donna Fischer from Riley Children's Foundation.

Profits for Conclave are split 50/50 between CIAHC and the national club. All of the profits from regalia go to the club.

Dick S suggested that we give some money to Blue Grass, Ohio Valley, and Midwest clubs. Dick made motion. Motion passed.

Jeanette Blanck sent thank you note to the club for the two best of show awards that were given in honor of Walt.

Fred Dabney sold one of his wire frame BJ8 sculptures and gave our club \$100 and thanked the club for a great Conclave.

The Fall Drive, Pool Party, and Ice Cream Social are on Sept. 29th. Meet Dick and Sherry Storrs at Riverside School on Eller Road at 10:00 for coffee donuts, hitting the road at 10:30. After the drive, park on driveway or grass. The party is at a private home. The menu is hamburgers, bratwurst, water, soda, wine, and beer. Ice cream social will include vanilla ice and toppings. There will be a wine tasting with cheese and crackers. Make sure to bring chairs. The event is a thanks to club members for doing this year's Conclave.

The Nov. 9th delegates meeting will include a tour of the Subaru assembly plant in Lafayette. Make sure to arrive at the plant at 12:30.

For next year's conclave Dick Storrs is working at a US 44 tour. It will begin and end on Route 44. It will be 2000 miles drive to Deadwood. He will try to get sponsorship from Shell and with participants buying Shell gas during the drive. The tour will include Lime Rock, Mid-Ohio, and IMS. Dick is looking at staying in Holiday Inn Express in Horseheads, NY. The average speed will be below 55 mph. There will be chase vehicles and trailers.

Jim Bush is looking into enclosed car carriers to haul our Austin-Healeys to Deadwood. Classic Car Carriers in Zionsville do a lot of work for the Speedway. They quoted round trip for \$2500 with 6 or 7 cars. It will be a 2-day trip. They want a full carrier.

Roy Bowman, David Verrill, Ruth Buis, Steve Halleck, Jim and Sandy Burck, Bev & Jim Bush, Jim & Jo Switzer, Ron Francis, and Bob and Melaine Haskell plan to attend September Round-up. Those interested in driving together on Thursday Sept. 20th, meet at Route 9 and 52 at the Country Mark at 2:00 PM.

During September Round-up, on the 22nd, there will be a Ridge Avenue Ramble tour of homes in Greendale, 2 miles from Lawrenceburg. Four homes will be on the tour.

The Halloween party will be at Bev and Jim Bush's barn on Oct 27th. Arrive at 6-ish, rain or shine. Dress for the weather, Jim's heater may not be working.

The club started to discuss John Jacobs's proposal for Conclave. 2020. Because it is difficult to get a club to do Conclave, the Ohio Valley club is asking area clubs to help with Conclave 2020 in late May or early June. They have requested help from Central Indiana, Bluegrass, and Miami Valley clubs. The discussion will continue at the next meeting.

IBCU next year is Aug 3rd.

Miscellaneous Meanderings

By Steve Halleck

The Ohio Valley Region did a great job with this year's September Roundup. Historical Lawrenceburg was a good backdrop for the group of Healey's rolling around and the hotel was excellent.

Central Indiana was very well represented by Ron Francis, Roy Bowman, Jim & Jo Switzer, Jon Monies & Joan Wright, David Morrison and Bonnie Stahlecker, Jim & Sandy Burke, Jim & Bev Bush, Bob & Melanie Haskell, David Verrill, and me (Kathy had a late schedule change that kept her from attending).

Friday's Rally covered some great roads in Indiana and Kentucky and included a stop in Rabbit Hash, KY. Unfortunately, we didn't get to meet the mayor. After touring the city, the drive then continuing on to Lunch at Willie's Sports Café. Verrill and I (the Z team) managed our usual less than spectacular rally result – but we did find beer!

The weather Friday evening looked bad, with a cold front expected to arrive with possible strong storms. Fortunately, the storms went north and south of our location giving us just a couple of sprinkles as we cleaned up the cars for Saturday's show.

Saturday's car show was on one of the historic district's main roads across from the Hotel. The cold front brought cool but good weather for the show. It was a fun show with plenty of time to wander around, exchange stories, and visit the local shops. A light rain started just as the car show ended, sending the Healeys back to the covered garage. Unfortunately, rain continued through the afternoon, ruining plans for some of the fun drives that were laid out for us.

Jon Monies and Bob & Melanie got a portion of the 50/50 drawing from the car show.

Our group's cars were a little more packed during the ride home with awards from the banquet!

Jim & Sandy Burke – First at Funkhana

Bob & Melanie Haskell – Honorable Mention on the rally

Car Show:

Jim & Sandy Burke – Runner up for 100's
Ron Francis – First place for 100's
David Verrill – First place for BT7's
Roy Bowman – First place BJ8 single light
David Morrison & Bonnie Stahlecker - First place BJ8 two light
Steve Halleck – First place Bugeye
Jim & Jo Switzer – First place SOB late model
David Morrison & Bonnie Stahlecker – Best of Show

Our group also won the Participation Award!



Filling up at Country Mark for the caravan to Sept Roundup



Historic Lawrenceburg at night from the hotel.



A couple of Davids at the Rabbit Hash KY stop on the rally.

There's beer here.



Saturday Car Show





Rumor has it that there MAY have been some drinking going on after the car show.

Sorry we couldn't make it to the Conclave celebration drive / get together. It looks like it was a good time.



In preparation for Conclave 2019, Dick Storrs is working on a tour to Deadwood (mentioned in Melanie's meeting notes) and Jim Bush has been looking into costs to ship the cars. Jim's car carrier quotes are based on Indianapolis pickup of a running car, shipped in an enclosed trailer holding 6 cars.

Classic Car Carriers Zionsville, IN \$2500 round trip
Passport Transport St Louis, MO \$1200 one way
United Routes \$1395 one way
National Transport \$1675 one way

Classic Car Carrier said it would take them less than 2 days to get the cars there. United and Delta have non-stop flights from Chicago to Rapid City, SD.

I got caught in a major downpour last week in the Sprite. The new side curtain seals really worked great, but above 30 mph the 58-year-old seals around the windshield allowed rain to flow over the top of the glass and soak the interior. I needed wipers on both sides of the windshield! The new windshield is going in shortly.

Event Calendar

Please let me know of any addition/changes!

2018 Events

Oct 20th – Cars and Gravy, 215 E. 38th St, Indianapolis. 8:00 AM to 12:00

Oct 27th – CIAHC Halloween Party, Jim & Bev Bush's.

Nov 9th – Delegates Meeting tour of the Subaru plant.

Nov 13th – Business Meeting, TBD

2019 Events

Sept 6th-11th – CONCLAVE, Deadwood SD