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Main Cover Photo: Arthur Kornberg & his '67 BJ8

Bottom: North Jersey Photo; Leonard Lord (L) and Donald Healey with the new Austin-Healey 100; Harrisburg's Regional Meeting

What's In The Flash

by Steve Jekogian

Well 49 pages it has to be the largest Flash ever! We hope you liked it and enjoyed the issue and if you were at Encounter you can remember all the experiences. If you have been to Encounters you know what it is all about. And if you never have been to Encounter we hope you see what you have been missing and join us next year at “Healeys in Paradise”.

Speaking about grand kids and children check out the winners at this years Encounter and the third generation.

Encounter has changed over the years from a lot of “partying with friends” to a lot of “socializing with friends”. Not much difference but really a lot of difference. (less hangover) Grand children instead of your children, valve cover races instead of races, but the cars are the same.

If you want to relive Encounter go to <http://thepernas.com/ahstc> Mark Goodman and Mike Perna put all the Encounters up on this website—enjoy.

As the car shows wind down, and the days are cooler get the car out to the AHSTC region tours and drive it before it is too late.



Nick Jr, Julia, Kileigh Van Ness, Healey Miller and Frankie Venti

Membership

by Rick Brodeur

We have new and returning members:

Brandywine

Tim & Jamie Stapf
 Wilmington, DE
 '63 BJ7

Philadelphia

Thomas & Kathy
 Brabson
 Cinnaminson, NJ
 '65 AN5

North Jersey

Paul & Heidi Bausch
 Warwick, NY
 '59 AN5

All memberships are now \$30/year. We used to charge an extra \$5 for foreign memberships, but now that we don't mail the newsletters, The executive committee decided to remove the extra charge.

If you have a question about your membership or renewal date, just contact me.

Our member lists are available to any member just for the asking. Each Region President has a copy that can be distributed, and I will send out a copy to any member who requests one. I prefer to send them out via email, but if that's not available to you just call or email me and I'll send out a paper copy.

My email address for the Club is membership@austin-healey-stc.org. If you have any questions about your membership please contact me. Contacting me is the quickest way to solve a membership problem. My phone number and email address are on the inside front page of the Flash and also on our web site.



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Use of Technology to Repair Our Cars

by Shawn Miller

Today if you take your daily driver to a repair shop, many times one of the first things they do is plug it into a computer to diagnose the issue. During my interaction with other Austin Healey club members over the years I have heard more than once, “if only I could plug it into a computer to figure this thing out”. WELL, their wish has come true- sort of. Before the age of the internet how did you figure out repairs, find paint codes, upgrades, product reviews, procedures, suppliers, part sources, etc? Many times you either waited for your Flash to arrive, CALLED fellow club members, attended AHSTC meetings, and/or Encounter. BTW- all good avenues as well.

Now what if I told you that you can ask for assistance, diagnose a problem, find parts, etc. in just a few seconds and reach most of the Austin Healey experts from all over the world? Not only that, you read about others dilemmas, successes, reviews and resources. Well it is possible, and maybe you didn't plug your Lucas electrical system into a computer (probably a good thing), but you are “plugged” into the world's best Austin Healey owners and you can rely on others' real life experiences.

An “e-mail list” is best described as a place where you can e-mail subjects or reply to others' subjects and you receive e-mails (either individual or buddled together) typically once a day. Depending on the number of posts it could be more or less. I find it takes only a minute or less to browse through the subjects/ e-mails and decide what, if anything interests you. You can also check the archives for previously discussed subjects.

A forum is typically a website that provides the same services (and more), but the posts remain on the Web page. No e-mails in your inbox here (typically).

Both are free, although I do believe they accept donations

Facebook is a social network site that can keep you in touch with friends, family, and ALSO Austin Healey people. Not only does FaceBook expose the Austin Healey hobby to all your friends and family, AHSTC has a group on FB and currently there are 230 members. Share pictures, stories, tech tips, events etc. FaceBook is free as well.

The Healey List: autox.team.net/mailman/listinfo/healeys

The Bugeye yahoo group List: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/bugeye>

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This Month in Healey History: October

by Baird Foster

1952 – Healey Hundred Debuts

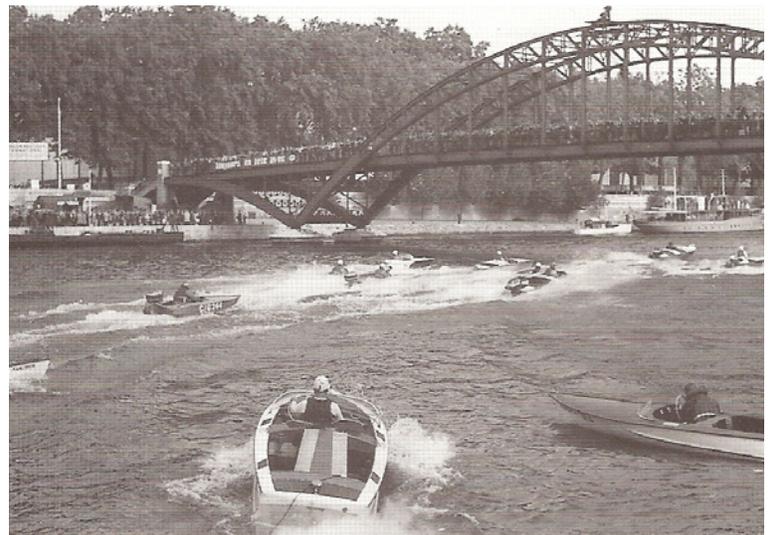
At the London Motor Show at Earls Court, the Donald Healey Motor Company introduced a brand new model, the Healey Hundred (it could run over 100 mph). A last-minute entry, the striking new sports car, with body design by Gerry Coker, missed out on much of the pre-opening day publicity. However, the Hundred turned out to be the hit of the show with its startling departure from the ordinary design of other cars. BMC's Leonard Lord and Donald Healey did a deal to have the car manufactured at the Austin works. The car was renamed the Austin-Healey.



Leonard Lord (L) and Donald Healey, in front of the Austin of England offices, admire the new Austin-Healey 100 (renamed from the Healey Hundred).

1957(?) – Healey Boat Competes in Paris

A Healey boat, piloted by Tommy Wisdom and Bic Healey, competed in the "Six Heures de Paris." Held on the River Seine in the heart of Paris, the boat completed only a few laps due to sump damage suffered on the trailer en route to the event. Bic carefully paddled the boat to shore, avoiding a bridge and several large barges plying the river.



At the Six Heures de Paris boat race on the River Seine, Paris, Tommy Wisdom is leaving the pits to join the fray.

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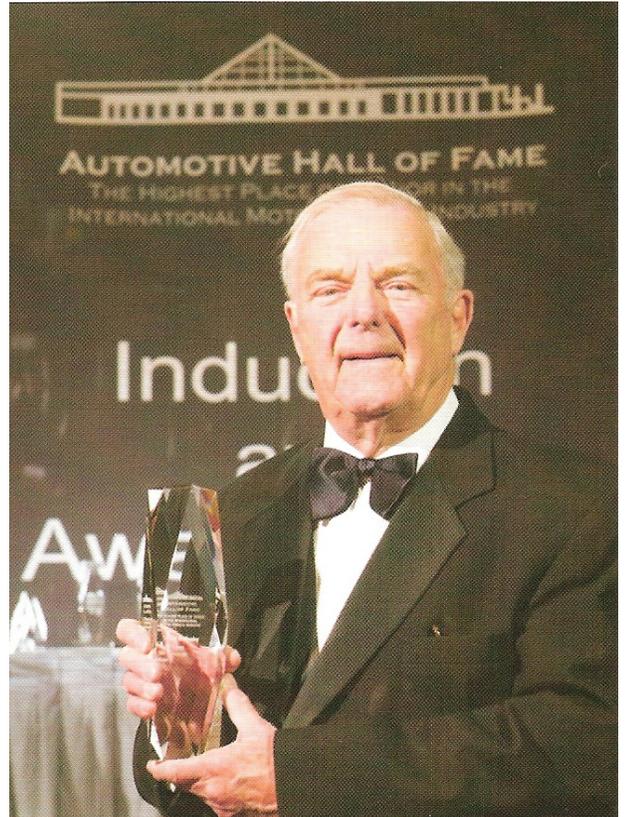
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Healey History Cont...

2004 – DMH Inaugurated into the Automotive Hall of Fame

While it is rare for a first-time nominee to be selected for induction into the exclusive Automotive Hall of Fame in Dearborn, Michigan, Donald M. Healey CBE joined the select group on the first nomination. The AHF is considered the “Highest Place of Honor in the International Motor Vehicle Industry.” There to accept this posthumous award for his father, Bic Healey and his wife, Mary, travelled to Dearborn from Perranporth, Cornwall. Many members of the Austin-Healey Club of America were in attendance as well.



Bic Healey displays the automotive Hall of Fame award presented to his father, Donald M. Healey, in 2004. (Photo by Joe Wilssens)



The plaques showing the eight inductees of 2004 are on permanent display at the Automotive Hall of Fame, Dearborn, Michigan. (DMH is third from the left.)

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Austin-Healeys at 12th Annual Buckingham Concours

by Baird & Margo Foster

Ten Austin-Healeys were part of a field of 250 pristine cars of all makes, models, and years at the 12th Annual Buckingham Concours at Holicong Park in Buckingham, PA (west of New Hope) on a sunny Sunday, September 19. An exhibitors' breakfast, Boy Scout- manned lunch booth, and roving water wagons kept everybody well-fed, happy, and hydrated.

AHSTC was well-represented, with Neil Barella's red BJ7 winning one of the class awards. The Austin-Healey class consisted of one Bugeye, one Box Sprite, one 100, two Mark II BJ7s, and five Mark III BJ8s. The word is out to Healey owners: this is a great show at a lovely venue. The ten Healeys represented the largest Healey class to date.

See you next year on the third Sunday in September. For details, see www.buckinghamautoshow.org.



Some of the ten Healeys at the show.



Neil Barella's BJ7 was one of two prize winners in the Healey class.



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AHSTC members (L to R) Morgan Trevino and his grandfather, Neil Barrella, Angela and Ben Kenion, John Payne, and Margo Foster gather for a photo.

Lehigh Valley

by Mike Bradley

Wow, almost October already. What happened to summer ? It sure went fast. However Fall is the best time to Healey around. In fact, we already had a Tour last Saturday. Ken Weidner and his son, Matt, led two Bugeyes (his and Phil and Jane Nace's), three big Healeys (Gerry Kunkle, Tom Mantz and Debbie Lentz and, believe it or not, mine) and Bob and Judy Weaver's Corvette (their big Healey is under repair) on a terrific two hour tour of Topton, Oley and the surrounding area. There were many roads we were never on and they were twisty and very scenic. The weather was perfect and we had a delightful time.

As you are aware, Jolene Keefer has stepped into the role of Events Coordinator with the loss of the late and great Bob Messenger. She has lots of ideas including a several tours in October. I will be forwarding the schedule soon in the E-Flash. There will be a ride to Peddler's Village to check out the Scarecrow display and several Wine Tours. In addition, we are trying to coordinate with the MG Club and the BCCLV to include everyone in these outings and in theirs. This should improve participation and enjoyment.

The October meeting will be on Monday October 18th @ 6:30 PM (dinner). The meeting usually starts around 7 PM. We will be accepting nominees for the officer positions, i.e. President, Vice President, Treasurer, etc. Please let me know if you are interested. We will vote @ the November meeting.

Our Christmas Party will be on either December 4th or the 11th. We still need a venue. The Club pays for this. Anyone who would like to volunteer, please let me know before the October meeting so we can set this up.

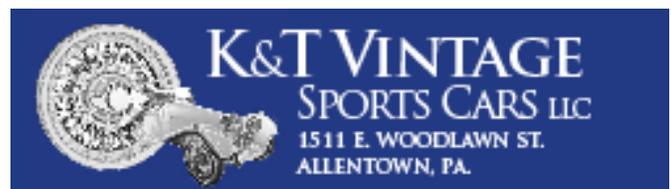
We expect to be considerably more active this off season (Winter) so stay tuned for more information.

Also, if you have any pictures of our events, i.e. Encounter or the Fall Tour, please send them to me to include in the E-Flashes and the Flash.

There will be a Board Meeting on November 6th @ 10 AM @ K & T (Ken's place) All are welcome to attend. Come on out and see how your Board operates.

I hope to see many of you at our Fall events-stay tuned for more information via E-Flash

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North Jersey

by George Crombie

Saturday, September 11, 2010, promised to be a very pleasant day for gathering in the park with like-minded Anglo-philes and their LBCs. This is the day, the second Saturday in September, that is set aside for the annual FallFest; a British car show held in central New Jersey. Temperatures were well into the eighties and low nineties in the sun, with very little humidity; you could notice a distinct difference while relaxing in the shade of the numerous large shade trees bordering the southern edge of the show field. North Jersey had a great showing at this event, with many members placing in their respective classes. There were 90 cars registered; 89 showed up. Apparently, one person who pre-registered didn't make it. Rumor had it that he was afraid it was going to rain a bit, like the monsoons we had last year.

The following members showed and placed:

- Sprites (Bugeye): Larry Gersten, 3rd; Nick Ferrant, 2nd; and Mike Adams, 1st.
- Sprites (Square body): George Crombie, 1st (very strong competition in this class!!)
- Big Healeys (100): Jim Krous, 3rd; Ralph Scarfogliero, 2nd; and Joe Cornell, 1st.
- Big Healeys (Roadsters): Steve Feld, 3rd; Ian Kessen, 2nd; and Richard Ippoliti, 1st.
- Big Healeys (Rollups): Bob Pense, 3rd; Bob Shaffsick, 2nd; and Bill Kaltnecker, 1st.
- Jim Krouse also took home the award for "Diamond in the Rough".

Way to go, people! Also attending were Jim Vollmuth (white BN6), Frank and Loretto Dapiran, John Moore (green MGC GT) and Allen Rosenberg (yellow MGA). Jim Elliott drove his "Elliott Healey 6000" in from New York. This monster is a custom-built Nasty-boy with a 6 litre engine! Between him, Jim Krous (100-8), and Ralph Scarfogliero (100-8), we have enough for a Nasty-boy (okay, "Modified") Class. Now, if we could just bend the ears of the organizers a bit without breaking their ears off... Oh, yeah; while we're at it, I could use some more competition (maybe one; no more than two cars!) in the Square body Sprite Class to keep Little Red company. My apologies to anybody I missed.

The monthly meeting for October was held on Tuesday night at the La Cucina Restaurant in Denville on the 21st. Attending the meeting and DRIVING HEALEYS were: Richard Ippoliti (blue/white 100/6), Steve Feld (red/white 3000), and Jim Krous (silver 100-8).

Also attending, but driving various other iron (and I use that word out of habit) were Frank Dapiran, Art Herkomer, Larry Gersten,



North Jersey Cont...

Tom Mulligan, Ian Kessen, Steve Jekogian, Mike Busche, Ralph Scarfogliero, Dennis Meehan, and George Crombie. This was a great turn-out; thanks to all who made it. We need a turn-out like this next month (October 19th) in order to achieve the quorum required for club elections. A lot of topics were discussed, from Encounter logos, to finding a loaner distributor, to scouting for possible Encounter 2012 sites, to testing for sticking valves (and what weight hammer to use to free said stuck valve(s), to attempting to bribe (oops, entice) membership into attending next month's meeting. Richard brought along a CD of pictures from this year's Encounter in Blue Bell, PA that Mark Goodman put together. I brought along my laptop so we could view them; however, only a few of us had the chance to stick around a little after the meeting. Time ran short, so we had to call it a night. I'll bring my laptop again next month, and maybe we'll get another chance at viewing the pictures.

A couple of members are looking forward to going to the Ocean Grove car show on Saturday, September 25th. This is the second year this show is being held in Ocean Grove. It is the former "Brits on the Beach" show put on by the Positive Earth Club. I understand it is a very well attended and popular event.

North Jersey's popular, annual Fall Tour will be held on Saturday, October 2nd. It will start at Art and Joan Herkomer's home in Oakland. Gather around 10:00 AM for a continental breakfast. As always, driving British is encouraged, but not required. We want to see YOU there. A rain date is scheduled for the following Saturday, October 9th.

There is also a car show in Sterling (near Liberty Corner) on Sunday, October 3rd. See your e-Flash for details...

The October meeting will be held on Tuesday the 19th, at La Cucina in Denville starting at 7:00 PM. There will be a lot to cover at this meeting, including elections, so please try to be there. As an added incentive, the club will be picking up the dinner tab, and the various assortments of wine will be flowing, so come on out and join the merriment!!

As always, check the e-Flashes sent out by Richard Ippoliti for the latest news. I'll see you out there somewhere, sometime, when you least expect it...

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Harrisburg

by Don Hoffer

At Kelby Steele's house Carlisle PA

Attendees = 21 - Fred and Sonya Bennett, Dave Hutchison, Scott and Liz Brockman, Mary Ann Waltz, Dave and Sandy Rishell, Don and Dot Hoffer, Shawn Miller, Del Border, Charlie and Eileen Baldwin, Kelby and Lisa Steele, Don and Flora Schneider, and Joe Spear.

If you offer free food and a car show, you could meet at the town dump and still draw a crowd with our bunch. And so it was for our September meeting – all but the part about the dump. Instead Kelby Steele, our host, got to showcase both his car collection and the new pole barn he built to house it. More about each later.

Joe started the meeting with a great joke. Just ask anyone in attendance about the frog joke. He then had us introduce ourselves for the benefit of the newbies (Fred and Sonya Bennett)

Now, you might ask how he got us to sit still long enough for us to get through this. Simple, they fed us first. (the region's getting pretty good at the pot luck smorgasbord and desserts to die for drill)

The real risk of introductions is revealing too much and having the new folks panic and escape out the back. This did not happen. This may mean they would fit in well – just as loony as we are.

Our grand leader reviewed the upcoming events covering the fall tour thru Adams County on October 17th which will include a stop at an orchard farm market. The tour is on – rain or shine – and will end at Brockman's house. Halloween season will be suitably recognized.

The banquet is scheduled for November 13th and the progressive dinner is December 11th. The last regular meeting will be held at Culhanes on October 19.



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The business concluded, Joe turned it over to Kelby the canny curator to conduct a tour of the building we were in and its contents. The spacious interior was home to 22 cars. The walls were festooned with posters, signs and pictures of all things automotive. Outside were parked three supposedly weather proof Land Rovers. You can bet that all 25



Harrisburg Cont...

have a yarn unique to that car and who our host managed to bamboozle their previous owners into parting with them.

Rather than turn this into a marathon he concentrated on several – my favorite was a '31 Plymouth four door sedan that had been his grandfather's. His dad had driven it after he came back from WWII. It finally became Kelby's by virtue of his grandfather's decree and later became Kelby's first restoration. It might not represent any significant automotive advancement, but it's sure a treasure trove of Steele family history.

From a Bugeye Sprite to the white Rolls convertible he's acquired an impressive collection and the region's 21 attendees had a great evening. Thanks to Kelby and Lisa for a memorable experience.



Long Island

by Paul Parfrey

C lan McDuff held their annual Scottish Games on August 28. Peter Burnside organizes the British car show in front of the mansion and, as always, the house provided a classy backdrop for the cars (see photo). Peter actually won the popular vote with his MGB, much to his surprise. LI members in attendance included Ed Buchbinder and Etta Zellman, Arthur and Lois Kornberg, Arthur and Ruth Lange, Stu Smith, Steve Tjepkema, and Susan and myself. It was really great to see everyone.

Next day's Vanderbilt Concours saw the LI Region placing in three classes. Classes are organized by year of manufacture. Ed Buchbinder won first in Class D with his '67 3000. Ira Udasin and Steve Tjepkema won best driven and best unrestored, respectfully, in Class B with a 100 and a 100-6. Stu Smith won second in Class C with his '61 Bugeye.\

Finally, Jim Elliott and Bob Shaffsick attended Fallfest at Duke Island State Park on September 11.



Arthur Kornberg and his '67 BJ8 at the Scottish Games



Mansion front entrance at the Scottish Games



Cars displayed at the mansion.



Sunglasses required! Elliott Healey at Fallfest.

Brandywine

by Ernie Lesser

On Saturday, Sept. 4th, the heat wave finally broke (at least temporarily). Joan and I took advantage of the balmy weather as an opportunity to take the Healey out. We re-visited the Whip Tavern on Chatham Road (rt.841) in Coatesville, Pa. Our Brandywine Social was held there in March of this year. We had a very pleasant drive and the food was excellent. In addition, the car ran super too. Can't beat that!

The annual Crab Crawl and Feast took place on Sunday, Sept 12th. After several weeks of bone dry weather, Sunday was cloudy with on and off showers. While there was an absence of Healeys, a total of fourteen stalwarts descended on the Boondocks for the feast. Great crabs, brew, and excellent socializing! Attending were Dave, Ann, Bryan, Katie and Danielle Ehret; Clint and Sue Hatton; Pete Roberts and Dee Caffrey; Chuck and Gina Ott; John Koch; Joan and myself.

Our 2011 Encounter Chairman Dave Ehret brought the group up to date with new developments. So far, so good. Planning continues.

The annual Brandywine Picnic date has been changed to Sunday Oct.3, 1 pm. This year's picnic will be at the Ehret residence in Broomall, Pa.

Future events are as follows:

- Annual Elections, Nov. 18th, 7 pm at Stoney's Pub.
- Christmas Party, Dec. 11th, 6 pm, at Stoney's Pub.

Please see the E-Flash for the latest details concerning the above events.

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Philadelphia

by Al Tocci

Our September monthly meeting had a record number of members in attendance including many new faces. Clearly rumors of a club with a phenomenal annual summer event is bringing enthusiasts out to see what all the buzz is about. Welcome to: Tom Brabson, John & Noelle Dixon, Ray & Lois Dunckley; and Dick Doherty. Twenty members, new & old (versus young & old), crowded into the back room of Mariano's.

Naturally much of the discussion focused on Encounter (and the Buckingham and Radnor shows); but not ones to focus solely on the past, two significant upcoming events were also discussed. John Payne gave us the details of the Fall Tour, scheduled to take place on Sunday, October 17th.. Folks will be meeting at 9:00 for breakfast at the Energy Station on Sumneytown Pike in Vernfield, PA (above Harleysville). At 10:00 the tour will depart the Energy Station eventually ending at Peddlers Village in Lahaska, PA Give John and Jennifer Payne an e-mail (jjpayne3@verizon.net) if you intend to make breakfast so they can give the restaurant an estimated size of our party.

Also discussed was our annual holiday party. We are looking at the first weekend in December. If anyone has thoughts/ ideas of gathering places, give John Heffron a shout.

In the meantime, John is also working on some tech session ideas. Perhaps his newly acquired TR3 will be the subject of one/some of those sessions!

Remember, lots of cool stuff in regalia these days including some leftover t-shirts from Encounter. Only smalls and mediums remaining which can be yours for the post-Encounter price of \$10!

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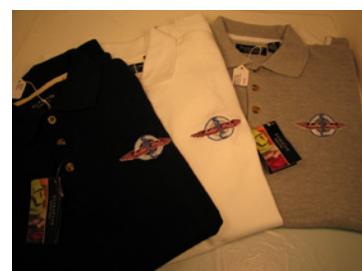
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