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Indiana British Car Union
http://www.ibcu.org

Austin Healey Club of America
http://www.healeyclub.org

Club events for November

If you haven't already signed up for the Delegates Meeting events or the Cookie Decorating, you've missed it for November!

Let Jo know if you are going to the Christmas Dinner on Dec 5th.

Meeting Minutes – Bonnie Stahlecker

Central Indiana Austin Healey Club
Board Meeting Minutes – October 20, 2026

Attending: Ed Barnett, Jeff and Jan Freers, Steve Halleck, Bob Haskell, Jo Switzer, Bonnie Stahlecker

The board discussed the need for a club president and assigning tasks to each board member. The discussion shifted to changing the board into a group of officers who will assist the president.

Our existing club officers agreed to keep their positions:
Bob Haskell - delegate and web master
Jan Freers - treasurer
Steve Halleck - membership and newsletter

Ed Barnett has agreed to run for club president, and Jim Bush has agreed to run for vice president. Jo Switzer has agreed to be considered for activities coordinator. Bonnie Stahlecker is running for secretary.

The full membership may run for these positions. The vote will be held Saturday, October 24.

It was agreed that the officers will meet monthly, either in person or via Zoom. Non-officers may attend any meeting.

The activities coordinator will oversee activity setup. If anyone is interested in hosting a drive or gathering, contact the activities coordinator. Even finding a restaurant to gather at counts as hosting. The club needs all to participate.

Other items discussed:
1. the statue of the logo design for MAC regalia
2. research the possibility of the club being able to accept credit cards
3. raising the local dues from $10 to $15
4. Christmas party: Jo will look into the restaurant serving appetizers instead of the $65 meal
5. reimbursement to members if they serve food when hosting in their own home
6. an inventory list of the club's items (paper plates, cups, etc.) and where they are located

Treasurer Report, as of October 14, 2026
Beginning Checking Account Balance $8687

Total Income FYD	$2245
Total Expenses FYD	$2879
Checking Account Balance	$8053

Please note that the club will have expenses associated the upcoming MAC event.

Membership Report, as of October 2026
38 Primary plus 27 Associate = 65 members

Next Meeting: TBA

Central Indiana Austin Healey Club
Meeting Minutes – October 24, 2026

Club members attending: Jim and Bev Bush, Jan and Jeff Freers, Kathy and Steve Halleck, Jo Switzer, Brandon Halleck, Ruth Buis, Bob and Melanie Haskell, Tim Haskell, Martha Berenyi, Pat and Debbie Bruce, Dick and Sherry Storrs, David Morrison, and Bonnie Stahlecker

The meeting was during the Halloween Party in the Bushes' barn. Jim Bush led the meeting. He introduced the slate of officers as proposed by the outgoing board and asked for any additions. Hearing no new candidates, he moved to vote on the slate of officers. The vote passed. The new officers are as follows:
Ed Barnett – president
Jim Bush – vice president
Jan Freers – treasurer
Steve Halleck – membership and newsletter
Bob Haskell – delegate and web master
Jo Switzer – activities coordinator
Bonnie Stahlecker – secretary

Jo Switzer, as the new activities coordinator, asked the entire membership for suggestions for monthly gatherings and encouraged people to arrange the activity. This could be a drive, a restaurant location, a museum or car shop visit, or even duck-pin bowling. We need at least one event per month, though we could do more. Such as a tech session, which may or may not be co-ed. (i.e., a women's event)

Delegate Report – Bob Haskell
The national delegate meeting is November 6-7, 2026. The host hotel is the Holiday Inn Indianapolis Airport, 8555 Stansted Road, Indianapolis.

The night prior, November 5, there is a welcome dinner at Jan and Jeff Freers' house at 6:00 p.m. (6935 Park Lane, Brownsburg). Club members are welcome to attend, but Jan needs to know by Nov 4. Jan's cell number is 574 612-7955.

On Friday, November 6, Bob has arranged a tour of Chip Ganassi Racing. Later, they will drive to A Summer Place in Sharpsville, IN (south of Kokomo) for lunch at a 1950s-style dinner and see a Healey movie in the vintage movie theatre. All club members are invited. Meet at the hotel at 9:15 a.m. to leave at 9:30. Let Bob (317 345-5469) know so he can get a headcount.

The Delegate Banquet is Saturday, November 7, at the hotel at 6:00 p.m. Club members are invited; the cost is $46 per person. Let Jo Switzer know if you plan to attend. Her phone number is 317 501-7091.

The **Christmas Party** is Saturday, December 5 at Charbonos in Avon, Indiana. (128 N Avon Ave) It is in the afternoon, from 2:00 to 5:00. All are welcome, and new members are really encouraged to attend this annual social event. The cost is $25-$35 per person, and the club will cover the balance. Let Jo Switzer (317 501-7091) know if attending.

Debbie Bruce announced that all the cookies have been made for the Cookie Party on Nov 14. For those attending, please bring your own beverage. Everything else is provided. Exact time and location details will be sent out closer to the event.

Miscellaneous Meanderings

As noted in Bonnie's meeting minutes, we now have a president, vice president, treasurer, and activities coordinator for the club! That eliminates the need for the board which we have used for the last two years.

WE NEED YOUR IDEAS FOR NEXT YEAR! Want us to take a drive somewhere? Know a good restaurant that could hold 20 or so people for a gathering? Want to combine a drive with a restaurant stop to get the cars out next driving season? Know a good place to go in our daily drivers before the weather gets warm? Let Jo know!

The officer meetings are open to anyone in the club. Let us know so we can make sure we have a place reserved for you. Also, if you are interested in learning more about one of the positions in the club, join us at a meeting to see what goes on. If it's something you'd like to do, we'll have elections next October.

Mike Schneider sent out an email with info for everyone.

Renewal season is getting close. The official date for the start of the renewal season is December 1. If you have any members that wish to participate in the auto renew feature they will need to contact either me or Linda Hakala by November 25 so we can get them setup and they will have to also enter their credit card info before December 1.

The fall delegates meeting will be the weekend of November 7 & 8, 2026. If you have any issues you want your delegate to bring up please contact them with the details well before the meeting.

For the last several years we have been experiencing a high volume of returned Healey Marque magazines. There is a double-edged problem with that. First of all the member is not receiving their magazine and secondly it is costing the AHCA quite a bit of money each year as I receive a notice from the post office every time a magazine can not be delivered. The magazines are mailed as a periodical and as such are not forwarded. Undelivered magazines are shredded at the post office. The notice the post office sends me costs the AHCA $1.00 for every notice. That can amount to over $500.00 per year. Yes I really do receive that many notices. Members are responsible for maintaining a current address in the membership file on the website. A feature that is in Club Express (our website host) is the ability for a member to list a secondary address. For snowbirds that is a tremendous benefit. All a snowbird has to do is log in, go to their membership file and put a

check mark next to their secondary address. The magazine will then be mailed to the secondary address until they remove the check mark.

The hosts at the Galena Conclave requested pictures from the participants. They are posted at: https://my.guestpix.com/guest/193811/access/9qy5aswZ.

We're only 6 months away from our Mid America Classic in Madison. Right now, we only have a few registrations. Registration is on our web site.

Do you have any old towels (not threadbare or grease stained)? I'm looking for some to use at the car wash during the MAC. I plan to take them home afterwards, clean them, and donate them to an animal rescue.

Thinking about going to Tahoe for the 75th anniversary event next June? I think it's going to be a BIG event! Ed is trying to coordinate getting a transporter to take our cars out. We have one more spot we need to fill in the truck, and a LOT of coordination to get everything set up. If you are thinking of going and would like to get your Healey out there without driving or trailering cross country, let Ed know!

Tech sessions? We went to Ed's house Saturday to pull his transmission so he can have it rebuilt in time to re-install it and check it out before the MAC.

I think David Morrison is going to pull his transmission to replace the clutch. Anyone else need a session? Let the club know and we can get you some help with your project.

Brandon and I went over to New Castle for a Cruise-in to meet Jeff Spoor and his family. I'd met Jeff, but not his wife and kids. They are excited about his Sprite and he will be a good addition to the club. We had a nice time at the trunk or treat event downtown.

Lots of people don't like driving the Healeys in the dark, but with the LEDs, it's not a problem – especially on the less travelled back roads between New Castle and Indy. You also sometimes get to see some nice sunsets. I wish I had taken this a little earlier, before the trees blocked it on the right.





After the New Castle trip, Brent stopped by to bring his timing gun since I didn't trust mine. He noted that Brandon's engine wasn't running well and quickly diagnosed the front carb wasn't working right. That turned out to be caused by me putting one of the air cleaner gaskets on backwards. OOPS!

With the motor running better after Brent found my error, the next event for us was the Sleepy Hallow Car Show in Vevay. We went down the evening before the event, staying in Madison, then headed to the show in the morning. Brandon was leading me heading to the show and missed the turn down to Ogle Riverfront Park. I honked, and as he did a U-turn, the Sprite died. We quickly found that the button on the distributor cap was gone so there was no spark.

Fortunately, the 3-blocks to show was downhill. We pushed his car to the corner, and he coasted to the event.

After having my distributor cap fail a while back, I always keep a spare in the car. Between us, we had 2 spare caps. But his engine is running a Pertronix distributor, which takes a different cap (I had one, but not with us). We spent the entire show trying to get the car running with an old distributor. Several of the folks at the show offered help, even sending someone to buy a spark plug wrench so we could static time the motor. Our efforts brought no good results, so Haggerty was called for the long flatbed ride back.

After putting the Pertronix dizzy back in, we were struggling to get it to run. After getting too frustrated, Brent came to our rescue again, quickly finding I had two plug wires crossed. Brandon needs to find a better mechanic!



Not the most fun way to spend the show. To make things a little more frustrating, hurricane Isaias was churning through Kentucky, and rain chances continued to rise. Fortunately, we only had a few sprinkles.

On the 24th, the group gathered at the Bush Barn for the traditional Halloween event. It was good to have Martha join us! The food was great and the racoon never came out to steal any of it.











Bob Haskell pics



The life of the party was Allie Bush, who made her way around to get love from everyone.

Bonnie Stahlecker pic.

Did anyone leave a hat at Jeff and Jan's house? She found it in her closet recently and is trying to find the owner.


All sandwiches are served with

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 good job keeping it up to date.

November

5th- – AHCA Delegate's Welcome dinner
6th- – AHCA Delegate's Tour Events
7th- AHCA Delegate's Dinner
7th-8th – AHCA Fall Delegate's Meetings, Indianapolis
14th – CIAHC cookie decorating party, Rushville

December

5th - CIAHC Christmas Dinner, Charbonos in Avon, Indiana. (128 N Avon Ave) 2:00 to 5:00.
Let Jo Switzer (317 501-7091) know if attending

2027

January

TBD – Planning meeting

February

March

April

May

2nd-5th Mid America Classic, Madison, IN

June

6th-11th Conclave, Lake Tahoe