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AHCA NE April 2012 President's letter

What an awesome winter in New England for being able to drive your Healey all season long. Normally, the winter is a great time for all the projects, to get your car ready for the driving season. 2012 with such warm weather, so early in the season, assures a great start to AHCA New England's event .

I would like to thank Keith Risk for his more than ten years dedication as New England Club Officer as treasurer and membership director. Keith has retired as a club officer and fortunately will continue to be an active club member.

Don Paye has assumed the responsibilities of membership and treasurer effective March 15th. If you have not renewed your 2012 club membership, please send your check made out to AHCA – New England for \$60 to Don Paye, 24 Conway Road, Shelburne Falls, MA 01370. If you have not renewed, National will remove you from the Marque distribution list, and this will be your last Healey Exhaust Notes.

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to our seven new members:

| Hugh & Marge | Callaghan | 45 Paul Joseph Ln | Bridgewater | M | 02324 | |
|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------------|---|-------|--|
| Richard | Carlson | 54 Hickory St | Old Lyme | C | 06371 | |
| Albert | Goodhue | 18 Broad St | Salem | M | 01970 | |
| Raymond | Kinney | 44 High Ridge Rd | Boxford | M | 01921 | |
| Kathleen | McGowan | 350 Post Rd Hill | Lincoln | V | 05443 | |
| Harry & Diane | Porter | 51 Enos Circle | Reading | M | 01267 | |
| Walter | Swift | 63 Pinnacle Rd | Lyme | N | 03768 | |

In addition to our newest members, I want to extend congratulations to those members of Club Longevity who achieved 35 years of service in 2011: William & Irene Fisk, James Healey, Walter Michaels, Dick & Pat Miner, Rick Neville & Elaine O'Neil.

Bob Abbott and Dave Altman will be hosting the first tech session of this year on Saturday, April 14th at 10 AM at their British Car Restore & Repair restoration shop at 11 Old Right Road # B, Ipswich, MA. This will be a great event which should not be missed. After the tech session Bob Britton is hosting a planning meeting for Healeys On the Summit 2012.

Happy Healeying,

Peter Sturtevant

AHCA New England Tentative Event Schedule 2012

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| Saturday April 14th 10:00AM new date!!!! | Tech Session | British Car Restore & Repair 11 Old Right Road # B Ipswich,MA01938 | Bob Abbott 603 425 3333 healeybj7@aol.com | | | |
| May 2012 | | | | | | |
| Saturday, May 12 10:00 am | Eastern MA/RI Newcomers meet | 13 Hitching Post Rd. Lakeville, MA 02347 | Dominic Falconeir 508-965-8534 dfalconeiri@hotmail.com | | | |
| Friday May 18- Sunday May 20 | Carlisle Imports weekend | Carlisle Fairgrounds 1000 Bryn Mawr Road, Carlisle PA 17013 | Steve Bell 508 947 6499 scbell1@comcast.net | | | |
| Sunday, May 27, 2012. | Chesterwood Car Show | Stockbridge, Massachusetts | Anita Heller anita.heller@live.com | | | |
| June 2012 | | | | | | |
| Saturday June 2 nd | Automotive and Aviation Museum | The Collings Foundation 137 Barton Road, Stow, MA | Peter Sturtevant 774 284 1212 Healeybn4@comcast.net | | | |
| Sunday, June 3 | British by the Sea | Harkness Memorial State PK 275 Great Neck Road, Central Waterford, CT 06385 | Ted Stanton 203 605 4172 healey@snet.net | | | |
| Friday, June 15 - Sunday, June 17 | Berkshire British Motorcar Festival | Shakespeare Company in Lenox, MA | Michael F. Gaetano mgaetano@tanglewoodmotorcarfestival.com | | | |
| Sunday, June 17 th – Friday June 22 nd | Conclave 2012 | Hosted by Bluegrass AHCA | Louisville, KY | | | |
| Sunday, June 24 th | Lars Anderson British Car Day | Museum of Transportation | 15 Newton St Brookline, MA 02445 | | | |
| July 2012 | | | | | | |
| Sunday, July 8 10:00-3:00 | Valley Collector Car Club of Connecticut | Farmington River & Simsbury Flower Bridge | Robert & Donna Scalla 860-658-0072 <u>robertalanstar@gmail.com</u> | | | |
| Wednesday, July 11 - Sunday, July 15 | AHCA NE "Healeys on the Summit" Summit 2012 | Eagle Mountain Resort 179 Carter Notch Road, Jackson, New Hampshire 03846 | Bob Britton 603 381 3158 <u>Healeybj7@hotmail.com</u> | | | |
| Saturday, July 28th | Healey's on the Green AHCA NE and the Antique Boat Show | Mystic Seaport 75 Greenmanville Avenue Mystic, CT 06355-0990 | George Greider 860 922 0757 ggreider@gmail.com | | | |
| August 2012 | | | | | | |
| Saturday, August 4th | Hemmings Sports & Exotics Concours | Saratoga Auto Museum 110 Avenue of the Pines Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 | Bill Berg 802-442-2777 jmdberg@comcast.net | | | |
| Saturday, August 4th 10am – 4pm | 16 th Annual Show of Dreams | Nick Field Wolfeboro. N.H. | Robert Stanley tickit@yahoo.com N.H. High Hopes Foundation | | | |
| Thurs.Aug. 9- Sunday Aug.12, 2012 | Encounter 2012 | Crowne Plaza Hotel Somerset, NJ | john.heffron@hotmail.com | | | |
| Saturday, August 11th | Southern RI/CT Driving Tour | 45 Ocean Village Court, Matunuck (Wakefield) RI | Peter & Cindy Sturtevant 774 284 1212 healeybn4@comcast.net | | | |
| September 2012 | | | | | | |
| Friday, Aug 31st - Monday, Sept 2nd | Lime Rock Historical Festival | Lime Rock Park 60 White Hollow Rd, Lakeville, CT | Steve Bell 508 947 6499 scbell1@comcast.net | | | |
| Saturday, Sept. 8 | New England Air Museum & BBQ | 360 Perimeter Road- Windsor Locks, Ct | Roy Balthazard roybaby34@yahoo.com | | | |
| Friday, Sept 14 - Sunday, Sept 16 | British Invasion | Stowe Event Field Weeks Hill Road, Stowe, VT | Bob Britton 603 381 3158 Healeybj7@hotmail.com | | | |
| Saturday Sept. 29th | Southern CT AHCA NE event | 11 Long Close Road Stamford, CT 06902 | Hans Abrahams, ethermaster04@yahoo.com | | | |
| October 2012 | | | | | | |
| Saturday October 6 th - Sunday October 7th | Foreign Auto Festival | Owls Head Transportation Museum | Owls Head, ME 04854 | | | |
| October event 6th or 13th | Western MA event TBD | | Don & Carole Paye 413-625-6568 dpaye@crocker.com | | | |
| November 2012 – No Events planned at this time. December 2012 | | | | | | |
| Saturday, Dec 8th | AHCA NE Holiday Party | Publick House Inn & Lodge Sturbridge, MA | Carole Paye 413 625 6568 dpaye@crocker.com | | | |



BENEFIT FOR ROY'S GRANDDAUGHTER

My grand-daughter is Leigh-Anne Andrews, she is 24 yrs old and married to Ryan Andrews. She was

born with Cystic Fibrosis and is currently on the waiting list for a double lung transplant. She is completely disabled currently but in the past I have taken her on Healey meets. Some of my family members, myself included, have decided to run a benefit for her to help with added expenses when she gets the call. It will take place at the Moose Lodge in Chicopee, Ma. on June 16th from 4:00 to 11:00 p.m. There will be food, drink, and live music.

I have tickets, adults \$20. Kids \$5.

Other donations can be made to:

The Leigh-Ann Andrews Trust c/o North Brookfield Savings Bank, 4 Daniel Shays Highway, Belchertown, Ma. 01007 I love her and pray for her recovery.

Roy Balthazard



Eastern Mass. Newcomers /Oldcomers Meet Saturday May 12 10:00-12:30 13 Hitching Post Road Lakeville Ma. 02347

No, We are not going to change your oil, we will not fix your brakes, and we probably won't even clean your windshield. This is just an excuse to get together, to drive our cars, and socialize with some new friends that we haven't met yet ,and an excuse to reconnect with some old friends who we have not seen for a while. Of course we will have a Healey of "special interest", center stage, that one can kick the tires on. So please mark your calendar and join us for beverage and refreshments. A head count would be appreciated.

Dominic and Mary Falconeiri Cell 508-965-8534 Email dfaconeiri@hotmail.com

Newsletter Deadline!

All meet write-ups and advertisements by email on or before the 25th day of the month. Also, include the articles as an attachment in Microsoft word...Pictures should also be as attachments.

TECH SESSION

APRIL 14. 2012

ALTMAN DISTRIBUTING COMPANY HOSTED BY BOB ABBOTT of BRITISH CAR R and R

This will be an informal discussion about things we can do to our Healeys to make them more reliable, more fun, safer, and easier to work on.

We'll look at some of these items installed on cars, some kits that can be done yourself, and some things that may require some welding or other modifications.

This will be a chance for you to share your ideas and experience with the others, so if you have done something to your car, tell us about it.

We'll get started at 10:00 and around noon we'll move to a local restaurant for lunch and a meeting about Summit 2012.

Call Bob (603-425-3333) or Dave (508-577-0077) for directions and to let us get a count on how many to expect

25 th Annual British by the Sea

Sunday, June 3, 2012 (rain or shine) Harkness Memorial State Park Waterford, CT

If you enjoy all cars British, you'll love the 25th annual British by the Sea auto show in Waterford, Ct. There will be a 200 to 400 British cars of all makes. The seaside park with it's mansion and gardens is a destination in itself so the cars you'll see there only make the venue more magnificent. It's a popular judging event and the Healeys always make a hit with the crowd . Harkness is on route 213 in Waterford, Ct just east of New London. Use Google or Bing maps for the best directions and let's show the rest of the Brits who's the best of the show.

For more information call: Annie & Steve Wincze at 860-693-4249 Or email MGTD52@comcast.net

And the winner is......Doug Anderson from Santa Marguerita California. Doug won the 2005 Crossfire roadster that was raffled off by Prospect School in Glens Falls NY last Friday. Through everyone's generosity 30,000 desperately needed dollars were raised to support the severely physically and mentally handicapped children of the school. I would like to thank the members of the club for their support.

Chesterwood Antique & Classic Automobile Show Sunday, May 27, 2012 4 Williams Rd. Stockbridge, MA

Registration 8:00am to 11:00am Show 10:00am to 4:00pm All proceeds to benefit Chesterwood

Admission \$15 Adults, children under 18 are free.

Preregistration: \$15 until May 19

Go to www.chesterwood.org to print Preregistration Form Registration on the day of the event is \$20 per car.

Awards will be presented at 2:30PM

Live musicGreat food & drinks......Photographs of 1st place winners......2nd & 3rd place winners' plaques Unique French reproduction sculpture for special awards...... Tour or visit Chesterwood's buildings and grounds

Anita Heller anita.heller@live.com

Collings Foundation Automotive and Aviation Museum Tour

137 Barton Road, Stow, MA 10:00 AM Saturday, June 2nd

The Collings Foundation is a non-profit, Educational Foundation (501c-3), founded in 1979. The purpose of the Foundation is to organize and support "living history" events that enable Americans to learn more about their heritage through direct participation. The original focus of the Foundation was transportation-related events such as antique



car rallies, hill climbs, carriage and sleigh rides, and a winter ice-cutting festival in the Stow, MA area. During the mid-eighties, these activities were broadened to include aviation-related events such as air shows, barnstorming, historical reunions, and joint museum displays on a nationwide level.

Since 1989, a major focus of the Foundation has been the "Wings of Freedom Tour" of WWII aircraft. This tour showcases two fully restored bomber aircraft: a B-24 Liberator and B-17 Flying Fortress. The newest addition to the Wings of Freedom Tour is a WWII P-51C Mustang dual-control fighter aircraft.

The Collings Foundation also has a world class collection of vehicles from: the Brass Era (1901 – 1919), the Classic Era (1927 – 1937), Celebrity Cars, Race Cars from the Indianapolis 500, Sports Race Cars, Sprint Cars, Midget Racers, Military Vehicles, Trucks and Farm Vehicles.

There is a \$10 pp Registration fee for the Collings Foundation Museum Tour Please RSVP Peter Sturtevant by Wednesday May 30th

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For Sale 1959 Austin Healey 100-6 BN6

Two Seater - \$35,000—

British Heritage Certificate.

All matching number car. 33,000 miles. Exterior: Red. No rust. Straight good shut

Exterior: Red. No rust. Straight good shut lines, door jams and original floors. Stripped to bare metal and repainted with correct color and paint in 2008.

Interior: Black with red piping. New seat covers and rugs. Mechanically perfect, ready to drive and enjoy.

Decent top with complete side curtains. Nice full tonneau cover. Although the tires show little wear they should be replaced (old). Original 48 spoke wheels.

Contact: Tom Parish tparish@carlisle-co.com



WANTED!!!

Any 6 cyl. Healey transmission cover Paul Dunnell 413-339-0102

austin3000@verizon.net

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1960 Bugeye Sprite, stock 1275 engine, ribbed cage transmission, 3.90 rear end gears, front disc brakes, aluminum radiator, electronic ignition. Overall #2 condition, new hardtop from Highland Automotive. Took 2nd place at 2010 Summit car show and fastest time of day in the autocross. \$16,000.00 or \$15,000.00 without the hard top. Paul Dunnell 413-339-0102 austin3000@verizon.net





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SUMMIT 2012

HEALEYS ON THE SUMMIT

Jackson, NH July 11-15, 2012

For the signature event at Summit 2012 the Austin Healey Club of New England has reserved the Mount Washington Auto Road for a private driving tour to the top of the highest mountain in the North East at 6288'above sea level to watch the sunset. The 7.8 mile auto road is paved for all but a short section which is hard packed gravel.

The event starts with a delicious BBQ dinner at the foot of the mountain at 6PM on Thursday, July 12 (rain date is Friday). At approximately 7PM we'll line up our Healeys (BJ9's are welcome as well) to start the ½ hour ride to the top of Mt Washington. You will then have about ¾ hour to explore the mountain or go on the optional ½ hour tour of the



Mount Washington Observatory (limited to the first 30 people who sign up at registration) before the sunset at 8:30PM. At approximately 8:45 we'll start the caravan down the mountain. As the temperature difference between base and summit can be 30-40 degrees, even during the summer, make sure you bring a warm jacket or sweater for the ride. Or better yet order a *Healeys on the Summit* Fleece sweatshirt when you register.

If you would like to view videos of the MINI clubs Sunset tour up Mt Washington check out these site. Every year 200+ MINI's sign up to drive to the top of Mt Washington in June.

http://minisontop.com/2009/06/30/mot2009-videos/

http://minisontop.com/2007/06/30/alan-climbs-mt-washington/

DON'T WAIT ANY LONGER......REGISTER NOW TO ATTEND SUMMIT 2012

http://www.ahca-newengland.com/summit2012.htm

A preview of the Highlights of Summit 2012's Schedule and Events

WEDNESDAY July 11

- Registration and Chinese Auction Begins in the afternoon.
- Welcome Party and Irish Night at the Shannon Door Pub
- Hospitality and Hot Wheel Races- Practice runs

THURSDAY July 12

- Tour to the John Moir Auto Collection over 60 autos, many Pebble Beach quality, with one for every letter in the alphabet. One of those is a Nash Healey
- Picnic lunch after the Tour
- Golf & Tennis Tournaments and Pool Party to follow in the afternoon at the EMH
- <u>Healeys' on the Summit</u> BBQ diner and drive to the top of Mt. Washington to watch the sunset. You won't want to miss this signature event (Rain date is Friday just in case).
- Hospitality and Hot Wheel Racing

FRIDAY July 13

- Rally around the scenic roads of the White Mountains of NH.
- Ice Cream Social and pool party in the afternoon
- Valve Cover Racing and Funkhana events at the hotel
- Tech Sessions
- Diner on your own in one of the many great restaurants in the N. Conway area
- Hospitality and Hot Wheel Racing

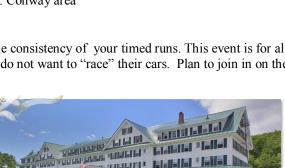
SATURDAY July 14

- Unique Gymkhana event where speed does not win, but rather the consistency of your timed runs. This event is for all members who enjoy driving their Healey's on an obstacle course but do not want to "race" their cars. Plan to join in on the fun.
- Car Show in downtown North Conway with the public voting for their favorite Healey
- Banquet Diner and Awards Ceremony
- Hot Wheel Finals

SUNDAY July 15

• Pick up your Chinese Auction items and bid fairwell to a great weekend and your Healey family of friends.







Valve Cover Racing Update

Wow! A lot of folks will be in the valve cover racing event at "Healeys on the Summit". I hope you are planning to join this competitive and fun event. My wife and I are driving up to Jackson, NH the site of the meeting as soon as the snow clears to check out the course. We will provide a smooth surface for your valve cover racers to race on.

I have started construction of my VCR* and we plan to have several categories of competition. One category will be

the best looking vehicle so work hard on the details. Here are the guide lines again to Keep you on track: The Summit starts in approximately <u>100 days</u>.

Racers can be up to 26" long and up to 18" wide.

Maximum weight is 12 lbs. All wheels must be 6" or less in diameter, <u>and must</u> have a non-metallic outer surface that contacts the track.

Wheels cannot extend beyond the front or rear of the valve cover.

No mechanical propulsion is allowed. All racers must be "home-made" No catalogue racers allowed.

There will be prizes for the fastest cars, best design, and a special event for kids.

My next update will include snaps of my progress for my VCR* <u>Don't wait to get started on YOUR Valve Cover Racer.</u> With nice weather around the corner you will be wanting to spend time in your Healey. The Summit will be here before you know it.

<u>Tip</u>: I found wheel bearings at East Coast Lumber's (Hampstead, NH) lawn mower repair shop and rental center. They had them in the main store too. They had "Snap clips" to mount the axel to the undercarriage. Bearing size 0.1250 X 0.3750 X 0.2562. \$6.75 each. I think a lot of good hardware stores carry them. I am using a stout coat hanger for axels, and CDs for wheels. Lots of options here.

Rich Ray *Valve Cover Racer Richray210@gmail.com

TENNIS EVENT SUMMIT 2012-FUN-FUN

Whether a beginner or pro please sign up, all levels welcome . We will have fun and meet new people.

The format for the event is going to be a MIXED DOUBLES-MIX UP!

"What's that"?

Each lady will draw a male partner from a hat, they will proceed to play another team who was made up the same way. Each match will consist of four games played in a no add format. After each match the ladies will pick new men partners and play the next round. The amount of rounds will be determined by how many players sign up.

If we have odd number of women to men or men to women there also may be a handicap system involved.

There will also be ways for each player to get extra points. The man and woman who has the most points at the end of the event will win \$1,000,000. Yeah don't hold your breath, but Bob has promised a great prize.

Alexis and Nick Zarkades

Contact us at zdesign@comcast.net or call 978.590.6067



CONSISTENCY RUN, not GYMKHANA A great time at Summit!

As this club "ages" it appears that we have less interest each year in a good old Adrenalin pumping gymkhana and last years participation can attest to that.

(I remember the days of the Cape Cod meets when we had fifty or more "boys and girls" having a blast out at the Otis Air Force base runway.) Donald Healey once told me at a Conclave years ago when a couple of people were complaining about how hot these cars get. "We built these cars to be driven not to sit in traffic! Tell them to find some open road!)

So, this being said, in an effort to get more people to compete in a driving event and get a get some experience driving around pylons, we're going to try what is called a "consistency run". This means that you will get in your car (no helmets or seat belts required, no car teching) and start off through a fairly easy maze of cones at your own pace. Each driver will get three timed runs. The driver (male or female) with the most consistent times wins! Speed has nothing to do with winning. The only rules are that two seconds will be added to your current lap time for each cone you run over or miss by going off course. You must finish the course in less than five minutes.

No passengers allowed. They could "interfere" with the timing device. No GPS, "smart " phones or any other "device" that may help you. Be prepared to be searched if we think it's necessary! Two door British cars at least 20 years old only!

So please sign up and come down to the North Conway High School on Saturday morning and have some fun with us! Paul Durnell



Austin Healey Club of New England SUMMIT 2012

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Date

Eagle Mountain House, Jackson, NH July 11-15, 2012

www.acha-newengland.com This is an interactive form that can be filled out online at www.acha-newengland.com and printed or print form and fill in by hand REGISTRATION Date Spouse/Guest NAME Please Print/Type Name as you wish it to appear on ID Badges Street Address Zip State City E-Mail Address Mandatory **Phone Number** Other HEALEY MODEL 1st Car 2nd Car **EVENTS YOU PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN** Please Select from Drop Down Box Yes or No OR Print Yes or No Shannon Door Pub Rally Fri AM **Dutch Treat Wed Evening** Fri PM Valve Cover Racing Thurs AM John Moir Tour Thurs PM \$30 Fee Includes Cart. Club Fees to be paid at Consistency Driving Event Sat AM **Golf Tournament** rentals available time of play Car Show Sat PM Thurs PM **Tennis Tournament** REGALIA - EMBROIDERED POLO SHIRTS AND HATS. T-SHIRTS ARE SILK SCREENED Select from Drop Down Box or Print Choices Men-M Women-W Size Qty **Each Cost** Amount Color Order by June 11, 2012 \$37 **Embroidered Polo Shirts** \$37 Yellow, Blue, White or Gray \$37 S - XXL \$12 Short Sleeve T-Shirts \$12 Yellow, Blue, White or Gray \$12 S-XXL \$37 Fleece Sweatshirt \$37 Charcoal, Navy, White, or Gray \$37 S-XXL \$18 One Size One Size Tan Baseball Hat w/Embroidered Logo **REGALIA TOTAL** REGISTRATION/EVENT/REGALIA TOTAL FEES Mail registration form with check TOTAL made out to : SUMMIT 2012 Registration Fee (children under 16 free) Cost Qty Covers One Car & 2 Adults before 5/15/2012 \$60 Covers One Car & 2 Adults after 5/15/2012 \$75 Linda Hakala \$20 Additional Adults PO Box 279 \$20 Additional Cars Hancock, NH 03449 Box Lunch Thurs Tour \$10 pp Phone 603-398-4421 BBQ Thurs Evening Adult \$22 pp Child 6-12 \$10 pp Mt Washington Sunset Tour Thurs Evening Adult \$26 pp EMAIL: linda.hakala@smiths-medical.com \$13 pp Child 6-12 Banquet Dinner Sat Evening Adult \$45 pp Child 6-12 \$20 pp Regalia Detail above You must pre-register & pay for these events by 7/1/2012 - No refunds after this date

"Berkshire British Motorcar Festival"

Shakespeare Company Lenox, MA Father's Day Weekend (June 15th-17th) 2012

Lenox Chamber will host a Friday evening Street Party. The Springfield Museum and the Larz Anderson Museum will return once again to our show grounds. Lenox Fun Rally on Friday Afternoon followed by Registrants' Reception at Shakespeare & Company. A 60 minute morning back roads scenic drive will be planned for Sunday morning followed by Competition of Colors, the Tailgate Picnic Competition and a Driving Review of those who won awards in Saturday Competitions. Based upon the expressed early interest in the *Berkshire British Motorcar Festival* we anticipate a strong turnout and would <u>suggest that your members book their rooms early and that any clubs wishing to book a Saturday evening dinner in the Lenox area do their planning now. The Seven Hills Inn (*413-637-0060*) has rooms available and have agreed to furnish them at a discounted rate to BBMF show participants. If we can provide any assistance please so advise. Those pre-registering will receive computer generated personalized name badges and card cards The first 250 to pre-register also will receive a Meet Gift. A Registration Form On-Line and PayPal payments are planned</u>

http://berkshiremotorcarfestival.com Tanglewood British Motorcar Festival

Michael F. Gaetano 508-395-6663 (Cell) / 781-237-6811 (Fax)

eMail: mgaetano@tanglewoodmotorcarfestival.com

AHCA NE Planning meeting notes March 24, 2012

Attendees: Bev Sealand, Don & Carole Paye, Bob Britton, Ted & Judy Stanton, Carl & Amy, Bob Bender, Paul Dunnell, Ed Collins, Roy Balthazard, Craig Dunning, Eric Longbottom, Peter & Cindy Sturtevant

Acknowledge and recognize Keith Risk for more than 10 years as the club's membership and treasurer.

New Membership and Treasurers Report – Don Paye

There are still funds in Commerce Bank until all checks clear. The bulk of the funds are now in BOA; \$19,043. One of the reasons the funds may be higher than expected is because we used to spend \$400 on our newsletters and over the last couple of years it has gone down significantly. Now it only costs \$35. There are still some open issues but Don and Pete are working through them. There around 281+ members. Don set up the account so that Bob Britton has access. Don, Pete and Bob will all get a debit cards.

About 43 members from last year have not renewed. Pete encouraged members to reach out to those people to see if they will be renewing. Another notice nationally will go out this week. There are 8 new members. National's list and our list are different which is causing some of the issues with membership. National gave us their Tax id# C7 (not for profit). Montreal F1 donation is not tax deductible. Keith will have to initiate 2011 tax return.

Editor in Chief Report - Carole Paye Things are fine all things considered. Carole is concerned that at least ½ a dozen former members have not responded to Carole's request to contact her. Officers agree that if they have not joined by dead line they should be dropped off the list. 19 members that renewed still get hard copies.

Bob Bender said there is a long lead time for things to be published in the Marque and would like to suggest putting more tech articles in the publication. Bev has confirmed that is just the process. Carol pulls articles and info from Moss Motors.

Bev said that the National membership is down...should rewrite web (currently says 500 members). Membership down 350 in National. Carole is going to keep a few of the long time old members on the distribution list for the Newsletter even though they have not renewed.

Every year we get a nice calendar...can we do one? We want NE area cars and events promoted on the calendar. We will make our own calendar.

Next Wednesday is the last day to submit articles to Carole.

Report from National on the Leadership meeting – Bev Sealand National is rewriting their website. Once rewrite is done it will be able to be maintained easier. As a member you can log in. Delegates will have access with an option to update pertinent information. There were discussions regarding a "members only" page. They also discussed the possibility of adding the Healey Directory on website and maybe just printing the Directory every 2 years to save cost. They have also changed to a white cover and lighter paper to reduce cost. A delegates handbook may be created so new delegates will have an easier transition. There were discussions on the 2014 Conclave and the proposal. Last minute adds by hotel are being looked at. 2015 for joint meet with sports and touring group. Leadership team is looking at the snowbird delegates, the database and how to handle the issue. Delegates meeting may move location because of renovations at hotel. Nothing confirmed for 2014 (southeast). 2015 – Last year the Sports and Touring (S&T) club asked for joint venture. We are still exploring interest. Philadelphia region of S&T is hosting. Can we get an idea on how many people attend their encounters? Lay some long-term ground work. Why haven't they joined the Austin Healey...discussions have been going on forever. Logistically there can be an issue for conclaves and summits. Bev said long distance meets have been done before. They have been invited to this year's summit. S&T do a good job bringing in multiple generations. Are members interested in Conclave with National or joint summit? Paul thinks summit is a good idea. Better match for Summit, less overwhelming. Pete will do a survey on a Summit. Don, suggests to do a fall summit or sometime when weather is not as hot. Discussions on area of summit as well. One was done in NJ abut 20 years ago.

2012 Updated Event Schedule Paye's will do an event on Oct 6th.

Ted contacted Chuck Anderson in regards to Austin Healey Boat and doesn't sound like he is interested in coming. Bev will give Ted other Austin Healey boat owners so that he can make other contacts.

August 4th Field of Dreams – Carole will be updated in newsletter

April 14th Bob Abbott and Dave Altman's tech session is confirmed.

Dom and Mary Falconeiri have confirmed a May 12th event in Lakeville, MA.

Berkshire Motor Festival is confirmed at Lenox this year. Ed is planning on going one day this year.

Chesterwood write up has been given to Carole.

Larz Anderson MOT is looking for British Cars, early May post war cars '46 – the 50's for display at the museum for a new exhibit this spring. Pete will put a notice in the newsletter. British car day is on June 4th.

Carlisle – Roy, Bob B., Don, and Steve (place saved in newsletter for write up). Pete will ask Steve if he wants to do write up. Bob B will submit information on the place they are staying to the Newsletter for anyone interested. Motel 6 in Carlisle.

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Lime Rock is looking for clubs to participate in their "Gathering of the Marques" on Sunday of Labor Day weekend.

The club has agreed to purchase an enclosed 8 ft. trailer for club. Pete has offered to keep it at his house in Mansfield. Paul and Don will do some research and try to find a trailer. The club put a limit of \$2000.

Bob Bender will bring all remaining Club regalia to the summit and to Carlisle.

Summit 2012 Registration - Bob Britton Summit Regalia – Pete Sturtevant Embroidery and Silk Screen Logo – possibility of doing separate color hats for team members. Attendees at the meeting like the Charcoal sweatshirt with pockets. Hats are typically the biggest seller.

Peter Healey, Donald's Grandson and Bic's son, President of the New Forest Centre, AHC UK with Rosie and Tim will be attending Summit 2012 - Peter will speak at the Banquet about his early years growing up in the Healey family. Hotel has provided his room complementary and we will comp the Banquet Dinner.

Bob Abbott - Stabil will be doing seminar on Gas storage and is looking for idea on second session.

There were suggestions given about have a women's wine tasting and a Hotel Chef demonstration.

Bob would like more articles written for the Newsletter on the tour. Pete will write up and article on the Golf; people don't need clubs, stress free golf.

As of Friday, 21 have signed up; 5 from Canada. Some committee members have not registered yet.

Looks like everyone that signed up is coming Wed. and everyone the registered is also signed up for Barbeque.

Mt Washington nonprofit org will give tours to weather observatory for \$5; money goes toward Observatory. They have to know ahead of time so the club will guarantee the minimum requirement. Club will pick up \$5 out of summit's budget. There will be a sign up sheet at Registration; the first 30 sign up will be able to go.

Summit Charity – Cindy Sturtevant M&D Productions. Pete and I had a great meeting with Mark Delancy from M&D Productions on Saturday, March 3rd. Mark has taken our event schedule and will be looking at how he can intertwine a partnership between AHCA New England and M&D Productions. He wants to bring as much fun and entertainment as he can to make this Summit one of the best. He has compiled some ideas that he wants to run by us and is also looking into M&D's insurance possibilities. M&D Productions has offered a discount to their Friday night show. The show price it typically \$18 but will be \$15 for our group. We are working on a Dinner/Theater option as well. We will keep everyone updated as we get additional information. They have also offered to put on a skit at the car show. Right now we are thinking of an Austin Powers theme but we have to work out the details. Does any one have any ideas?

There were discussions with M&D regarding vendors but the club has concerns regarding the permits, insurance and control. John Eastman suggests Mark should reach out to the Park = 603-447-5680 or 603-662-6680...Cindy has a conference call with Mark on Sat, March 28^{th} and will provide an update to the club.

Larry got \$1500 donation from AAA. At minimum they want a photo at Mt top with Healeys. Membership applications and all part of goodie bag. He is also trying to get Griot or Maguire's to sponsor. Penn Oil \$250 donated and 2 cases of oil to auction.

Craig – car show. Permits all set. July 14th. Working out Classes of cars.

Driving event – Paul to get info to school

1st Summit meeting will be held after Bob's tech session on April 14th

Bob would like Steve to put an article in the Newsletter regarding donations for auction.

May 15th is the last date at \$60. After the 15th the registration fee is \$75.

Book Review – Northeastern America Sports Car races 1950to1959 By Ted Cryer

For Christmas this year I received a book that I have read quite a few times, with or with out any Healey elixir, which I feel many of you may enjoy. Northeast American Sports Car Races 1950 to 1959. The author is Terry O'Neil

I found this book to be a fascinating look back at sport car racing in its infancy, the places where races where conducted, the budding organizations, like the SCCA, the people and the cars that were raced in those times. There are hundreds of wonderful pictures of sports cars of that time and the interesting road courses, airport runway circuits and the development of purpose built tracks, like Lime Rock. Each year has it's own chapter and begins with high lights of the year for every race. An unexpected treat was that each season was concluded with a list of the race participants, their finishing order and the car they drove. Also included are maps of the course or track and a picture of the race program.

My fascination grew with the variety of cars that were popular and won many races. Among the more interesting were Cisitalia, Siata, Crosley, American V8 engine specials and many Alard J2X, which were at every race. Even an occasional Bugatti and a pair of Duesenbergs! Then it dawned on me that there were *no Healeys!* Other than an occasional Silverstone. No Healeys as we all worship. But of course, 1950 thru 1953 was before the Healey 100 was introduced. Ah....but as the race seasons (chapters) rolled out, the Healey 100 was making its presence known. By 1955 some race classes were 90% Healey 100s. The 100M was quite popular and an few 100S, including movie star Jackie Cooper. Soon the BN4 and BN6 were making their prowess known on the tracks, and finally the Sprite hit the scene.

I fully enjoyed the book. It is not cheap at \$135+ from Amazon, etc.. But it is a 10" X 10" hefty size and 426 pages, packed with wonderful pictures, stories, documentation. Maybe one of our Healeys is in there. To myself, the book is priceless.

ATTENTION ALL NE AHCA CLUB MEBERS IT'S TIME TO SHOW OFF YOUR HEALEY!!

on the new MEMBERS HEALEY CAR page on the clubs web site. Send a photo of your Healey(s) to Deb Katz at dlkatz 99@hotmail.com

We want to get as many members car shown on the web site so email your digital photo now. Include the year and model, i.e 100-4, 100-M, 100-6, 3000 MkI, MKII, MKIII. Brief Bios are also welcome.

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