

NTAHC Christmas Party

2013

North Texas Austin Healey Club

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Team Healey Texas Musings from the Paddock....by Chris Kellner

The 2013 racing season has finished, the holidays have come and gone....geeze what a finish to a great year....First there was the SVRA National Championships at CoTA in October. Tom Taff, Larry Revburn and I got set up at the track in a fantastic paddock tent location, thanks Larry and Jacky. Larry ran well all weekend, Tom and I changed the Porsche transmission for the longer straights, man does that little 914-6 go. The little Red racer was cantankerous...in the 2nd session the distributor Condensor failed and we came in on the tow rope, and in the 4th session, the actual race, she lost fuel pressure from BOTH pumps and we limped into the pits, our race over. The track is long, fast, and smooth as a billiard table. For the first time since I started racing the little Red racer I actually ran out of legs at a track. The back straight seemed to go on forever. The weekend provided great camaraderie and a fantastic venue for racing, WOW!! Then in November I went to Road Atlanta to attend the Skip Barber advanced racing school. What a track and when you're driving someone else's race car "drive it like you stole it". We got a lot of track time in their Mazda MX5's and my lap times consistently improved. Let me tell you there are blind corners and there are blind corners. At Road Atlanta you go up the hill, from turn 10a/10b under the bridge toward turn 11 you cannot see the track ahead so you point the car at a window in a building on the other side of the track then you drop straight down, maybe 80 to 100 feet of elevation change then hard right onto the straight. You've got to put the car just right or its long way off into the woods, Jeesh! I can't wait to do another racing school...maybe Laguna Seca next time??

Our final event for 2013 was at Texas World Speedway (TWS). It was late this year, in early December. We weren't sure about the weather at that late date in the year and we got a handful. Rain, so bad the track was closed on Saturday afternoon,

temperatures in the 30's, and yet the racing was very good. I learned that the little Red racer REALLY likes cold dense air, she ran fantastically. Again, lots of fun, good folks, food and the little Red racer got a class win for the year. She really liked that. So were off to the races for 2014.....Now, where did I put that sparkplug wrench??



Road Atlanta Track



TEAM HEALEY TEXAS Chris Kellner



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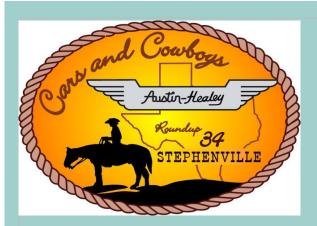
http://www.teamhealeytexas.com/





www.healeysurgeons.com

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TEXAS HEALEY ROUNDUP

APRIL 4-6, 2014

The "Cowboy Capitol of the World", Stephenville, Texas is the site of Texas Healey Roundup 34. Stephenville is located on US 67, 63 miles southwest of Fort Worth.

This year we are encouraging people to come in Thursday night so that they might participate in two new events on Friday – a tea for the ladies and tech sessions for the car buffs. We have a block of rooms at the Holiday Inn Express and additional rooms next door at their sister property, a LaQuinta Inn. We also have the exclusive use of a large meeting room for the event and we will have enough food Friday evening so that it won't be necessary to go out for dinner. This should be popular with those who have driven a long distance.

On Saturday Popularity Judging will be held around the Erath County Courthouse on the town square. After lunch the Rally will start at the hotel and end at the Gymkhana site. A set of timing lights is being purchased for use at this and future Roundups. Dinner will be at a local country club followed by desert, hospitality and fellowship back at the Holiday Inn Express.

Sunday morning we will return to the country club for brunch and awards prior to departure.

Entry forms will be available on our new Roundup web site – <u>www.texashealeyroundup.org</u>. This web site will be made available for use by future Roundups. On line registration by credit card will be available thru PayPal. The site will be up and running by February 1.

We can use help for a number of jobs to be done during the weekend.

Please call me to volunteer at (817)447-0429. Bob Gilleland, Chairman

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THE PRESIDENTS CORNER

by Patrick Yoas

Christmas Party

Wow, what a way to end the year with a super Christmas Party and beautiful Healey weather!

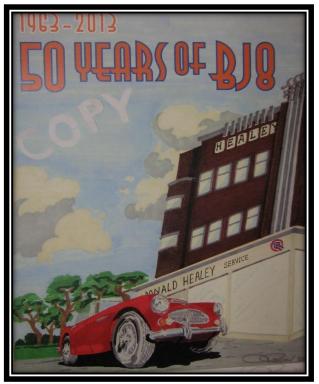


A special thanks the Kris and Bob O'Neil for hosting this year's party at their beautiful house and a fantastic food and drink spread. Those of you who missed the Christmas Party this year really missed a good one and the setting with the outside fire pit was an extra treat too. Not many folks drove their Healey this year but Bob made up for the lack of Healey's with his current 100 project on display in his garage Bodywork was looking really good and his garage was "clean room" clean.

Planning Session

We just had our Planning Session Meeting and the Autorama is officially "out". We all agreed that it no longer is a viable event and the exposure for our club isn't what it was several years ago. We are replacing it with the Cooper Clinic "Car Show in the Park" which falls in June. I haven't received anything from the event producer about the show but we'll keep you informed as we find out details. In 2013 it was the first part of June and if that's the case this year then it won't interfere with the two large National events. We will most likely have a "club section" and that will be even better.

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Posters commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the BJ8 model.

The poster depicts a late model BJ8 in the foreground with the Warwick Theatre used by Donald Healey as a showroom in the background. The poster measures 11" by 14" with a 1/4" border all around and is suitable for framing. We have received a limited number of the posters, 10 in total, all numbered and signed For Sale to club members at \$20.00 plus shipping.

Contact Pat Yoas for info.





The Carolina Austin-Healey Club announces that the 2014 Conclave will be held at THE HOMESTEAD in Hot Springs, Virginia June 15th - 10th, 2014

Registrations now being taken: <u>http://www.homesteadconclave2014.com/</u>



The Great Hall

The New Water Park





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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR 2014

January		July		
Thirsty Thursdays	January 30	Tech Session	July 12	
		Pool Party	July 19	
February		Thirsty Thursdays	July 31	
Tech Session (Esterline's)	February 8			
Thirsty Thursdays	February 27	August		
		Tech Session	August 9	
March		Driving Tour	August 16 or 23	
Tech Session	March 8	Thirsty Thursdays	August 28	
Pub Crawl	March 16			
Thirsty Thursdays	March 20	September		
		Train Ride	September 6	
April		Tech Session (Gilleland's)	September 13	
Texas Healey Roundup - Steph	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Thirsty Thursdays	September 25	
Tech Session	April 12			
Thirsty Thursdays	March 24	October		
		Tech Session	October 11	
Мау		Drive	October 18 - 19	
Tech Session	May 10	Thirsty Thursdays	October 23	
Thirsty Thursdays	May 22			
Whiterock British Car Day	Date to follow	November		
		AHCA Fall Delegates Meeting	November 7-9	
June		(Plainfield, IN)		
Cooper "Car Show in the Park"	early June	Tech Session	November 8	
Tech Session	June 14	Drive - Horse Country Revisited		
Thirsty Thursdays	June 26	Thirsty Thursdays	November 20	
Conclave - AHCA				
Hot Springs, VA	June 15 – 20	December		
		Christmas Party	December 7	
Healey Rendezvous- AHC-USA	June 23 - 27	Tech Session	December 13	

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THE PRESIDENTS CORNER By: Patrick Yoas

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Planning Session (cont'd)

We will most likely have a "club section" and that will be even better. We talked about how we can "decorate" outside under the trees space with the tent structures as well as a food spread, etc. The other 3 clubs have banners with their clubs name and logo as well as their car's logos.

We definitely want to make a good club impression at this event since it's high class and organized well. We will be getting a volunteer to work with Hilary to make this one of our best attended and enjoyable events we have this year.

Road Trips

Since we haven't had any out of town overnight road trips in a long time other than the Round Up we discussed the idea of doing a trip or two like we did several years ago. More on this as we continue down trail in 2014. If you have a favorite Road trip that you would like to do or had done in the past please contact Hilary and let her know.

Round Up

Round Up Chairman, Bob Gilleland, reported that things are moving along nicely with the Round Up planning. Please see his column in the Newsletter.

Web Master

After several years of maintaining the website Tim Moran has decided to take a much needed break and will continue through the end of the year or if we find another volunteer he'll turn over the web site to that person sooner. Tim maintains about 4 or 5 web sites and as you can imagine it takes a significant amount of his time and everyone will agree he has done a great job with our clubs web site. **Thank you Tim!!**

Until next time...see you on the trail.

Pat



TECH TIP

We are another year older. If you are reading this then you are still alive. **YGAH** 1

As I get older ...so do my eyes. One thing that I find difficult is seeing clean oil on a dip stick. After I change oil in a engine or transmission I can not tell where the level is on the stick. The oil is so clear and the stick so shinny I never can tell if I need to add or if I have overfilled it.

Here is a trick I learned that helps me get it right. Take your dip stick and clean it off with carb cleaner. Get a can of flat black spray paint. Spray a light coat on your dipstick at the marks. Let dry and insert back in the engine or transmission. Pull it out and be happy you can now see the contrast. WORKS EVERYTIME....



Now go change your oil... OR For the next 30 days we are giving you a FREE oil change in your old British Car.

That is right.... <mark>" FREE"</mark>

You pay for the oil and filter and we will do the labor for

NO CHARGE!

It is our way to help you out in theses economic times. Just give us a call to make a appointment. 1-336-852-8909 This offer is good til February 17th

HAPPY NEW YEAR !

UNTIL THEN...REMEMBER THIS .. To understand others is to have knowledge; To understand oneself is to be illuminated. To conquer others needs strength; To conquer oneself is harder still. To be content with what one has is to be rich.

From the book : The Way and Its Power, by Aurther Waley Written in 1934 , London , England A quote from the : The Ching



http://www.hendrixwirewheel.com/

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Austin Healey 2014 Rendezvous

June 23 thru 27, 2014 – The Austin-Healey Club of Oregon is putting on a big party! The 2014 Rendezvous will be held at the Riverhouse Hotel in Bend, Oregon from Monday, June 23 to Friday, June 27. Please call for room reservations now! Call 855-387-3443 and reference the Austin-Healey Rendezvous. Room rates are \$129 plus tax for a River View and \$119 plus tax for a Non-River View.

The theme is Mardi Gras for the Monday night buffet (mask night) and the Thursday night Awards Banquet (hat night). Tuesday is the car show and lunch at Fort Rock Park in Sunriver. Wednesday is filled with Tech Sessions and Tours and an auction in the evening. Thursday has Fun Day Activities followed by the Awards Banquet. We depart for home on Friday.

Rendezvous 2014 Registration and Regalia forms are also available at the Austin Healey Club of Oregon's web site, <u>www.healey-oregon.org</u>

Put your top down and head for Oregon! Bend promises sunshine!. If there are any Question please contact Gary Jackson at 541-923-9766 evenings, or email to grjackson2@bendbroadband.com.

REMEMBER! Always check the website: <u>http://www.ntahc.org/</u> for the latest updates & corrections, ommisions or mistakes I made 'cause I wasn't paying 'nough attention!



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MONTHLY TECH SESSIONS

Tech sessions are normally held at Dick Solomon's home on the second Saturday of each month.

Show up about 9:30 am for a morning of good company, coffee and Donuts and lots of Healey tech stuff.

If you have tech stuff to share or to be worked on , bring it! For current location please check website!

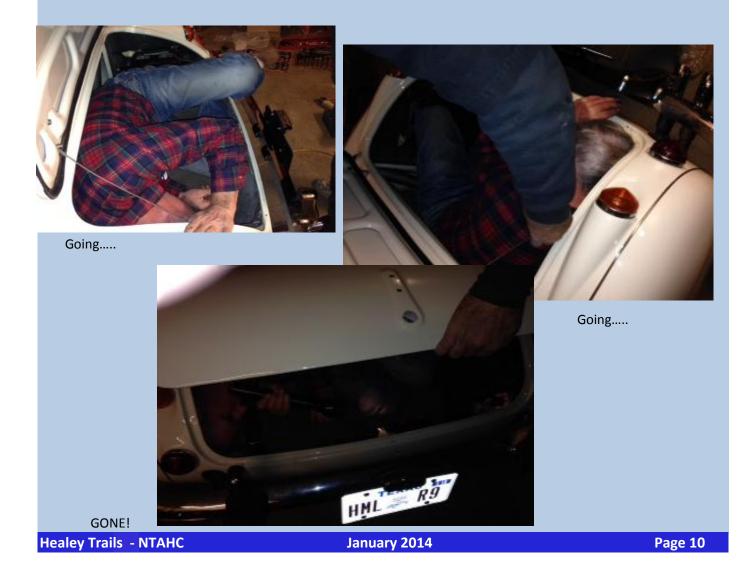


Going....Going.....Gone!

... or Trunk latch adjusting made easy.

After Bob received his Healey back from the paint & body shop he was tasked with putting all the trim bits back on the car. With the assistance of Bret Blades and occasional help from me he made great progress until the time came to install and adjust that dreaded "trunk handle latch". Anyone who has done this knows that it's a real challenge and can be very frustrating getting it right. I went to see Bob on another issue and while there he was with Bret Blades trying to get it adjusted and I could tell it was not cooperating. It seemed as though the easiest was to adjust the locking portion was from inside the trunk and so with the gas tank still installed Bob climbs into the trunk with flashlight(and extra batteries) and tools. Note the photo captions of "going, going, gone". The trunk lid then is shut tight and Bob with tools and flashlight goes to work. Within a very short time Bob had the latch adjusted so it would lock and unlock with the trunk handle as it should. Bret reluctantly(IMHO), opened the trunk for Bob to climb out and after seeing the look on Bob's face you knew he was glad that job was done.

With Bob's newly aquired specialty of "Trunk latch adjusting skills 101" you know who to go to to adjust



SHOW ME THE ZINC

By Len Thomas

During a conversation with Bob Wagner, owner of Wagner Motor Sports in Atlanta, the question about zinc levels in oils came up.

I told him that I have been using Valvoline 20W-50 VR1 (racing oil) in five of my seven British cars for the past 15 or more years with no problems. Then I said "on the last Healey engine rebuild I added a zinc additive to the VR1 just for GP".

He said he has been using racing break-in oil with high levels of zinc on all of his race engine rebuilds and a mix of racing break-in oil and conventional oil on street engines with great success. He also said he was told by his race oil supplier about the problem that was found by using the additive. The additives are not working because the new detergent oils do not allow foreign matter to stick to engine parts. Zinc being a foreign matter is held in suspension and is not allowed to stick to surfaces such as the lifters and cam lobs. Bob and I agreed this sounded reasonable but was it true..... we didn't know.

Since then I have talked with members of the Ford flat head club, a hot rod buddy, representative from Joe Gibbs Oil and just recently Brad Penn Oil and they have all confirmed what Bob Wagner had said. From what I have been told the above oil companies have run tests that show zinc additives added to conventional oils offer little to no protection.

In my opinion, I would suggest is that engines **with 10K miles** or more should use either Valvoline racing oil or oil from one of the above manufactures or check with Summit racing for other choices. **New engines** need the protection of break-in oil with high levels of zinc period. Excellent choice is Brad Penn, Joe Gibbs or one of the oils offered at Summit Racing.

Valvoline Racing Oil can be bought at most auto parts stores. Summit Racing has several oils available, check their web site. Joe Gibbs Oils are available at Will's Machine Shop in Doraville, GA. Brad Penn is available at a <u>special discount price</u> to Antique and Hot Rod Club members (by the case of 12) at RW Davis Oil Co., 4383 Lilburn Ind. Way, Lilburn, GA ph 770.923.4411.

If you are not a believer in the need for zinc, let me tell you a little story. I tore down a Healey engine with less than 10K miles on the engine that had only been run on Mobile One 15W-50. I found that the lifters had started to deteriorate (pit)..... No zinc. I also found other problems that could fill a book about Machine Shop Nightmares.

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Financial Report for 2013

Balance 1-1-2013

\$1,275.12

Expenses	
Newsletter Jan-Mar	\$208.20
Autorama	\$423.41
Tech Sessions	\$108.46
Swim party	\$165.22
Postage, copying, misc office	\$118.32
Regalia	\$281.18
Delegates meeting – November	\$294.77
Newsletter – email version	\$75.00
Christmas party	\$136.66
Total expenses Jan 1- Dec 31, 2013	\$1,811.22
Income	
Renewals – for 2013	\$760.00
Renewals – for 2014	\$280.00
Regalia Sales	\$193.75
Overpaid dues to be refunded members	\$35.00
AHCA dues paid thru NTAHC	\$350.00
Total Income	\$1,618.75

Balance 12-31-2013

\$1,082.75

Submitted by:

Ed Reiss, Treasurer





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From the Driver's Side

Article courtesy of the Bluegrass Austin Healey Clubs Delegate, Mike Schneider.

On the second weekend in November the AHCA officers and delegates gathered in Indianapolis for the Fall Delegates Meeting. This was another very productive meeting. The meeting started off with remarks from Gary Brierton. Anne Johnson was not able to attend the meeting due to an illness, but Edie Lowery filled in for her.

The club reports followed the usual pattern. Most of the clubs have tens of thousands of dollars in the checking accounts. Some of the more notable topics included three clubs changing their bylaws to allow for AHCA members only. This is something we passed in 1992. The problem at the national level is that about 23 clubs still allow a member to join the local club but not be a member of the AHCA. The insurance for the AHCA still covers the local only member. Thus the local only member is costing the AHCA a proportional amount for the insurance coverage. At the last fall delegates meeting a vote was taken to require clubs that have local only members to pay the AHCA \$5.00 per local only member to help cover the cost of the insurance that the local only member benefits from. Gary Feldman and Gary Brierton made a concerted effort this past year to contact each club that had local only members and collect the local only assessment. The success of their efforts was very impressive.

The Miami Valley Club reported that they participated in a Leukemia/Lymphoma event in which they gave rides in their Healeys to those afflicted with the diseases. The reaction to that effort was similar to what John Nikas experiences in his efforts with Grace. It was a tremendous success. Oregon AHC donated \$2000 to a scholarship fund that trains automotive mechanics. Bev Sealand also commented that the scholarship from the DMH fund that is presented to a student in England that is studying to be an automotive worker was presented this past May. Both the parents and student were in attendance and were extremely excited about the gift.

Bev Sealand passed out a current budget status report. At this point we are about \$11,000 under budget. Projecting the expected expenses yet to be incurred we will still likely come in slightly under budget for 2013.

Reid Trummel reported on the status of the Marque production. The production for the Marque came in on budget and he proposed the same budget for next year. Jamie Daggett is taking over the activities calendar in the Marque.

Don Klein discussed SEMA and safety. One of the points he discussed was the increasing incidents of stress cracks in the Healey frames. Don encouraged owners to get their Healey on a lift every few years to examine it for stress cracks. He also mentioned that he suggests you get new tires every five years no matter how much tread is still on the tire.

Jo Switzer introduced Roger Hamel for his report on Conclave 2013. Some of the statistics for the conclave were 202 registered, 190 actually attended, 35% were from Canada, John and Vicki Chatham and John Nikas attended as dignitaries. Baird Foster presented an impressive talk on the life of DMH. One of the unique offerings at this conclave was an organ concert. The organist is a world renowned organist and the presentation was very impressive. Conclave 2013 produced a profit that allowed Roger to present to Bev a check for a little over \$6,800.

Carl Brown discussed 2014 Conclave in Virginia. He has 50 registrations at this point. The projected cost per room is around \$180-190 per night.

Peter Sturtevant talked on the joint meet between the Sports and Touring AHC and the AHCA. Sports and Touring have an annual meet called Encounter. AHCA has an annual meet called Conclave. Thus this meet will be called Enclave. Pretty clever. This Enclave will be in Gettysburg, PA July 19 to July 25, 2015. The theme for the Enclave will be "Healeys on Hallowed Ground". The host hotel is the Wyndham Hotel in Gettysburg at the rate of \$125 per night plus tax.

John Jacobs along with help from dad Jake Jacobs presented the plans for Conclave 2016 in Northern Kentucky. The host hotel is the Marriott near the airport. \$99 room fee plus tax. Banquet will be \$30.00 or less. John stressed they are working very hard to keep the costs down. The car show will have a coral for non Healeys to be displayed.

David Nock made a presentation for Conclave 2017. The current plan is to go to Lake Tahoe as we did in 2002. Probably use a different hotel. The possible date would be one of the two middle weeks in September of 2017. David's presentation was informational only. He made the presentation to assess the interest in this concept.

Ben Moore presented ideas for club promotion. Ben was up to his usual standards. He had so many slides I couldn't take notes fast enough to cover it all. He did show a revised AHCA logo that was done in a 3d format. It looked good. Ben talked about recruiting new members and retention of the existing membership. The audience for this campaign is three tiered, current members, non member Healey owners and potential Healey owners. The promotional effort would extol the value of membership, expertise available, resources for parts, events and social activities. He then posed a series of rhetorical questions. What is the AHCA brand? Why is that important? Who do we partner with? How is our logo used in the marketplace? His answer to those, even though they seemed rhetorical, was to develop a new look and feel, new post cards for promotional purposes, express new voice with new direction and to develop a new website. The website is our front door to the world. Plans to develop an online presence in the form of Facebook, Youtube Channel etc. He is going to be working on additional efforts with local club's membership directors for marketing to members, developing new surveys, providing marketing packets for local clubs. All of the promotional material will utilize the website url and QR c codes to reach the younger audience.

Robbie Cook is the current advertising manager for the AHCA. Robbie's business has grown so fast that he doesn't have adequate time to devote to the advertising effort and as such the club is in search of a replacement for advertising manager.

Carl Brown discussed the website. He is focused on implementing website updates along with membership data access on the website. In the members only section Carl is planning on providing the ability to search the data by club or state or city. The data will not be downloadable. Regalia is not currently available on the website as John Eslinger, current regalia chairman, had a serious accident in September and is not able to work on the regalia management. (John has asked to be replaced as regalia chairman)

Gary Feldman discussed a number of ideas for local club retention. Gary and Ben have been working together to develop some of the retention programs. Gary is developing a new promotional post card. Ben will make sure that post card is available on the web site as a downloadable pdf. Gary reviewed the local only success from 2013.

Fred Dabney reviewed our insurance status. There is nothing but good news on this front. The insurance premium will remain the same for 2014 and the coverage will stay the same. In addition to that tidbit of good news we had no incidents this past year.

Bruce Gearns is our liaison to the Concour Committee. The Concour Committee is not affiliated with any specific Healey club. It is a standalone organization that the AHCA promotes and interacts with. Bruce reported that during 2013 the typical number of inspections occurred. The bad news from the Concour Committee is that Roger Moment wishes to retire. Roger is a tremendous resource in this area. Replacing Roger will be a monumental job. The other topic du jour was consideration for a new class that might be called a Survivor or Preservation Class. One of the big roadblocks in getting this class established is how to establish the scoring for this class. This class would be for Healeys that have not been restored but wish to participate in the Concour program for evaluation. (obviously that will be a shrinking class over time)

Elliot Flaws is our Future 50 chairman. Elliot talked about emphasizing local club participation. Elliot can help from the national level but there needs to be a local Future 50 chairperson in each club. Elliot will work on making sure promotional products will be available online. He is thinking of things like the spotters guide, coloring books, guides for youth to participate in gymkhana and funkhana etc.

Bonnie Ayer is the chairperson for the AHCA Driving Awards. There will be a few changes coming in the near future. There will no longer be a fee for receiving a driving award. The person earning a specific designation will be able to go online to the club's website and choose a shirt or jacket etc. Gary Brierton will be taking over the chair for this effort.

Merger- Gary Brierton reported that there has been no progress on that effort. One aspect he is working on is to coordinate the dates for national meets of the several national clubs.

Multiple Club tracking-Gary Brierton gave an update on this effort. After much discussion during the officers meeting it was decided that this effort is not feasible. As such this is no longer being considered.

Arkansas Meet-Each year in the spring a group in Arkansas holds an all British Car Meet. During this meet a grouping of events is held that allows for competition amongst the clubs attending that are representing the various marques. The winning club receives an impressive trophy. Gary and his AHCA crew won the challenge event last year. He wants to win it again. Some of the events include a car show, lawn bowling, golf etc. He is looking for volunteers to attend next spring.

Edie Anderson-Edie has been working on creating a delegates guide book. It is finally complete. This book will give the delegate a guideline of what is expected and required from a delegate as well as a reference resource for the delegate. It will have a compendium of all of the rules and laws passed by the delegates since the first meeting. It took Edie almost two years to develop this compendium.

Hall of Fame-Ben had the idea of creating a Hall of Fame. This would be a way of recognizing people that have contributed to the preservation of the marque and/or the AHCA. After a lengthy discussion it was tabled as the lifetime and honorary recognitions seem to accomplish the same thing.

A new AHCA affiliated club was unanimously voted in. Gary Feldman has been working with Healey owners in South Carolina in an effort to establish a club and affiliate with the AHCA. Their initial membership is a little over a dozen members. Roger Hamel also notified the delegates that a group of Healey owners in North Eastern Canada is also working on club formation. There are also about a dozen Healey owners in that area that are working on this. Most of those owners are not members of the AHCA. The delegates voted to hold the next fall delegates meeting on November 7,8,9, 2014 at the same hotel in Indy.

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Bev Sealand presented a proposed budget for 2014 that allowed for about a \$3,000.00 positive cash flow. In other words projected expenses will be about \$3,000 less than projected income. In that budget is included \$10,000 for a new website and related expenses. Also, as a result of a lot of research and as a result of much discussion by the work groups at the delegates meeting we were able to drop the budget for the membership directory from \$16,500 in 2012 to \$7,500 for 2014.

The nominating committee presented a slate of officers that included Fred Dabney for the incoming president. All other elected position remained the same from 2013. The vote by the delegates was unanimous.

Gary Brierton was nominated for a lifetime membership in the AHCA as a thank you for his dedication to the AHCA and work in preserving and promoting the Healey marque. The vote was unanimous. Also garnering a unanimous vote were the following for an honorary membership: Roger Hamel, Claude Jauron, Charlie Moshell, John Eslinger and John Jones. An honorary membership is a one year free membership in the AHCA.

This turned out to be one of the more productive delegates meetings we have had in a long time. There were a number of new delegates attending this meeting, which might have meant that many fewer people raising their hands to dig into topics. The group dynamics issue comes into play here. When a person is new to a group that is large and experienced they will tend to sit back and observe before they jump in and start participating. All of the new delegates are Healey knowledgeable and will no doubt in time be contributing delegates. It usually takes several years before a new delegate is comfortable in getting involved. In contrast to that Ben has jumped in full blast right from the beginning as a new officer in the AHCA. He is doing an excellent job and representing the Bluegrass Club in the highest standard possible.

To sum up the open appointed positions in the AHCA for the year 2014:

Commercial Ad Manager Regalia Healey Chatter-editor for club newsletter reports that is listed in the Marque Tech Editor for the Marque Non AHCA -replacement for Roger Moment in the Concour Committee

The appointed chairs that have been recently filled: A new back issues chairman: Peter Borrone A new Events coordinator: Jamie Daggett

Mike's Sprite

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Hope to see you at the general membership meeting.

Mike Schneider

Official Minutes to be released at a later date

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