



Overdrive

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PARTS FOR SALE or WANTED TO BUY

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

Need any items for a newer Sprite? Brandon Halleck still has lots of pieces from a '69' Sprite we need to get out of the garage.

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Bluegrass AHC

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Miami Valley AHC

Mid Ohio AHC

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Mid West AHC

<https://www.midwesthealeyclub.org/>

Indiana British Car Union

<http://www.ibcu.org>

Austin Healey Club of America

<http://www.healeyclub.org>

Club events for September

With Mid America Conference and Southeastern Classic occurring in the month, we've moved our events for non-travelers to later in the month.

23rd – Club Gathering – 5:30 PM, Coachman's Restaurant, 112 Cambridge Way, Plainfield, Indiana 46168

RSVP to me so we can tell the restaurant how many people are coming! evetshalleck@yahoo.com



28th – Sunday short drive for ice cream. Starting at Harrison Centre, 9105 E 56th St, Indianapolis (behind IHOP) 1:00 Meeting, 1:15 start.



Miscellaneous Meanderings

I forgot to mention in the last Overdrive that we have new members in the club! Mike Pitman's daughter Stephanie, and her fiancé Brian Groberski joined. Stephanie has been actively learning the care and feeding of Mike's Sprite. We got to meet them at the Zionsville show this year.

Also joining the club are Rob and Stephanie Cadle. Rob has a Dark metallic green 61 3000 with black wire wheels and triple Webbers. He's been at the last couple of British Car Days and joined the club shortly after this year's show.

Aug 2nd, a small group from the club met in Westfield for a trip to Lafayette to view Bonnie's gallery at the Lafayette Museum of Art. The Storrs, Barnetts, and Bushs were in their 3000s, Brandon, Jan and Jeff, Pat, and I in our Sprites, with David and Bonnie, Ruth and Kathy in their modern cars.

My car caused a delay getting to Lafayette, when it started cutting out and died. A quick look showed the rotor looked a little burned. I then found that I'd taken the rotor out of my repair parts kit when we were working on Brandon's car last winter. Jeff found one in his spare parts, and the car fired right up – only to suddenly die 3 miles later. When we pulled the cap, the metal part of the rotor fell out – it came off the rotor! None of us had ever seen that happen before. Jeff found another rotor, and we were back in business.

The Art Museum of Greater Lafayette has several interesting galleries on display. We went through to Bonnie's exhibit, where she explained the meaning of her works. Bonnie's work with leather is fascinating, as is her other works. Not having a background in art, her explanation of the pieces helped to better understand the thought process and meanings of the works!



Bonnie provided the meaning of each of her pieces in the gallery.

After touring Bonnie's exhibit and some of the others in the museum, it was time to head to lunch. A short drive to East End Grill provided us with a very good meal and conversations. Bonnie, David, and Ruth were surprisingly late getting to lunch. The reason was they were picking up a cake to celebrate Dick and Sherry's 56th anniversary!



Jim Bush photo

On the way out of town, we stopped at a gas station on the south side of Lafayette and met up with Bill Cunningham who has a Bugeye that was torn down for repainting and needs to be reassembled (An IKEA Bugeye). He looked over our cars and we gave him a few suggestions for shops to work on his car. (If I had the space, it would be a job I'd like to take on.)



The group
gathers in
Lafayette to meet
Bill Cunningham.

Ed Barnett photo

After meeting with Bill, the group split up and headed for home. After turning off US 52, I found that the issue with my car wasn't the rotor, as it began to cut out again and died north of Zionsville. Pulling the cap, I noticed that the spring which pushes the brush down to the rotor had failed so the cap wasn't making contact with the rotor (which caused my original rotor to look burned). Not having a spare cap, and unable to get the brush to drop down, I finished the drive on a flatbed.

A spare rotor and cap are now among my repair parts in the car.



Bad Cap is
on the
Right.

The following Saturday was the IBCU's British Car Day. While it looked like the attendance might be down due to the heat, we had a good showing. There were some interesting cars. The Sprites had a good showing, with 6 of them split between the Masters and Sprite classes. There were 4 big Healeys.

In the Big Healey class, David Verrill, and Rob Cadle took exceptional in class, while Ron Francis took best in class with his 100. David Morrison's 3000 got an exceptional in class in the Master's class. In the Sprite class Rich Walker and Linda McFarland took exceptional in class, while Mike Pitman's Sprite took best in Class. Linda is from Zionsville (we need to get her into the club!). Rich brought his Sprite from Urbana, OH.

The IBCU clubs were invited to go to the Indianapolis Cars and Coffee event at Raceway Park on the 16th. Brandon and I joined a small contingent of Triumphs and a beautiful Jag XK 120 for the short drive to the show. This was the third attempt to have this event as the last two attempts were rained out. On the drive over, the humidity was extremely high, and we saw a rainbow. The rainbow was from a small shower. All of Indianapolis was clear, except for a light rain – right at Raceway Park. Fortunately, it only lasted a short time, then we dried our cars and enjoyed the morning.



Brandon met Indy driver Pippa Mann at Cars & Coffee.

Brandon Halleck photo.

On the 26th, a group of us attended the gathering at Green Street Pub & Eatery in Brownsburg. The group consisted of Bonnie and David, Ruth, Jan & Jeff, Sherry and Dick, Melanie and Bob, Pat Bruce, Jo Switzer, Jim Bush, Martha Berinyi, David Broyles, Brandon Halleck, and me. In addition to a good meal and company, Jim Bush passed out directions we'll take from New Palestine to Hocking Hills for the Mid America Classic. We decided we'll meet on the 14th at 10:00 at the Get Go on US 52 and S 600 W at New Palestine for our starting point. We'll have lunch at the halfway point at the Broadway Barrel House in Lebanon, OH.

Jo is trying to figure out what to do with Jim's Sprite project and all his tools and Healey paraphernalia. A group of us will go over to her house after this month's trips to help her go through everything.

What do you do at Cars and Coffee when another Sprite shows up when there are only 2 parking spaces? No problem!



Brandon Halleck photo

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.

11th - 14th - [Encounter 2025](#)

The [Austin-Healey Sports and Touring Club's](#) 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](#).

13th – [Indy Classic Cars and Coffee](#)

Factory Arts District, 1125 Brookside Ave, Indy

Cars 25+ years old, usually a small British Contingent

14th - [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](#)

[Hocking Hills State Park](#), Logan, Ohio.

This is the replacement for September Classic. Hocking Hills is a beautiful park southeast of Columbus. Our group will meet at Get Go on US 52 and S 600 W at 10:00 AM to caravan over.

Hosted by [Mid Ohio Austin-Healey Club](#).

18th - 21st - [Southeastern Classic XXXVIII](#)

Franklin, Tennessee. This is always a very good event.

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](#)

23rd – [Club Gathering, Coachman's Restaurant](#), 5:30 PM, 112 Cambridge Way, Plainfield, Indiana. 5:30 PM **RSVP to evetshalleck@yahoo.com**

28th – [CIAHC Ice Cream Drive starting at Harrison Centre](#), 9105 E 56th St, Indianapolis (behind IHOP) 1:00 Meeting, 1:15 start.

28th - October 2nd - [Summit 2025](#)

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the New England club in Falmouth, MA. Hosted by the [Austin-Healey Club of New England](#).

October

3rd - 5th - [Newport Antique Auto Hill Climb](#)

Newport, Indiana

4th – [Jaguar Concourse de Elegance followed by a drive for all British Cars](#), Tom Wood Airport.

Drive starts at 3:00. 46 mile drive to Daniel's Winery. Come early and see the cars.

Contact Peter Fischer if you are going on the drive: fispe@comcast.net.

5th – McCordsville Cars & Coffee, 9:00 to 1:00 McCord Square – behind CVS and IU Health (5811 Main Street, McCordsville, IN)

11th - [Sleepy Hollow Car Show](#)

The car show is on Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM. Vevay, Indiana Ogle Park

A group of us attended this a couple years ago. It was a nice show on the banks of the Ohio River. If the weather is good, I can lead a drive down.

25th - [Halloween Party and Elections](#)

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

November

7th - [AHCA Delegates' Tour](#) - TBD

8th-9th - AHCA Fall Delegates Meeting

Holiday Inn Indianapolis Airport, 8555 Stansted Road, Indianapolis.

December

6th - [Christmas Party](#), Charbono's Restaurant, Avon. 2:00-5:00 PM.