



Healey Exhaust Notes

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September 2011 AHCA NE President's Letter

Summer is almost over, and I look forward to the great Healey driving season this fall. Temperatures are lower and Healey's run much better in the cooler fall weather. There are still several AHCA New England events planned for September and October this year, and our annual Christmas party the first Saturday in December.

I attended the Austin Healey Sports & Tour Car (AHSTC) annual event Encounter in Paradise, PA. Paradise is approximately 70 miles south west of Philadelphia located in Lancaster County in the heart of Amish country. It is amazing how the Amish live, amongst the hustle and bustle of the 21st century America. The Amish farms are beautiful and the children were so happy to see all Healey's driving the through the scenic country roads.

Encounter has many similarities to our Summit, with great friendly people, beautiful Healey's, and interesting events each day. I traveled to Encounter with six other couples from New England and there was a strong contingent of AHCA members from Ontario, Quebec, and National including our Officers' Gary Brierton and Feldman. I was really impressed with the large number of young people and families attending Encounter, plus so many Sprites. There were several families with three generations enjoying Encounter. One of the highlights for the kids, are the valve cover races, down a modestly steep driveway. The creativity of taking a Healey valve cover, and creating a race car, is pretty amazing the number of different concepts. We were told several of the valve cover racers, were built over 20 years ago, and passed down through the generations.

Traveling back from Encounter we stopped into the Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum near the Philadelphia Airport. What a great collection of historic race cars from around the world separated by different racing venues. We even had a private tour of the museum by Dr. Fred Simeone and creator of this impressive collection. Dr. Simeone loves Healey's and has both a black and white 100 on display in the museum.

Ted Stanton and George Greider recently presented our club's \$200 donation to the Mystic Seaport museum, after our successful car show, with their antique boat show. We have been invited back for next year and plan to take advantage of this great venue, as an AHCA NE annual event.

Speaking of next year, Bob Britton will be chairing Summit 2012. We are looking at going to the Eagle Mountain Resort in North Conway, NH the second week in July. Several club members are teaming up with Bob for the planning of Summit 2012. If you are interested in being part of next year's Summit committee, please contact Bob at healeynbj7@hotmail.com.

Cindy and I are looking forward to seeing a large AHCA NE turnout, at British Invasion at Stowe, VT September 16th through 18th. The club will be staying at the Inn on the Mountain.

See you down the road,
Peter Sturtevant

My apologies to George Greider for not giving him full credit in the August issue of "Healey Exhaust Notes" for his beautiful photo of the green at the Mystic Seaport Car Show!



A Blast From The Past!!!

Can you Identify:

Who are these handsome men?

Where this picture is taken?

What is the year?

What is happening?

Email your guesses to dpaye@crocker.com

AHCA NE EVENT CALENDAR 2011

No club event at Lime Rock Park on Labor Day Weekend

Sept 16, Fri - Sept 18, Sun.	British Invasion at the Stowe Event Field RSVP: Bob Britton 603-381-3158 or healeybj7@hotmail.com	Weeks Hill Road, Stowe, VT
Sept 25, Sun. 5:00 pm	CT Drive and Dine with Adam Nolde adamnolde@yahoo.com or 203-606-4675	TBD
October 1, Sat. 10:00 AM	Lake Winnepesaukee tour with Rich Ray RSVP: richray210@gmail.com ,	Start Newburyport, MA Rich Ray 603 362 4221
October 15, DATE CHANGE!!!!	"Country Colors Drive"- Fruitlands Museum and Apple Picking RSVP: jackmiller2@aol.com ,	175 East Bare Hill Rd Harvard, MA 01451 Jack Miller 617 633 2263
October 23, Sun. 5:00pm	CT Drive and Dine with Adam Nolde adamnolde@yahoo.com or 203-606-4675	TBD
Dec 3, Sat. 6:00pm	AHCA NE Holiday Party at the Oliver Wight Tavern	Olde Sturbridge Village, Sturbridge, MA



BRITISH INVASION XXI

September 16-18, 2011 Stowe, VT

This year is the 21st Anniversary of the **British Invasion** held in the lovely VT town of Stowe. If you have never attended you are missing the largest all British car and motorcycle show on the East coast. Last year there were over 650 British vehicles on the show field.

The Austin Healey Club of New England has reserved rooms again this year at the lovely **Inn at the Mountain**, which is part of the

Stowe Mountain Resort. The room rate is one of the best deals in Stowe for this event. Each room features fabulous mountainside lodging, balconies or deck with seating area, cable TV, air conditioning, refrigerator and daily maid service. All rooms are non-smoking.

***RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY SEPTEMBER 1
TO GET THE SPECIAL RATES***

CALL: 802-253-3656 or 800-253-4754 and mention the Austin Healey Group

<http://summer.stowe.com/vacation/lodging/inn/>

**Inn Rooms: \$127.88/night Rate includes Room Tax
and a complimentary Continental Breakfast**

**There will be a cocktail reception at the Inn from 5-7 PM on Saturday night
hosted by the New England Chapter.**

You must pre-register for the British Invasion. The deadline is September 5th. It is best to visit the **British Invasion** web site and download the registration form and mail your registration fee before the deadline. Last minute registrations are allowed at the field on Friday between 12 Noon -6PM. No registration is allowed on Saturday!

<http://www.britishinvasion.com>

For more information Bob Britton Cell: 603-381-3158

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British Invasion Sept. 16-18, 2011

The British Invasion is the largest British Motorcar Lifestyle Event in the USA, attracting 650 to 700 British Cars. This is the 21st year for this event. Friday features a back roads driving tour, a Registrant's Reception at the Show Field from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Registration is open from 12:00 Noon till 6:00 PM on Friday, September 16th at the show field. Vendor and Show Registration forms are posted on the British Invasion web-site (<http://britishinvasion.com>).

Friday evening is a British Street Party from 6:30 till 9:30 PM on Main Street, Stowe VT with a live British Band.

Saturday, September 17th the show field opens to Registrants at 8:30 AM and to the Public at 9:00 AM. Saturday features the British Classic (People's Choice Competition) with over 60 classes of British Cars and a Concours d'Elegance (Judged Competition) limited to 35 cars (8 Classes).

Sunday morning, September 18th, starts with a 70 minute Smuggler' Notch Run at 8:30 AM departing from the Stowe High School parking lot while back at the show field entrants prepare for the Competition of Colors, the Tailgate Picnic Competition, the Backseat Driver's Competition, and a Drive-by Review of the 1st Place Winners from Saturday's British Classic. There is also a Car Corral of roughly 30 to 40 British Motorcars available for purchase and a British Marketplace of 40+ vendors. Add to all this British Invasion Music, and British Food & Beverage, and you have a true British Invasion Lifestyle Weekend event which promises to be a "Jolly Good Time". General Admission on Saturday is \$15.00. British Invasion Weekend Car Show Car/Driver/Guest Registration is \$60.00 for your car and two adults.

The Invasion Registration Package is attached herewith.

Happy Motoring,

Michael F. Gaetano

British Invasion, Inc.

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508-395-6663 (Cell)

<http://www.britishinvasion.com>

“Keep calm and keep the Healey moving forward”

The Winni Run

October 1, 2011

We have 2 meeting points: # The first meeting point is in Rochester, NH Wild Willy's Hamburg-ers. We will meet at 10:30 a.m. at Wild Willy's located at the intersection of Rt. 125 and Rt 16.

The 2nd meeting point for those who do not meet at Wild Willy's is the Mc Donalds at the Alton Circle in Alton, NH. We should arrive by 11:45.

We head North on Rt. 28A along the lake toward Wolfeboro, NH. It is about 11 miles. We have reservations at the Wolfetrap Grill & Rawbar 19 Bay Street in Wolfeboro, NH. 603-569-1047. They have a great parking lot and are on Back Bay on the lake.

After lunch we head North on Rt 109 & 25 West toward Tuftonboro, NH passing through Melvin Village, NH. Beautiful farms and views of the lake along the way. There is an “Old car shop” in Melvin Village that might be worth a quick stop if time permits. On our way toward Moultonborough, NH we pass the turnoff for Castle in the Clouds. If you are staying an extra day this is a great place to visit. Leaving Moultonborough we continue on toward Center Harbor, NH. If we have any quilters in the group Center Harbor has a terrific quilt shop with a place for coffee or soft drinks next door. We look for Rt 3 to take us to Meridith, NH. Heading South from Meridith we look for 11B south that takes along the western shore. We take a quick drive along Governor's Island to view some of the most expensive real estate on the lake. Taking Rt. 11 East along the lake taking us back to Alton, NH. The trip around the lake is 62 miles. From here we can head for home or return to motels. This should be peak foliage season. If you are staying overnight be sure to make reservations early.

Motels, Inns, and B&Bs: Wolfeboro Inn 90 N. Main St. 603-569-3016

Piping Rock Resort, Lakeview Inn, Tuc-Me-Inn B&B

Want to Golf? Bald Peak Golf Resort or

Kingswood Golf Club

Want to Shop? Wolfeboro & Meridith offer fun shops

RSVP: richray210@gmail.com, **Rich Ray 603 362 4221**

Lake Winnepesaukee Tour



Sir Winston the Bulldog



Summit 2011 Sun & Sand

July 20-24, 2011

The July Healey Summit in Southern Connecticut and Rhode Island was a great experience - really more like a Conclave!

The drives, especially the Rallye, were scenic and fun despite the heat. I particularly liked the "Poker Run" concept which culminated in the high stakes game back at the hotel! It was fun to watch as the bets went higher and higher and the crowd pressed forward in tense anticipation...

And of course, the big day at Mystic Seaport was so amazing! All those beautiful Healeys and Sprites parked on the green. I watched Ted directing the cars as they arrived, and couldn't imagine how he would get them all in and arranged, but in the end, it looked just perfect and the spectators were able to move easily through the cars. People were able to learn about the cars we love through the wonderful posters Adam created and also because so many owners stayed with their cars answering questions and pointing out interesting details.

A special thanks to Steve and Pete for ordering extra magnetic souvenir summit badges. It was certainly one of the best designs we'd ever seen. At some point ours flew off our Healey on the freeway. George went searching for it along the center median until a state trooper picked him up! George explained about the Summit badge, and the officer said, "So that's what those little cars were driving all over!" George didn't get a ticket and we were extremely happy when we learned we could get another badge!

All in all, I think this event covered all the important elements: fun for the members, a great location, and especially the opportunity to educate the public about our hobby, Healeys and Sprites! A big Thank-you to the planning committee! Gayle Kranz

Poker Rally Report – Jud Perkins

Approximately 35 cars participated in our sizzling poker rally during this year's Summit. Sizzling being the temperature and while no one cooked lunch on our Healey bonnets I am certain we could have. Rather lunch was at the historic and beautiful Gelson House located on the Connecticut River. The rally route visited many of the interesting sights near the Connecticut River including Katherine Hepburn's home in Fenwick, a cruise along the Ocean in Old Saybrook, then to historic Essex and the Essex Steam Train, Chester then to lunch at the Gelson House and the adjoining Goodspeed Opera House.

After lunch the route stopped at Gillette Castle, Chapman Falls in Devil's Hopyard State Park. The rally concluded with a much needed stop at Salem Valley Ice Cream, before returning to the hotel. The high (low) light of the rally was at Chapman Falls where several club members including President Peter Sturtevant, wife Cindy and Bob Britton took a cool down swim in various levels of attire at the falls.

The rally featured each club member getting a playing card at each of the stops and a spirited poker game that evening led by dealer-in-chief Steve Bell.

Poker Rallye *The Winning Hand* By Robert Scalla

It was July 22nd, my Birthday. It was also the day of the Poker Rally. I set off driving in the early morning with Donna navigating my Cherry Red Bugeye Sprite. I noted to myself how outstanding it was to be in this car on this summer day in this rally adventure. Although the air temp was nearing 100 degrees, I felt on top of the world, at least at the start.

It turned out to be a difficult rally, mainly because of the weather. There was this newly tarred road that we weren't willing to drive on, and so immediately detoured. We got lost later near Flanders and wound up crossing the River too soon. In the end it all worked out but Donna and I needed about 2 weeks to get our relationship back on track, another story. This one is about the Poker.

I was thankful to find the checkpoint and get my first 2 cards. We were given 2 cards at each stop, a total of 10 to pick our 5 card hand. At the second stop, I noted and mentioned to Donna that so far we have 2 tens. The third card stop we got 2, 10 of diamonds! I could only use 1, but this made 3- 10s. At the next stop we got another 10 and at the final stop, no usable cards. Now I have a hand of 4- 10s. My expectation with this hand was that lots of folks would have 4 of a kind because of the double decks. I heard in the past that folks have had 4 and 5 of a kind in this game and so I was not too impressed with my hand. I expected that a lot of bidding would go on, and that I could get drawn in and then lose a chunk of my cash. Should I play or not, that was the question. 10s are a tough card to commit to, as any face card beats it. I decided to pass.

When the game was played, I was standing next to the table and watching carefully. I could see several of the players hands and realized immediately that I chose wrong. The players started to bid the pot up, but very modestly. 2 players had 4 of a kind. Turned out that 4- 6s won the cash, as I had *the winning hand* in my pocket. Sometimes I guess I need to throw caution to the wind, accept my lucky day and go with it.

"Country Colors Drive" October 15, 2011

175 East Bare Hill Rd

Harvard, MA 01451

Jack Miller 617 633 2263

RSVP: jackmiller2@aol.com,

Starting from a welcome at our house, we can direct people to several driving opportunities close by. The first would be The Fruitlands Museum. It has Indian and Shaker artifacts as well as a spectacular view to the west for Fall Foliage. We also have the Harvard Fall Flea market and Antiques sale close by with at least 50 booths of neat "STUFF". People from all over set up to sell their goodies. Next we have numerous opportunities to pick your own apples. Carlsons has great picking as well as really good Cider. There is also "Phils" the State Cider Champ for several of the last years. Next is the Nashoba Valley Winery which is a nice ride and has a very interesting venue. That along with some nice roads make for a busy day. We can welcome people any time after 10:00 am. We will offer plenty of food, area maps, a place to relax, bathrooms, and good comraderie.



The Austin Healey Holiday Party

Saturday, December 3, 2011

At the Oliver Wight Tavern

Sturbridge, MA

Add the date too your calendar today. Limited seating.



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Picnic by the Lake at the Smith's

As I sit here watching the rain and wind of Irene pounding against the deck, I can't help but realize how fortunate we were to have a beautiful day for Jim and Elaine Smith's lakeside get together on Saturday, August 13th. Although our Summit meets are a lot of fun and adventure, they require a lot of work for dedicated committee members. Sometimes it is just nice to enjoy a relaxing day with fellow Healey friends, catch up on cars and families and have time to reflect on what has brought us together.

The Smith's pleasant front lawn along the shores of Lake Pocotopaug in East Hampton, Ct afforded just such a perfect setting to relax. It was so good to be with some of our old friends we haven't seen in a w h i l e

such as Dave Barton, Pete and Janet Downey, Fred and Doreen Jordan and Rudi Markl as well as a strong contingent of the ever faithful. We even had a chance to see the annual boat parade with a variety of floats (no pun intended) and folks having fun in the sun. Of course it wouldn't be a successful meet without some technical discussion in Jim's garage around the Healeys.

So if you have read this far and may have thought about hosting a meet but were afraid you couldn't compete with some of our big events, have no fear. It isn't all about the place or the food or the excitement...it is about friends, new and old, and our common bond, the Austin Healey. Some of the fondest meets for Carole and I have been one day events such as the Smith's meet. Thank you Jim and Elaine for inviting us and I could just tell you enjoyed having everyone. We look forward to maybe visiting you again in the future.....Don Paye



Let Aidan win, Adam!!



What beauties!



Senior citizen summer outing !



Remembering past meets....



Thought it was a Healey at first!

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Randy Hicks 508-252-9295

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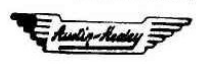


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