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*Main Cover Photo: Andy and Martha Smith of North Jersey region just receiving their finished Healey*

*Bottom: Liz & Del Border in their Healey at Conclave in 1992; Oldest cars in the parking lot; Brandywine Social Gathering*

# What's In The Flash

by Steve Jekogian

Driving weather is here at last and the cool dry nights are great for rides in the country, tours with other members and a run to the next car show.

Speaking of car shows, they are all over and a great event is Carlisle May 20-22 which has the AHSTC tent and our new AHSTC banner. As you heard and read in the E-Flash, the club had a contest/raffle with the winners getting a picture of their cars displayed on the banner for all to see. Four spaces were available Bugeye, Square body, early and late big Healey. To steal a line from the New York lottery, "you have to be in it to win it" and for a few dollars you got a chance. Our own honest treasurer Gerry Kunkle collected the money and picked the winners and the following lucky members will have their pride and joy immortalized on the banner for years to come. The real question is how much the banner is going to be auctioned off for in a few years.

Raffle winners are as follows:

Bugeye:	John Heffron
Square body sprite:	Chuck Ott
Early big Healey:	Michael Stein
Late big Healey:	Steve Jekogian

## CONGRATULATIONS WINNERS!

Remember at the Carlisle show the Harrisburg members will be "personing" a tent with goodies for the members. So register and get out to the show and support the club, the event, and pick up that part you have been searching for.

Also, do not forget to send in your membership registration as well as the Encounter registration.



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# Membership

by Rick Brodeur

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## HARRISBURG

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ELIZABETHTOWN, PA

HEALEY 100

## NORTH JERSEY

ARTHUR BARRY

CRANFORD, NJ

'63 BJ7

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](mailto: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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# Lehigh Valley - Signs of Spring?

by Joel Keefer

Ah, signs of spring...getting the Healey out of winter storage, attending an early swap meet, thinking about the season's upcoming events, and wondering whether it's ever going to get warm enough for some top-down driving. A few Lehigh Valley Region members came out on a chilly, damp April 10 morning to attend the Keystone MG Club's swap meet held at K & T Vintage Sportscars in Allentown, perhaps in the chance of running across a needed Healey part among the stacks, or maybe to check out another toy for the collection.

Thanks to all who participated in the Region's Spring Rallye April 30. We hope you had a good time and that it wasn't too frustrating. We set out to make this one (our first with the region) fairly easy; subsequent ones will be more challenging!

The following activities are the Lehigh Valley Region's "official" calendar of events for the remainder of 2011. These are the activities and events that count toward the year's participation award. Members who drive their Healeys (other sports cars, while beautiful to behold, don't count!) to these events will earn 25 points; the high scorer will receive a free membership in 2012. Where an activity is described as "Tour to..." it means we'll go to the event via a fun and hopefully scenic route, wherever possible. Besides these, there are numerous other events that members have expressed interest in attending. Watch for e-Flashes from Mike Bradley about possible caravans or carpools to them. For a full list, contact Joel Keefer (jkclassics@hotmail.com).

## May

- 16 - Monthly Meeting, Top Diner
- \*21 - Tour to Import & Kit Nationals - Carlisle

## June

- \*4 - Tour to Reading Air Show - Reading Regional Airport
- \*5 - Tour to Red Mill British Car Day - Clinton, NJ
- \*20 - Monthly Meeting, Top Diner

## July

- \*18 -LV Region Picnic and Monthly Meeting, Mike & Kathy Bradley's
- \*23-24 - Tour to Wine on the Mountain - Penn's Peak
- \*TBD - Tech Session (prep for Encounter)

## August

- \*10-13 - ASHTC Encounter - Paradise
- \*15 - Monthly Meeting, Top Diner

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# Lehigh Valley Cont...

\*28 - Tour to Annual Taste of Britain Polo and Car Show - Rothsville

September

\*18 - Tour to Buckingham Concours - Holicong

\*19 - Monthly Meeting, Top Diner

October

\*1 - Autumn Leaf Auto Show - Moravian Academy, Bethlehem

\*15 - Lehigh Valley Wine Tour Chambourcin Weekend

\*17 - Monthly Meeting, Top Diner

\*22 - Fall Rallye

November

\*21 - Monthly Meeting, Top Diner

\*TBD - Tech Session

December

\*TBD - LV Region Christmas Party

\*19 - Monthly Meeting, Top Diner

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# Harrisburg

*by Charlie Baldwin*

Joe, Regional Meeting Thememaster, who declared April's meeting to be "Ladies Night", got a full house response as 27 members showed up and filled the room. Joe, who is also our Chancellor of Change, moved the venue to Coakley's, an Irish pub on the main drag in New Cumberland, for this gathering. Three guys left their wives at home. New privacy laws would frown on our publishing their names, but we expect they'll be out of the doghouse by next meeting.

Our Swami of Scheduling (you guessed it - same guy) ran through a number of updates and additions to the very extensive list of events compiled by Charlie Baldwin, and those that made our regional list. Work & sign up sheets were passed around for Carlisle, our traditional 1st event. We already have 25 members attending this year. If you check either list, it is clearly evident that 47 opportunities to drive your Healey, May thru December 2011, just might be enough. The list is still not complete. I didn't want to calculate the gallons of 4 dollar gas this would require, that's too depressing, but remember that inflation may eventually save the day. People years from now could marvel at how cheap gas used to be and that we were actually allowed to use it.

The region's upcoming 'don't miss' events are Carlisle May 20-22 and our Spring Tour June 5th. Many of you attend the one day Mtg. of the Marques at Hershey Med center the day before (June 4th) - so do both! The region E-mail will provide details.

It was now time for the big 50/50 and the Boscov's gift certificate drawing. The 50/50 winners were the distaff side of the Quickels, Spears, Hoopers & Baldwins. The Gift Certificate went to Liz Brockman.

Shawn Miller brought some prime parts and I bought a new set of fender beads for our Mk III. We went to visit our project Friday and square up our bill with Steele Motors. Dot brought the check book and I stood there wondering where we can get some of that bailout money the government is passing out, come on - we pumped money into the economy, helped keep 3 auto workers employed and are a better bet to pay it back then the taxpayers are going to get from the sale of the GM stock they got from the bailout! Well, you can't take it with you so you might as well spend it while you're here. This invariably leads to "creeping enhancements." Problem - no garage space for the Mk III. Then I get the word that the Boro will allow garage replacement without enforcement of the setback rule (that put a new garage in the middle of your yard) but only if you replace it within 1 year. Gee, that should help empty the coffers, but we need a suitable home for this Healey. I can see the headline now - "Newly restored Healey owner now qualifies for food stamps". The car is coming along fine and should be ready for Encounter. In the meantime I look forward to seeing you all at Carlisle - I'll be the one with the tin cup. The Driving Season is finally here. Gentlemen start your engines!





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# Philadelphia Region

by Hero Racer

Not much happening right now as the northeast is locked in one of the colder and wetter springs in recent memory. Obviously not much car stuff going on. Actually I am so anxious to drive one of our cars, I am taking the BJ8 to a dentist appointment. The spouse tells me that spring is coming and enjoy the flowers and trees that are blooming.

Speaking of spring, the annual Dust Off Tour is scheduled for May 1. So put on your heavy coat and get out there and remove the Christmas (excuse me – holiday) decorations from your Healey. It’s time to rumble! Anyway, more info to follow on the event. Rumor has it; it will be a re-run of a Lloyd Beverly covered bridge tour from yesteryear. Probably will involve a lunch at some exotic spot near the Delaware River.

While cars have not been out, members have. Following on our theme of going to see very rare and expensive cars, Jason Urban arranged to tour David George’s restoration shop near Cochranville March 18. About 30 people showed from Philly and Brandywine regions and the Old York Road Club. The tour started out from a charming little English pub call the “The Whip Tavern”. No, there is no Rack Room or Gallows Bar. Remember, this is a family oriented club. Following brunch Jason led us through some picturesque rural countryside with a lot of horse farms and beautiful homes. Every once in a while it is good to see how the other one-half of one percent live!

David is an avid Alfa enthusiast, restorer and racer. His shop boasts several one of a kind projects. Even if you do not like cars as such, these things are a work of art and well worth seeing. Along with Jason and Holly Urban, Walt White, Mark Weinberg, Leo and Marty Kob and yours truly attended from Philly. On a side note, Mark told the group that John Davies was hospitalized but in a conversation with Joan Davies, John is coming along fine and will be home well before this hits the press.

The monthly gathering was an abbreviated affair with 11 hearty souls attending including the Urbans, the Dunkleys, Leo Kob, the Wogloms, Alan Kramer, Ray Donovan and yours truly. No business to speak of but two DVD’s, from one of our friends from the 2011 Paris Retromobile show and the 2010 Goodwood, were shown during the meeting.

As a reminder the annual picnic is at the Payne’s again. Those at the meeting determined they wish to have hot dogs, hamburgers and sausage along with quantities of grog. The region will foot the bill for the menu. However, as in year’s past attendees will be asked to provide additional dishes. More in May from your hostess.

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# Long Island

by Paul Parfrey

The long-delayed LI Region post-holiday party was held Sunday, April 10th. The hope of a large turnout of Healeys was somewhat dashed to cloudy, threatening weather. We did manage two Healeys, a Hudson, and a Mini. Cathy Preston came in her BJ8 for the first time. It's a very nice car and it was a pleasure to finally see it. We had 19 members come for dinner: Cathy Preston, Tony and Kathy DiFrancesca, Mary Ann Sekelsky and Tedd Krummeck, Bob and Diane Squillari, Mike and Carol Neumar, Hans and Jo Ann Lewald, Stu and Sandy Smith, Bob and Barbara Maichin, Michael Eisenbud, Tom Abbe, and Susan and myself. The food and company were excellent. Next year we hope to schedule the event in January just after the holidays.

The forecast for Easter Sunday was not encouraging and I was debating whether or not to go to the Garden City Parade. I'm glad I decided to go as the day turned out to be beautiful with no rain until the evening. The turnout was very good with the usual mix of cars from the brass era to the early 80's. Seven Healeys attended; four from the LI Region: Ed Buchbinder, Bob Shaffsick, Tony DiFrancesca, and myself. I like to photograph something unusual for these pages when I'm there, and when Bob Shaffsick heard of my quest, he pointed me in the direction of a Baker Electric Flat Front Brougham, vintage 1910. This was an unrestored 101 year-old car with an extraordinary patina. It gave testament to its great age. So much more interesting (at least to me) than if it had been restored to perfection. The car was complete with leather covered fenders, an intricate velour interior, the obligatory flower vases, and a tiller for steering. The car has a 60-mile range on a charge and a top speed of 28mph.



*Oldest cars in the parking lot,*



*Bob, Barbara, Stu and Hans at holiday party*



*Tom, Michael, Cathy, Sandy and Jo Ann at party.*

# North Jersey

by George Crombie

The folks at The La Cucina Restaurant in Denville moved our merry little band into the smaller of the two upstairs rooms for our monthly club meeting on Tuesday night, April 19th, to accommodate a rather rowdy bunch of ladies, who had reserved moments before Richard called in for reservations. They actually numbered more than we did. Management told us that if we had more than 10 members (all that could comfortably fit in the smaller room), they could accommodate us in the basement. We opted for the challenge of trying to fit the 24 or so expected attendees into our assigned room, even if that meant having some of the more inebriated members take turns dancing on the table to the tunes of some obscure Russian Polkas. So you can imagine the relief we all experienced when the tenth, and final, club member showed up and took his seat. Those ten lucky souls who did not have to play “musical chairs” were Richard Ippoliti, Frank Dapiran, Steve Feld, Art Herkomer, Steve Jekogian, Ian Kessen, Tom Mulligan, Ralph Scarfogliero, Bob Swanson, and George Crombie. I was just a bit disappointed that a few more members didn’t make this meeting, due to its importance of catching folks up on the latest info regarding Encounter 2012. Not only that, but I was over half way through cutting down some straws to see who would get the short straws and have the honor of dancing on the tables for the rest of us.

About half way through the meeting, the ladies in the other room sounded like they were having so much fun that a motion was made, seconded and was in the process of being voted on to join them when the waiter vetoed the motion. Killjoy.

Discussions again centered around Encounter 2011 in Paradise, PA and who was going and had already registered, as well as the fact that the rooms were going rapidly, with the least expensive ones being gobbled up the quickest. While on the topic of Encounter, Richard asked Steve Jekogian to update those of us present on the status of his and Allen Rosenberg’s ongoing search for a host hotel for 2012. The front runner still seems to be the Hanover Marriott. There will be more contact with the folks at this Marriott in the next couple of weeks, and Steve and Allen will fill us in at the next (May 17th) meeting.

Richard read off a list of names of those members who have not renewed, to see if any one present knew whether or not these guys were planning to renew. Some of these names I don’t even recognize. Two or three of them I’m sure I’ve never even met. Old timers Steve Jekogian and Tom Mulligan probably know them all; they volunteered to get in touch with them to see if they are still interested in being members. North Jersey is also pleased to welcome a new member with a 1967 BJ8 from Fort Lee, Paul Hatten.

Allen Rosenberg is looking for members to sign up to bring their Healey to the Highland Games and British car display at Bonnie Brae. This is a great weekend event, with an assortment of Highland games, dancing, caber-tossing, dog/sheep demonstrations, bagpipers, and Clan gatherings all through the weekend. The car show is on



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## North Jersey Cont...

Saturday June 4th, and lasts from about 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM. The organizers would like for the British cars that are displayed on the show field to commit to staying until at least 3:00 to avoid disrupting the proceedings, which is simple enough to do, and certainly a reasonable request, in exchange for a free pass and front row seating to the event. I believe the organizers can accommodate around 25 cars; the Healeys are usually outnumbered by the MGs by six to one, and the Triumphs by close to ten to one. There are also usually a couple of Morgans, Jags, and the odd Land or Range Rover. There is quite a good assortment of British iron there; we just need to get a better showing of our Healeys. After all, they are arguably the best of the bunch (not that I'm biased, or anything...)

Richard confirmed that the Spring Tour is on for Saturday April 30. It is scheduled to begin at the home of Barbara and Richard Ippoliti in Long Valley at 10:45 AM. Arrive early for breakfast. RSVP to Richard so he has a head count for lunch (and to make sure we don't leave on the tour without you, if you are running a bit late). Driving a Healey is NOT mandatory; but it sure is more fun that way. We want to see YOU there, regardless.

Also discussed was the upcoming Tour to Sandy Hook, tentatively scheduled for Saturday May 21st. Again, Richard would like to hear from you (yea or nay), so he has a feel for how many are interested. Please be aware that this is also the weekend of the Carlisle Imports show and swap meet in Carlisle, PA.

Of course, a good bit of this will be "recent history" by the time you read this; that's what happens when events get scheduled at the very end of the month (like the Spring Tour on the last day of the month). The best way to find out how things went and who was there is to JOIN US! You get to be privy to "all that's new, when it's new!" Not just this month or next month, but all year long!

### NEXT UP:

- May 7, 2011 BritFest Horseshoe Lake, Parsippany, NJ
- May 17, 2011 North Jersey Monthly Meeting, LaCucina in Denville
- May 21, 2011 Sandy Hook Road Trip (Tentative)
- May 20-22, 2011 Carlisle Imports, Carlisle, PA
- June 3-4, 2011 Limerock SCCA rallye
- June 4, 2011 Bonnie Brae Scottish Games (Allen Rosenberg bigalnj@aol.com)
- June 5, 2011 Red Mill Car Show, Clinton, NJ  
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- June 11, 2011 Touch of England, Hohokus, NJ  
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# Brandywine

by Ernie Leser

Saturday, April 30th, was the annual Brandywine Social, held this year at the Whip Tavern in Chatham, Pa. This British themed tavern has just the right combination of old colonial atmosphere and a beautiful country location to make it very popular. Good food and an extensive selection of beer from all over the United Kingdom complete the venue.

Enjoying the ambience were the entire Ott family: Chuck, Sue, Randy, Gina, Chuck's mom Norma, and Dave. The family gathering was in celebration of Gina's starring role in her High School play.

Jim Martin, the Lesers, Dave and Bryan Ehret all arrived in their Healeys. Kris and Steve Garrett drove their new Dodge Ram super pick-up truck – wow! Jim and Paula Bewley started out from home in their 100-4, but a faulty generator soon derailed their trip. This necessitated a tow back home and a bit of a delay in their arrival at the tavern. Jim showed off the trophies he is making for Encounter – very sharp! Also, the logos for the Encounter T-shirts were discussed and finalized. Katie Ehret and her fiancé Tom rounded out the group. The accompanying photos were taken outside the tavern.

Encounter registrations are on schedule, and the reservations for the Wednesday Strasburg Railroad Dinner Train are already at 70. The maximum for this event is 86, so sign up ASAP if your interested. It certainly promises to be a fun evening!

Upcoming events for Brandywine are as follows:

May, Sat. 7th. Lewis British Car Show. Contact is Mike Tyler (302-645-7572).

May, Sat. 21st. Carlisle Import Show. Register with AHSTC if you plan to attend.

June, Sat. 18th, 12 noon. Encounter Hotel Walk Through. Meet at the Revere Tavern, Paradise, Pa. We'll do lunch. Contact is Dave Ehret (610-353-0698).





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# Encounter 2011 update

by Chuck Ott

**E**ncounter registrations are coming in steadily. The railroad dinner on Wednesday night has passed the halfway full mark and continues to fill up. All of the lowest priced rooms are booked for Friday night. There are still plenty of rooms in the main building, and some in the annex (the low price rooms) for nights other than Friday. The main building rooms cost a little bit more but the rooms are larger. Send in your registration and reserve your room today!

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# Generator Learning - A Short Electrical Story

by Steve Jekogian

As with all Healey related repairs “it started simple enough”. The only part on my red Healey that I never rebuilt was the Generator. It seemed fine, generated electricity did not make noise or run hot. But, “you never know” when it could go bad.

So I decided to have it rebuilt, and off it came, went to the repair shop, got it back and a coat of green paint and I was ready to go. Or so I thought!

I put it back in but FORGOT something important. To polarize the generator.

The car drove fine and I went inside for awhile. When I came out smoke was coming out from under the hood and I thought I was going to have the “big one”.

I opened the trunk, turned off the battery switch, opened the hood and light smoke was coming from the generator and it was way to hot to touch. So was the voltage regulator. Lucky I didn't wait longer as it could have been really bad.

What happened I asked myself? What is polarizing the generator?

Remember junior High School science class?

A generator can deliver current for either a positive or a negative ground system. And you can make it work in either mode. But, if yours produces current with the wrong polarity, it is not good.

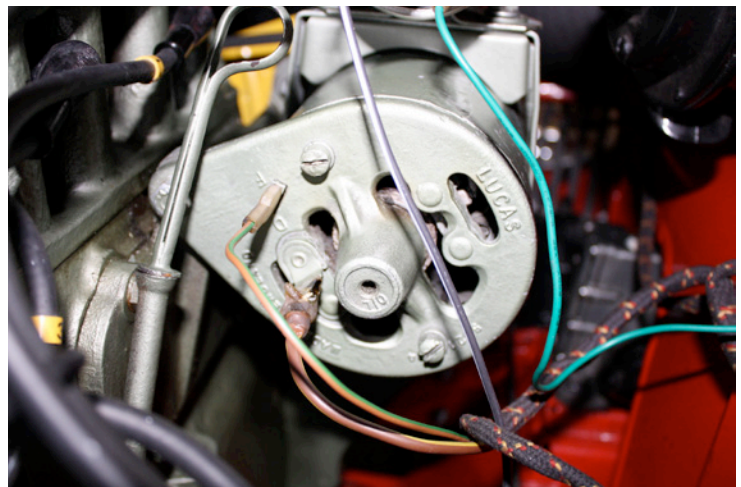
A generator produces current by passing conductors (armature windings) through a magnetic field. The magnetic field is produced by electromagnets that surround the armature. Basically, the field portion of your generator consists of copper windings around iron core, often referred to as the pole shoes.

The voltage and current delivered by your generator is determined by the strength of the magnetic field and the speed at which the generator is running. But, the polarity of the current is determined by the polarity of the pole shoes, or the direction of the magnetic flux or field, which is determined by the direction of current through the field windings. Confused yet?

So when I installed the generator and took care to connect the wires properly why did I have a problem? What went wrong if the wires are hooked up right?



*Voltage Regulator*



*Generator*

# Generator Learning Cont...

Plenty! When I started the engine, the generator started to deliver current. Since the generator is still isolated from the electrical system by the voltage regulator, it will start producing current based on the polarity of the pole shoes. But it might be “the wrong” polarity.

If the generator polarity is wrong, the generator will build up voltage and close the voltage relay points. This put the generator in series with the battery, and their voltages are added together. This high voltage across the points (about twice the battery voltage) can cause high current and enough heat to weld the points together. When this happens the battery and generator are connected at all times. The low resistance of the generator allows the battery to continue to discharge through the generator. The high current can create enough heat to burn the armature. Just what happened to mine?

How do you control the polarity of the pole shoes? The polarity is determined by the direction of the last current through the field windings. Since even a very small current can polarize the shoes, never assume the generator is properly polarized. You must polarize the generator every time it is disconnected or serviced.

To polarize the generator, simply make a jumper wire to short between the battery (b or bat) and field (F or gen) lugs on the voltage regulator. Only a split-second or a spark is required, so simply tap your jumper wire onto the lugs and pull them right back off.

Check out Moss Motors web site for a short video showing how to do it.



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The cost is \$425 US which includes the ring and pinion only and also shipping. To place an order, send check payable to Daniel Lempert, 18 Princeton Ave., Rocky Hill, NJ 08553. Checks will be deposited when the minimum run order is placed for manufacture. I’ve ordered mine already. Perhaps you could make note of this in The Flash. According to Baird Foster, a group of these gears were made about 8 or 10 years ago with outstanding results; this next batch will be made by the same American manufacturer.

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5/16	AHSTC Phila Region Mtg Mariano's	<a href="http://www.austin-healey-stc.org">www.austin-healey-stc.org</a>
5/17	North Jersey Monthly Meeting - LaCucina	<a href="mailto:austhealey@comcat.net">austhealey@comcat.net</a>
5/18 - 5/22	Gathering of the Faithful GOF 87, Laconia, NH	<a href="http://www.nemgtr.org">www.nemgtr.org</a>
5/19 - 5/21	AACA Eastern Spring Meet, Stowe, VT	<a href="http://www.aaca.org">www.aaca.org</a>
5/20 - 5/22	Northeast Rally Club, Penn York Road Rally, Beach Lake, PA	<a href="http://www.northeastrallyclub.com">www.northeastrallyclub.com</a>
5/20 - 5/22	Import / Kit Replicar Nationals, Carlisle, PA	<a href="http://www.carsatcarlisle.com">www.carsatcarlisle.com</a>
5/20 - 5/22	Eastern US Concours, Skytop, PA (Watch for it in 2011)	<a href="http://www.concourseast.org">www.concourseast.org</a>
5/21	North Jersey Road Trip - Sandy Hook NJ	<a href="mailto:austhealey@comcat.net">austhealey@comcat.net</a>
5/21 - 5/22	Newport Concours de' Elegance Newport, RI	<a href="http://www.newportconcours.org">www.newportconcours.org</a>
5/22	AHSTC Phila Region Shop Tour - George Baxter, Levittown, PA	<a href="http://www.austin-healey-stc.org">www.austin-healey-stc.org</a>
5/22 thru 5/27	New England 1000, New Paltz, NY	<a href="http://www.vintagerallies.com">www.vintagerallies.com</a>
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