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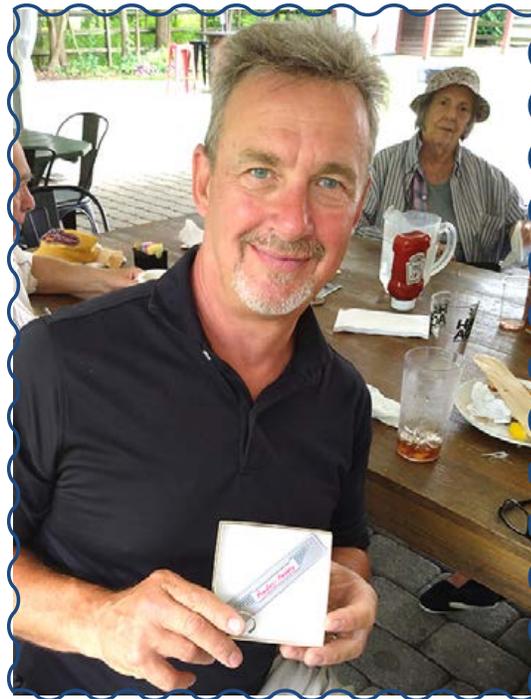
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AUSTIN-HEALEYS ON A RALLY  
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# What's In The Flash

By Steve Jekogian

**W**ell, it has been a hot summer sometimes difficult to take the Healey out in. And we still have August to go yet.

That is one of the reasons Encounter will be in cool September. Cool driving days, cooler nights, less crowded roads as kids are in school and people are back to work ( from home of in an office—remember them?)

I am sure you are registered for Encounter, but if not check out the forms in this issue of the Flash. You can register and pay online if you want, which makes it very convenient.

The list of activities starting Wednesday night is super. The Helicopter tour is so different and something we as a club have never done. And then there are the other great events like the rally, and Gymkhana so read the rules in this Flash.

The concours is always exciting and this year there are three cars to be judged, from AH end to end 100 to a BJ8. A special will be a tech session on what it takes to prepare a car for concours.

So, see you at Encounter and on the road.



# HARRISBURG REGION

By Fred Bennett



**B**ruce and Donna Brockman hosted this year's Harrisburg Region Annual Summer Picnic at their lovely home. Naturally, it turned out to be one of the hottest days in an already very hot summer, with a "real feel" forecast of 98 – 102 degrees. Hey, it's summer, right? Nevertheless, the event was well-attended, as we were all anxious to get together and "catch up" after more than a year of COVID-induced isolation. The Brockmans provided a shady patio with lots of fans and plenty of cold beverages to keep us all comfortable. There were eighteen members in attendance: the Hardys, Hoopers, Spears, Sherks, Schneiders, Prestons, Bennetts, and the entire Brockman clan.

Following a delicious lunch of numerous donated dishes and burgers and dogs grilled to perfection by Bruce, a short meeting was held. Joe encouraged everyone who has not yet signed up for Encounter to consider attending. Priscilla Hooper reported on our financial situation, which is very good.

There was only one, lonely Healey at the picnic (Did I happen to mention it was almost 100 bloody degrees?). Even so, this solitary little Sprite seemed to be having a perfectly fine time, as seen in the following photo...



## SAVE THE DATES!

Our regular August meeting will be in the (blessedly) air-conditioned Hillside Café on the 17th at 6:30 PM. The Annual Banquet is scheduled for November 6th at the Timbers Restaurant in Mt. Gretna. Members will receive a memo with times and menu options/prices closer to the date.

## A FINAL EXHAUST NOTE

Longtime Harrisburg Region members, Jim and Linda Cox completed an epic trip in their well-traveled BJ8 that took them from their home in Virginia to California and back this past spring. Their memorable journey lasted from May 8th to May 30th and covered a distance of nearly 6,000 trouble-free miles. Jim wrote the following article, with photos, describing the trip for the AHCA, and he has been kind enough to share it with his Healey friends here in the Flash. For many of us during this past year, our idea of an “epic trip” in a Healey has been a quick run to the grocery store or the ice cream parlor. Jim and Linda’s accomplishments should serve as a reminder to us all that these cars can and should be driven as far as our imaginations (and our derrières) allow. Enjoy!



## “VIRGINIA TO BIG BEAR FOR CONCLAVE”

By Jim Cox

Linda and I registered quickly for this event to revisit a trip we took to Lake Tahoe via Route 66 in 2002. After all activities being cancelled last year, we could also call this the Covid Breakout Tour! We have owned our 1967 BJ8 since 1978 and have put about 170,000 miles on it in 44 states and much of eastern Canada. Since 2002 I have installed a new Kilmartin frame and rebuilt the drivetrain – all systems were carefully checked before we left on May 8th. Long trips can reveal some problems as you know but technical advice is always available beyond my own. Geoff Healey and Bill Bolton once analyzed a broken starter in this same car in 1992 at Yellowstone Park. Geoff famously said: “we always did have trouble with those..”. We push started the car daily until we reached Indiana and swapped in a new unit.

Google predicted the shortest route to be 2598 miles door to door. We would drive a total of 2850 miles out to Big Bear and 5985 miles in total round trip with some side trips. This mileage earned us the “Longest Distance Driven in a Healey, Point to Point” Award. We earned a similar award when we drove to Lake Tahoe in 2002. We also took home a 2nd place award for 2-light BJ8s which pleased us against the California competition.

This time the car performed perfectly with one quick stop to clear a float jet of debris and some water added to the radiator to ensure that it stayed full. A total of  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 1 quart of oil was used by the engine and less than a  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch drop in brake fluid. Temperature was generally below 180 degrees climbing to 200 while pulling the long grade out of Needles, CA. No other issues at all this time.

We set aside 7 days for the journey and planned on driving about 400 miles/day. On our way out we mainly stuck to Interstate 40 from east Tennessee to just beyond Needles, CA before we turned south to arrive at Big Bear. We experienced some rain in both Tennessee and Arkansas into Oklahoma but of course we know all BJ8s are waterproof!



Beyond Oklahoma City we met up with our old friend Route 66 again and were able to visit some attractions we missed in 2002. We stayed the night at the Blue Swallow Motel in Tucumcari, NM enjoying the neon and actually parking in the small garage surrounded by original murals. Later we stayed overnight in a concrete tee pee at the WigWam Motel in Holbrook, AZ. We got to talk to the son of the original owner and learn the history of the 7 complexes (3 remain). Other highlights along the way included the Cadillac Ranch, Twin Arrows, the Route 66 half-way sign in Adrian, TX, the Jack Rabbit Trading Post (“Here it Is!”) in Joseph City, AZ, and Meteor Crater in Winslow, Arizona.

We visited with Healey friends from Vermont now living in Sedona, AZ and then spent a night at Lake Havasu including eating dinner under the relocated London Bridge. The final drive on the 15th through the Mojave Desert, the Rodman and Ord Mountains and Lucerne Valley to Big Bear was spectacular!

As you know, this was a round trip so here are a few highlights from the return journey. We left Big Bear Friday morning and drove to Palm Springs, saw the mid-century architecture and rode the cable car up to the top of the San Jacinto Mountains. We drove through Joshua Tree National Park Saturday, made a drive by visit to the Salton Sea (do you think date palms and grapes here?) and ended up outside Phoenix. Continuing on Interstate 10, we drove into Las Cruces, NM and then started on a diagonal on Route 70 toward Amarillo, TX passing through White Sands Missile Range and National Monument (huge gypsum dunes), Tularosa (Francisco DePaula Church, 1865), Alamogordo (world’s largest pistachio nut!), Ruidoso (quarter horse racing), Roswell (aliens!) and on to Clovis, NM. Back on I40 again with a stop in Shamrock, TX (iconic Conoco Gas Station/ Visitor’s Center), Fort Smith, AR and then there were friends in to visit in Dover, AR. A night on Beale Street in Memphis, more friends in KY, a loop through the Cumberland Gap, up the Shenandoah Valley and back home on May 30 concluded the trip.



We cannot say enough about the overall organization and conduct of the event and the many interesting people that we met during the week. Both the area and weather were wonderful. The California cars are all beautiful and folks really seemed to enjoy using them and socializing. The theme nights were fun too. When can we come back? 

# PHILADELPHIA REGION



July has been a diverse month with rain, heat, and microbursts. I hope everyone has fared well through the travail. On Saturday, July 3, Dave Siwa and I drove our Healeys to Washington Crossing State Park to enter in the Rebels and Redcoats car show. There were approximately 200 cars there. We were joined by Mike Raupp, Mike Stein, Nick and Alice Ferrant, Bob and Sue Ott, and George and Alexander Baxter with their cars. We also saw Jerry Kunkle, Steve Snyder, Jim Leshner, and Ralph Nuzzolo.

Additionally, a new member, Wayne Kachel, displayed his 1986 Mercedes-Benz 560SL, which won best original car in the German category. The show was very well attended by spectators who wanted to talk about cars.





On Sunday, July 18, Dave Siwa attended the Doylestown at Dusk car show. Unfortunately, I was not able to attend because my back “went out.” There were very few British cars at the show, and Dave had the only Healey on display. The show was very well attended by a few thousand people, walking throughout the town which stayed open for the show.

\***UPCOMING SHOWS INCLUDE SATURDAY, AUGUST 7**, at Hope Lodge in Fort Washington, which usually has a good number of British cars and motorcycles on display. Food and beverages will be available. Come out and attend to show your car or to just walk around to view other cars.

\***ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 14**, we are scheduled to view the Dave Markel Collection of cars in Skippack, PA. Meeting time at the venue will be 10 a.m. Look for details to come out shortly. If you want to attend, please contact Dave Siwa at [dbsiwa@verizon.net](mailto:dbsiwa@verizon.net) as soon as possible because space is limited.

\***ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 15**, the Foreign Car Division of the New Hope Car Show will be held in New Hope, PA, on route 202, at the high school. Details are available on the internet. 



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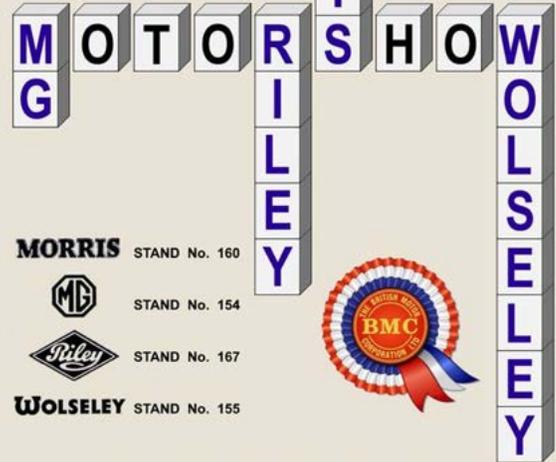
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# Brandywine

Ernie Leser

REGION



**T**he Brandywine event for July was a tour to the Whip Tavern in Coatesville, Pa. The colonial era tavern is located in beautiful estate country. It features a number of British dishes and brews on tap. It had been several years since we had been there. Scheduling our visit on Thursday July 22nd, rather than on the weekend, made parking more available in addition to less crowding in the tavern.

Some of our group took part in the tour originating at noon at the at the Brandywine River Museum of Art in Chadds Ford. The five Healeys of Dave Ehret, Chuck Ott, Alex Heckert, Jim Martin, Ernie and Joan Leser drove for a scenic half hour along the Brandywine heading west towards the Whip Tavern. Beautiful countryside!

We were met at the tavern by Buzz Marshall, Rich Hinterleiter, Ana Diaz, Pete Roberts, Dee Caffrey, Dave Barlow and his son Jeff, and Tom Jaagus. An excellent lunch was enjoyed by all.

Planning and organizing the various activities for Encounter 2021 are in full swing. Items for the Thursday night Charity Auction are still needed. Check for things you have stored for years and really won't use. Contact Chuck Ott with items that you plan to contribute.

## FUTURE EVENTS

*August, Sat. 14th. BMC Coatesville GP Preview Rally.* Jim Martin is contact (484-571-6025).

*August, Sat. 21st, 1 pm. Encounter Meeting.* Buzz Marshall's residence, 1511 Homeville Road, Cochranville, Pa.

*September, Wed. 8th through Sun. 12th. Encounter 2021.* Sheraton Great Valley Hotel, Frazer, Pa.

*October, Sat. 9th, 1 pm. Brandywine Region Picnic,* the Leser residence, 2 Orioles Nest, Elkton, Md.  
**RSVP to Joan by October 2nd (410-398-7308).**



# Long Island

REGION

By Paul Parfrey

It has been 2 years since our last Beach Run/Sunset Tour. I don't have to tell you why. This year on Wednesday, July 14, we had a good turnout and a lovely evening. As is often the case, the weather forecast was iffy, and there were emails and phone calls back and forth as to whether we should cancel. Thursday's weather forecast was perfect but my ride for the evening was unavailable for Thursday so Wednesday it would be. It rained here in Flushing but by the time we left to meet up with everyone at Oak Beach, it was over. The Long Island Region has held this event for many years, so many that no one remembers exactly when we started. In the beginning we drove the Ocean Parkway and then looked for a restaurant. That approach was hit or miss and worked better some years than others. In time we got more organized and would caravan to Oak Beach from Bellmore

RR Station and meet up with those coming from the east at Oak Beach, then drive over to Fire Island for the sunset, and then caravan west to Baldwin Harbor to dine at a seafood restaurant on the water. It was a super event but word got around and people from other car clubs wanted to attend. So many came that we lost people on the way to the restaurant but still had more people than seats at the restaurant. Finally one year, my two daughters who had just gotten their driver's licenses attended the event in the oldest daughter's Hyundai Scoupe and were constantly passed by the sports cars in the caravan because those drivers assumed the girls didn't belong with the group. So my girls went home and people we didn't even know sat down at the restaurant instead. Best part of this story was how we ended up short of cash when we tallied up the money





given to pay the bill. People would finish eating and say they were leaving their share but we were left holding the bag, so back to the drawing board. Soon after that fiasco, the seafood restaurant closed and we limited attendees to LI Region members.

This year's attendees were Rich Breen, Tony and Kathy DiFrancesca, Frank Filangeri, Tedd Krummeck, Mary Ann Sekelsky, Bob Maichin, Cathy Preston, Peter and Frances Schauss, Bob Squillari, Steve Tjepkema, Toni Schoenthaler, Ira Udasin, and Susan and myself. I made it clear this July that you didn't have to come in a Healey so we had 2 SUVs, a Corvette, a Nissan 307Z car, a Chevy Colorado pickup, a Jaguar E type, a Mercedes hardtop convertible, and two Healeys, one big and one little. The Mercedes was a source of entertainment as Bob Maichin demonstrated how the top comes down with a display of automotive gymnastics at the touch of a button. Try that with your Austin Healey! Tony DiFrancesca surprised us by showing up in the Nissan Z car. Tony sold his Healey pre-pandemic. Why a Z car? What did it have that a Healey did not? Well, the Nissan has air conditioning, a great sound system, GPS navigation, and an easy in and easy out. Healeys do have a great sound system too, only it is in the exhaust.

It was great to see everyone after such a long separation. It was especially great to the Schausses after many years. They are long time members but this was their first event in a long time. Now that they have an empty nest we hope to see more of them! Many thanks to my support team: Bob Squillari for driving Susan and myself, Tony DiFrancesca for cutting up my tuna melt at the diner, and Bob Maichin for his photographs.





# North Jersey

By George Crombie



**A**s we head into August, we get a chance to reminisce upon an event or two (maybe more?) from the past few weeks. We finished out the month of June with a Cars & Crumpets in Morris Plains, NJ on Sunday the 27th with a good assortment of British cars (and their drivers) gathered in the parking lot of the local Dunkin'. There were not quite as many participants as at the previous couple of gatherings, but still an impressive array on hand.

This was followed by the annual "Redcoats and Rebels" show at Washington Crossing State Park in PA. And, just "FYI", it also happened to be DMH's 123rd birthday. You might want to keep the date handy, as it could very well be the answer to a trivia question sometime in the next two or three years, or so...

July also had a Collector Car Appreciation Day on Friday the 9th (sort of like the Drive Your British Car Week held on the last week of May, but for all collector cars); another Cars & Crumpets on Sunday the 11th; a car parade at the Lyons VA Medical Center on the 11th; and finishing up the month with another Cars & Crumpets in the morning, followed by the North Jersey's Summer Picnic from 12:30 to 4:00 pm on Sunday, the 25th (which by the way, just happens to be tomorrow, as I sat down to write this; so I will undoubtedly will be finishing this up in the next day or two...).





We also managed to get in a little work session on Saturday the 17th, at my house, as a few of the guys came over to try their collective hands at bleeding the brakes on my BN2 enough to give me a somewhat reliable pedal to allow the car to stop under its own devices (it sure beats the “Fred Flintstone” drag-your-feet maneuver; I’m nowhere near as limber as I once was). In that, we were successful; the BN2 starts, runs, drives, and now stops – all somewhat reliably. I also have insurance on it, for the first time in about 20 years. We did come to some conclusions:

- 1) 95+ degrees in the middle of July is rather too hot to be crawling over, around, and under any kind of car while laboring on a black-topped driveway;
- 2) While a 10’X10’ canopy is indeed helpful in providing some shade, it still leaves a lot to be desired when praying for a breeze;
- 3) An air-conditioned, roomy, fully equipped NASCAR (or equivalent) garage (with beverage cooler) would have been the least the host (Hey, wait a minute!) could / should have provided...
- 4) I must get the beast out and around the neighborhood at least every couple of weeks just to work up and down the gears and keep the brakes happy;
- 5) And now I’ve got an even longer list of bits and pieces and parts to order and attach (see #3 above, and stay away from #1)!

Anyway, I do want to thank Allan Rosenberg, Ralph Scarfoglio, Steve Feld, Steve Jekogian, John Moore, and Bob Pense for all coming over and joining me in my outdoor sauna. I really appreciate the help and guidance they tendered. And at the conclusion, we actually had working brakes!

August, September, and October are just chock full of club events and activities. If you haven’t had a chance to browse the latest North Jersey Calendar of Events (6/23/2021 edition), scroll back to one of the previous e-Flashes from Steve Feld and see what’s on tap for the rest of the year. And don’t be surprised to hear of any

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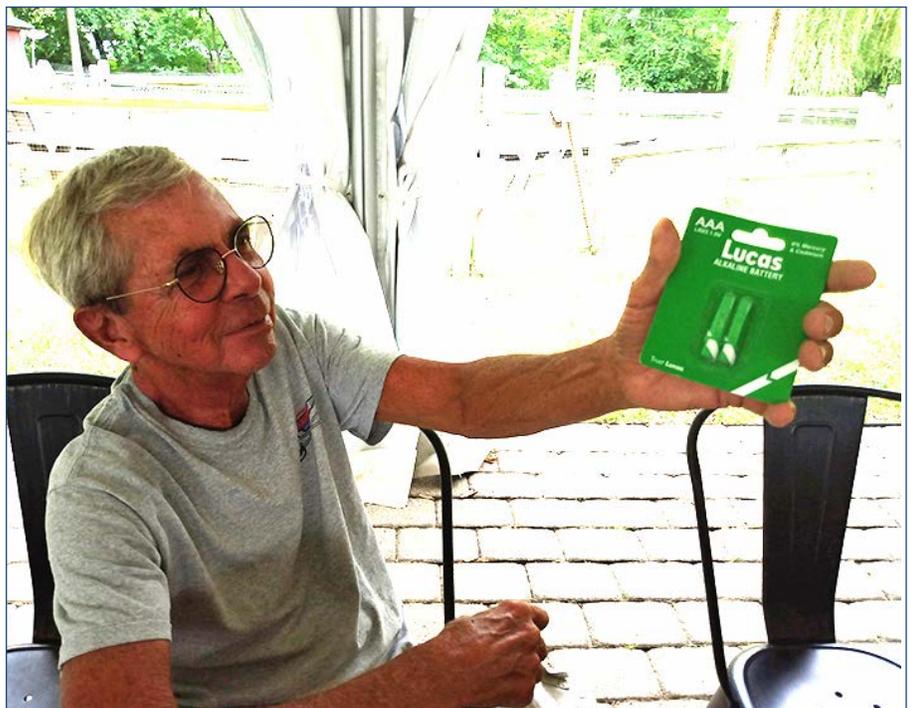
last-minute changes or additions. Come on out and join us – with or without your Healey!

So, how did you like that brief intermission? Just like a bad quarter (inflation), I'm back! Took a short respite and headed up to the North Jersey's Summer Picnic at the Stirling Hotel in Basking Ridge, NJ the afternoon of July 25th and had a really good time, along with 28 other friends and fellow club members, including: Bob & Julie Jankowitz (100-6), Jim & Corrine Vollmuth (BJ8), Steve & Lynn Jekogian, Allen & Ginny Rosenberg, John & Helen Moore (BJ7), Steve & Ann Feld, Rudy & Barb Hyzer (MINI), Bill & Marge Smith, Tom & Pam Mulligan, Andy & Martha Smith (BT7), Richard Ippoliti (BN4), Dennis Meehan, Ian & Sue Kessen, Theo Padovano & Lina Levy, and Denise & Sarah Crombie. A lot of catching up was done, with many folks not having had much of a chance of getting together for the past couple of years. Sure, some of us saw each other during monthly ZOOM meetings over





the past year-plus; and a few others got the chance to literally rub elbows with cohorts at some events such as Ralph Scarfogliero's Cars & Crumpets in Morris Plains on the odd Sunday morning, not to mention the huge club turn-out at this year's Red Mill All British Car Show in Clinton, NJ this past June 5th. As with all great car-people gatherings, the food, drinks, conversations and story-tellings were too numerous to even attempt to keep track of. Oh, yes! And there were drawings for several door prizes; with, among other winners, Ian winning a pack of official LUCAS AAA batteries. I have a question or two regarding this particular item: First, are you supposed to insert said batteries backwards, i.e. "positive ground", and if they are to be used to power a, say, flash light, would it then become a "flash dark"? And second, are they actually rated at 1.5 volts each, or would they be of the negative voltage variety? And which way would the current actually be flowing?



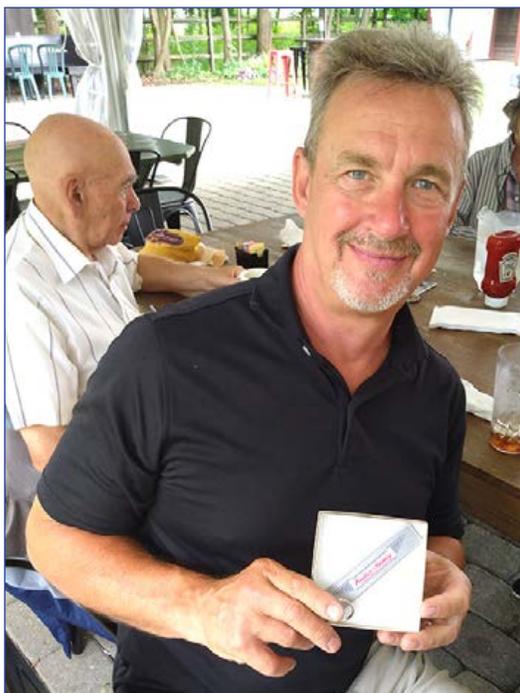
And would it be flowing with a British accent? It boggles the mind! As we were wrapping things up, Sarah came up to me rather quietly, and showed me a crinkled-up bill of a rather large denomination that she had just found on the ground in the parking lot. As she was discussing the possible charities that she could donate it to, Sue Kessen had a comment. If you think you might be the one who dropped it, email me with the denomination, and the exact serial number and, at the very least, we'll know whose it was. Oops; sorry, I got distracted for a moment. More on this in a bit.

Before I lose my train of thought, the next few club events will include: Saturday August 7th, Cars & Motorcycles of England at Hope Lodge; Sunday August 8th, Cars & Crumpets at Dunkin' on Route 202 in Morris Plains; TUESDAY AUGUST 17th, MONTHLY MEETING at the Chimney Rock Inn in Gillette, NJ starting at 6:30 pm; SATURDAY AUGUST 21st, SUMMER TOUR – check you latest e-Flash for all the details; and Sunday August 22nd, another Cars & Crumpets at the Dunkin' on Route 202 in Morris Plains. Then, in September, on Sunday the 5th, another Cars & Crumpets; followed by:

**ENCOUNTER 2021 IN FRAZER,  
PA FROM SEPTEMBER 9th THROUGH THE 11th.**

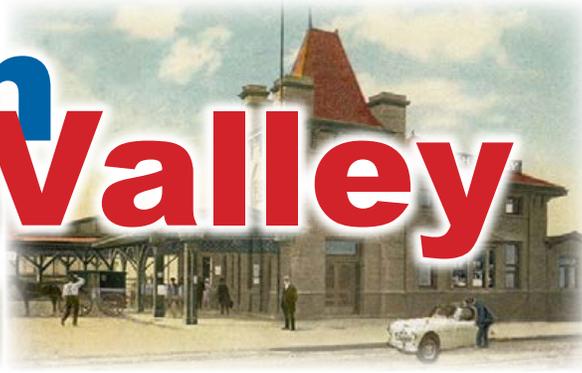
September 10th through the 12 will see the British Invasion (you can't say that you weren't warned!), while the monthly club meeting will be on Tuesday the 14th. By then, you should have already been alerted to (and prepared for) the next couple of events: Brit Fest, in Succasunna, and Brits on the Beach, both being held this year on the same day, in different directions (seems like somebody's toes got stepped on, eh?) on Saturday the 18th. Sunday will bring another Cars & Crumpets, as well as the AHCA's four day "Summit", to be held this year in Newport, RI. That ought to keep you happy for the next few weeks. But, as always, stay tuned to your e-Flashes from Steve Feld, and do go back and re-read your monthly FLASHes from time to time.

And, before I forget, back to that "large denomination donation": Sue happened to notice that it had a little notation on one end of it, that said "play money". Oh well, easy come easy go. What a bummer.



# Lehigh Valley

Amos G. Kunkle



The Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix began this year on July 16 and came to a conclusion on Sunday July 25. There was a nice collection of Healey's on the show field on Saturday the 24th. As usual in surveying the Healey's I see Tim Plesz and we have a nice conversation. Also from the Harrisburg region was Gary Feldman and his car. I was pleasantly surprised to see Jim and Linda Cox watching the races. Jim and Linda have a friend who gave them a Jaguar E Type coupe to drive and display at the show. I understand that John Heffron and Ray Donovan were there from the Philadelphia Region were also in attendance.

When not showing a car, I usually spend the first three hours 8 to 11 AM watching the show cars come of Forbes Avenue and on to the entrance to the golf course. Then its off to see the Italian cars, Ferrari, Fiat, Lancia, Alpha Romeo, Lamborghini, and Maserati. Next to the Italian car show filed the Pittsburgh Cars and Coffee's group had in their display McLaren's and Porsche's and other exotic cars.

After seeing the British cars, I head over to the Mercedes, BMW and Volkswagen show fields. There were at least 15 VW campers on display. I waited in line to get a BMW tee shirt before heading over to the Porsche field. Then up the hill to Pittsburgh Porsche tent where there was water and I picked up a free 128-page program book. Then back to the Healey and Jaguar field. After watching the sports cars over 2.0 liters it was 5 o'clock and I headed back to Monroeville.



Tim Plesz nice Healey at PVGC show field.



Healey's on display at PVGP  
(Thanks for not having bonnets open).

The PVGC welcomed the Vintage Indy Registry which is dedicated to the history and preservation of championship cars thru 2001. About a dozen of these cars were on display and during the day took to the track. Two-time Indianapolis 500 winner Al Unser Jr. paced the sessions in the Johnny Lightning Special. The sight and the sound of the Offy powered cars is worth the trip to Pittsburgh.

I registered for the July 3 Rebels and Redcoats classic car show which was a \$25 registration plus \$1.50 fee. The fee goes to a good charity. Due to the forecasted rain and wet highways, I did not drive my E Type the 50 or so mile drive down route 32 to Washington Crossing State Park. Instead, I took my F Type. Social distancing was in effect for the show



Nice Sprites all in a row at PVGC.



Nick and Alice Ferrant's 100-6 at Rebels and Red Coats show.

but I saw no one wearing a mask. The usual Philadelphia Region members were there and they were Nick and Alice Ferrant, Dave Siwa, Randy Alkins and Bob Ott. My friend Noe LaFramboise won best of Red Coats with his beautiful 1955 XK140 Drop Head Coupe. Just before leaving I thought I would treat myself to a Rita's frozen custard. For \$5 was I disappointed. I finally found a trash barrel. Buyer beware!

Please contact me if I missed any events that Lehigh Valley Members may have attended.

Please register for Encounter September 8 to the 11th and let me know if you will be joining us.

Thank You!

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*We have no new members this month*

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**E**ncounter 2021 registrations are up to 50 as I write this, 1.5 months ahead of the event. Please get those registrations in, time is running out. By the way, if you registered for Encounter 2020 and decided to “let it ride” for Encounter 2021, you still need to register so that you can make your menu choices for the dinners.

Don't forget to register for the hotel. The rooms are very nice and modern. Each room has a coffeemaker and mini-fridge. If you are worried about leaving your pet home, remember that the hotel is pet-friendly. You just have to pay a \$50 fee per stay. You get 10% off breakfast at the hotel restaurant with your Encounter badge. If you have not made your Encounter hotel reservations, please be aware that the room block expires 1 month before the event, which is August 8. After that they are free to sell our block of rooms to other guests and the hotel could sell out. To receive your official Encounter 2021 shirt when you check in at Encounter, you must register for Encounter and order your shirt via the registration form by August 17. So get your Encounter registrations in and reserve your hotel room if you have not yet done so.

Concours will be held on Saturday morning at 9am under the portico. There are three cars registered for the Concours competition, a 100M, a BN2 and a BJ8. Many of you know that Concours is a competition to try to get your car as close as possible to the way it left the factory. This is a difficult thing to do, as replacement parts do not always match the factory part. Ribbed generator belts, smooth rubber coolant hoses and cadmium plated bolts are what is available today, but these will all lose you points in Concours. This is a competition for those who enjoy searching endlessly for just the right original equipment part with just the right finish. All parts must be in “as new” condition, or they lose points as well. Even a car with very low mileage that has not been touched would probably have dried-out rubber parts and rusty metal parts, these would also lose points. Unfortunately, Concours is not an event where everyone at Encounter can participate, as the teams are small and need unobstructed workspace around the car. To address this, we have a tech session titled “Everything you wanted to know about Concours, but were afraid to ask.” There will be a presentation about the basics of the Austin Healey Concours competition, things like what items are checked, what can lose you points, and how the judging and scoring works. And don't be afraid to ask questions!

Another tech session on the schedule is “Putting a more modern 5-speed transmission in your Healey.” Pete Delaney of Healey 5-speed will present the tech session, and again bring your questions and they will be addressed.

Please remember that you are encouraged to donate items to the charity auction. These items will be auctioned off in a “silent auction”, where you go around to the items on the tables and place your bid on the sheet of paper corresponding to the item. The highest bid at the end of the auction wins the item.

I have a correction for last month's entry regarding the dinner choices. I have been informed that the Shepherd's pie at the awards banquet will be made with ground beef instead of ground lamb, still cooked with vegetables and topped with mashed potato, then baked. Technically this is known as “cottage pie”. This is because shepherds herd lambs (sheep less than 1 year old) and sheep, not cattle. But people are more familiar with the term “shepherd's pie”, so that is what we are calling it. Whatever you call it, I have been assured that it will be delicious.

The Encounter 2021 team has been hard at work, we hope you will enjoy it!





## ***Gymkhana and Teamkhana Rules***

*By Del Border*

### **GYMKHANA RULES**

ENCOUNTER 2021 WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING 5 CAR CLASSIFICATIONS:

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STOCK BIG HEALEY (INCLUDING JENSEN-HEALEY)

MODIFIED BIG HEALEY (INCLUDING JENSEN-HEALEY)

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(NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FTD [IF OFFERED] OR TEAMKHANA AWARDS)

CAR OWNERS WILL DETERMINE IF THEIR CAR SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN “MODIFIED”.

### **TEAMKHANA RULES**

THE TEAMKHANA COMPETITION WILL CONSIST OF THE TOTAL OF THE FASTEST TIMES OF ANY TWO HEALEYS FROM EACH REGION. Lowest total time wins.

### **SAFETY**

THE SCCA (SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA) HAS UPDATED SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR THEIR AUTOCROSS EVENTS. ACCORDINGLY, AHSTC AND AHCA HAVE ADOPTED THOSE REQUIREMENTS. ALL CARS MUST PASS A SAFETY/TECH INSPECTION AS DETAILED IN THE ATTACHED CHECKLIST. MOST IMPORTANTLY, ALL HELMETS MUST BE CERTIFIED TO MEET OR EXCEED THE SNELL SA2005 STANDARD.

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IF A CAR HAS BEEN UPDATED WITH A SUPPLEMENTAL/PASSIVE RESTRAINT SYSTEM, A SEPARATE SEAT LAP BELT MUST BE INSTALLED.

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**THU Sept 9**

- Morning rallye through beautiful countryside
- Tech session, 2 pm
- Welcome reception, 6 pm
- Auction to benefit American Diabetes Association, 8 pm

**FRI Sept 10**

- Gymkhana, 9 am-noon
- Tech session, 1 pm
- Mardi Gras Dinner, 5 pm
- Valve cover races follow

**SAT Sept 11**

- Funkhana, 9-11 am
- Concours judging, 9am-noon
- Car show, noon-3 pm
- English Dinner & Awards, 6-10pm





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 Are you staying at Sheraton?  Yes  No  
 When will you arrive?  
 Wednesday 9/8  Thursday 9/9  
 Friday 9/10  Saturday 9/11

**FREE EVENT PLANS:**

Going on rallye Thursday a.m. ?  Yes  No  
 Doing gymkhana Friday a.m.?  Yes  No  
 Doing funkhana Saturday a.m.?  Yes  No  
 Entering Photo/Model/Craft contest?  Yes  No

**\* ABOUT CONCOURS:**

**Deadline for Concours entries has passed.**

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TOTAL FRI. DINNERS \_\_\_\_\_

**SAT 9/11 English Dinner & Awards** Indicate # of each meal

\_\_\_\_\_ Bangers & Mash (\$50)  
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TOTAL SAT. DINNERS \_\_\_\_\_

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