



# *Overdrive*

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## ***President's Message July 2023***

### **President's Message**

Bev and I toured 8 western states last month and are now heading up to Michigan for the week-long fishing camp with my sister's family. The head count nears 30 with her 5 kids and spouses, numerous grandchildren, the occasional great-grandchild and Bev and I as the Indy area interlopers. In between Bev and I, along with Ruth Buis and David Verrill, attended Springthing in Louisville hosted by the Bluegrass Austin Healey Club. It was later in the year than normal due to Conclave being in late May. So the event was quite different in that the car show dovetailed with the British Bash car show at St. Joseph's Childrens Home. Friday was a rally tour which ended at Churchill Downs. This was fortuious as Churchill Downs closed the next day for 6 weeks and all racing was moved to Ellis Park in Henderson, Kentucky. Anyway no one from our group lost big money but had a good time.

September Round Up planning proceeds at a steady pace. I gave a presentation at Springthing and passed out registration forms. I received several compliments on the flyer. People liked the marquee and the Artcraft Theatre. Thanks to Bonnie Stahlacker and David Morrison for performing that feat of magic of getting our name in lights. David and Bonnie are also working on getting some great lapel pins as a handout to those Healey owners who drive their car to a Healey event. Expect to see these pins in Franklin this fall. Lapel pins, regalia suggestions, photo shopping the marquee, those Plainfield artists can do it all!



Late Breaking News -We have approval for the banquet room at Franklin College and expect Car Show blessing from City Council soon.

## ***PARTS FOR SALE or WANTED TO BUY***

(Please send me any news of cars/parts that are needed or for sale.- [evetshalleck@yahoo.com](mailto:evetshalleck@yahoo.com))

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Brandon Halleck is looking for some parts for a Mk2 Sprite. Since many of the parts are interchangeable with the bugeye, we're hoping some of these might be around in someone's piles.

- . Hood frame (same dimensions as the bugeye but two piece)
- . Heater (case, blower, connector between the two)
- . Sprite Mk2 or Midget Mk1 passenger front fender
- . Water pump pulley and generator pulley

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I received an email from John (he didn't send a last name) who used to be a club member. He has a 100-6 two port 1957 engine and transmission available free if you can come get it quickly. He lives north of Martinsville about 2 miles off of I-69. 317-938-8836



***Next Business Meeting:***

**Our July meeting will be July 11<sup>th</sup> (back to Tuesday evening) 5:30, meeting at 6:00 at Squealers Barbeque Grille, 5515 W. 86th Street**

**Indianapolis, Indiana**

**Corner of 86th & Zionsville Road**

(You can still get home before dark)



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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: June 13th**

**Place: Fox Tails Restaurant, Kokomo, In**

**Attendees:** Jo and Jim Switzer, Kathy and Steve Halleck, Ruth Buis, Bonnie Stahlacker and David Morrison, Carolyn and Mike Schmidt from the Northern Ind club. Randy Belden was supposed to join, but got called away after the Glass tour.

Meeting began at 1:18 while waiting on our food and continued off and on during the meal.

Jo ran the meeting in Jim Bush's absence.

Craig left a message that the membership was unchanged, but Jim Switzer said he thought we do have one new member.

Ruth covered a report on Springthing: The registration was down from last year, possibly due to the date being moved due to Conclave. The auction was primarily items donated by Allen Hendrix. Ruth told about their food/drink purchases for the event to help us with our planning for Sept Roundup. Jim Bush did a presentation on Sept Roundup and passed out registration forms. He's also going to talk to Alan Hendrix about possible sponsorship.

Sept Roundup discussions: Jo said we do have approval from Franklin College for the larger dining area. Jim Switzer has received a verbal ok on the car show but has not gotten the 'official' approval email yet. The overflow area parking on the south side of the courthouse may be problematic, because it's not handled by the same people and will require a totally different approval process.

Jim has a list of 600 Healey Club of America members in Indiana and surrounding states (many are not affiliated with a local club). He's going to send those to Steve to see if we email them about the event. David is going to get the event on the Austin Healey Club Facebook page.

Bonnie has the 'I drove mine' pins ordered for the event. The group discussed whether they should go out to people who drove their vehicle from their garage to the event or if it should be given to anyone who drove their car at the event. The small group couldn't reach consensus and suggested the entire club be surveyed.

Steve asked if anyone had recommendations for dining suggestions to pass out for dinner on your own. The Willard, Big Woods, and Court Street Café. There's a 50's era diner in Bargersville that Steve and Brandon will check out.



# Miscellaneous Meanderings

By Steve Halleck

**IF YOU ARE GOING TO MAD DOGS & ENGLISHMEN CAR SHOW ON THE 8<sup>TH</sup>/9<sup>TH</sup>, LET ME KNOW!**

We are planning to meet at the parking lot at Allisonville and Fishers Station Way (just north of 116<sup>th</sup> St) around 9:30 for a 10:00 start. We'll travel north to stay overnight at the Comfort Inn & Suites (1912 E Kilgore, Kalamazoo Michigan) overnight (\$117 or \$124 refundable). There are also Days Inn, Comfort Suites, and Residents Inn in the area.

We'll leave at 8:30 for the half hour drive up to the Gilmore Museum for the car show.

The show awards are at 3:30. If we leave at 4, we should get back to Indy around 9:00 Sunday evening. (Some folks may want to stay overnight and return Monday).

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Bob and Mel made the trek down to Florida for Conclave this year. They became the official photographers for the event. Bob reported a smaller turnout this year.



Photos:

Upper Left – Joe Chretien  
Upper right and lower left  
– Bob Haskell

Lower right – Christian  
Monzon

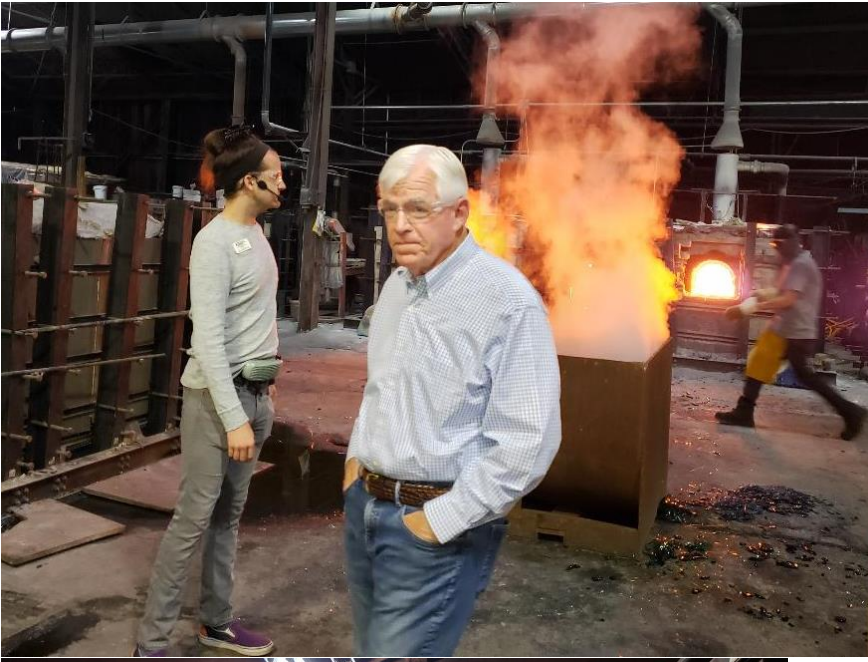


Swimming  
with the  
Manatees  
was a  
highlight at  
Conclave!

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On the 13<sup>th</sup>, a small contingent met at the Kokomo Opalescent Glass in the rain Tuesday morning. The facility has an interesting tour. They have been in business since 1888 and are the oldest producer of hand cast, cathedral and opalescent glass in the United States. If you have a real Tiffany lamp, the glass came from here. They have records of every color and type of glass they have ever made and are able to recreate any piece of glass they have ever made!

Jo, Jim, Bonnie, David, Ruth, Randy, Kathy, and I were fascinated with how they make the glass and the huge storage area with row after row of colored sheets of glass.

After the tour, we headed to Fox Tails restaurant to meet Mike and Carolyn Schmidt from the Northern Indiana club for a nice lunch and a short meeting.



OSHA has obviously never taken the tour! That's molten glass on the floor. The guide said if something is on the floor, don't touch it. It's either hot or sharp.



One of MANY rows of sheets of glass! Notice the water on the floor – this is an OLD building! They are in the process of doing badly needed roof repairs.

All of these sheets and their formulas are in a manual inventory system.

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Brandon and I took the Sprite to Haggerty's car show at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on the 17<sup>th</sup> to see Doug Bruce race his 1972 Merlyn MK20 Formula Ford on the road course. It was nice to talk to new member Jim Wampler at the show. The car show participants also got to do a couple of laps of the track at lunch time. That started out fun, as we entered the track at turn one. The cars in front of us were quite far ahead so we could take the first 4 turns at a decent speed. Then it came to a standstill. The remainder of the that lap was so slow I couldn't idle in first gear. Even at low speed, you get a nice perspective of the track.





Heading into turn 2, while we could still run at a decent speed.

Brandon Halleck photo

Doug had a very good weekend, qualifying first in his class. He drove a very clean race and took his class win! His races involve 3 classes of cars, one with newer aerodynamics and another with a LOT more horsepower and larger tires.

Doug has a driver's view camera. The full video of the race is on YouTube – SVRA Formula Ford Sunday race 2023.



Getting ready to head to the grid for qualifying.

Photos from Doug Bruce





Not the fanfare that INDY 500 drivers get with the win, but it's still great to kiss the bricks!

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On Sunday after going to IMS, Brandon and I met Bob and Ron at Ron's house and drove to Forest Park in Noblesville for their Father's Day car show. It's a nice event with a very good variety of cars. We got there early and found a nice shady spot (for most of the morning). We were 3/5ths of the classic British contingent at the event. Melanie and Tim showed up later, bringing us lunch. Thanks Mel!



Great morning shade. BH photo



Ron's car got a lot of attention, as Usual.



Sitting around telling lies.



Bob saw this great bumper sticker – it could also be applied to Healeys.

Bob Haskell photos.

Who's going to the Southeastern Classic this year? We're planning a two-day trip each way, stopping in Danville, KY overnight (Dave Verrill said they have a decent restaurant in the town.) Dave is going early. If anyone wants to convoy, let me know. I have the route and we can figure out a meeting starting point/time.

# ***Event Calendar***

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

## **Recurring Events**

**Friday Night Cruise-In – Danville Courthouse Square 5-9PM. May to October**

**Saturday Night Cruise-In – Noblesville Courthouse Square. Mid May to Mid Nov (weather permitting).**

## **2023 Events**

### **July**

8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> – Club drive to Michigan; Mad Dogs and Englishmen British Auto Fair, Gilmore Museum, Hickory Corners, MI

11<sup>th</sup> – Business Meeting, Squealers, 5516 W. 86<sup>th</sup> St, Indy

15<sup>th</sup> – Cars and Gravy, The National, 215 E. 38<sup>th</sup> St, Indy

22<sup>nd</sup> – Rolling into Roanoke, Roanoke, IN

### **August**

6<sup>th</sup> – 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Dayton British Car Day, Dayton, OH

12<sup>th</sup> – 35<sup>th</sup> Indy British Motor Days, Lion's Park, Zionsville, IN

19<sup>th</sup> – Cars and Gravy, The National, 215 E. 38<sup>th</sup> St, Indy

26<sup>th</sup> - Blues and BBQ on 38<sup>th</sup>, The National, 215 E 38<sup>th</sup> St, Indy – **honoring Bill Oesterle**

TBD – Business Meeting, TBD

### **September**

2<sup>nd</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> The Tire Squeal, 175-mile drive through Southern IN

4<sup>th</sup> – Red Bridge Park Car Show Cicero, IN

9<sup>th</sup> - Artomobilia, Carmel, IN

TBD – Business Meeting

7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> – **September Roundup**, Hampton Inn & Suites, Franklin, IN

10<sup>th</sup> – Columbus Scottish Festival European Car Show, Columbus, IN 10:00

17<sup>th</sup> – SIRBrit Motor Car Show, Newburg, IN

21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> – Southeastern Classic XXXVI, Ashville, NC

29<sup>th</sup>-Oct 1<sup>st</sup> – Newport Antique Auto Hill Climb, Newport, IN

### **October**

13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> – Sleepy Hallow Cruise In & Car Show, Vevay, IN

28<sup>th</sup> – Halloween Party and Business Meeting, Bush Barn

### **November**



11<sup>th</sup> – Delegates Tour, TBD

12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> – AHCA Fall Delegates Meeting, Plainfield, IN

TBD – Business Meeting, TBD

## **December**

TBD – Christmas Get Together, TBD