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ON THE COVER

Antique Automobile Club of America Museum Tour - Bob Preston photo.

What's In The Flash

By Tom Mulligan

ENCOUNTER – Encounter 2024 Registration is open. The Philadelphia Region will host this year in Ocean City NJ. See the enclosed flyer, registration form, and more information about the event from the Encounter Chairs. Registration is also available on-line.

<https://www.austin-healey-stc.org/show.html>

CONTEST 2024 – The new contest is underway and the answer to the February question and those who got it correct are in this month's issue. Check out the new question and engage the whole family.

TECH ARTICLE – Steve Feld has contributed this month with a practical and light-hearted look at preparing for the upcoming driving season and road trips (the "T" in AHSTC stands for "Touring"). Check it out. Thanks Steve.

AHSTC STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION – Corporate Treasurer, Bob Snyder, has posted the 2023 Statement of Financial Position in this month's Flash.

AUCTION REPORT – This month we look at "project cars". We have all had visions of bringing worthy Healeys back to their former glory. The trick is to find the right car with which to start and place a price on it. So what should you pay for a car that needs everything or close to it?

Check out the links, read the comments and see if you agree with the outcomes.

AHSTC AND BRITISH CAR EVENTS – A new link to The AHSTC British Car Event Calendar has been included on page 2 and will appear in all future *Flash* issues.





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PRESIDENTIAL RUMINATIONS

Steve Feld AHSTC President

As I sit here looking at my snow-covered front yard, I'm thinking about the first run of 2024 in my Healey sometime in mid-March. A few, hopefully, minor adjustments are needed before then but if mother nature cooperates, we'll be on the road soon. In the meantime, AHSTC club business occupies my time and that of your officers.

On February 17, 2024, your Board met via Zoom because of snow weather. We elected two new officers as I mentioned in last month's Ruminations, i.e., Rudy Hyzer from the North Jersey Region as corporate Secretary and Tim Plesz from the Harrisburg Region as Advertising Coordinator. We approved 2023's financial results which are shown in detail elsewhere in this edition of The Flash. Bottom line – the club continues to be in good shape financially. We decided to continue to promote tech articles in The Flash on a regional rotation basis and to provide profiles of our Flash advertisers. You will soon have access to a second regalia supplier for AHSTC logo items once we finalize the details with the new supplier. In addition, we heard reports of regional activities among other matters of lesser interest.

On February 24, about 50 AHSTC members met at the Antique Automobile Club of America Museum in Hershey, PA to tour the special exhibit of Austin Healeys. I know that we all enjoyed the visit, the camaraderie, and joining up for lunch. This was the first all-region winter event that I can recall, and the great turnout indicates that we need to do at least one winter event for all regions every year. We welcome your suggestions!

AHSTC has a new Website Coordinator, i.e., Joe McGavin from the Lehigh Valley Region. Ray Donovan served in this position for a number of years and oversaw the update to the website as well as the inclusion of many of the features we now have. Thanks to Ray for his leadership and dedication to our website. <https://austin-healey-stc.org/>

As you will read elsewhere in this issue, registration for Encounter 2024 in Ocean City, NJ is now open. You may download the form on our website or just register directly there. <https://austin-healey-stc.org/show.html>

SEE YOU ON THE BOARDWALK IN SEPTEMBER!



FINANCIAL REPORT

Bob Snyder

Austin Healey Sports and Touring Club Statement of Financial Position As of December 31, 2023

ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking Accounts	\$ 4,936
Certificates of Deposit	34,827
Total Current Assets	<u>39,763</u>
Fixed Assets	
Timing Equipment	2,277
Accumulated Depreciation	(2,277)
Total Fixed Assets	<u>-</u>
Other Assets	
Prepaid Expenses	2,633
Advances for Encounter	3,000
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 45,396</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Deferred Revenue - Memberships	\$ 3,315
Equity	
Net Assets - Unrestricted	42,081
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 45,396</u></u>

Statement of Activities Year Ended December 31, 2023

REVENUES	
Advertising	\$ 3,525
Enclave Revenue	900
Interest Income	1,232
Membership Dues	8,700
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>14,357</u>
EXPENSES	
Awards Recognition	256
Bank Charges	314
Board Meeting (incl. Zoom)	314
Charities	750
Flash Production	5,500
Insurance	2,566
Marketing	981
Membership	1,291
P.O. Box Rental	166
Rebates to Regions	1,223
Regalia Purchases	684
Storage Unit Rental	173
Website Fees	847
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>15,065</u>
NET LOSS	<u><u>\$ (708)</u></u>
ENCLAVE 2022 ACTIVITY -	
AHSTC Portion of Enclave Net Revenue	\$ 11,733
Less - Supplemental Rebates Paid to Regions in 2022	(6,400)
Less - Supplemental Rebates Paid to Regions in 2023	(5,333)
Remaining Portion of Enclave Net Revenue to Distribute	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

HARRISBURG

REGION

Pam Frazier

Mtg at Hillside Cafe—2/20/2024—Ten members in attendance—Fred and Donna Sherk, Bob and Pam Preston, Pam Frazier, Dave and Sandy Rishell, Dave and Priscilla Hooper and Brian Kopp.

President Pam Preston handed out of schedule of AHSTC Harrisburg Region 2024 Events, as follows:

SAT, MARCH 2 - CARS & CONVERSATION at Burger King in Columbia 10:00 a.m., with LANCO MG Club.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19 - HARRISBURG REGION MEETING at the Hillside Cafe, 6:30 p.m.

SAT, APRIL 6 - CARS & CONVERSATION at Burger King in Columbia 10:00 a.m., with LANCO MG Club.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16 - HARRISBURG REGION MEETING at the Hillside Cafe, 6:30 p.m.

SAT, MAY 4 - CARS & CONVERSATION at Burger King in Columbia 10:00 a.m., with LANCO MG Club.

FRI & SAT, MAY 10 & 11 - CARLISLE IMPORT SHOW (sharing a tent with LANCO MG Club).

TUES, MAY 21 - HARRISBURG REGION MEETING at the Hillside Cafe, 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 26 - COVERED BRIDGE DRIVE, 1:00 p.m. start, with LANCO MG Club.

FUTURE EVENTS IN JUNE - 1) MOVIE NIGHT at The Preston's; **2) OPEN HOUSE** at Rob Shingle's and Jim Keener's.

ALSO DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING WERE:

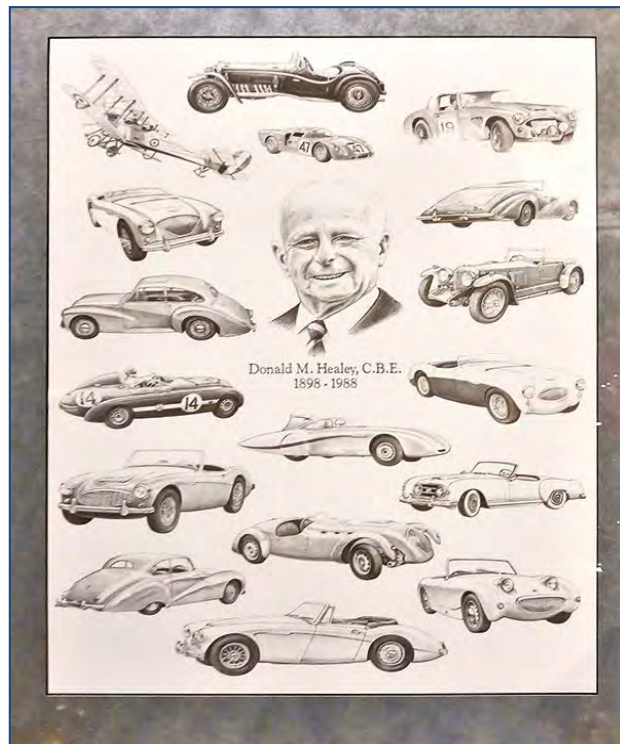
SUMMER PICNIC - Rent a park pavilion - Possible parks mentioned were Rocky Ridge Park, York, and South Hills Park, Lebanon. Fred Sherk to check information on renting a pavilion at South Hills Park.

ENCOUNTER 2024, Ocean City, NJ, was discussed, and possibly Delaware Water Gap for Encounter 2025.

BILL SMITH MEMORIAL SUMMER CRUISE In

Jun 15, 2024 @ 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. AACAMuseum, Hershey, PA. Link -
<https://www.aacamuseum.org/event/cruise-in/>

Sat, February 24 - AHSTC visit to AACA Museum to view the Austin Healey featured exhibit. Fifty-seven people attended the tour, and 40 people gathered afterwards at Troeg's Brewery for lunch. It was good to see and talk with friends from other regions on the tour and make new friends. I enjoyed connecting with members from the Philadelphia and Lehigh Valley Regions, as well as members from the Harrisburg Region. *Thank you to Pam Preston* for organizing this great event.



PHILADELPHIA REGION

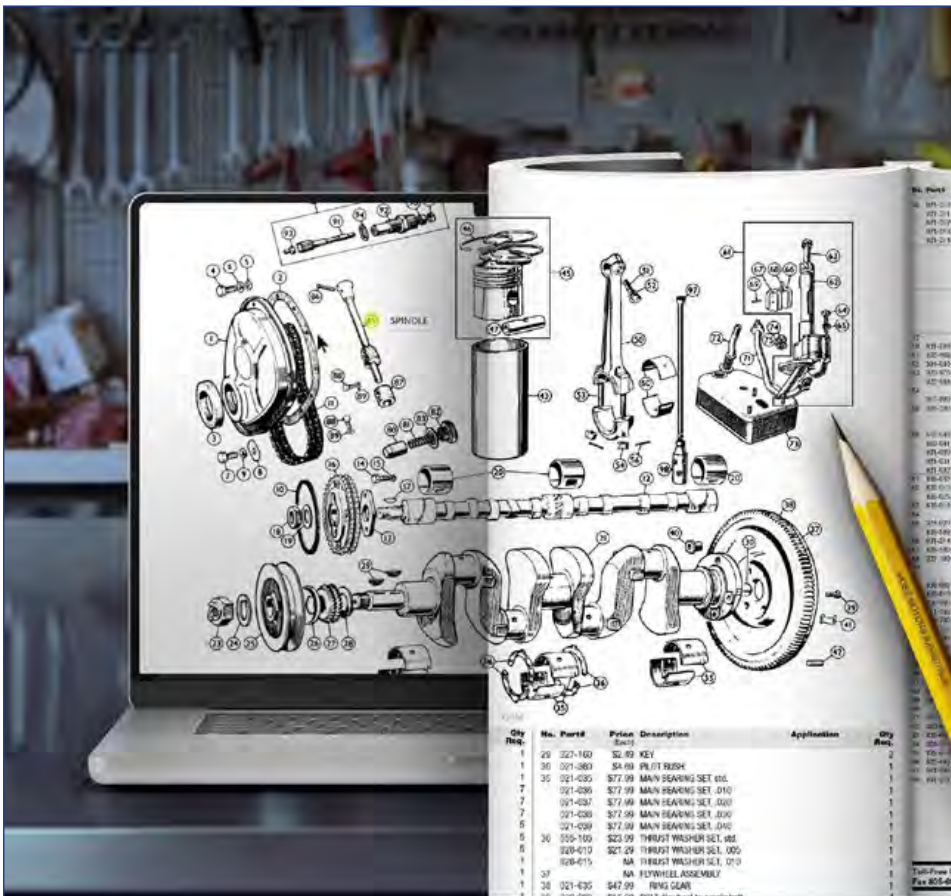
In the coming few warm days, perhaps the Healeys will be ready to get out and stretch themselves after a winter sleep. Our meeting on Monday, February 19, was well attended and discussions involved the September Encounter in Ocean City, NJ. Plans are coming together for many events.

Several members were able to attend the AACA Austin-Healey exhibit in Hershey, PA, on Saturday, February 24. Reports on the event will be covered later in the newsletter.

Upcoming events include:

- . A ROADSTER RALLY ON THE BOARDWALK IN OCEAN CITY, SATURDAY, MAY 11
- . THE TRIUMPH RESCUE SHAKEDOWN CAR SHOW, SATURDAY, MAY 18
- . THE AMBLER, PA, CAR SHOW, SUNDAY, MAY 19 FROM 11 A.M. TO 6 P.M.
- . RED MILL CAR SHOW, SATURDAY, JUNE 1, WITH A RAIN DATE SUNDAY, JUNE 2
- . THE HOPE LODGE CAR SHOW IN FORT WASHINGTON, SATURDAY, JUNE 1

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North Jersey

By George Crombie

North Jersey Region's monthly meeting was held on February 13th via yet another ZOOM session, again thanks to another round of inclement weather, that conveniently blew into the area just in time to wreak havoc on the best laid plans of us mere mortals. One can only hope that these weather-related issues aren't harbingers of what this year's LBC season has in store for this region. When I signed on a little after 7 pm, Steve Feld, Richard Ippoliti, Tom Mulligan, Rudy Hyzer, Bob Jankowitz, and Larry Gersten were already deep in conversation, with Sue Kessen popping in for a bit, and Paul Rust getting the hang of it a few moments later. Again, I was banished to "lurking" status, due to audio feedback. Every time I tried to "un-mute", I got a message telling me that my video camera was already assigned to another protocol. How scary is that??

Among the various topics covered were the Red Mill British car show (Saturday, June 1st in Clinton); the annual Spring Swap Meet and Open House at the K & T facilities in Bethlehem, PA on Saturday, April 27th; and the upcoming outing to the AACA Museum in Hershey, PA on Saturday,





February 24th. From the North Jersey region, we were expecting eight members to travel to Hershey in three cars, with Bill and Meg Kaltnecker intending to stay the night in the area, and Steve Feld handling the driving duties for Rudy Hyzer and Larry Gersten, while Bob Jankowitz chauffeured Allen Rosenberg and yours truly. Having a captive audience locked safely in a car helps break up the monotony of driving solo on a trip like this. We all arrived safely at the museum within minutes of the 10:00 am opening time. After a brief introduction, we were ushered into the Austin-Healey Display room, where we browsed for a bit before migrating into the rest of the museum. There were many interesting vehicles and memorabilia residing on all three floors of the museum, including a display of three complete Tuckers, with a bodiless chassis, and at least six motors, and an interactive nose section depicting the operation (via steering wheel) of the Tucker's novel "third eye" headlight that lit up the direction the car was to be going when the steering wheel was turned. Pretty cool. Following the visit to the museum, we broke off into smaller groups and headed off to find some lunch. The Kaltneckers, Bob, Allen and I lunched at a local restaurant a few miles down the road from the museum called Abraham's. Service was a tad slow, but the food was good, and the conversation was great. All in all, an enjoyable day for a mid-winter club outing.



Hopefully, the region's next event will be in person at The Vintage Tavern in Gillette on March 12th.



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Long Island REGION

By Paul Parfrey

This month's article begins like last month's did: with a change of plans. You can blame it on Joe Curto. He emailed me two black and white photos of Bridgehampton racetrack from 1963. One is of Dan Gurney in a Ford Cobra, the other is a shot of the cars taken as seen from the "bridge", an overpass for foot traffic to safely cross the racetrack. The photos came to Joe via the photographer, Tom Abbe. Tom and his brother Eli hid themselves on the bridge before the race began and then popped up to take one of the photos. Tom has a copyright on the photos, and we thank him for letting us use them. In the 1990's our club rented the track, and we had a great time there. Besides myself, I remember Bob Maichin and Frank Filangeri being there. The track in Tom's pictures looks the same as I remember except the track surface was much rougher by the time we went. The people in charge of the track allowed me to take my 11-year-old son for a lap or two when no one else was using it. Fast forward 10 years later when he wanted to drive the Healey, his comment then was, "How can anyone drive this thing?"

Tom Abbe also sent me a link to the results of the 1963 Bridgehampton 500 km Race which is the race that is shown in the two photos he sent. It's interesting to see the variety of cars involved, some very powerful and fast, and others not so much. From the pictures you can see the three Cobras, two of which were ahead from the beginning and remained so. Besides the Cobras, there were Jaguars, Corvettes, Porsches, Ferraris AND an MGB that wound up a non-starter. We were unable to include the race results sheet here so I will just include some highlights. One is the number of famous racing names. There was Dan Gurney who won the race with 110 laps, totaling 314.6 miles, in 3 hours 26 minutes 29.8 seconds. He was a graduate of Manhasset HS before his family moved to California. He had a long career in racing. His list of accomplishments is so long, you should just look him up! Mark Donohue, another iconic racing personality, was driving a TVR Grantura MK3 that day. Ken Miles was the driver of Vic Damone's car. Ken Miles was a British driver who moved to the US in 1952. In 1953 he designed an MG Special that won 14 victories in SCCA racing in CA. He designed a second MG Special known as the Flying Shingle. He also put a Porsche 550S engine and gearbox in a Cooper chassis which was known as the Pooper. He was the chief test driver for Shelby-American in 1963. Then there's Don Yenke who modified Corvairs (the Stinger) Camaros, and other Chevrolet cars by adding L-72 engines.

The Bridgehampton Racing Heritage Group and the Bridgehampton Museum will be having an exhibit of 100+ years of racing at Bridgehampton at the Museum which is on Main Street. Opening day will be in June. There will be frequently changing exhibits of film, photography, programs and posters. I will be sending out updates as they become available.

Some upcoming events have begun to be publicized. I will be sending out emails to our members with further details and as other events become known, but here is a preview of what is planned so far.

March 13 – SUNY Maritime Car Show, Bronx

March 28 - AACA Greater NY Region LI Motor Parkway Classic Car Show, Williston Park

March 28 – Town of Oyster Bay Beach Classic Car Show, Massapequa

March 31 – Easter Day Car Parade, Garden City

June 2 – AACA Greater NY Region Spring Meet, Old Westbury Gardens

June 29 – AHEPA Port Jefferson Car Show



Brandywine

Ernie Leser

REGION

Brandywine Region members met in Hershey, PA. On Saturday, Feb. 24th at Troegs Brewing for lunch, followed by a tour of the Antique Automobile Club of America museum.

The Troegs brewery is quite large. Many brew tanks and associated equipment. A wide variety of beers were available, all good by the group's comments. Food was ordered cafeteria style. Thanks to the Harrisburg Region for reserving the tables for us.

The AACA museum was only about ten minutes away from the brewery. Admission costs were covered by AHSTC. The star attraction for our group of course was their Austin Healey display. This will be featured in their rotating display area until April 20, 2024. The Healey display contains four cars which spanned the Healey manufacturing period: a 100 M (1956); a 3000 (1965); a Bugeye Sprite (1959); and a square body Sprite (1966). In addition, the display contained much material relating to the history of the Austin Healey.

The museum contained many other historic automobiles. Those manufactured by Preston Tucker in 1948 were probably some of the rarest exhibited since only 51 were ever produced. Historic re-creations of a period soda shop, a diner, and several car dealerships were very well done. In addition, a large O-gauge railroad layout was excellent.

Chuck and Sue Ott, their daughter Tracey Wertz and grandson Revan Wertz; Jeff Lanno; Richard Banta; Nigel and Edy Smart; Bob and Pennie Haase; Greg Mentzer; Ray Slavinski and Bonnie Gebhardt; Ernie and Joan Leser.



At the AH display



At Troegs Brewery.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March, Sat. 16th, 1 pm. "Pizza at Pete's." Pete Robert's residence, 21 Waterview St., Downington, PA. RSVP to Pete by March 9th (610-458-5412.)

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MEMBERS CORNER

By Rick Brodeur

We have 2 new members this month.

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*George Marcincavage and
Katherine Lopez Kelly
Framingham, MA
'68 Sprite*

Please note:

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Letter to the Editor

Thank you, George, for bringing up the conversation about why Encounter 2024 is being held at the same time as Conclave. I, myself, would have liked to go to Wisconsin, so you aren't alone.

Even though there are 52 weeks in the year, the venue of Ocean City has a very small window of time to hold our event. Spring and early summer are "wedding" times, and we could not compete. A week earlier would have doubled the room rate and a week later, the facilities (Boardwalk and parking lots) were not available. The following week Ocean City pretty much closes for the season and the weather becomes more questionable. We did try to move the date and we weren't able to, so the choice was to either have Encounter 2024 September 15-19, 2024, or not have the event at all.

Not everyone has the luxury of being able to travel to Wisconsin, so we are holding Encounter 2024 on September 15-19, 2024, at The Flanders Hotel in Ocean City, NJ and we hope you will join us.

Trish Woglom
Co-Chair Encounter 2024

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ENCOUNTER 2024 CHARITY AUCTION

Trish Woglom

Get your auction bidder paddles ready! As we have done in the past, festivities at Encounter 2024 will include a charity auction. The recipient of this year's auction proceeds will be Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) of the Philadelphia Region. Ronald McDonald House Charities supports families on their children's medical journeys with a community of comfort and hope. This gives families the opportunity to focus on their child's health and well-being. We are sure you will agree it is a charity worthy of our support and the auction is always a fun night, not to be missed.

Auction items will be interesting and varied with something for everyone. There is sure to be lots of Healey and automotive memorabilia, a number of Ocean City local items, and lots of other special gifts from around the club regions. Auction item donations are most welcome and are accepted. Please contact Charlene Donovan by e-mail at donovansix@verizon.net if you plan to bring a donation to Encounter. Our committee is in serious negotiation with Alex Tricarb's agent. His auctioneer style cannot be described any other way than "unique" and is sure to keep everyone laughing! Complimentary Wine & Cheese continues the gala tradition.

We look forward to seeing everyone at Encounter 2024 and at the Charity Auction on Monday, September 16 at 7 PM at the Flanders Hotel in Ocean City, NJ. And come ready to raise those bidder paddles!



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BEGINNINGS OF RONALD McDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

Working as a pediatric oncologist at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia in the 1970s, Dr. Audrey E. Evans saw families spend night after night in the hospital while their children received life-saving medical treatment. She knew there had to be a better way and envisioned a house where families could stay during these stressful and uncertain times.

At the same time, the Philadelphia Eagles were raising funds in support of player Fred Hill, whose daughter, Kim, was in treatment for leukemia at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children. When Eagles' General Manager Jimmy Murray approached St. Christopher's about making a donation, Dr. Lawrence Naiman suggested there was an even greater need for funds resting with Dr. Evans. Mr. Murray met Dr. Evans and became a champion for her cause. He approached Don Tuckerman and Stanley Elkman of Elkman Advertising, which represented McDonald's, with the idea that the company could offer the proceeds from their Shamrock Shake sales to benefit this new house. McDonald's agreed, and the first Ronald McDonald House was born in Philadelphia on October 15, 1974.

Thanks to the generosity of dedicated donors, the Ronald McDonald House has grown from a single idea to the model for over 375 Houses worldwide. The Chestnut Street House is in a historic mansion which was expanded in 1995 and again in 2019 with the addition of the Jill and Alan B. Miller Tower which more than doubled its capacity. This House accommodates 127 families each night. Our second House opened in 2008 at the corner of Front Street

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and Erie Avenue and accommodates 20 families each night. Beyond the walls of our Houses, we serve children and families through three Ronald McDonald Family Rooms, a Ronald McDonald Care Mobile, and Ronald McDonald Camp which began offering an integrated camp experience for children with cancer and their siblings in 1986.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Encounter of the Boardwalk runs from September 15-19, 2024. Registration forms are included in this month's FLASH. Be sure to answer the Healey trivia questions to enter to win some cash. Condominium reservations are being taken by the Flanders. Call them on 609-399-1000. You must provide your Encounter registration number at the time of reserving your rooms. Ask for the special AHSTC rate. There are only 60 condos available, so don't procrastinate! Consider extending your stay and take advantage of numerous excursions that will be included in your registration packet.

Note that complimentary wine & beer are included in all meal prices listed on the Encounter reservation form.

Hope to see you 'down the shore!!'



ENCOUNTER • Ocean City, NJ



No, we're not driving on the beach.



Austin Healey Sports & Touring Club

ENCOUNTER 2024

September 15-19 • Ocean City, NJ • www.ahstc.org

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Spouse/Guest _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____ Is this your 1st Encounter? (Y / N)

Region/Club Affiliation _____ Email _____

Car(s) you are bringing to the event – **“Back to the Boardwalk in Ocean City, NJ”**

1. Model _____ Year _____ 2. Model _____ Year _____ 3. Model _____ Year _____

Registration Instructions

Or register online: ahstc.org/registration.html

Registration fee Includes:

- One show car, 2 adults, and all children under 21 (Additional cars/adults on a single registration are extra)
- Free access to our Hospitality Room daily
- Sunday's Welcome Movie & Trivia Night (*space limited*)
- Monday's Wine & Cheese Social/Charity Auction
- Free admission to all tech sessions and driving events

Make check payable to “AHSTC Encounter”

Mail check **with completed registration form** to:

Encounter 2024
Trish Woglom
212 Lower Valley Road
North Wales, PA 19454

Questions? 610-310-2037 or pwoglom@comcast.net

Hotel Information

The Flanders Hotel

419 East 11th St., Ocean City, N.J.
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Legacy 1920s hotel located just a stroll from the boardwalk's most popular section. Privately-owned condominium units with full kitchen, living room and eating area. *Only 60 are available for our event, so book early.*

Our special rate of \$179.25 + resort fee and taxes per room per night is guaranteed only through **August 1, 2024**. Rate includes secured adjacent Healey parking for one car. (Additional cars \$10/day).

Condos cannot be reserved before obtaining your Encounter registration number.

To reserve, call 609-399-1000 and mention “Austin Healey Club.” Provide your Encounter registration number to receive the special event condo rate.

CIRCLE your expected arrival date: 9/15 9/16 9/17 9/18

Will you need flea market space? Yes / No

Will you need regalia space? Yes / No

Will you need trailer parking? Yes / No

Registration Fees

\$79 postmarked by 6-1-24 \$ _____

\$99 postmarked after 6-1-24 \$ _____

Additional cars same household @ \$20 each \$ _____

Additional adults same household \$29 each \$ _____

Sunday 9/15 — FREE Welcome Event: Movie and Trivia Night at The Flanders Hotel with light refreshments.

_____ No. of adults attending (*Free, but space limited to 100*)

Tuesday 9/17 Buffet BBQ Dinner (Valve Cover Races) **

_____ No. of adults @ \$47 each \$ _____

Wednesday 9/18 Awards Banquet **

_____ No. of adults @ \$60 each \$ _____

Meals: Chicken _____ Beef _____ Fish _____ Veg _____

Mon 9:30am – Rallye Yes _____ No _____

Tues 1pm – Ladies Lunch Yes _____ No _____
[order/ pay at restaurant]

Tues 8am – Gymkhana Yes _____ No _____

Wed 7am – Funkhana Yes _____ No _____

Wed 11:30 am – Car Show Yes _____ No _____

Tricky Tray Auction Tickets – 7 for \$5 \$ _____

Concours Judging Fee @ 250/car

NOTE: Must be preapproved for Concours \$ _____

EVENT LOGO GOLF SHIRTS (Blue)

@ \$35 S-M-L-XL / \$36 for 2XL / \$38 for 3XL \$ _____

MEN'S: _____ S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____ 3XL

WOMEN'S: _____ S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____ 3XL

EVENT LOGO CAPS (Tan) @ \$20 each \$ _____

TOTAL REMITTANCE (U.S.)

\$ _____

**** Complimentary beer & wine at all club-sponsored meals held at The Flanders Hotel**

NO REFUNDS AFTER AUGUST 1

THE FLASH ENCOUNTER 2024 CONTEST

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE SOME FUN AND WIN \$100 CASH? WHO WOULDN'T?

This year's Contest theme will be *"Celebrities Who Have Owned a Healey."*

Starting with the January 2024 issue of The Flash, each month's issue through July, leading up to Encounter 2024, will feature a clue

The clue will be published on this page each month. Click the link to the AHSTC website beneath the clue and provide your guess on that web page*. The answer and the names of those members who guessed the correct celebrity will also be published here in subsequent months, along with a new clue for the following month.

AHSTC members in good standing, who correctly guess the celebrity will be entered into a drawing to determine the cash prize winner. The more months you enter the correct answer, the greater your chances of winning.

So, open each issue of *The Flash*, share the question with your family, and join the fun.

This month's Clue: ***Her husband is known for his own food brand!***

www.austin-healey-stc.org/contest.html

**The answers for each month's question must be entered by the 25th of the month in which the Flash is published. There is only one correct answer for each clue.*

Directors and Officers of AHSTC are not eligible to win.

Last month's clue: He made a fortune selling "nothing" on TV!

Answer: **Jerry Seinfeld**, star of the TV sitcom "Seinfeld," the show famously about nothing.



This is not Seinfeld's actual Healey, which is reported to be a 100-6.

CONTEST WINNERS FEBRUARY

[Richard Miot](#)

[Ira Udasin](#)

[Patrick Venezia](#)

[Steve Kirlin](#)

[Gerald Spurlock](#)

[Randy Alkins](#)

[Ray Slavinski](#)



Tech Tips & Clips

Article provided by Steve Feld

Spare Parts & Tools

(For On-The-Road Remedies of Healey Character Faults)

As you get ready for spring 2024 driving season, now is the time to check your carry-on repair kit to be sure it contains what you may need to get back on the road if you or your driving friends experience a Healey breakdown. These types of lists have been around and published since Healeys were first produced and this is a compilation of several lists subject to the anonymous North Jersey author's editorial prerogative and personal experiences. This list has no guarantee of accuracy or completeness – your results will vary.

TOOLS

- Shop manual (“reassembly is reverse of disassembly”)
- Screwdrivers – Flat, Phillips, Posidriv (BJ8) – large & small sizes (except the one you’ll need)
- Open end or combination Wrenches – 1/4, 5/16, 3/8, 7/16, 1/2, 9/16, 5/8, 11/16, Whitworth/BSF (100-4)
- Adjustable Wrench (aka “Crescent”) (also doubles as a hammer, of course)
- Sockets (incl. spark plug), ratchet, and extensions (helps if drive size matches)
- Hex keys
- Vise grips (for the inevitable stripped heads)
- Pliers – regular - diagonal cutters – needle nose – channel-locks
- Stanley knife (cut away from anything with a blood supply)
- Feeler gauge (to confirm your eyeball estimate)
- Jack and 1’X1’ wood base (it can be muddy out there)
- Multimeter and instructions (volts vs amps vs ohms)
- Jumper cables (double check polarity – watch for conversions to negative earth)
- Flashlight aka “torch” (No need to be out at night said Mr. Lucas)

SUPPLIES

- Nitrile gloves (Grease under your fingernails at the country club is not a good look)
- Electrical tape
- Duct tape (this and a big hammer should fix anything)
- Fix-a-flat or Slime (warning labels are SCARY!)
- JB Weld (when duct tape is not enough)
- 2-3 feet #18 insulated electric wire
- 1’ length of wire coat hanger (long-serving model of an exhaust hanger)
- Sandpaper
- 3’X3’ plastic tarp section (beats lying in the mud)
- WD-40 (What was wrong with WD39?)
- AAA Card (You didn’t forget your cell phone, did you?)
- Collapsible gas can or emergency fuel pouch (Borrowing one at a gas station = Mission Impossible!)

SPARE PARTS

- Spare tire (When did your last check its pressure??)
- Fan belt (Duct tape won’t work here!)
- Spark plugs (pre-gapped)
- Points, condenser, and rotor (two of each - insurance for lack of quality control)
- Light bulbs (head, tail, turn, brake, dash) and Fuses
- Coil (Not to hold a grudge but - two failures in two different cars in two years (1970s))
- Wiper blade (I had one fly off on I-80!)
- Hose clamps (hoses optional but have you replaced them in the last 20 years??)
- Hardware assortment (screws, nuts, bolts, washers) (Size doesn’t matter – whatever works!)
- Engine and gearbox oils
- Brake fluid (paint remover par excellence)
- Fuel pump
- Tire tube (ever try to find one at Pep Boys?)



AUCTION REPORT

By Tom Mulligan

Buying a classic auto with the notion of restoring it is a dicey endeavor regardless of the make or model, and Healeys are no exception. So, this month we turn our attention to 2 “project” cars offered on-line. One is a 1966 BJ8 and the other is a 1960 BT7. With selling prices of restored Healeys on the decline recently, choosing (and paying) wisely is as important as ever.

This 1967 BJ8 has been owned by the seller for 46 years and has been stored since 1995. It Recently sold on Bring a Trailer (BaT) for \$17,850, including the buyer’s premium (BP).

It’s a non-running car and looking at the photos it appears to be a good candidate for a full restoration. Of course, making that determination from photos is difficult at best, but one of the positives about the BaT auction process is that there are usually many, many photos. The seller is a little light on photos in this case, in my opinion, but there are enough here to get a pretty good sense of what you are getting into. Follow the link and see what you think.

No Reserve: 46-Years-Owned 1966 Austin-Healey 3000 BJ8 Mk III Project for sale on BaT Auctions - sold for \$17,000 on February 7, 2024 (Lot #135,756) | Bring a Trailer



AUCTION REPORT

By Tom Mulligan

This 1960 BT7 has been owned by the seller since 2021 and appears to be in a little better shape than the previous example, although here again the seller has been a little skimpy with the photos. It sold on BaT for \$21,000 including the BP.

While this is a running car and the engine is said to be redone, the undercarriage appears to be a little crustier than the BJ8. The link below will take you the BaT auction results and you can read the comments of the bidders and the “audience” and decide if this was well sold or well bought, or both.

1960 Austin-Healey 3000 BT7 Mk I Project for sale on BaT Auctions - sold for \$20,000 on January 24, 2024 (Lot #134,329) | Bring a Trailer





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