

# **Overdrive**

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#### **Next Club event:**

Trip to Collectable Auto Restorations in Terre Haute for a tour of the shop April 19th. We'll meet at Jo and Jim Switzer's house at 8:00 for coffee and donuts and leave for a 90 minute drive to Terre Haute at 9:00.

The Switzer home is in Avon, at 6720 Fieldstream Drive.

For those of you in the southern part of the state who would like to meet us at the shop, it's address is 538 N. 16<sup>th</sup> Street.

After touring the shop, we'll have lunch nearby.

In case of bad weather, drive your modern car.

### PARTS FOR SALE or WANTED TO BUY

(Please send me any news of cars/parts that are needed or for sale.- <a href="mailto:evetshalleck@yahoo.com">evetshalleck@yahoo.com</a>)

Brandon and I tore down a rusty 68 Sprite for the drivetrain and a few other parts. If there's anything you need let us know. Trans, rear deck, steering, windshield & frame, plus lots of misc & new old stock pieces available.

Does anyone have a spare Sprite boot latch with a key? Brandon doesn't have a key for his.

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Facebook: Bluegrass Austin Healey Club

Miami Valley AHC

#### Mid Ohio AHC

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

#### Northern Indiana AHC

https://www.facebook.com/NorthernIndianaAustinHealeyClub

#### **Ohio Valley AHC**

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https://www.facebook.com/OhioValleyAustinHealeyClub

#### **Mid West AHC**

https://www.midwesthealeyclub.org/

#### **Indiana British Car Union**

http://www.ibcu.org

#### **Austin Healey Club of America**

http://www.healeyclub.org

# CIAHCA Board Meeting Highlights

We won't have meeting minutes for all our board meetings, but here's an example of how they go.

# January

The CIAHC Board of Directors convened at the Green Street Pub in Brownsburg shortly after 5:30 on Wednesday January 8th for their scheduled monthly meeting. Six of the eight members were present to satisfy a quorum.

Bob Haskell had prepared a calendar of past events by month so there was a starting point for creating a calendar for 2025. Because of the inclement weather, it was determined that an event for January would not be attempted.

The board will meet as scheduled on February 12 for the business meeting and then the first event of the year will be a Chili Cook-off / Daytona 500 watch party hosted by Jan and Jeff Freers on Sunday February 16. Details will be distributed to the members as they are firmed up.

As previously discussed, Ed and Leanne Barnett will host a "Tech and Tea" on Saturday March 15. Ed's car is in need of several projects. Leanne will host the annual Tea for spouses on the same day.

Bonnie Stahlecker had prepared a list of suggested events for future months in need of chairs or hosts, which are listed in a separate attachment. Take a look at the list and find an event you would like to take on. The new club format is all about inclusion and participation. We need everyone to take part!

Jan Freers presented the Treasurer's report as of December 31, 2024. 23 Members attended the annual Christmas party, bringing in \$460.00. The total paid to the restaurant was \$1,331.22 leaving the net cost to the club \$871.22. The bank balance was \$10,241.99 as of year-end. The previously approved 5 year donation to the World Healey Museum in the Netherlands will be made in the near future. That will reduce the bank balance by \$1,500.00. Of course membership renewals are still coming in. As of the 8<sup>th</sup>, 21 CIAHCA members had renewed, if you are one of the 12 who have not, please do so as soon as possible. Steve will send out email reminders.

Bob Haskell reported that as of the November Delegates Meeting, nothing is looking promising for a Conclave in 2026. That year will be the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1<sup>st</sup> Conclave which was held in Bloomington on Lake Monroe. After a short discussion, it was determined that hosting a Conclave is beyond the capabilities of our club at the present time. However, since 2026 is our "turn" to host the Mid- America event, we will be looking for ways to tie it to a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. The board will be discussing that at future meetings and welcomes your input.

The meeting concluded shortly after 7PM.

# March Tool Time and Tea Time reports

## Tea Time Report - Bonnie Stahlecker

Leanne Barnett put on a fantastic tea party. She created ten different delicacies, ranging from savory to sweet, and even sent us home with treat boxes. Jan Freers, Jo Switzer, Debbie Bruce, Bev Bush, and Bonnie Stahlecker were the happy recipients of Leanne's endeavors.

Debbie Bruce provided entertainment in the form of a car-related questionnaire. There were questions about our first cars and what we knew about vehicle maintenance. As it turns out, Jan Freers can change a head gasket, and Debbie impressed Pat when they were dating that she knew how to drive a stick.





#### **Tool Time Report - Ed Barnett**

In preparation for the soon approaching "Healey" weather, the Central Indiana Austin Healey Club got together for "Tool Time and Tea Time" at the home of

Leanne and Ed Barnett. The gents dove into a long checklist of repairs needed on the Barnett's '57 BN4. It was a great turn out and a lot was accomplished, although, as with any Healey project, things did not go perfectly and we did not get done as much as had hoped. All of the items on the list were tackled and by the end of the day, many were close to being done. The problem with so much help is that we all kept getting in each other's way. One more day, most of the projects would be completed. Ed commented that "all in all I am very much closer to getting the BN4 where we want it for this year and could not have accomplished all of this on my own. It is so great to have all of this combined knowledge together so we can all learn from each other."

While the gentleman were getting greasy, the ladies were welcomed to a formal tea presented by Leanne Barnett. The attendees for Tool Time were: Skip Taylor, Brandon Halleck, Jeff Freers, Bob Haskell, Jim Bush, Jim Switzer, Pat Bruce and Ed Barnett.













# Finding club member information

A while back, Ed Barnett tried to get club information for our membership so he could provide everyone with a spreadsheet of member information. That has had <u>limited</u> response. Until he can get that info from everyone so we can send out the club spreadsheet, finding contact or address info for our members has been more difficult. We still have a way to get the members' info though, through the national club website. Here's the process:

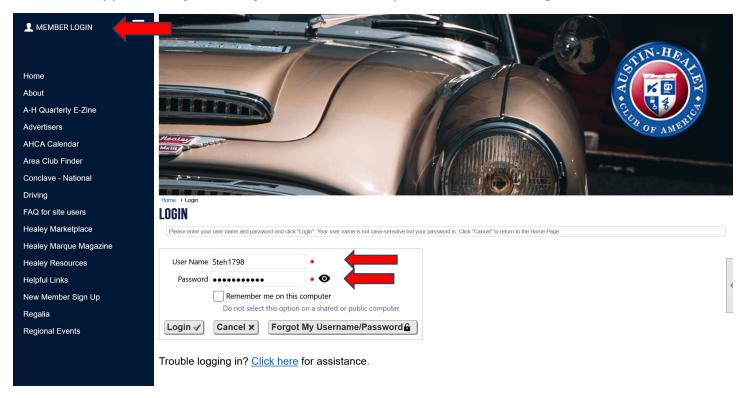
If you've been a member for a few years, you will remember and miss the directory book that was sent out every year.

Those days are gone now, as they became too expensive to create. Instead, the information is now available on the Healey website, <a href="https://healeyclub.org/">https://healeyclub.org/</a>.

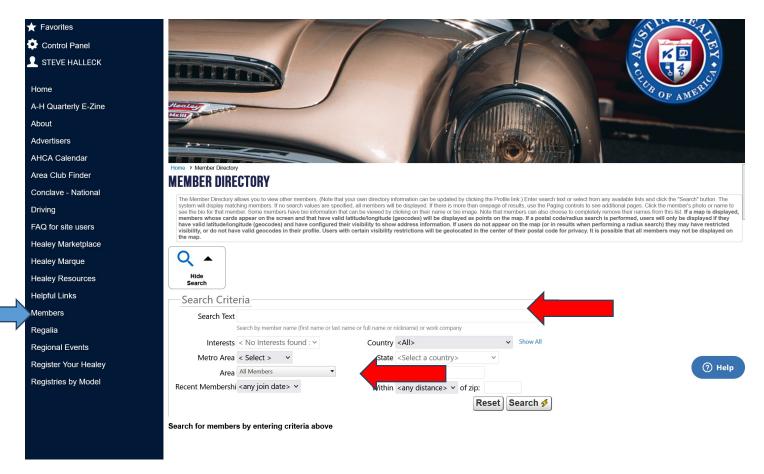
All you need is your username and password.

Go to <a href="https://healeyclub.org/">https://healeyclub.org/</a>. Click the upper left corner of the page where it says MEMBER LOGIN.

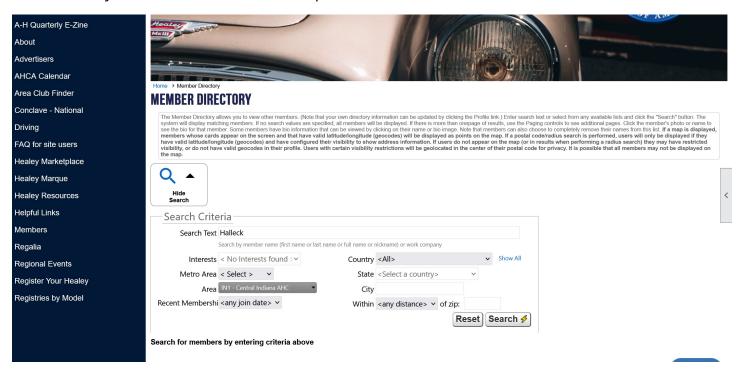
This screen appears and you enter your username and password and click Login.



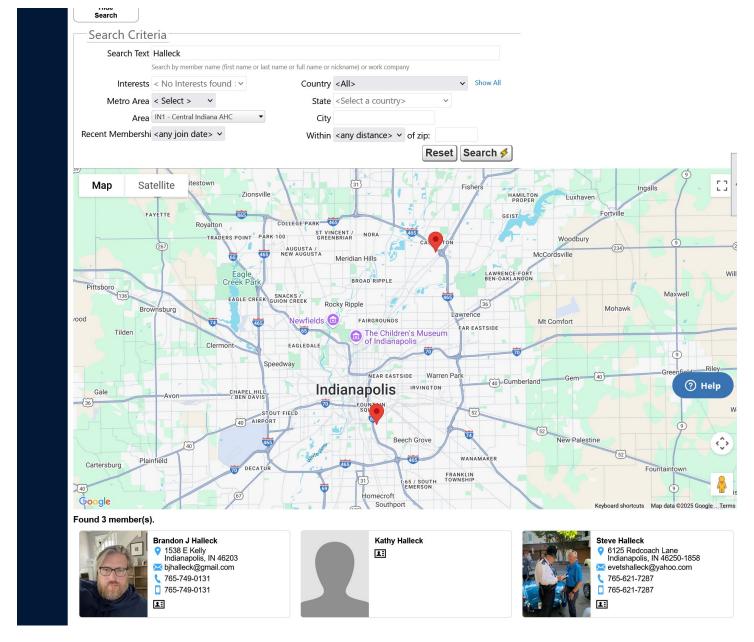
Once you are logged in, Members appears towards the bottom left. Put your cursor over 'Members' and a dropdown appears to it's immediate right. Move your cursor over and select Member Directory.



Let's say you want to find out about me. In the Select Text box, you could put my name or part of my name. Then you want to make the search specific to our club rather than the entire AHCA.



Click Search and it will give you the results below with a map of the address. In this case, I put in Halleck, so Brandon, Kathy, and I all appeared. If I had put in Steve Halleck in the Search Text, it would only give my information.



If you want to look for someone in another area, you can put in their local club from the area dropdown or leave it blank to find out all of the people in the whole club that fit what you entered in the Search Text.

To sign off, just hover over your name in the upper left corner and click logout in the drop-down.

# Miscellaneous Meanderings

Did you read Bonnie's writeups in the Marque about our events at Conclave? Nicely done Bonnie! The Wisconsin club sent us a check thanking us for our help.

I thought I'd already sent out info on the delegates tour from last year, but I missed it (It's hard to get good help).

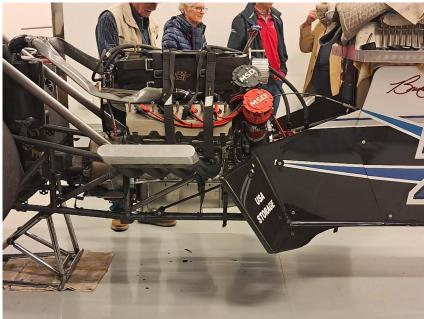
Jim Switzer (with assistance from Jerry Baker) set up two destinations for the delegate's tour in November. We first went to Bruce Litton's car collection and race shop. Bruce is a drag racer, with an interesting collection of cars in a room that looks like his hometown.

After viewing the collection, he opened the door to his shop to see his two dragsters and hear some AMAZING information about them and his career.









Afterwards, we travelled to Ray Skillman's car collection on the south side. Ray's collection is always changing, with a huge addition to his Indy car collection. As folks started leaving, Ray came in and talked to us for a while. We also met with one of his mechanics that was working on restoring an Eagle Indy Car and learned some interesting information on the process.



An Allard that belonged to Steve McQueen



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Skip is adding some power to his bugeye with the addition of a supercharger. Looks good! It'll be interesting to see the results.



#### CIAHCA Calendar 2025

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 of keeping it up to date.

## **April**

4th - 6th - Texas Healey Roundup 44

La Grange, Texas

Host hotel: Best Western La Grange Inn & Suites

Contact: Michael C Vecellio

Hosted by Gulf Coast Healey Club

**19th -** Drive to Terre Haute to Classic Auto Restoration Shop. We'll meet at Jo and Jim Switzer's home in Avon for coffee (8:00 AM) before heading out for the 90 minute drive to Terre Haute to view Tony Bowan's shop and go to lunch. If the weather is bad, drive your modern car.

## May

**3**<sup>rd</sup> – Indy Old Motors Cars and Coffee – Factory Arts District, Indianapolis.

**16th - 17<sup>th</sup> -** Carlisle Import and Performance Nationals Carlisle, PA

17<sup>th</sup> - 18th - British Car Day Columbus, Ohio

Annual event expecting 250 cars in 35 classes popular vote and awards, rockercover races at Quaker Steak for food and beverages. \$25 day of registration. Spectators are free. Host hotel is Cambria Suites with driving tour and hospitality suite day before. Portion of registration goes to charity. Contact: Tony Burgess. Phone: 614-580-3727. Email: <a href="mailto:BRITSatPOLARIS@AOL.COM">BRITSatPOLARIS@AOL.COM</a>.

**17**<sup>th</sup> – Cars and Coffee Healey Drive. We'll meet early (probably with other IBCU British cars, and drive to the Cars and Coffee at the Fishers Event Center. After showing off our cars and viewing some of the other cars there, the Healey Club will take off for a drive. Details are being worked out and will be communicated soon.

**18th - 23<sup>rd</sup> -** Conclave 2025 - Healeys in the Ozarks at Branson, Missouri. The host hotel is the Chateau on the Lake Resort Spa & Conference Center.

# **30th - June 1st - Champagne British Car Festival 2025**

BCF is a three day event, culminating in our car show held on the grounds of the David Davis Mansion on June 1st. Jaguar is the featured marque.

Bloomington, IL

Hosted by the <u>Illinois Flat Land British Car Club</u>

31th - June 8th - 29th Celebration British Car Awareness Week

Annual week of classic British car awareness. Urging all owners of British cars to get their favorite cars onto the roads and into public view in their communities to help spread awareness of the classic British car hobby.

Planet Earth

## June

1<sup>st</sup> - British Return to Fort Meigs British Car & Bike Show

The <u>Lake Erie British Car Club</u> will be hosting their 26th annual 'British Return to Fort Meigs' British car and bike show at the Fort Meigs Historical Site located at 29100 West River Road, Perrysburg, Ohio, 43551.

**7th –** Indy Old Motors Cars and Coffee – Factory Arts District, Indianapolis.

7th - British Bash 2024 Louisville

The 40th annual British Bash will once again be held on the tree-shaded lawn of the St. Joseph Children's Home, 2823 Frankfort Avenue, Louisville, KY 40206. Registration 9 AM - 11 AM, with awards presented around 3:30 PM. Door Prizes, Raffles, Silent auctions, food provided by Scouts and models by Elcara Photography.

**15<sup>th</sup> -** Father's Day Car Show Forest Park, Noblesville Hosted by Central Indiana Vintage Vehicles

## 21st - 36th Annual Michiana British Car Show

The Michiana Brits British Car Enthusiasts Club invites you to join them at their Michiana Brits 36th Annual British Car Show. This highly popular allmarque show is on the beautiful campus of Saint Mary's College on the north side of South Bend, IN, across the street from the University of Notre Dame. Judging will be by popular vote, with awards given for each class and Best in Show. 10:00 – 3:00

Hosted by Michiana Brits

# July

**5**<sup>rd</sup> – Indy Old Motors Cars and Coffee – Factory Arts District, Indianapolis.

12th - 13th - Mad Dogs and Englishmen British Auto Fair & Rally

The rally is on the 12th. The car show is at the Gilmore Car Museum, Wolfville, Michigan on the 13th. We'll do a drive up, staying in Kalamazoo on Saturday, then head to the show Sunday morning. If you haven't been to this show, it is worth the drive. It takes place on the grounds of the Gilmore Car Museum, which is a collection of museums on beautiful grounds. They have an autocross during the event if you want to play with your car. This is a well-attended event with this Jaguar this year's featured mark. We may also do a tour of the Air Zoo (air museum) in Kalamazoo. Details to come.

Hosted by Mad Dogs and Englishmen

**26**<sup>th</sup> - Rolling Into Roanoke

10 AM - 3 PM

Roanoke, Indiana

## **August**

**2<sup>nd</sup> -** <u>40th Annual Dayton British Car Day</u> 9am - 4pm Eastwood MetroPark, 1385 Harshman Rd., Dayton, Oh. <a href="https://britishcardaydayton.com/">https://britishcardaydayton.com/</a>

**2nd –** Indy Old Motors Cars and Coffee – Factory Arts District, Indianapolis.

**TBD – CIAHC Art Museum Drive.** Bonnie is working on details for a trip to Lafayette to view and art museum. Tentatively planned for the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Details to follow.

9<sup>th</sup> - <u>36th Indy British Motor Days</u>

The 37th annual Indy British Motor Days will be held at Lion's Park in Zionsville, just one block from downtown on E. Sycamore Street (about 116th). Your family will enjoy browsing the galleries, antique shops, specialty stores and the farmer's market. Lunch may be available on site, but there are also a variety of restaurants on Main Street offering breakfast and lunch.

Hosted by **Indiana British Car Union** 

13<sup>th</sup> - Board Meeting TBD

# September

**TBD-** Red Bridge Park Car Show 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. 697 W. Jackson St., Cicero, Indiana For more information, contact Rob Wilson

#### 6th - Artomobilia

ARTOMOBILIA focuses on display and appreciation over competition and although each of the automobiles is truly magnificent, this event is not just about cars; it's about the art and automotive enthusiasts. This event embraces the essence automotive art and design by uniquely combining the artwork of local galleries and artists, with the presentation of significant automobiles and their iconic design.

Carmel Arts & Design District Carmel, Indiana

# **11th - 14**<sup>th</sup> - <u>Encounter 2025</u>

The <u>Austin-Healey Sports and Touring Club's</u> annual, multi-day meet called Encounter is open to all Healey owners and enthusiasts. The AHSTC regions take turns hosting the event, which features a popular vote car show, judged concours, a rallye, tech sessions, a gymkhana and a flea market. On September 11-14, 2025, the event will be in the Poncono Montains of northeast Pennsylvania, headquartered at Camelback Resort in Tannersville, just north of Stroudsburg. The web site.

# **TBD** - British Car Day

Cincinnati, Ohio

Hosted by British Car Club of Greater Cincinnati

#### 13th - 14th - Columbus Scottish Festival

Bartholomew County Fair Grounds, Columbus, IN the festival has an European car show on each day.

## 14th - 16th - Mid America Classic

<u>Hocking Hills State Park</u>, Logan, Ohio. This is the replacement for September Classic. Hocking Hills is a beautiful park southeast of Columbus.

Hosted by Mid Ohio Austin-Healey Club.

## 18th - 21st - Southeastern Classic XXXVIII

Franklin, Tennessee. This is always a very good event. Some club members will be attending.

hosted by Middle Tennessee AHC

20th - British Car Day on the River

Old Lock and Dam Park, Newburg, IN

Hosted by Southern Indiana Region British Car Club

28th - October 2<sup>nd</sup> - <u>Summit 2025</u>

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the New England club in Falmouth, MA. Hosted by the <u>Austin-Healey Club of New England</u>.

#### October

3rd - 5<sup>th</sup> - Newport Antique Auto Hill Climb

Newport, Indiana

8<sup>th</sup> - Board Meeting TBD

11th - Sleepy Hollow Car Show

The Cruise IN begins at 6PM on Friday. The car show is on Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM. Vevay, Indiana

TBD - Cars & Gravy

10:00 AM to 2:00 PM @ The National, 215 E. 38th St, Indy.

TBD - Halloween Party and Elections

back to the red barn at Jim and Bev Bush's.

#### **November**

TBD - AHCA Delegates' Tour -

**TBD** - AHCA Fall Delegates Meeting

Holiday Inn Indianapolis Airport, 8555 Stansted Road, Indianapolis.

# **December**

**TBD -** Christmas Party