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*Main Cover Photo: What Everyone at Encounter wanted to win!
Bottom: Ernie & Joan at Encounter 2011; North Jersey contribution; Jack
& Renie Sanders with their 100-6*

What's In The Flash

by Steve Jekogian

What's In the Flash this month—Pictures, Pictures, Pictures. And that's what should be in the September issue, as well as on the website.

Encounter was a great event and the Brandywine team did a great job. The location was great, the weather perfect (till Sunday) and the Lancaster Amish country side was perfect.

What was also great was the Kids/children, babies, youngsters, tweens, teenagers, 20, 30 and 40 year old children of the members. It is so good to see all the family members enjoying the cars and the club. Gary Brierton President of AH Club of America was at Encounter and was very impressed with the family values and children attending Encounter.

So enjoy the pictures and if you have some great shots send them to me at steve.jekogian@merck.com and I will try to get them up on the AHSTC web site.



RPM

by Ray Donovan

WHERE WERE YOU?

This year's Encounter was one of the best Encounters I've ever attended and I've been going since 1995! I know, not as long as some, but certainly long enough to recognize when a group "mails-it-in" to get another four years. I can assure you that the Brandywine group really outdid themselves and should feel very proud. Everyone I spoke to had a wonderful time. I hope this month's Flash can truly convey just how great this event really was. It all started with the sold out Strasburg's diner train ride through some very scenic countryside and ended on Saturday with a (somewhat) soggy car show. But in between, wow, what a great time! The weather was great (except for said shower on Saturday), the people were great, the venue was great, this year's Encounter was.....GREAT?

The weather for Thursday's "road apple rally" was mid-eighties and perfect for top-down-driving. The scenery was very pleasant, I can't really think of a better word to describe it. I thought Philadelphia did a great job last year at Normandy Farm and was a little concerned about a Best Western, but the Best Western was fantastic. It is a family-owned-and-operated facility and the owner (Tim) was everywhere! He and his staff worked their butts off to make sure our members had everything we needed; after all, we had the entire facility to ourselves (all three buildings)! The Revere Taverns food is delicious, we enjoyed several lunches and the banquet dinner was a really great meal served family style. The banquet food was really great, surprise: not your average rubber chicken banquet fair!

Did I mention that twenty-five percent of the guests were from outside the club? This fact really concerns (actually bothers, would be truer to my feelings) me. Don't get me wrong, I truly enjoyed meeting new Healey people and seeing cars that I've never seen before.

It wasn't having ninety-nine registrations that surprised me; it was the breakdown of those attending. We had twenty five non-AHSTC folks from Canada and New England! Where were our members? Why didn't you attend? Was it too far? Did it cost too much? Can't drive your Healey?

I would like you to tell me (kindly, please) why you didn't attend, contact me at AHSTC@live.com.

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Membership

by Rick Brodeur

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Lehigh Valley

by Joel Keefer

Musings on an Encounter...

Having just experienced our second AHSTC Encounter, some thoughts on that weekend come to mind. First of all, a big Bravo Zulu (that's Navy talk for Well Done!) to Brandywine Region for an outstanding event in all respects. The rallye offered a superb tour through the heart of the Amish country with plenty of neat sights and sounds to accompany the questions and directions. Winning the Poker Run definitely helped, and the fact that Mike Bradley didn't try to kill me as he did last year with a brief off-road excursion was also a plus. Finishing fourth, missing more questions than we thought we did, served as a reminder that my skill as a navigator has become a little rusty. Though we didn't run the gymkhana, it was fun to watch from the hillside and it definitely was an interesting course, given the limited amount of space. Saturday's funkhana with its creative format brought a few smiles and laughs, and Nigel Smart's "British officer's: "All right, you rebels, dismount from that horse..." will stick in my mind for a long time. Last year I didn't realize there was a separate Diamond in the Rough category for the show so we entered the Bugeye with rest. The comparison with the rest of the class really made its roughness obvious! Some folks seemed surprised to see the Bugeye in this year's Diamond in the Rough class, and I took their good-natured comments in the spirit they were offered. As they used to say in Brooklyn, "wait 'til next year (or the year after that)!"

I think it was Dave Ehret who said that Encounter is about renewing old friendships and making new ones, and that certainly was our experience this year. It was good to see some of the people we met last year, and we met a whole lot more this year. One new friendship that stands out is a couple who are not even AHSTC members, Tim and Deb Plesz. Tim and Deb, from Greensburg, PA, read about Encounter in the AHCA magazine and decided to come join the fun with their Big Healey. Since they'd not driven the car for very long distances since its restoration by Grey Hills Restoration in New Jersey, they decided to rent a trailer to bring it to Paradise, only to find that they couldn't get the car onto the trailer without risking ripping off its exhaust system! At that point, I think I'd have thrown in the towel, cancelled, and asked for a refund. Not Tim and Deb – they drove out from Greensburg and spent the weekend enjoying themselves and getting to know many of us along the way. Though they couldn't participate in many of the weekend's activities with-



Gerry Kunkle, Mike Bradley, Bob Weaver and Bob's grandson Alex watch the gymkhana from the shade. What? No drivers???



Mikey and Kenny kickin' it in the conga line.

Lehigh Valley Cont...

out their car, they certainly made the most of the weekend. What an outgoing and friendly couple! I think AHSTC needs to consider a western Pennsylvania region so we can bring them into the club!

As I write this, it's looking as though Hurricane Irene will pre-empt our planned August 28 road tour back to Lancaster County for the LanCo MG club's "A Taste of Britain" event. Their flier says "rain or shine" but I can't imagine too many people will want to bring their cars out, or that there'll be much polo played, given the weather predictions. We'll see...

September's LV Region activity is a road tour to the Buckingham show in Holicong, PA on Sunday, September 18. Watch for an e-Flash with details on meeting time and place. That'll be followed by the monthly meeting Monday, September 19, at the Top Diner.



Jim and Deb Plesz, from Greensburg, PA, at the luau.



Mike caught almost all the valve covers that came his way...



...except this one (that's Mike getting taken out in the background)

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Harrisburg

by Don Hoffer

Despite the logistic challenge of running Encounter outside their own home turf, plus being somewhat undermanned to boot, Brandywine pulled off another good event. What they lack in manpower they make up for with enthusiasm and an uncanny ability to raid other regions to shanghai extra unsuspecting troops to fill out their ranks. Works for them and even better for us. Nice job everyone.

Of all the offbeat tech sessions ever presented at Encounter the college professor's dissertation on the Amish beat 'em all. For those unfamiliar with these people it was a good introduction and for the rest of us a great relief to hear someone finally clarify the pronunciation of their name. The registration table was manned by those congeniality champs the Hattons (who put in so much time there I thought they were chained to the floor). The electric sign board, bought by the club for autocross racing, got its baptism of fire and proved to be very popular, especially by those battling for fastest time of day honors.

The rooms were some of the best we ever had and the weather pretty much held off during the day – the night and trip home was another story. I confess that may be our fault. When we left home I drove down the alley and stopped by the 3000's garage to pick up the side curtains. My navigator, (who ran out of any vestige of patience years ago and replaced it with a malady best described as compulsive early-itis) objected, saying out loud that we didn't need them. Of course that Wiley old witch Mother Nature heard this and got her revenge later. Note in passing – you can put up the top and try covering the windows with your tonneau, but it's



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Harrisburg Cont...

too short and can't cover both. The poncho I left in the RV would have helped. I managed to get home on Sunday and missed the deluge that landed on Bob Sweeney in his open 100, but it would have taken more than that to dampen the Encounter experience this year! Nothing makes this event better than the surprising appearance of "long lost old cronies", which this year included Clint Becker, Dottie Pepe and Keith Van-Natter.

On August 20 there was a regular meeting held in conjunction with a car show I did not attend – Olsens 50th Wedding Anniversary took precedence. It must have been a secret meeting – no hint of what went on leaked out to the scribe, but Schneider copped a plaque in the car's show and the event drew nine members.

The following regional events will each generate emails with final details, but the dates are set.

Sept. 17th – Hbg. Reg. Picnic at Bennett's (third time is the charm)

Sept. 20th – Reg. mtg. – Hillside - Important meeting

Oct. 16th – Fall Tour/Pumpkin Roll

The driving season isn't over, but it's slipping by, so make the best of what's left.



Charlie Baldwin's BT7 tricarb



Don Schneider's 100 M



Jack & Renie Sanders with their 100-6



Joe Spear's BJS, Charlie Grove's 100 with an interloper between

Long Island

by Paul Parfrey

As I write this on the evening of August 25, Hurricane Irene is bearing down on Long Island. The Scottish Games, scheduled for this Saturday, will likely be cancelled. The LI Region would have had a massive turnout for the car show, considering the number of passes I mailed out. Of course, one less car event is small potatoes compared to the potential disruption and havoc brought about by a powerful hurricane.

Those that were unable to attend Encounter 2011 missed a stellar event.

The setting in Pennsylvania Dutch country, the fine hotel, the top-notch activities put on by Brandywine all made for a memorable Encounter. Kudos to Brandywine; while a small region in number of members, they planned a great series of days. Wednesday evening we were treated to a Strasburg Railroad dinner train with fine food and a fun ride. I was especially interested in the 1906 vintage steam locomotive as it was a 4-8-0 "Mastodon" type, originally from the Norfolk and Western RR. The rally was Thursday morning and a new class was instituted: those participating in non-Healey cars. Mike and Tim Haran won first place in that class. (See photo.) Thursday noon a small group toured the locomotive shops at the Strasburg RR. We saw



Hungry Healeyites Await Dinner Train



Very Big and Very Small



Tim and Mike Haran with First Place Award



Van Ness Sprite Kids' Choice Best of Show

Long Island Cont...

a great lathe used for machining driving wheels up to 8 feet in diameter and a press capable of removing or installing such a wheel on an axle. Very interesting stuff! Friday saw the gymkhana, and a terrific luau complete with great music, decorations and food. Saturday was the car show with rain arriving only at the bitter end, and then the banquet. Nick Van Ness of the Jersey region won the Quinn award for Kids' Choice Best of Show. His Bugeye once belonged to LI's Mike Neumar! Bob Shaffsick and Ed Buchbinder actually brought their Healeys. LI attendees included Ed Buchbinder and Etta Zellman, Tony and Kathy DiFrancesca, Mike and Tim Haran, Bob Shaffsick, Bob and Diane Squillari, and Susan and myself.



A conspiracy was put into play this spring on LI and its existence only uncovered at the Saturday evening awards presentation. I felt I was watching the old Ralph Edward TV show, "This Is Your Life", as Ray Donovan read a mysterious letter from an AHSTC member nominating me for the George Null Award! Receiving that award was a great honor! Thank you to the LI members who went over my head to secretly nominate me!

Philadelphia Region

by John & Jennifer Payne

Great Encounter! Philly people always enjoy the year after we host but this year was particularly enjoyable. Brandywine region did a great job of pulling together a club-wide group with experience in putting on Encounter along with a dedicated group within this smaller region. The venue was ideal along with the weather. The Wednesday night train dinner was just one of the many top of the line events that marked this year's Encounter as memorable.

Philly people walked away with a good share of the hardware across all events. Tom and Tim Walker took their first rally trophy – a first place no less. Tim Walker and Frankie Venti also placed third in the Funkana. Ben Kenion was awarded first place in the Healey 100 class at the car show with his consistently nice green 100. Philly's el Presidente, John Heffron won a third place in the Mark 1 Sprites (better known as the Bug-eyes) and Marty Kob was awarded first place for her beautiful Mark II 3000 tri carb. It seems Leo didn't show his car due to the abuse it received at the hands of the Paynes in the Rally. Yes, Leo was kind enough to offer this awesome car to us for the rally and it was all used up!

Oh yes, speed events. The region drivers decided to let someone else win the team trophy for a change but still managed to collect several objects de art including Tim Walkers first place in Stock Sprite, Ray Donovan's second place in stock 3000 and Mike Woglom's fastest time of day in the Modified Sprite class. Also the rumor mill has it that Tim Walker may be trading his racing overalls for a wedding ring. Could this be the end of our intrepid racing program in Philadelphia? Stay tuned.



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This year both our Healeys were out of service. No brake lights on the BJ8 and a Bugeye that just would not run! We were prepared to run the rally in our AN 20 (a.k.a. Miata) when Leo Kob offered us his '62 tri carb. I really felt funny driving his highly developed '62 knowing the things that can happen even with the best of drivers. I got to say I was impressed! First of all, he replaced the steering rack with a modern Denis Welsh rack and pinion rack. Why the factory never updated to the new technology is a mystery. Rack and pinion steering did appear in 1958 on the Sprites so the technology was available. Guess the parts bin was still full of worm gear steering racks! Must have got a deal on them. Secondly, he installed a Toyota Supra 5-speed gearbox. Third, he replaced the outdated SU carbs with Webers. All this led to a fun and spirited drive. We actually got so wrapped up in the scenery and driving experience that the competitive side (the rally) was of second importance. I don't believe I wrote that!

On a sadder note the Kenions' Sprite took an unfortunate hit when it took out a farmer's fence. Thankfully, neither Frankie Venti or Angela Kenion were injured. Mom was a little shaken by the experience but came away fine. Do you think they might be a little competitive? The car appears to be repairable with most of the damage being cosmetic.

In case you missed it, Perkasio Old Town Under the Stars is a great general car show. Perkasio is a 1950's town with an updated feel to it. Great people watching along with a lot of cars you don't see anywhere else. Too many rods for my liking but that is where the hobby is. A bunch of MG Midgets were there and one lone Austin Healey belonging to Neil Barrella. Also ran into Allen and Judy Kramer without car but enjoying the atmosphere. Yes, summer is passing way too fast. Rothsville is next weekend. I am not ready for winter!!!

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North Jersey

by George Crombie

It looks like the news of the month will revolve around the highlights from Encounter 2011, held over August 10th through Saturday the 13th in Paradise, PA and hosted by the Brandywine Region of the Austin-Healey Sports and Touring Club.

As usual, it was a great event. It seems like each year the hosts out-do the event from the year before, and it keeps on going in a perpetual upwards spiral. Would that be akin to a tornado? I left on Wednesday, about 10:30 in the morning, with hopes to be there around 12:30. Mapquest indicated that it was 102 miles from my place in Bridgewater, NJ to the Best Western in Paradise, via Route 202 South to Route 30 West. As my speedometer doesn't work, I'll just have to take Mapquest's word for it. Little Red and I ventured out together, but solo, if you know what I mean. Nobody else from my area was following the same itinerary. Route 202 South was a good bit longer than indicated on the map; it felt like I was approaching the Mississippi River before I merged with Route 30. Due to some slow traffic around Blue Bell, PA and again just outside of Paradise, I actually arrived about 1:10. The drive out was pleasant and very uneventful.

Once there, I checked in at the Best Western and ran into an old friend from North Carolina: Gary Brierton, the President of the AHCA. I paired up with Gary for the dinner on the Strasburg Railroad that evening. Things were a bit late getting started, but once underway, the dinner trip went okay. Dinner on the train was the only "event" that was scheduled for that day, sort of to entice some of us into arriving early, and giving us something to do.

The event "proper" started on Thursday with registration opening up about 8:30 AM. The rally school started at 9:00, followed by the rally itself, with the first car scheduled to be off at 10. Scenic, self-guided driving tours, regalia shopping, and a tech session or two finished off the rest of the day, with a wine and cheese reception, followed by the Charity Auction and more socializing concluding the day's activities.

Friday's activities opened with the Gymkhana getting underway around 8:00 in the morning (I think; I was still in the shower at that time!). After breakfast, I headed over to the lower parking lot to watch some of the more adventurous running the Gymkhana. Hospitality and regalia were again open, off and on, through much of the day. Kids were kept amused with a scavenger hunt, while a tech session and a board meeting with the club officers took place during the afternoon. I spent my afternoon searching out a bank that I could hit up for a box of pennies. I was looking to load my valve cover racer with pennies as weight for the downhill section, and as the



North Jersey Cont...

race was scheduled for that night, time was getting critical. I found it rather amusing that, in terms of weight, filling the VCR with money (even if it was “only” pennies) was going to be considerably cheaper than using a like amount of weight of purchased nuts, bolts, and washers. Last year’s racer was filled with brass key blanks for weight. This year, I was prepared to “buy my way to victory” if need be! But, alas; it was not to be. I’ll need to sink more money into my racer next year! The day finished with a Hawaiian luau for dinner; the ball-room was decked out to the nines in a tropical theme, with many folks sporting Hawaiian garb, including several people wearing grass skirts. The valve cover races, held after dinner, entertained the lively crowd. Our Regional President, Richard Ippoliti, and I both built and entered VCRs for this year (I wasn’t too happy with the way my “money pit” turned out, so I chose to run last year’s racer again). Neither of us did too well; but just you all wait until next year!

The Funkhana was scheduled for Saturday morning, starting about 8:00. Concours judging (there were 3 cars to be judged) got under way about 9:00 AM. A little bit of weather (rain, and some wind) blew in Friday night, with a good bit of cloud cover during Saturday morning. Good sized drops were falling by just after noon; just in time to dump on the cars as we were showing up on the lower field for the car show that started at 1:00 PM. After a half hour or so, the worst of it was over, and the owners uncovered their cars for the voting. Again, regalia and hospitality were open during the car show; the kids were given an opportunity to cast their votes for the cars that they liked best, and another tech session was held in the early afternoon (it could have been entitled “dodging the raindrops” or “how to dry your car off after a quick downpour” or something else; I was too busy doing both to attend it.

Encounter 2011 concluded with cocktails, before the awards banquet brought the festivities to a close. A unique touch was when the Canadian Crowd was piped in to the banquet room and to their tables by a bagpiper. It reminded me of the Scots and their “presenting the Haggis.”

Many North Jersey members were in attendance for this annual event. Those members that I did recognize (and even remembered!) included: Richard & Barbara Ippoliti, Larry & Diane Gersten, Allen & Ginny Rosenberg, Ian & Sue Kessen, Steve & Lynn Jekogian, Joe & Marge Costa, Art & Joan Herkomer, Baird & Margo Foster, the Perna Family, the Van Ness Family, and George Crombie. I am sure there are a few I missed, and I do apologize



North Jersey Cont...

for that.

Richard Ippoliti was kind enough to take notes of who won what, and sent them along. 3rd place in the Rally went to Ian and Sue Kessen. Larry Gersten took home 2nd place in the Gymkhana for Stock Sprite, while Nick Van Ness scored 1st in Modified Sprite. Art Herkomer was 2nd in the Gymkhana for big Healey, and Ian Kessen snagged 1st in the big Healey category. The Gymkhana Team Award was awarded to the North Jersey Team of Gersten, Herkomer, Kessen, and Van Ness.

The following members placed in the Popular Car Show:

- 100-6 3rd place: Richard & Barbara Ippoliti
- 3000 1st place: Ian & Sue Kessen
- 3000 3rd place: Art & Joan Herkomer
- 3000 MKII 2nd place: Baird & Margo Foster
- 3000MKIII 1st place: Steve & Lynn Jekogian
- Bugeye Sprite 2nd place: the Van Ness family
- Square Sprite 2nd place: the Perna family

The kids were involved in several activities this year, some of these included:

KIDS' RALLEY:

Andrew and Mike Perna took home 1st place

Kiley and Kris Van Ness came in 3rd

HOTWHEELS: Julia Van Ness earned 3rd place

Popular Car Voting; Kids' choice for Yellow Car went to Art Herkomer

Quinn Award: Nick Van Ness

FUNKHANA: Nick and Julia Van Ness scored 1st place.

PAUL PARFREY, from the Long Island Region, was recognized with the Annual George Null Award...

while "Best in Show" went to Jim and Paula Bewley and their Sprite.



North Jersey Cont...



Congratulations to all!

After some wild and wet weather Saturday night, Little Red and I headed for home at 7:30 Sunday morning. The rain had stopped some time before seven; so, after giving the rain at least a half hour head start, we ventured forth on the trail home. Long before we got to the junction of Route 202, we had caught up with it. Pulling my hat a bit lower over my eyes (but not too low), we motored on. My goal was to keep my glasses dry. It helps to see. I pulled in to a gas station to wipe the worst of the rain off the windshield for the moment, only to realize that the rain was mostly on the inside of it. It was about then that I noticed that the back of my neck was wetter than the front of my shirt. Note to self: wipers probably aren't much good if the top is down (or completely off!), anyway. I must go faster. Can't see too well if I go faster; must slow down. I think I held steady between 35 to 50 MPH (except in traffic and at stops) and arrived home comparatively dry. The top of hat was wet, so was the car; glasses were spotty. Shoulders (especially back) were wet; front of shirt was damp. Shorts were dry (good thing), but shoes were damp. Figure that one out.

Next on the agenda for the North Jersey Region:

SEPT 3rd Post-Encounter Pool Party Andy & Martha Smith in Chester, NJ

SEPT 10 FallFest at Duke Island Park in Bridgewater, NJ

SEPT 11 Warren Car Show in Warren, NJ

SEPT 20 Monthly meeting (location to be announced...)

OCT 18 Monthly meeting & OFFICER ELECTIONS at LaCucina in Denville, NJ

OCT ?? Fall Tour

Brandywine

by Ernie Leser

August 10-13th found most of the Brandywine region heavily engaged in running Encounter 2011, “Healeys in Paradise”. Not being biased, the consensus was “job well done”! The picturesque area, the excellent hotel and Revere Tavern, the interesting tech sessions, the special presentation on Amish life, and the well run Hospitality (love that Smithwicks), Regalia, Popular Car Show (whats a little rain ?), and driving events (Rally, Gymkana, Funkana) all afforded a very enjoyable Encounter. The ever popular Wednesday evening Strasburg Railroad dinner train excursion started this year’s Encounter on a high note. Thursday evening’s charity auction raised over a thousand dollars for MS. Friday’s Luau was a blast, and the Awards Banquet superb. Many people, in addition to Brandywine members, deserve our thanks and gratitude. Without them there would be no Encounter.

I’ve included just a few photos of some of the Brandywine workers . Elsewhere in this issue of the Flash I’m sure there will be more photos to remind us of the fun we had.

September’s annual Crab Crawl and Feast is scheduled for Sunday the 11th . We will once again motor along Delaware route 9 to the Boondocks in Smyrna. There is a change in our usual meeting place so as to avoid several traffic lights. Meet at the Walgreen’s drug store at the intersection of Bayview road and DuPont parkway (route 13). This is one traffic light south of the Wawa on rt.13 where we usually meet. We’ll meet at noon so that we can be at the Boondocks about 1pm.

The remainder of the year’s schedule is as follows:

- Saturday, October 8th, 1 pm. Brandywine Picnic at the Lesers in Elkton, MD. Ribs, burgers, Oktoberfest beer are on tap. RSVP to Joan (410-398-7308).
- Thursday, November 17th, 7pm. Election of Officers. Lone Star Steak House, rt. 202, Wilmington. RSVP to Kris (610-558-1334) by the 10th.
- Saturday, December 10th, 6 pm. Christmas Party. Location to be determined.



Ernie bartending in Hospitality



Ernie and Clint in Hospitality



Joan, Chuck, Dee, and Pete.

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Special Awards

George Null Club person of the Year Award

Special congratulations and thanks for years of supporting the club and the Marque go out to Paul Parfrey. Paul was nominated by one of the LI members and the board voted Paul as Club person of 2011. Paul has said he is President for Life of the Long Island region and he has been a driving force and re-built the LI group. He has repeatedly partnered with NJ in Encounters and his enthusiasm for the car and people and AHSTC is invaluable. Congratulations and thanks.



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| Allen Rosenberg | 1998 |
| Del Border | 1999 |
| Steve Jekogian | 2000 |
| John Morrison | 2001 |
| Baird Foster | 2002 |
| Mike Haran | 2003 |
| Nigel Smart | 2004 |
| Don Schneider | 2005 |
| Don Hoffer | 2006 |
| Ken Beck | 2007 |
| Bob and Pam Preston | 2008 |
| Larry Gersten | 2009 |
| Trish Woglom | 2010 |
| Paul Parfrey | 2011 |

Dave Venezia Best Of Show Award

Dave was a big supporter of the club and the car and passed away way too early. Dave’s father and mother Mickey and Ceil Venezia sponsor the Best Of Show award every year which is the car you vote for as the best of all the cars in the popular car show. The trophy is specially made by the Venezia family and awarded by them to the winner. As with Dave, the Venezia family is still very involved with the club and the cars. Congratulations to Jim and Paula Bewley for their beautiful white Bugeye.



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| Don Schneider | 100 | 2002 |
| Dave Stonley | 100 | 2003 |
| Steve Jekogian | 3000 | 2004 |
| Jim Cox | 100-6 | 2005 |
| John Hodgeman | 100 | 2006 |
| Tom Mulligan | 3000 | 2007 |
| Neil Brewer | Bugeye | 2008 |
| Anton Bonifacic | 3000 | 2009 |
| Jim Seybert | MKII | 2010 |
| Jim & Paula Bewley Bugeye | | 2011 |

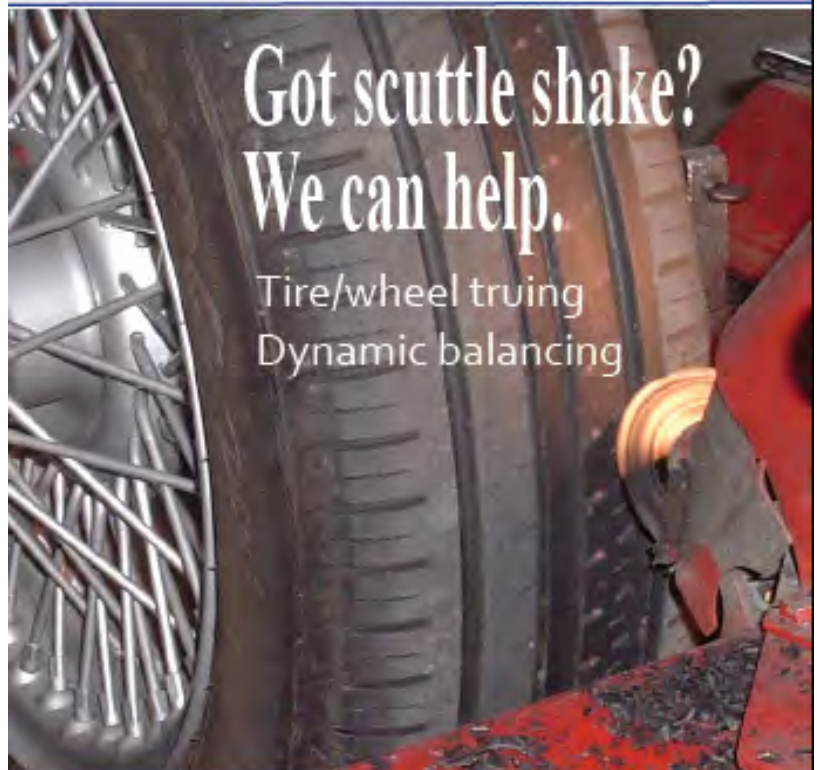
Special Awards Cont...

Quinn award

Neil Barrella and his wife Toni sponsor this award in honor of their Grandson, Quinn Trevino who passed away at 9 years old. This award is based on children's voting for the car they like best. It is a great idea and it is fun to watch the kids going around the car show field with "their own ballets". The trophy was awarded to Nick and Chris Van Ness, on the right of the photo.



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Encounter 2011 Winning Report: Car Show

CAR SHOW

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- Bugeye
 First Jim and Paula Bewley
 Second Nick and Chris Van Ness
 Third John and Sandy Heffron



- Sprite
 First Bob and Pam Preston
 Second Megan and Mike Perna
 Third Chuck and Sue Ott



- 100
 First Ben and Angela Kenion
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3000 Mark II

- First Leo and Marty Kob
- Second Baird and Margo Foster
- Third Ian and Sue Allison

CAR SHOW RESULTS



3000 Mark III Single Light

- First Steve and Lynn Jekogian
- Second Gerry and EJ Kunkle
- Third Don and flora Schneider



3000 Mark III double light

- First Fred and Donna Sherk
- Second Jim and Linda Cox
- Third Ed and Anna Orr



Special interest: First Pete Roberts

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FUNKHANA

Always a great event and Nigel did a wonderful job of using the history of Paul Revere's midnight ride to celebrate the hotels Revere Tavern.



First place

Nick and Julia van Ness



Second Place

Charlie Grove & Jen Donavon



Third Place

Tim Walker and Frankie



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Encounter Winning Cont...

GYMKHANA

A great day of racing was had by all, but only a few came away winning.

North Jersey took the coveted Team Khana Trophy home again, due to Larry, Nick, Art and Ian.



| Place | Driver | Region | Time |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|--------|
| 1 | Tim Walker | Phila. | 49.637 |
| 2 | Larry Gersten | N. Jersey | 50.999 |
| 3 | Chuck Ott | Brandy. | 53.053 |



Modified Sprite

| Place | Driver | Region | Time |
|-------|----------------------|-----------|--------|
| 1 | Nick Van Ness | N. Jersey | 50.313 |
| 2 | Art Herkomer | N. Jersey | 57.771 |
| 3 | None | | |



Stock Big Healey

| Place | Driver | Region | Time |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|--------|
| 1 | Ian Kessen | N. Jersey | 52.378 |
| 2 | Ray Donovan | Phila. | 55.062 |
| 3 | Don Schneider | Harrs. | 55.435 |



Unlimited Cars

| Place | Driver | Region | Time |
|-------|---------------------------|--------|--------|
| 1 | Mike Woglem-Sprite | Phila. | 45.702 |
| 2 | Tim Walker Sprite | Phila. | 46.494 |
| 3 | Tom Walker Sprite | Phila. | 49.665 |

Note: Modified Big Healey had no trophies as all were off course.

A lot of fun for all the drivers and observers and thanks to Steve Garrett and the crew for putting it on.

Encounter Winning Cont...

VALVE COVER RACE

This event continues to grow and is probably the most exciting race at Encounter. Everyone got involved in the racing and this year a driveway hill in the parking lot was used for the course that added a different aspect to the race. Congratulations to all the racers young and old.

Under 12 years old Jacob Spears

Over 12 years old Debbie Spears

Open class

Under 12 years old Joey Spears

Over 12 years old Graham Roberts

KIDS' ACTIVITIES

Encounter continues to get more and more children and Brandywine had events to keep them busy and happy.

Kids rally:

1st- Andrew Perna/ Mike and Meg Perna

2nd- Healey Miller/ Jen Payne

3rd- Kiliagh Van Ness/ Kris Van Ness

Something new this year and it was a big success

Hotwheels racing:

1st- Katie Laverty

2nd- Healey Miller

3rd- Julia Van Ness

Kids choice car show:

Red car- Don Nalley

Green car- Ken Weidner

Yellow car- Art Herkomer

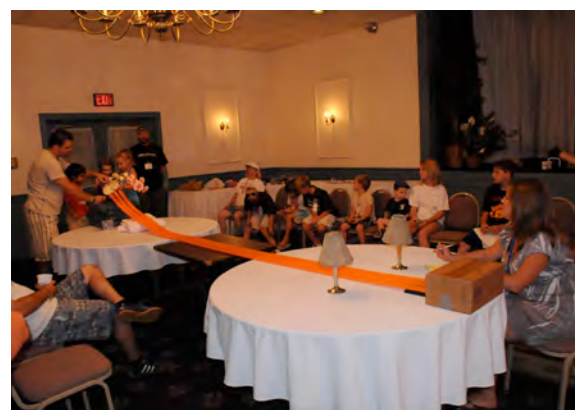
Blue car- Joe Spear

Black car- Bob Sweeney

White car- Bill McNaughton

Other color- Liz Brockman

Favorite car/ kids choice car- Nick Van Ness



Encounter Winning Cont...

RALLYE RESULTS

This years Encounter rally was prepared by Don and Flora Schneider and was a great ride through the Lancaster countryside. In addition to a "rally" they had a "Poker run" where you pick cards at each check point.

Lot of cars went out and most returned and the Winners are:

1. Tom and Tim Walker
2. Steve and Gerri Kirlin
3. Ian and Sue Kessen
4. Mike Bradley and Joel Keefer
5. Jim and Linda Cox

Poker Run part of the Rally

- 1 Mike Bradley and Joel Keefer (4 10's)
- 2 Roder and Lise Hamel (4 -8's)
- 3 Steve and Lynn Jekogian (3 Aces)



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| 9/10 | FALLFEST 11, Dukes Island Park, Bridgewater, NJ | www.njtriumphs.org |
| 9/16 thru 9/18 | The British Invasion, Stowe, VT | www.britishinvasion.com |
| 9/17 | British Car Show, Delaware City, DE. | www.bccdelaware.com |
| 9/17 | "Brits on the Beach," Ocean Grove, NJ | www.pedc.org |
| 9/17 | Delaware City Car Show, Delaware City, De | http://www.bccdelaware.com |
| 9/18 | Hagley Car Show, Greenville, DE | http://www.hagley.org |
| 9/18 | Buckingham Concours, Buckingham, PA | www.buckinghamautoshow.org |
| 9/19 | AHSTC Phila Region Mtg Mariano's | www.austin-healey-stc.org |
| 9/22 thru 9/25 | 18th Annual East Coast Boardwalk Classic Car Show, Wildwood, NJ | www.thundermoto.com/cars.htm |
| 9/25 | Blast from the Past, Newark, DE | brandywinemotorsportclub.org |
| TBD | American British Reliability Run Bucks County, PA | www.abrr.org |
| 9/24 | MGs on the Rocks, Bel Air, MD | www.mgsofbaltimore.com |
| 9/28 thru 10/2 | Fall Carlisle Car Cruise-In, Swap Meet, Corral, Carlisle, PA | www.carsatcarlisle.com |
| 9/29 thru 10/2 | SVRA Vintage Weekend, NJMP - Millville, NJ | www.njmp.com |
| 9/30-10/2 | Out of the Woodwork 2011, Princeton, NJ | www.tvrccna.org |
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Please inform your membership of the passing of Debby Gearns Friday, August 26th, Debby was a long time AHC member, the wife of Bruce Gearns (Member of the New Jersey Chapter of AHS&TC) and has attended many Encounters. A journal of her fight against Cancer can be found on the following Web Site. You will have to create an ID and password to view the pictures, read the journal and leave a few words of condolences to Bruce and her family.

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