

North Texas Austin Healey Club

Fall 2016





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The Presidents Trail

By Patrick Yoas



With the HOT summer behind us and the cooler Healey weather is now upon us, the question is, "why aren't you driving your Healey"? My Healey doesn't run...well okay, but that's not really a good excuse because we have monthly Tech Sessions, there's British Car Forums on-line and even an email mechanic. So, the next question is, when will we see you in your Healey?

We just had our second largest event of the year, the Londoner restaurant in Addison and it was well attended by our club members. I can't recall off-hand how many years this event has been going on but beer, British food and Healey's seem to go together well enough to keep doing it year after year. Be sure to make the next one and you'll see why they're so much fun!

Last Healey Trails newsletter Chris Kellner said he was going to take "Annie", his red racer, and put it back into Rally form. Well, he does still like to race so he went looking for something he could race and he found a Devin Healey in New York and it now has been delivered to his garage. Obviously Chris doesn't do much driving on Central Expressway during rush hour and needs another outlet for bumper to bumper full throttle driving. I've put together 3 pages for Chris's column this month with Chris doing the writeup. Hopefully Chris will find his spark plug wrench and we'll be able to follow him as he gets the Devin race ready for next race season and maybe he'll be on our garage tour soon?

We had our first Garage Tour. New member Ed Canada volunteered his Garage to be the first on the Garage Tour. We had a very good turn out for the Tour with the usual Coffee & Donuts plus Ed had plenty of cars for us to look over and they provided plenty of conversation and photo opportunities. A great meeting room away from the cars provided plenty of seating to enjoy conversation and Coffee and Donuts. Who's garage wants to be on the next Garage Tour?

2017 Membership Dues are due so please see Barbie's column for more info on that. Please remember to let Barbie know if you move, change email address, so she can update our records. Our Newsletter goes out as an email attachment to just about everyone but a few members who don't have emails. Keep the vendors that advertise in our Newsletter in mind when needing Parts & Services.

The Vice President and Secretary positions are both open and the requirements are you have to be a member of the NTAHC and AHCA, so let me know if you would like to volunteer for it? If no one steps forward soon will may resort to a draft. Articles for our Newsletter are always needed and we encourage you to submit them. They do not have to be our club activities and could be other Healey events you attended that we did not do as a NTAHC club activity. Our Newsletter goes around the world and occasionally our club activities make it into the AHCA Newsletters. Photos are also great to have!

See ya'll on the trail...
Pat



Team Healey Texas

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"Judy and I just returned from the races at MSR outside of Houston in Angleton. It was my first time to see the place. We didn't race, my doctor hasn't released me to race again until the end of 2016, more on that in a moment. CVAR had a big entry list including Tom Taff with



Chris Kellner and "Annie"

his Porsche 914-6 with which he gave a good accounting of himself in the all German event on Sunday afternoon. Out of 16 cars Tom finished 4th against some very stiff 911 competition. It was a good weekend of racing.

As most of you know Judy and I went to Scotland this last July so that she could see her ancestral homeland. What started out as a really fine adventure in the Highlands ended with my collapse and subsequent hospitalization at the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh Scotland as a guest of Queen Elizabeth II for 8 days. Thanks to all of my Healey friends for their prayers and well wishes. I'm pleased to tell you that I've recovered pretty well except my stamina is a bit weak hence the doctor's orders not to race for a little while longer however I'm back working full time again. Judy was an absolute Godsend handling everything for me while I struggled. And then there's Tom Taff. I'm eternally grateful to that man. He supported Judy during the ordeal and made sure we got home. Phil Wardle of Chelmsford, Essex, England, a friend to many in the NTAHC, helped Judy negotiate the NHS (National Health Service) in Scotland. Without him who knows how I would have ended up. Thank you all.

Now, let me tell you a little story about racin'....I've been thinking for a long while about using Annie (The Little Red Racer) for long distance rallying like the Copper State Grand, the Colorado Grand, and so on which is what she was originally built for. I've begun converting her back to that specification. Not really that much to do, add a couple of Halda clocks like the "Twin Master" and a "Speed Pilot" install wire wheels with Dunlop SP4 racing tires and we're off. One weekend afternoon Judy asked me what I was going to use to race with and I replied oh I don't know. Then I realized hey I should go shopping for a new race car.

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Lo and Behold while reading the August 2016 edition of Victory Lane, a popular magazine for the Vintage Racing crowd, the last ad in the magazine on the inside back cover lower right hand corner said "for sale-1956 Devin Healey" THERE IT WAS!! My new race car. The car started life as a BN2 and it was later re-bodied with a Devin fiberglass body. Bill Devin's fiberglass bodies were a very popular conversion for Healey, MG, Jaguar, and so on in the late 50's and into the 60's. I've attached a couple of photos of



the car as I bought it in Upstate New York. I called the owner and asked if I could bring a friend and look the car over. So Tom Taff and I caught a flight up to New York. The car has some race history and has been around a good long while.



The owner thought that it was first raced as a Devin in late 59' so we're trying to trace some information about it. I did register the car with the Devin Registry and I've received all sorts of e-mails about it so I might well be able to get some history which I'll share as it becomes available.



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As you might imagine being an old race car and all she's gonna need some work. The engine has just recently been rebuilt so we're good there. New fuel cell, new radiator, and some other odds and ends and we'll go racin'....



The CVAR staff has assigned the car to Group 4, as a C Modified Sports Racer over 2000cc.
Group 4 has been my group since I began racin' and I'm glad to be staying with them. I expect the Devin Healey to be a bit faster than the Red Racer being considerably lighter at least that's the idea anyway.



The car is in route from New York to the DFW area with Pass-

port Transportation services and I hope to have it in my shop by the 15th of October which I'm very much looking forward to.

The anticipation is driving me nuts. I'd better get back to the shop and get to work.....where did I put that sparkplug wrench?"

Chris



MEMBERSHIP...

Well it's Fall, can you feel it? Any temperature cooler than 75 is considered a cold day here in North Texas especially when you want to get out the Healey and take a cool sunset ride around your town square. Have you ever done that and just beeped your horn and waved to everyone, it's fun and gets a smile on everyone's face.

It's that time of the year again for Club membership dues for 2017. Most of you are receiving your 2017 AHCA renewal invoice. There is no increase in dues, still \$70.00 which also includes dues to NTAHC. Please get your renewal to AHCA "ASAP" so that you continue to get all your Club benefits without any interruptions. If you're real late on getting your dues paid you won't be in the AHCA directory(for AHCA members).

For the "Local Only" members, please help us get the correct information for you. Take time to fill out 2017 membership form so that we can keep you informed and you won't miss out on any of the NTAHC exciting Club events.

BIG NOTE: Correct address for our club... NTAHC 2611 CR 531 Burleson, Texas 76028

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NTAHC has no way of knowing if you aren't receiving the Club's newsletter via email or News blasts unless you let us know, so please give me a call if you feel this is happening to you.

Barbie



NTAHC STUFF FOR SALE

Contact Barbie Bucy (817)480-4831 or visit club website" <u>WWW.NTAHC.ORG</u> for pictures. Send checks to NTAHC, 2611 CR 531, Burleson, TX 76028

NTAHC Shirts For Sale

North Texas Logo Embroidered on a quality cotton shirt with open neck collar.

Royal Blue (same as Blue Logo) \$20.00

Be sure to indicate size(s)

Medium, Large, X-Large, XX-Large

Healey Girl Picture

Leggy Blonde peers into the engine bay of a Big Healey, 8x10 color. Suitable for framing. So tasteful (no naughty bits showing) even your wife may approve. \$10.00 each.

2 for the amazing bargain of \$19.95

Sports Wrist Watch

Gold plated case and hands, black dial, white "Healey Wings" and numerals, with red "Austin Healey" script. Like the front badge on early cars. 1 year warranty. Satisfaction grudgingly given.

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MONTHLY TECH SESSIONS

Our Monthly Tech Sessions are not always attended by the "well heeled" but unless YOU attend you will never know what you're missing!

Show up about 9:30 am on the Second Saturday of each month for a morning of good company, coffee and donuts and lots of Healey tech stuff.



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NTAHC 2016 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR



2016

October

22-RoundUp 37 Meeting

November

12 - Tech Session

December

4— Christmas Party, Ted and Bonnie Glover10—Tech Session

2017

Texas Healey Round-Up 37

April 20th -23rd, 2017

Waco, Texas

(The 20th is "pre-event" date)

*** Please see Round-Up Registration page 9.



2017 (cont)

April 29, 2017 ABCDE, All British & European Car Show White Rock Lake. Dallas, TX



AUSTIN-HEALEY CLUB OF AMERICA CONCLAVE
July 9th—14th, 2017
Waco, Texas

September 11-15, 2017—Int'L Monterey Healey West (More info to follow on this event



https://youtu.be/mSRfJJs0S-

Please note that the dates may occasionally change and we will do an email blast to notify you if they do. Is your contact information up to date? Don't forget to check the website for the latest events postings!





TEXAS HEALEY ROUNDUP APRIL 20-23, 2017

Waco is the place to be in April next year!!

North Texas is Roundup 37 host.

Everyone by now should have received the flyer on the happenings at our Roundup. For those who arrive early there's a special reception and tour followed by dinner. Friday is a hospitality dinner at the hotel to give us time to "catch up" with old friends.

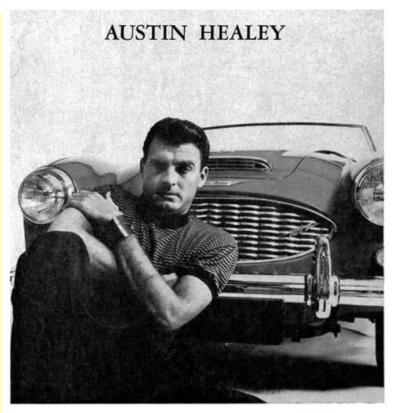
Saturday's **Car Show** will be *Wild*! **Cameron Park Zoo** meadow will be the location for the show and **BBQ Picnic Lunch**. The benefits of this event will go to the Zoo. The **Rally** through the "*Heart of Texas*" will start immediately after the Car Show from the zoo.

Sunday's **Gymkhana** at **Texas State Technical College**, former Airforce Airfield, should be a unique experience. If you have ever wondered how fast your Healey will go, then the ¼ **Mile Speed Run** is for you!! The proceeds from the day at the Airfield will go towards a scholarship, In Honor of Dick & Sue Soloman, two of the originators of Roundup.

We will conclude this fun-filled weekend with an awards luncheon.

Look forward to seeing you there,

Karen



\$2995 Port of Los Angeles

... For The Man In Command

Talk to the man in the Austin Healey. He's a real guy. "A man of parts," as Commander Whitehead might say. A gent with a flair for living, if you please.

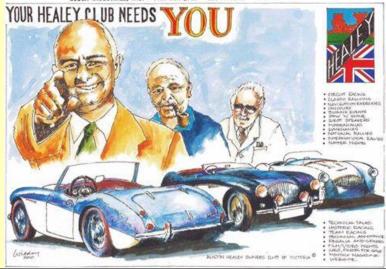
And live he does in his Austin Healey. A tromp on the loud-pedal and his AH hums to 60 in 11 seconds or so. That's performance.

You know, of course, that the AH holds more than 100 American and International records. In fact, every record in its class.

Pray, sir, when will you drive your Austin Healey?



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NTAHC'S "MEET IN THE MIDDLE" AT WACO, TEXAS

TEXAS HEALEY ROUNDUP 37

APRIL 21-23, 2016

EARLY ARRIVAL SPECIAL EVENT & DINNER THURSDAY APRIL 20TH

NAME:		ADDRESS:			
SPOUSE/GUEST:			CITY-STATE-ZIP:		
ADDITIONAL ADULTS:			PHONE: cell:		
CLUB AFFILIATION: AHCA:YesNo			EMAIL ADDRESS:		
I/We will Enter: CAR SHOW SPEED RUN			PICNIC LUNCH	RALLY	GYMKAHANA
REGISTRATION & MEALS	COST		QTY	TOTAL	YEAR AND MODEL OF: BIG HEALEY(S)
REGISTRATION INCLUDES				a hii i i i i	
REGISTRANT SPOUSE CHILDREN <10	\$80	Х			
Includes 1 patch & magnet, 2 people per car.					
LATE REGISTRATION (AFTER April 5TH)	\$105	Χ			
ADDITIONAL ADULT(S) OR CHILDREN >10	\$50	Χ			YEAR AND MODEL OF: SPRITE
ADDITIONAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION (Includes patch and car number)	\$50	х			
THURSDAY Event and Dinner	\$30	Х			
FRIDAY Number attending complimentary hospitality dinner	\$0	х			
SATURDAY CAR SHOW & BBQ PICNIC LUNCH	\$10	Х			
SELECT ONE PER PERSON:	THE I				YEAR AND MODEL OF:
CHOPPED BEEF CHOPPED PORK					MODIFIED(S)
ADDITIONAL BBQ PICNIC LUNCHS	\$15	Χ			
SATURDAY AWARDS DINNER PER ADULT	\$35	Х			
NUMBER OF CHILDREN <10 =					
SELECT ONE PER PERSON:	14013				
BEEF CHICKEN					
SUNDAY LUNCH BUFFETT	\$20	Χ			Make checks
QUARTER MILE SPEED RUN (2 RUNS)	\$15	Χ			payable to:
REGALIA	111111				NTAHC
POLO SHIRTS - FILL IN QUANTITY/COLOR					
NAVY (N) OR PINK(P) BELOW:				gallale Kill S	TEXAS HEALEY
S: M: L: XL: XXL:	\$35	Χ			ROUNDUP 37
ADDITIONAL LOGO PATCH	\$8	Χ			
HAT(S): NAVY OR BEIGE	\$25	Χ			

Accomadations for the Texas Healey Roundup 37 will be at the Courtyard by Marriott 101 Washington Ave. Waco, TX 76701. The special room rate of \$115 + taxes includes continental beakfast and free WI-FI. For hotel reservations call 254-752-8686 and tell them your are with the Austin-Healey Texas Roundup 37. Rate held until March 30, 2017

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Texas Healey RoundUp 37 Update



Just like the State Fair of Texas has a countdown till it starts, so does RoundUp and the countdown is on.

You have 186 days til the fun begins!

First on a check off List is get your Registration in to us so we know you are coming!

For all of you that have never been to RoundUp this is a Fun event to meet other Austin Healey owners just like you, your friends List will increase and you will want to come again and again!

Time to put on Santa's Wish List that great car wax you have always been wanting for your Healey to shine at the Cameron Park Zoo. Shiniest car might win the Show!

Check those tires so that the driving Rally is a pleasant drive to a cool venue.

Get in a little parking lot gymkhana practice for the event, Ladies we need you!

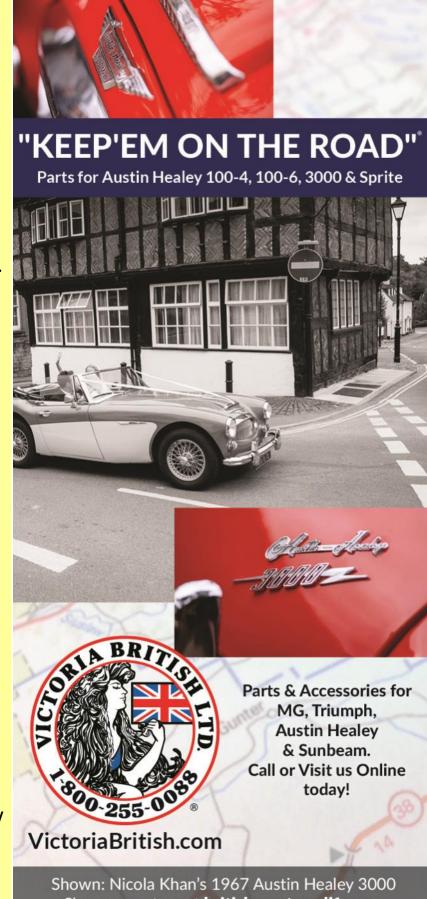
Guys and Gals, is your Healey tip top tuned and ready for the ultimate speedrun your Healey has ever experienced!

We are asking for all our NTAHC members help with RoundUp. Thanks to the members who have already offered your help. It will be greatly appreciated at RoundUp!

If any member is interested in a sponsorship please contact us.

Barbie





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For the BJ8 Healey-restored to as new condition. Will sell outright for \$750.00 the pair or on an exchange basis for \$525.00 the pair plus a good pair of cores.

Photos available on request.

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PARTS NEEDED FOR 100-4

- * 2 Distributors 1) DM2P4 (any 100-4) 1) 25D Most mid '60's cars
- Need not be working but need to be complete.
- 1 Distributor drive
- 1 oil Pan
- 1 Front bumper (most any condition)
- Front & Rear Bumper Over Riders (any condition)
- 2 Windshield Fold Down hrdw (both sides, any condition)
- LH & RH Deck id Hinges in real good shape
- 1 48 Spoke Wire Wheel
- 1 Heater Assembly (round)
- 2 Side Curtains
- 2 Seats or Seat Frames (left & right)
- 1 Turn Signal/Horn Head for fixed steering wheel.
- 1 Transmission Tunnel Cover
- 2 Horns (high and low note).
- Ash Tray.
- 1 Rear View Mirror (Dash).
- 1 Tools and Bag
- 1 Jack and Bag (Shelley 12DL 1995)

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