



Overdrive

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President's Message July 2020

Just when you thought it was safe to go out again another crisis raises its ugly head. As Rodney King said during the LA riots of 1992 "Why can't we all get along?"

Fortunately, things had quieted down enough that our June 6th meeting downtown went off without a hitch. Eighteen club members attended in 8 Healeys (2 more than last month!) and various other carriages.

The highlight of the meeting was that we have our first September Roundup registration – yours truly. We are moving ahead on this event as others are cancelling or severely modifying schedules because of the COVID. Let's hope we can pull this off.

After the meeting, restroom visits and Craig hardware shopping, we loaded up and headed out to tour Woodruff Place with ornate fountains and statuary and the Indianapolis area's original roundabouts. Plotted in 1870 by James O. Woodruff this was a city within a city, finally annexed by Indy in the 1960s. Consisting of an East, Middle, and west Drives most of the 240 homes are in the Eastlake style. It was designated a National Historic Place in 1972.

Residents of note have been Lew Wallace, who wrote part of Ben-Hur here, T.C. Steele, actress Irene Dunne and our own David Morrison. James Whitcomb Riley of Lockerbie Square fame was a frequent visitor.

Now on to lunch at King Dough which was to open a noon. They had remained closed to allow staff to join the BLM protests at the Indiana Statehouse. Our resourceful members regrouped at RAD Brewing, formerly Flat 12 Bierworks. Last year it was the closed Woodruff Place, this year the closed restaurant. Next year we will get it all put together.

BREAKING NEWS -----We now have 51 members! Craig has cajoled 2 more to renew.

Be safe and hope to see you in July.

Jim Bush

CARS/PARTS FOR SALE or WANTED TO BUY

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

Jim Frake's supercharged Bugeye is still available.

Next Business Meeting:

Join us July 18th for Cars and Gravy at The National, 215 E. 38th St, Indianapolis for their get together with our club as the co-host. Social distancing is encouraged. The event starts at 9. Breakfast is available from Old Major. Always a laid-back event with an eclectic group of cars.

The meeting will be at 10:30, followed by a drive around Geist to Ft Ben for lunch.

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Bluegrass AHC
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Miami Valley AHC
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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>

CIAHCA June Business Meeting Minutes

Date: June 6, 2020

Place: Needler's Market 320 N New Jersey

Attendees: Randy & Janet Belden, Roy Bowman, Pat & Debbie Bruce, Ruth Buis, Jim & Sandy Burck, Jim & Bev Bush, Steve & Kathy Halleck, Bob & Melanie Haskell, David Morrison & Bonnie Stahlecker, Craig Rice, Dick & Sherry Storrs, David Verrill

Chapter President Jim Bush called our meeting to order in the parking lot at 10:43 am

Jim provided an update on Jim and Jo Switzer's situation. Jo is having cataract surgery on her other eye next Tues. Jim's father is being treated at Hendricks Memorial Hospital. We all wish them well.

The prior business meeting minutes were unchanged as published in Overdrive.

Craig Rice Treasurer/Membership reported our current membership count at 51.

Jim next directed our attention to our 2020 event calendar:

- The Light House Tour event has been cancelled by the Northern Indiana Chapter.
 - The Bluegrass Chapter has scheduled its Springthing June 18-21 in New Albany, IN
 - The Zionsville IBCU event on Aug 8 will be an informal gathering of British cars this year without formal registration and awards
 - We are the host chapter for the 2020 September Roundup scheduled for Sept 17-20
- Jim will be meeting with the Riley Children's Hospital liaison to coordinate some details
Jim plans to publicize our event with surrounding AHCA Chapters such as Northern Indiana, Miami Valley, Ohio Valley, Central Illinois, Midwest (Chicago area), Bluegrass
David Verrill will circulate our event forms and flyers at Springthing

We adjourned at 11:01 am for our drive through historic Woodruff Place and lunch nearby there.

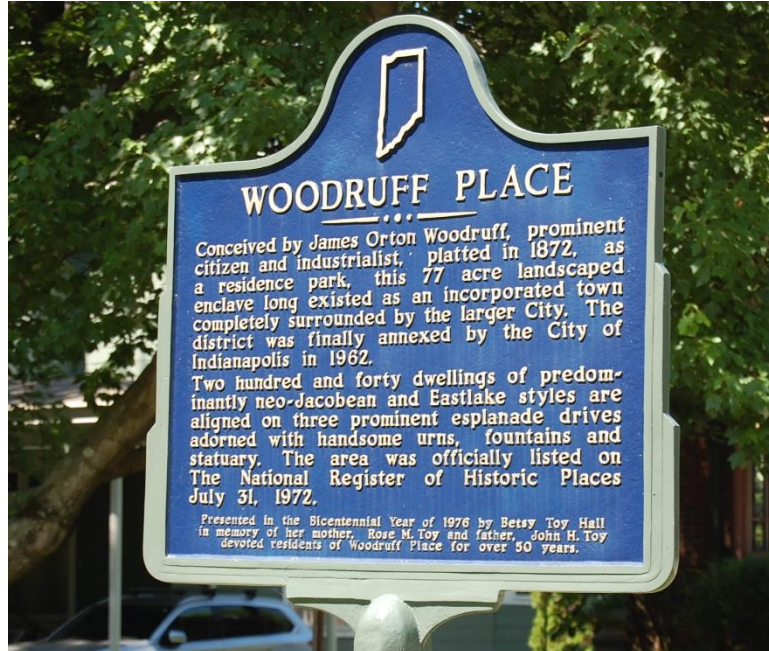
Next meeting: Sat, July 18, in conjunction with Cars and Gravy gathering which starts about 9 am or before at the old Indiana National Bank, 215 E 38th. A short parking lot meeting at 10:30 with drive following our meeting around the Fort Benjamin Harrison area and lunch. Show and enjoy your Healey!

Miscellaneous Meanderings

By Steve Halleck

Our President pulled off another good day for the last meeting and drive. I hope I'll be as lucky with the weather on the 18th! I drove the route to lunch last week to confirm the roads aren't closed or torn up and everything looks good. We're going to end up a Jockomo's for lunch, but there are a dozen other places open close by.

Pics of the June meeting and drive from Bev:



I hope Roy and Dave Verrill have some good info on how things went at Springthing. It was the first event like this that I'm aware of since the virus began and could give us some good insight into ideas for September Roundup.

Speaking of which, time to get our entries sent in for the Roundup!

I haven't heard of anyone else from the club driving The Tire Squeal this year. You really should try it. It's a fun 175-mile drive around southern Indiana (in roughly the shape of the Nurburgring race track). It's over very good roads and raises money for Gleaners Food Bank. The MINI club drives it each year (we won team honors last year).



You can check out how it works and the route by Googling 'The Tire Squeal' or going to <https://schweinefiletring.com/>. The route will still be there if you want to drive it un-officially before next year.

If we have enough interest, I can set up a drive for us next year. The winning team gets this 'swell' trophy, hats and t-shirts!

Cars and Gravy held their first get together of the year this month. The turn out was a little small, but as always, interesting cars were present. This month they had the usual breakfast offerings from Old Major Market, and a pack of pooches from Indiana Bulldog Rescue.

The only British vehicles other than the Sprite were two very nice MGAs. While walking back to my car, I overheard someone telling some new attendees that there are often some very nice Austin Healeys that show up at the events. I butted in and told them we'd be there next month.



2 very nice MGAs



Just one of the
gorgeous ladies
at C&G

Anyone have an idea for an August meeting place and drive?



**So in retrospect, in 2015,
not a single person got
the answer right to "Where
do you see yourself 5
years from now?"**

Event Calendar

Event cancellations continue. If you know of any I've missed, please let me know!

July:

July 4 – Indy Grand Prix, IMS (not open to the public)

~~July 12 – Mad Dogs and Englishmen Auto Faire, Kalamazoo, MI~~

July 18 - CIAHC business meeting and drive, Cars and Gravy, 215 E. 38th St, Indianapolis

~~July 25 – Rolling Into Roanoke, Roanoke, IN~~ Replaced by a cruise the same day.

August:

Aug 8 – British Motor Day, Zionsville, In

Aug 11 - CIAHC business meeting, TBD

Aug 14-16 – Carlisle Import & Performance Nationals, Carlisle, Pa

Aug 23 – Indy 500, CIAHC party, Monie's home.

Aug 28-30 – Artomobilia Weekend, Artomobilia Car Show Aug 29, Carmel, IN

September:

Sept 8 - CIAHC business meeting, TBD

Sept 12/13 – Columbus Scottish Festival / European Car Show, Columbus, IN

Sept 17th-20th – September Roundup, Springhill Suites, Plainfield, IN

Sept 19 – SIRBrit Motor Cars Show, Newberg, IN

October:

Oct 1-4 – Southeastern Classic XXIV, Lake Lanier, GA

Oct 2-4 – Newport Antique Auto Hill Climb, Newport, IN

Oct 10 – Crown Hill Cemetery Drive and Lunch, Indy

Oct 24 – Halloween Party, The Korner Garage, Indy

November:

Nov 6-8 – AHCA Fall Delegates Meeting, Plainfield, IN

Nov 10 – CIAHC business meeting, TBD

December:

Dec ?? – CIAHC Christmas Party, TBD