

# Healey Exhaust Notes

The official newsletter of the New England Region of the Austin-Healey Club of America Serving the following areas NY, CT, MA, RI, VT, NH, ME & Northern NJ

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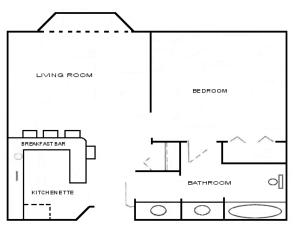
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### From the President:

We had our third monthly business meeting this past weekend and even though it was lightly attended, we were able to get a lot of the details for the Summit 2010 meet settled. We already have a dozen registrations for the meet and hopefully by the end of this month we have four times that many. We have included the preliminary schedule of events for the meet in this news letter along with the registration form. Please remember you must register and receive your registration number to get the club rate for the rooms. Speaking of the rooms, I should mention they are a one bedroom condo with a small kitchen/eating area and a small living room. This layout is ideal for families with young children (or grandchildren). To encourage families, my youngest daughter who is actively raising college spending money for sophomore year, has offered babysitting services for the Friday night barbeque and Saturday night banquet.



Suite Floor Plan

As you can see from the schedule, we have left some open free time each day to give participants time to relax by the heated outdoor pool, soak in the indoor or outdoor hot tub, workout in the fitness center, hike the mountain up to the windmill, go mountain biking, hurtle down the mountain on the Alpine Super Slide, or Mountain Coaster, or try out other activities in the Mountain Adventure Park. We will also offer some self guided tour suggestions to local attractions that might not be covered in the road rally.

<u>Important:</u> We are still taking ideas for single day weekend events to add to the calendar of events for the year especially in July and August. Send in your event details and we will get them on the calendar.

Safe journey, Bill Berg

# **2010 Tentative List of Events**

**Event** Contact **Date** 

**Spring Tune-up/New Members Meet** Don & Carole Paye April 24

> Buckland, MA 413-625-6568

(Shelburne Falls) RSVP by: Tuesday April 20, 2010

**Newcomers' Meet/Spring tune up** Peter Sturtevant May 8

> Mansfield, MA 508-339-1582

RSVP by: Thursday, May 6, 2010

May 21-23 Carlisle Import and Kit/Replicar Denny Broughel / Bob Bender

Carlisle PA 518-663-8879/413-684-3934

June 6 British By the Sea, Dave Barton

> Harkness Park/Waterford CT 860-658-7147

June 11 -13 Montreal F-1 Weekend Quebec AHC

June 17-20 **Summit 2101 Jiminy Peak** New England AHCA

> Hancock MA 802-442-2777

July 11-16 Conclave 2010 Galena, IL Midwest Region AHCA

August Tentative.....Train Ride on Cape Cod Steve Bell

September 2-5 **Lime Rock Park Vintage Fall Festival** 

Lime Rock Park, CT

September 17-19 **British Invasion** Richard (Piggy)Pignatello

> 802-496-5097 Stowe VT

December 4 **Christmas Party** Betty Bender

> Sturbridge, MA 413-684-3934

### **SUMMIT 2010 Schedule of Events**

Thursday: 2-5pm Registration/Check-in Saturday: 8-11am Auto Events 6-8pm Dinner on your own 11am-12 Tech Session

8-9 Welcome Meeting/Hospitality Suite 12-2pm Self Guided Lunch Tour

> 2-5pm Car Show 5-6pm Free Time

6-7pm Social Hour/Appetizers/Cash Bar Friday: 8-9am Breakfast on your own

7-10pm Awards Banquet/Raffle Drawing 9-2pm Road Rallye 2-5pm Self Guided Tours/

Sunday: Check out **Jiminy Peak Events** 

6-7 pm Social Hour/Appetizers/Cash Bar

7-9 pm BBQ/Rallye Awards

# "WESTERN MASS NEW MEMBERS MEET/SPRING TUNE UP"

Saturday—April 24, 2010 9 AM until "?"

At the home of Don and Carole Paye 24 Conway Road Shelburne Falls, MA (Note: If you use GPS enter Buckland, MA)

This will be a low key day of fellowship, car talk, sight seeing and an opportunity to get a good look at the underside of your Healey!

Shelburne Falls is a lovely village with a variety of shops, the famous Bridge of Flowers and glacial Pot Holes, all of which are only one mile away.

Don's new, two post lift will be available for a quick look at the underside of your Healey to tighten up any loose nuts and bolts. There will be plenty of folks on hand to offer technical advise. Please limit your activity to minor repairs or oil changes. Bring your own supplies and containers for used motor oil. Tools and other equipment will be on hand.

Transportation to the village will be provided for those interested in browsing and shopping. Coffee and pastries provided along with lunch and beverages. Further details to follow.

Shelburne Falls is located on Route 2 (the Mohawk Trail) about 8 miles west of the I-91 Exit 26 Rotary. Traveling West on Rt. 2-turn left onto Rt.2A just after the Mass. State Police Barracks. Follow Rt 2A through the center of the village and cross over the Deerfield River. At the end of bridge (stop sign) turn left and keep bearing left along the river on Conway "Street". At stop sign, turn right onto Summer St. which then becomes South St. Continue up the hill over the RR tracks where Conway "Road" begins. We are the fourth driveway on the right.

RSVP by April 20 please— 413-625-6568 dpaye@crocker.com

# AHCA Eastern MA/RI Region – "Newcomers meet" Saturday, May 8th 10 AM to 3 PM

10 Cedar Ridge Lane Mansfield, MA 02048 508 339 1582

Ever wish you could inspect under your Healey without crawling on the ground? Want to adjust your brakes without jacking up the car and using jack stands? Do you have a nagging problem with your Healey, and would like some advice from knowledgeable "experts" in the area?

Here is your chance to get your Healey ready for the summer driving adventures. Pete and Cindy Sturtevant will host the "Newcomers meet" and provide the facilities of a four bay workshop. The workshop is complete with a four corner post drive on lift, a scissor lift for suspension work, Compressor with air tools, and a full array of hand and power tools.

Starting around noon we will have a Tulip Rally through the back roads of Southeastern Massachusetts, ending with lunch at Surly Johnson Sports Grille in Raynham, for Fish & Chips with Healey videos and British 60's music.

# Please RSVP your attendance to Pete at: <a href="healeybn4@comcast.net">healeybn4@comcast.net</a> or call 508 509 5517 by May 6th

Directions: From Route 495, take exit 10, Route 123 East (E. Main St.) towards Easton. Approximately, 1 mile from the exit, take your first left onto Newland St. Follow Newland St. for 1.3 miles, and take an immediate left, at the Mansfield town line, to Cedar Ridge Lane. We are the second house on the left, number 10.

### Appraisal Tech Session By Bob Abbott

When we think of "tech sessions", many of us imagine another discussion about bustin' our knuckles or getin' grease under our fingernails. But Dave Altman thinks outside the box. He thought - "The guy next door is an appraiser. He tells me things about car appraisals that I didn't know. I know a lot of car-guys who should know this stuff. I've got a great space for a gathering. I wonder if they will come"

And come they did! Over forty car-guys showed up at Dave's on Saturday to learn what Dave has found out about car appraisals. And judging by the many thoughtful questions and comments, they all learned a lot. This was a duel club meet with the 356 Registry (Porsche) and the AHCA New England car clubs attending. Having two groups with like objectives was a great idea. It gave us all a new perspective and new people to meet and talk with. Amazing to realize that the "Krouts" and the "Limies" are both good people and can get along.

Tom Mannetta, of Auto Appraisal Network, conducted an informative discussion about his work and the benefits to the car owners of this service. And the question and answer portion of the meeting brought out many pointsew that we all were surprised to learn. Thanks to Tom (and his wife) for a great discussion (and a fine coffee and pastry spread). Tom even kicked in two free appraisals to the lucky winners, one for a Porsche and one for a Healey - just to keep both groups even.

Afterwards, Dave opened his building for those who wanted to ogle some of the cars he owns or stores and to see some of the restoration projects going on "under the mezzanine" by British Car R & R (See ad on page 6). Being car-guys, its always good to have some time for shop talk.

So thank you Tom, for sharing your knowledge and insight, And thank you Dave, for the space and for thinking outside the box. It was perfect timing to get guys out of the house on a Saturday and give them the chance to learn

something new.







# **British By The Sea**

Sunday June 6, 2010
Harkness Memorial State Park
Waterford CT

For more information go to

www.ctmgclub.com

Photos of former events are under

"photos" Email

MGTD52@comcast.net

or call Stephen Wincze 1- 860-285-9355(w) 1-860---693-4249(h) "Those were the days my friend!
We thought they'd never end....."
Do you remember where or when????
Our New England Healey Girls



# **Donovan's Tech Session**

On March 6<sup>th</sup>, a group of club members from CT, MA, VT, NY and RI shook off the winter doldrums and gathered at Donovan Motorcar Service in Lenox MA for the first tech session of the season. Though most of us arrived in our safe and somewhat boring BJ-9s there were a couple of vehicles of note: John Wood and his friend Doug Crane pulled up in Johns pristine (NOT) 1960-something Landrover looking more road weary than a Middle East HumVee (but running superbly), and Dr. Gene Markowski Traveled from Suffield CT in his BJ-8 with the top down!

After looking (drooling) over the cars in his showroom (world famous race Jaguar, Corvette, 289 Cobra...even a Cord!) we accompanied Brian Donovan back to the shop. After looking over some of the projects underway on various lifts, we were given an in-depth tech session on things to look for when buying a classic car as well as preparatory things to do before attempting to start a long dormant vehicle. The 2 cars we studied were a 3000 MK III which had not seen the light of day for some time and a somewhat long in the tooth 3000 racecar that the owner intended to return to service on the track. Brian Donovan, who has an engineering background, was able and more than willing to offer answers to the many questions that arose during and after the session.

Our hunger for food eventually overcame our thirst for knowledge (I certainly know how to turn a phrase, don't I?), so we left Donovan's with renewed interest in working on our cars and we motored down the road about a ½ mile to a local pub where all enjoyed liquid refreshment and unhealthy pub food...perfect!

Many thanks to Denny Broughel, who organized this meet. He managed to hobble through the whole session even though he had gone through a recent knee replacement procedure.

Now let's get out in the garage and get these "toys" ready for summer!

Cub Reporter-

**Bob Bender** 



From the editor: Carole Paye

Our web site is now up and running again! www.ahca-newengland.com

Have you registered for Summit yet??? Committees have been busy at work to make this Summit one to remember! Usually it takes at least a year to complete all the planning, ordering, planning, planning and planning for Summit to take place. Our enthusiastic committee has been hard at work since our January meeting. Be sure to join us for a fun filled event in Western Massachusetts!!! See the itinerary of events that are planned for June 17-20, 2010 on our event page #2 and again on page #6.

Dues are very important to our club. They not only cover the cost of the newsletter, but also helps us to put on meets like Summit 2010. If you still owe dues, please remit them to Keith ASAP.



The middle of winter can be a tough time to think about all the projects you

have in mind for your British car. But it really is the best time. British Car R & R can schedule the work you want to do now and have it completed at a relaxed pace. Why try to cram everything into the spring

rush? Your car deserves all the care you can give it. Now is the best time to

get started.

Give us a call, we'll listen to your plans and work out a schedule to have your car ready for the road this spring. We offer reasonable rates, timely service, and can arrange to pick-up and deliver your car on our trailer.

Call Bob at 603-425-3333 or Dave at 508-577-0077



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### For Sale

1969 Triumph GT-6+, Very nice car with entire rear rebuilt incl Rotoflex Couplers, Detailed engine, 4 speed no overdrive, Red w/ black interior and wire wheels. 2 Favorite British car picks at Hemmings cruise in. Asking \$7,500

Contact Ken Gypson at: 518 283 4653

or at kengypson@yahoo.com

### For Sale

5 White metal Healey model kits...unbuilt...same size as Dinky and Gorgi

All out of production for many years,

- Healey Silverstone by Auto Replicas of England
  - 1950 Elliott Saloon by Mikansue of England
  - AH 3000 Rally Car by Mikansue of England 3
  - AH 100-4 by Grand Prix of England
- AH 300 by Grand Prix of England (Marked as 3000 but looks to me like a 100-6 w/ ribbed bonnet) Has Hardtop

\$40 ea or all 5 for \$180

Contact Ken Gypson at: 518 283 4653

or at kengypson@yahoo.com

### For Sale

1967 Austin Healey 3000 BJ8 -

69,000 original miles; red with black interior; Excellent driver in great condition; only driven on sunny days since frame-up restoration some time ago; very good original interior; chrome 72-spoke wire wheels, new stainless exhaust, top and carpets;

Derrington style wood steering wheel; excellent mechanical condition -

everything works;

\$45,000. Rich, Medfield, MA

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# Newsletter Deadline!

All meet write-ups and advertisements by the 25th day of the month.

Your email newsletters about the 1st. Snail mails about the 5th of the month.



# Registration Form

For Official Use Only REGISTRATION #

# Jiminy Peak Mountain Resort - Hancock, MA June 17-20, 2010

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Hooded Sweat shirt (silkscreen logo)	\$ 30.00										
Hooded Sweat shirt (silkscreen logo) 2 XL	\$ 32.00										
Baseball cap (unisize)	\$ 18.00										
Total Regalia Price											

Please send completed registration form & check payable to AHCA-NE to Pat Plue, 62 Lathers Ave., Pittsfield, MA 01201

Upon receipt of your Registration #, please call Jiminy Peak and make your reservation. Your registration # is needed to obtain our special room rate of \$99 Thursday and \$119 Friday and Saturday night.