



Overdrive

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President's Message Sep 2021

The Zionsville British Car Union show always attracts a great variety of cars. To walk around and ogle the goods is a reaffirmation of why you own a British vehicle.

I most generally start my inventory in the northwest corner of the display field. This is where the Rolls/Bentley hardware is gathered. I counted 17 of these marques, more than I have ever seen. Is this a testament to the strength of the stock market over the last 2 or 3 years? I spoke with a Sam Ray, service and facilities manager of the French Lick Resort in southern Indiana. He got to drive the 1929 Rolls of former French Lick owner Thomas Taggart to the show. What a nice job perk.

Austin-Healeys were well represented with 13 big Healey and 3 Bugeyes. It was good to see Central Indiana's newest member, Tom Kramer, and his 100. Bob Fisher was there with his grandson Owen displaying the Fisher's BJ8.

In the other British area was a beautiful red Nash-Healey. To me this was Best of Show. Two cars away was a vintage Range Rover with spare tire mounted on the bonnet. I love that look and it preserves the ground clearance height.

I saw Tucker Madawick near his MGA holding court with several onlookers. Tucker gave the tech session at the 2018 French Lick Conclave on engine rebuilds. He has retired and closed his shop in the Bloomington area but I am happy to report that his long time mechanic A.J. has taken over the space and with Tucker's help will be soon offering repair on most British cars. We can always use a quality shop.

The Lighthouse Tour is still a go for September 10 – 12th. We have almost 20 club members going. It is not too late to get a room at the Hampton Inn in Muskegon. If you have not notified me of your attendance, please do so I can give the final count to the Muskegon Visitor Center. They intend to make welcome bags for us. The number for the Hampton Inn is 231-799-8333.

If you happen to be in New York in the next 3 months stop by the DFN Project gallery on 79th Street to see our own David Morrisson's exhibition of his latest drawings. The show is called Floral Totems and includes irises and bonsai trees. If you have ever seen his SU carb drawings you are aware of his talent.

Stay safe.

Jim Bush

Next Business Meeting:

Sept 25, Meet at Jack's Donuts at Ft Ben (at the Harrison Centre, 9105 E 56th St) at 10:00 AM for a short drive to lunch and meeting, followed by possible short drive for Ice Cream!

More details later as destinations are finalized.

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Bluegrass AHC
<http://www.bluegrassclub.com>

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>

CIAHCA Business Meeting Minutes

Date: Aug 7, 2021

Place: Switzers Residence 9:30 am Breakfast

Attendees: Roy Bowman, Ruth Buis, Jim & Sandy Burck, Jim & Beverly Bush, Jim & Sue Frakes, Bob & Melanie Haskell, David Morrison & Bonnie Stahlecker, Dick & Sherry Storrs, Jim & Jo Switzer

At 10:12 am Chapter President Jim Bush called our meeting to order.

Jim reported that Matthew Adams had been killed in a car accident on Sep 26th, 2020. Our sympathies to his spouse, Anna.

Our previous meeting's minutes were accepted as published in Overdrive.

For absent Treasurer and Membership Chair, Craig Rice, Jim reported our Chapter membership at 44

Jim then directed our attention to upcoming events in our calendar:

- IBCU British car show in Zionsville Lions Park, 9 am, Sat Aug 14
- Cars & Gravy 38th & Washington Blvd, 9 am, Sat Aug 21
- Lighthouse Tour in Muskegon, Michigan, Sep 10-12. Convoy to meet at the intersection of SR 32 and US 31 Kroger store, 9 am, 9/10/2021
- Artomobilia Car Show, Carmel downtown arts district, Sat Aug 28
- September Roundup, Mid-Ohio Chapter host, Perrysville, OH, Sep 30-Oct 2, has expected registration of about 50.

We then adjourned at 10:46 am.

After the meeting, Jim Switzer provided details of our drive on to the Greencastle environs and lunch there.

Next Meeting: To be determined. See Overdrive or later announcements for more details.

August Drive

By Jim Bush

Thanks to Jim and Jo Switzer for putting together the August drive and just like last month it ended with a visit to an ice cream shop. Do you see a pattern here?

Seven cars, 4 of them little British beasts took off on the drive west of Plainfield into Putnam County. Highlights included a scenic drive around the southern perimeter of Heritage Lake, numerous railroad crossings and one covered bridge. Otherwise, it was the classic corn and soybeans and then soybeans and corn on either side of the road.

Two things stick out in a Switzer coordinated drive. One, the data and directions are spot on and second, they always allow a break in the action for the drivers to regroup and relax. The Bainbridge Elementary School was our rendezvous spot. Much appreciated.

From the school we proceeded on to Greencastle in a serpentine pattern. I swear I saw the city limits sign twice before we finally reached our destination of Taphouse Burgers. Their French Fries were extraordinarily good. They are the thin cut with a distinctive flavor. Both Bev and I remarked those fries are worth the drive alone. From the Taphouse we walked across the street to Scoops Ice Cream Parlor and picked our favorite flavor. Outside seating completed an excellent outing and then it was back home.

Miscellaneous Meanderings

By Steve Halleck

The British Car Day in Zionsville had beautiful weather this year and very good turnout. 8 big Healeys and 5 Sprites were registered for the event. 13 big Healeys and 3 Sprites made it. Additionally, a beautiful 1952 Nash Healey was in the British Other class (and took best of show).

A tie for Best Big Healey went to Craig and Sue Rice and Ron Francis, with excellence in class going to Roy Bowman, Tom Kramer, and Rob Cadle (not in the club - yet).

It was nice to have three couples from the Northern Indiana Club show up for the event. Tim & Renee Mahnensmith, Tim and Phyllis Renz, and Mike and Caroline Schmidt drive down to spend the day.



Jim Bush Photo



Bob Haskell Photos





Melanie, Ron, Jim Switzer, Jim Frakes, and Tim Mahnensmith (NIAHC) are in discussion, while Pat check's the news.



Jim checking another Nasty Boy Healey for ideas on his car.

Bob Haskell Photos

At a recent Cars and Coffee, I parked next to a Atozam AZ-1 that was shorter than the Sprite. It has a 657 cc engine, but through more modern technology (and a turbocharger), pulls over 60hp stock. Cute car, but it doesn't get the smiles the Bugeye does.



It was HOT for Artomobilia this year! Our club had three participants; Roy Bowman, Anna Adams, and me. Since Anna's bug-eye is still in the shop, her Dad drove his beautiful 100-6 Healey 4.5 hours from Michigan for her to display at the show.

The roughly 600 cars in the show took over central Carmel Indiana and many thousands of people braved the heat to take in the cars.

While there weren't many classic British cars at the show, there were many amazing vehicles on display. It's worth the trip to view this show even if you aren't bringing your Healey.

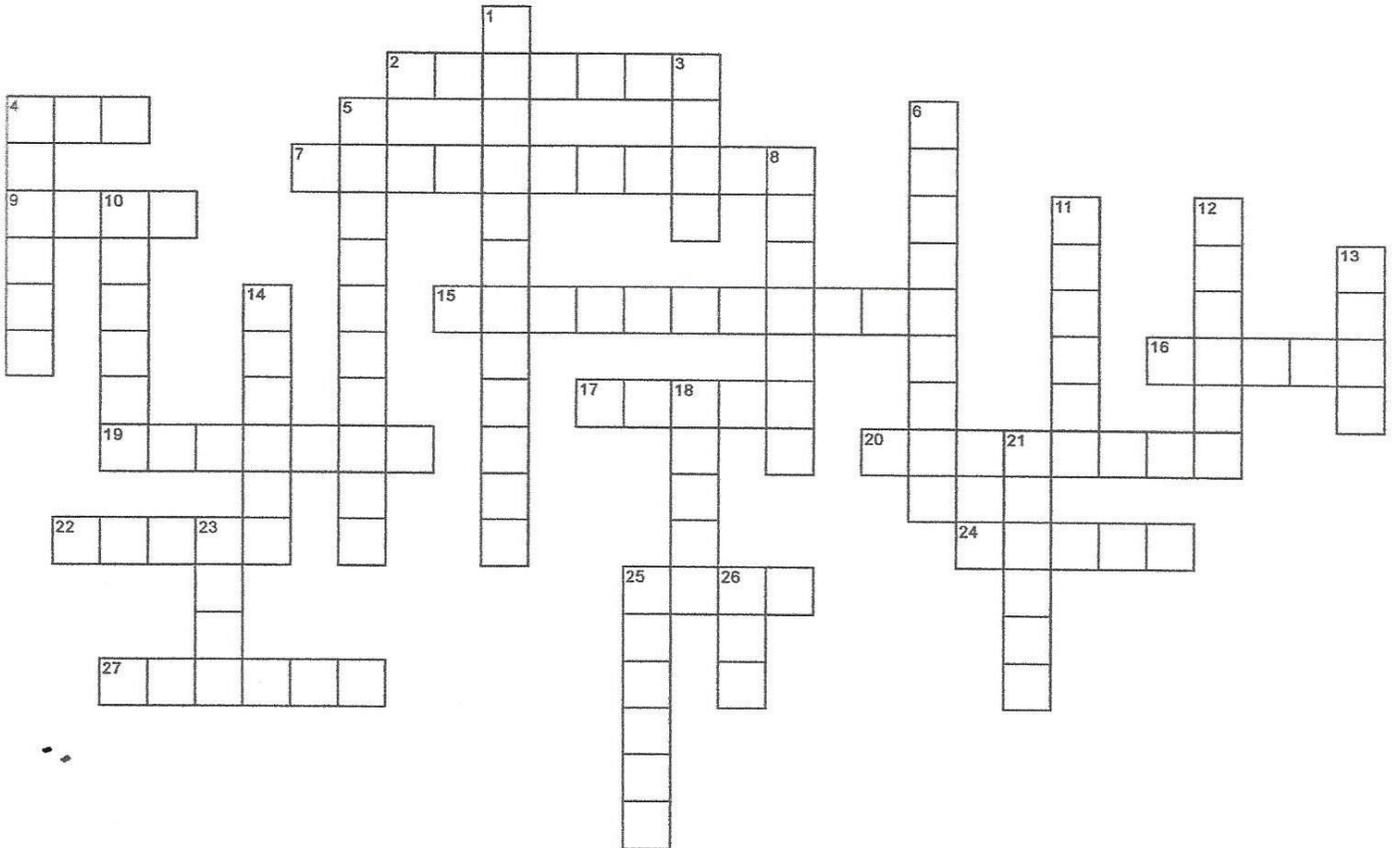




This amazing 'Dreamliner' was built by the shop at Dreyer and Reinbold. It's fashioned after the GM Futurliner created in the 30's thru '50s.

It shows up at Colt's tailgate parties.

I tried my hand at a crossword puzzle related to our passion. Answers on the last page.



ACROSS

- 2 Pertaining to England
- 4 Headlights that haven't been upgraded
- 7 An early model and a race track
- 9 American powered early model
- 15 Often troublesome turn signal switch
- 16 'Fenders'
- 17 Usually age out and crack rather than

DOWN

- 1 (2 words) – they don't roll up
- 3 Put it up if rain is coming
- 4 The man behind the brand
- 5 Lays down on the 100
- 6 Barely keeps the battery up especially with extra electronics
- 8 Puts fumes and often smoke out back

	wear out	10	Extra parts for breakdown repairs
19	'Wrench'	11	'Gasoline'
20	Annual gathering	12	Healey boat or small car
22	Prince of darkness	13	Oxidation
24	Too few of them for the electronics, Carry spares.	14	Make sure the gap is correct
25	'Trunk'	18	Not needed accessory – you can't hear it anyway
27	Brand name	21	A theft deterrent for most drivers today
		23	Our national organization
		25	'Hood'
		26	Found in and usually under the motor

Roy gets the award this month for participation on Saturdays! He attended the club drive, the Zionsville car show, Cars and Gravy, and Artomobilia. He and Michael Goldenburg represented the club at Cars and Gravy.

Event Calendar

If you know of any I've missed, please let me know! Check the web site (www.ciahc.org) for changes. Bob is doing a great job on keeping it up to date.

2021 Events

September:

- 1-4 – Auburn Fall Auction, Auburn, IN
- 8-10 – Encounter 2021, Frazer, PA
- 10-12 – CIAHC Michigan Lighthouse Tour
- 11-12 – Columbus Scottish Festival, Columbus, IN
- 12 – British Car Day, Cincinnati, OH
- 19-23 Healeys @ Newport, Newport, RI
- 30-10/2 -September Roundup, Mochican State Lodge, Perrysville, OH

October:

- 1-3 – Newport Antique Auto Hill Climb, Newport, IN
- 2 – Caffeine and Gasoline and Tech Session, Griot's Garage, Plainfield, IN
- 21 – Southeastern Classic, Safety Harbor, FL
- 30 – Halloween Party and Business Meeting, Bush Barn, Fountaintown, IN

November:

- 5-7 – AHCA Fall Delegates Meeting, Plainfield, IN

December:

- 3 – CIAHC Holiday party

Crossword answers

ACROSS

- 2 British
- 4 Dim
- 7 Silverstone
- 9 Nash
- 15 Trafficator
- 16 Wings
- 17 Tires
- 19 Spanner
- 20 Conclave
- 22 Lucas
- 24 Fuses
- 25 Boot
- 27 Healey

DOWN

- 1 Sidecurtains
- 3 Hood
- 4 Donald
- 5 Windshield
- 6 Generator
- 9 Exhaust
- 10 Spares
- 11 Petrol
- 12 Sprite
- 13 Rust
- 14 Points
- 18 Radio
- 21 Clutch
- 23 AHCA
- 25 Bonnet
- 26 Oil