



Healey Hi-Lites

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June 2014



Bluegrass members at conclave 2014



Bluegrass members at Mission Driven Car Show



Presidents Letter

By: Tom Gish



Thank you for all your support these first 6 months. It is time for a mid term review. The year started by moving to Rooster's for our monthly meeting and adding a presentation by Jason Burns on proper car care. March was our first Sat. morning meeting before Cars and Coffee. We had a discussion led by Bernie Lampe , 9 attending. The March Tuesday meeting was at the 502 Auto Club.

April the morning meeting moved to the garage of Bill Wilding with Bernie showing us how to pack wheel bearings. The attendance jumps to 13. Bill Fryrear planned a joint swap meet with the British Car club, again back at 502 Auto Club, the reaction was positive. We had great weather and attendance. The April dinner meeting again returned to Rooster's for a general planning session, mostly on the Spring 'Thing hosted by Linda and Biv. The attendance for the dinner meetings is always between 22- 26, with a few new faces returning. The Tuesday meetings appear to be strong. We have had a few regular attendees to drop away but we are getting people we have not seen for awhile. I was out of town for the May Sat. Cars and Coffee, I called members looking for someone that had attended the breakfast, no luck, a cause to be concerned. Then mid month Linda and Biv hosted the Spring Thing. All seemed to think it was a hit. I understand an outline is being prepared for the next host.

The first Drive and Dine was held at the home of Dona and Roger Coates. We met in Middletown and drove for 50 minutes on the back roads with a picnic to follow. Even with threatening weather we had 25 at the event. June set out to be a busy month starting with a drive to Indianapolis, In. to see the Vintage auto racing. There was a lot of interest, I thought we would have a good attendance. People started calling and having to cancel. It is hard to plan a long trip in the middle of the week and taking all day. But come race day our caravan of cars had dropped to one car, mine. Henry Buck and I rode together to see hundreds of vintage race cars and help support our local racers, including member Mike Spence. I think we should try again next year, a great event that is well worth the trip. Then the wheels fell off. This past Sat. at the Cars and Coffee meeting I had the chance to eat by myself. I had said in May I was concerned about the attendance at the Sat. meeting. Some have told me it was too early, not the way to start the weekend, Saturday is just too busy. I did see several members at the Cars and Coffee show. Maybe we should just do a quarterly tech meeting in someone's garage. The tech session was the best attended.

The Sat meeting has been killed. This week several members are going to Virginia for the Conclave, hopefully when they return they will join us for Drive and Dine at Adam Burckle's summer home. We will meet Tuesday in New Albany , In. at 6:15 to make a drive to the picnic, about a 20 minute drive from the bridge. I hope to hear from you about your plans for the picnic and also any thoughts you have on the first 6 months. Regards, Tom

Events

& EVERY SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

9am til 11am

Cars & Coffee

FOR A CAUSE

Come out and see some of
Louisville's finest cars.

Or, bring your own ride
to show off!

5700 Captain's Quarters Road Prospect, KY 40059... Just off River Road

FREE EVENT! Open to the public! Everyone and every ride is welcome!

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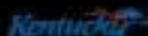


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The Keeneland Concours d'Elegance is celebrating its 10th anniversary with a "Winner's Circle Reunion." Once again, winners of each class from the past 10 years have been invited to display their collector vehicles on the historic grounds of Keeneland Race Course. Please join us as we celebrate 10 years of excellence!

CONCOURS – SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2014

- MASERATI MINGLE KICK OFF — FRIDAY, JUNE 20th
- BOURBON TOUR — THURSDAY, JULY 17th
- HANGAR BASH — FRIDAY, JULY 18th
- DAY OF SHOW — SATURDAY, JULY 19th
- TOUR d'ELEGANCE — SUNDAY, JULY 20th



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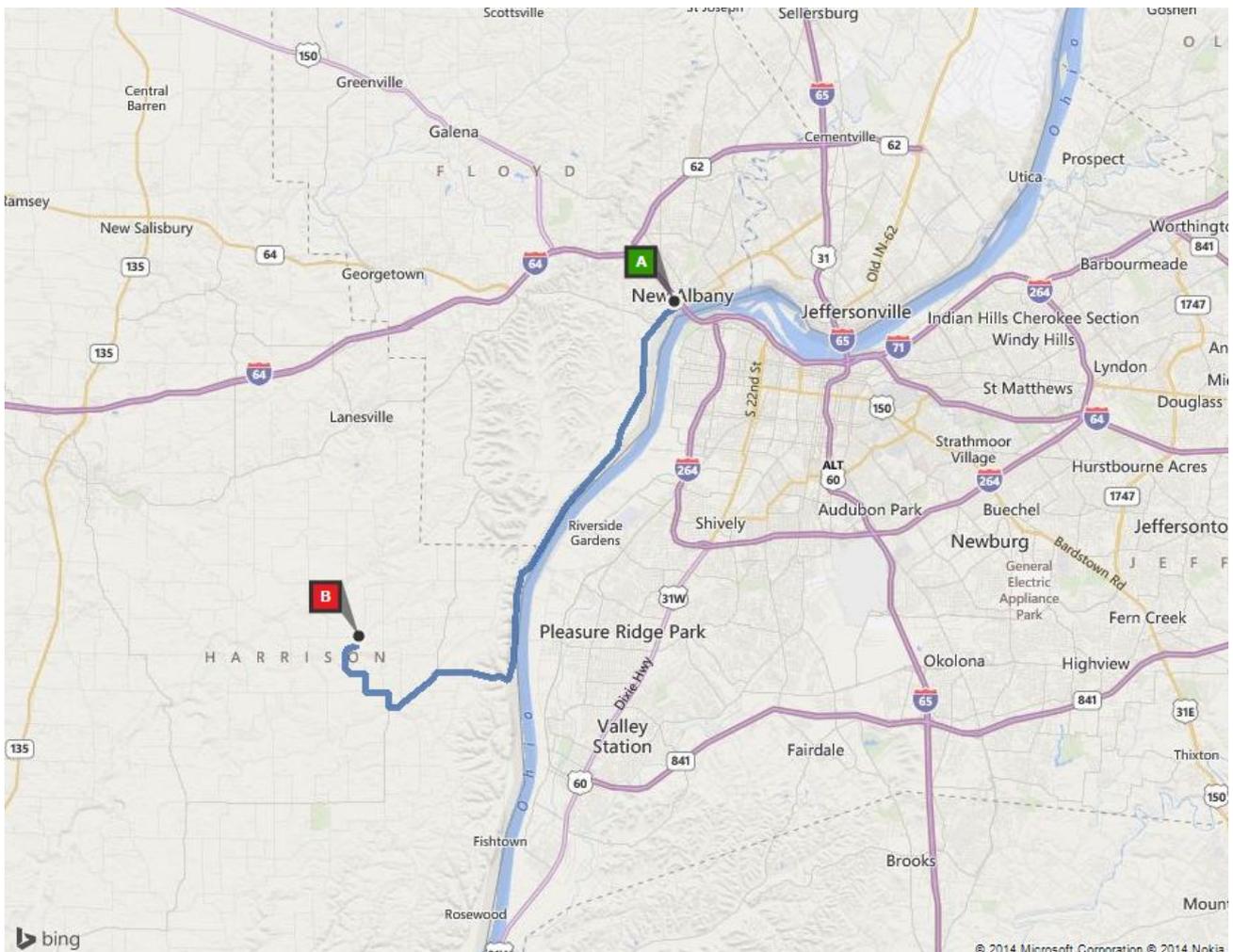
The Bluegrass Club Meeting is Tuesday

Getting close to time for the Austin Healey June Meeting, June 24th at Adam and Mary Lee Burckles Lake House..

Our plan is to meet at 6:15 at the former Holiday Inn that is now a Best Western at 411 W Spring Street New Albany, Indiana, 47150-3615, Look for the sign as you cross the bridge and take the first exit.



Head thru Southern Indiana to the Lake house at 3820 Lakeview Dr S.E. Elizabeth IN 47119



Maps

A 411 W Spring St, New Albany, IN 47150

A-B: 19.2 mi

31 min

2. 1. Depart W Spring St toward W 5th St 105 ft



2. Turn left onto W 5th St

BP/BP on the corner

0.2 mi



3. Turn right onto IN-111 / W Main St

Pass Marathon in 0.1 mi



11.9 mi 15 min

5.  4. Turn right onto IN-211 2.0 mi

6.  5. Turn left onto IN-11 1.7 mi

7.  6. Turn right onto Inv-2 St / New Middletown Elizabeth Rd 0.5 mi

8.  7. Road name changes to New Middletown Elizabeth Rd SE 0.5 mi

9.  8. Turn right onto Black Chapel Rd SE 0.5 mi

10.  9. Turn left to stay on Black Chapel Rd SE 0.6 mi

11.  10. Turn right onto Lake View Dr SE 1.1 mi

B 11. Arrive at 3820 Lake View Dr SE, Elizabeth, IN 47117

The last intersection is Lotticks Corner Rd SE

If you reach Beech Tree Ln SE, you've gone too far

0 ft

From the Drivers Side... By Mike Schneider



This is shaping up to be the busiest summer we have ever experienced. Plenty of car shows and several opportunities for drives in the country. Last month our general membership meeting was held at Roger and Dona Coats country home in Cox's Creek. We had a leisurely drive from Middletown to their country setting. After getting a chance to see Roger's collection of various modes of transportation we gathered on the patio and in the house for supper and a short meeting. The club provided the meat and all of the attending members brought a dish. That worked out extremely well. For June we are going to Adam and Mary Lee's country home on a lake a little north of Elizabeth, IN. Once you get to New Albany the drive to their house should take about 20-25 minutes of driving through the country. Same arrangement as before. Club provides meat and each of us brings a dish. Tom's concept of this type of meeting seems to be working out quite well.

On the Thursday before the British Bash the plan was to gather for a drive to the Indianapolis 500 track to watch 700 vintage racers compete. There was a lot of preliminary interest in this. However, the timing didn't work out for a number of people that wanted to attend. Tom Gish and Henry Burt were the only two that made the drive. There were a number of local car guys competing at the track. Mike Spence from our Bluegrass Healey club competed in his Formula Ford as did Bruce Domek and Geoff Hale in their Formula Fords.

Since our last meeting the British Bash was held at St Joe Orphanage on June 7th. Fortunately the weather cooperated this time. It was a sunny and very pleasant day. The participation was a lot better than last year also. We had a terrific turnout from our Healey club members. Many of them were rewarded for their efforts with a trophy. The week after Bash a lot of us attended Cars and Coffee at Captains Quarters on River Road. The overall attendance at this gathering was probably the largest that has ever participated. Again, the terrific weather probably contributed to that. Several of my all time favorite cars were there, aside from Healeys of course. There was a 1963 split window Stingray that was in wonderful condition. Oh my was it awesome. Lee MaCracken attended with his 1972 Volvo P18. He recently had a lot of body work completed along with a tremendous paint job. On the back window was a decal for a college. The name was Waterloo. I bet you are starting to see where I am going with this. His Volvo was made in Sweden. The back window had Waterloo on it. ABBA is a Swedish music group and their first major hit record was Waterloo. It seemed to be destiny at that point. Lee has now been brought into the age of enlightenment and now better understands the importance of ABBA.

A few days after Cars and Coffee a number of club members gathered on a Wednesday morning (at a very reasonable time) to drive to French Lick so they could see all of the MG's on display. This is a national gathering of MGB's from all over the country. Trevor reported that there were a number of Spridgets there as well. Next year there will be a national meet here in Louisville that will host all models of MG's. I am told they have already booked 6 hotels. All the while some of us are having a ball right in our area some of our members have made the trek to conclave in Virginia. Current reports are that everyone is having a great time. The car show was on a huge lawn that is part of one of the golf courses. If you weren't able to get to conclave this year, fear not. Next year conclave will again be reasonably close. Gettysburg, PA for Healeys on Hallowed Ground. Something else to look forward to is in 2016 conclave will be even closer. It will be held in Northern Kentucky and hosted by the Cincinnati Healey Club.

Ben has been working at a fast pace with the new website developers for the AHCA website. I have seen some preliminary copies of it and I think you will enjoy it quite a bit. At the rate this is

progressing it is quite possible that the AHCA will have a new website by the end of the summer. There are a large number of videos on the website plus links to popular picture books of Healeys on the www. Ben has really gone all out with this effort. The website will be scalable, which means you will be able to see it on your smart phone, tablet or pc.

Tom Gish is working hard to provide various events and activities. If you have any suggestions he is very interested in hearing from you. Come on out and participate and enjoy all of the friendships that have developed over the years, plus you get to see some excellent Healeys and once in a while other brands as well, such as a Volvo, or an S2000 for example. If you attended the meeting at the Coat's house then you even had a chance to see Roger's collection of working tractors.



When we held Springthing Reid Trummel, editor of the Marque, flew from Oregon to participate in Springthing. Jim Werner was the club's ambassador for Reid. On Sunday Jim and Reid had a few extra minutes so they stopped by the house to check on our progress. While at the house I asked if they would like to see a replica of an Indy race car. That piqued their interest. The neighbor across the street has one in her garage. Her son built it and painted it. What is not readily apparent is that the entire car is made of wood. Even details such as the engine, spark plugs, wires, suspension, etc. On the body of the car he

painted reflections. On the body in each corner is a reflection that makes you think you are seeing the back side of that wheel and suspension system. He painted bricks on the lower section to give you the feeling you are seeing the reflection of the 'Brickyard' on the body. He painted a reflection of the driver right next to the cockpit. The car was so well done that he was invited to display it at the Concours de Elegance at Churchill Downs two years ago.

Time to get back to work. Hope to see you at the next general membership meeting at Adam and Mary Lee Burckle's home on the lake. Let Tom know what dish you will be bringing. Don't forget to keep the top side shiny and the rubber side down.

Mike Schneider





Events Calendar



Healey Events 2014

Items without dates are awaiting final date Determination

22 Drive/Dinner, Adam Burkle's Lake House home

July

Cincinnati Car Show

19 Keeneland Concours

August

3 Dayton Car Show

September

Sir Brit Car Show, Newburgh IN

Indianapolis British Car Show

11-13 September Round-up

October

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5 Louisville Concours

Corydon Car show

November

7-9 Delegates Meeting

December

Christmas Party



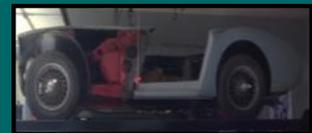
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