Exhaust Notes September 2022

The Austin Healey Club of New England



State of the President –August 2022

After the recent hot, dry spell it's good to get some rain and cooler temperatures. Perfect Healey weather even as the days get shorter. I am just over halfway to completing my goal of attending an event in each wing this year. Many thanks to the Wing Coordinators and members for planning some great gatherings. For anyone who has not participated in a club event this year, please consider hosting something in your area. We all have what we call a Healey road. Mine usually involves a back road, recently paved, tree lined and, on the way, to or from a restaurant, historic site, beach or park. Please consider sharing your special place. The Steve Bell formula works every time: weekday breakfast, after the working crowd leaves, lively discussion with fellow members, followed by an optional driving tour or head home. Takes a couple of hours or longer if you wish. You were going to eat breakfast anyway.

This is a great way to keep in touch with your old Healey friends and make some new ones. The recent addition of Club Express software allows events to be advertised easily. Just write up a brief description of the event, a meeting place and time and an event notice will be sent to members several times in the days and weeks leading up to the event and posted on the club website. Provide a name and contact number for RSVP's and you will know who to expect. Keep in mind that rain dates are a good idea. Please reach out to me if you need help or advice on organizing an event.

Thanks to Rick Neville who has been following through by delivering care packages to the Surgical Intensive Care Unit at Massachusetts General Hospital, our 2022 Club Charity. Our fellow club member Sharon Brackett works with the MGH team and shared firsthand the challenges and sacrifices made by her team during the Pandemic. Many long shifts, time away from family, friends and Healeys and dealing with the constant pain and suffering of patients. It's not really over. Please

consider making a donation as an expression of our support for Sharon and her team. Contributions have been collected by passing the hat at various club events. If you have not done so already, even if you have, please consider making a contribution. It is not too late to donate. Send a check to payable to: AHCNE c/o Linda Hakala, 17 Bittersweet Lane, Hancock, NH 03449. Thanks

Finally, I would like to thank Rich Ray for his work publishing the HEN. Rich came out of retirement to keep the HEN alive but made it clear that his involvement was on an ad interim basis. I am reaching out to ask for a volunteer to take over from Rich so he can get back to fishing and family. The HEN is a very important vehicle for keeping club members informed about events, past and present and sharing Healey experiences. Content is seldom a problem as members have been willing to submit stories and information. Distribution has been much simplified through the use of new AHCA Club Express software. Please let me know if you would be interested in helping out. We are now just weeks away from Enclave. Hope to see many of you there. Safe travel and enjoy the rest of summer and the fall driving season. Best, BLK

Editor's notes:

Wow! Snappy new graphics from the Editor!! The summer is really shooting by quickly. Our kids and Grandkids live in Seattle. The grandkids arrived July 12th to attend summer camp on lake Winnipesaukee. Our son and his wife left for home yesterday. 7 weeks of continual company. Overwhelming!

I came across this video and thought you might enjoy watching it.

Magnificent Machines - The Golden Age of the British Sports Car - YouTube

As a double feature this is the best gasoline commercial, I have ever seen:

http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=1_kwxzU4wL4&vq=medium

Mary Jo and I have lived in Atkinson, NH since we moved up here in 1974. Same house, same neighbors. It's a great town. We are listing our house for sale in November or December. We are looking for a town house in Atkinson where I don't have to cut the grass or plow snow. Moving after 48 years at the same address is overwhelming (there's that word again). We have divided the house into "Downsizing Zones". Unfortunately, one of the "zones" is my Healey garage. Will have to figure that issue out. How did we ever get so much stuff? Please come to the Town Wide Atkinson Yard Sale this September and help move our stuff into your garage!

Enjoy the articles in this month's Exhaust Notes.

Rich Ray, Temporary editor

New Members

Pablo Ordorica & Ana Wiener

New York, NY

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Ordorica 1967 3000 Mark III

WEST POINT TOUR – WEDNESDAY AUGUST 24

Delightful weather greeted Rafe and Thalia Loosigian, Steve and Lynn Jekogian, Bev Sealand and Wayne Bugay and Pat Duncan and Jud Perkins for a tour of West Point, followed by lunch at the famous Thayer Hotel. Today West Point has 4.400 cadets.

Before the bus tour we were able to visit the Visitors Center Museum which told the story of West Point. West Point was designated as the Army training base by Thomas Jefferson in 1802 and initially trained soldiers to become engineers. The bus tour featured stops at the Chapel which has the world's largest pipe organ with 23,500 pipes. There have been only four organists in the 100-year history of the organ. Look at all the keys and switches the organist must contend with, no wonder so few have played it. Note the Bibles and Hymnals perfectly aligned in the Chapel, it is the Cadet's responsibility to insure they are in alignment each day. Often when members of other services visit as a prank they will "adjust" the alignment.

We then went to an overlook of the Hudson River and got a special treat with the rehearsal of the pipe and drums practicing for the Ring Ceremony the following weekend. The Ring Ceremony is where underclassmen receive their class rings. We were then able to walk to the parade grounds.

The Historic Thayer Hotel was named after Sylvanus Thayer, West Point's first Commandant. A delightful lunch was enjoyed by all on the patio overlooking the Hudson at MacArthur's Restaurant. Douglas MacArthur was Commandant after World War I, and initiated my programs in athletics, requiring all Cadet's to participate in at least one sport.











Left to right: Rafe & Thalia Loosigian, Wayne Bugay & Bev Sealand, Jud Perkins & Pat Duncan, Lynn & Steve Jekogian

A Grand Day Out

Submitted by Jonathan Kinghorn, 3/4 Morgan Club

The motto of this story is "don't let the weather forecast put you off." Bob Britton's Lake
Sunapee tour and cruise in New Hampshire had long been planned for Friday, July 29, but as the
day drew closer the weather forecast promised thunderstorms and heavy rainfall. Fortunately, on
the day the 29th proved to be glorious summer—blue sky decorated with a smattering of pretty
clouds, neither humid nor too hot, and with a cooling breeze. Perfect for a classic car tour.
Bob organized and led the event for British Cars of New Hampshire and the Austin Healey Club
of New England—both of which he belongs to—and further extended an invitation to members
of the 3/4 Morgan Group—which he joined recently. Bob and his partner, Linda Hakala, had
participants gather at their home in Hancock, NH, for coffee and donuts (and muffins and
pastries) prior to the tour.

The recently completed triple garage that is home to their classic cars was opened up to offer some shade and was much admired. One unlucky participant had their car up on the lift to change a tire that was flat upon arrival!



Attendees enjoying coffee in the garage



Rich Antel's 3000 with many miles driven

The tour commenced at about 11 a.m. Ten cars set off in convoy, with Bob leading in his immaculate two-tone Plus 8. Following was a Jensen Healey driven by Linda Hakala, Jonathan Kinghorn's Plus 4, two Austin-Healey's, an MGB GT, a new Mini convertible, a couple of modern Jaguar convertibles, and a splendid 1952 Riley sedan bringing up the rear.

Scenic back roads had been promised and the tour delivered. We wafted along 46.8 miles of near-perfect Morganeering pavement—twisty, turny, hilly, largely empty, and in excellent shape. The tour took us out of Hancock on Route 123 to Route 9. Next, we enjoyed 18 miles of wonderful Route 31 before taking Routes 10 and 103 to the Salt Hill Pub Shanty in Newbury.

The shanty is one of four Salt Hill Pub locations offering "a blend of honest Irish-American inspired comfort food, affordable craft beers, good humor and live music." We didn't get any live music, but we did get to enjoy some great food on the wide and shady porch.

Lunch over, we returned to our machines and were joined by a Jaguar E Type coupe for the 4.2-mile drive to Sunapee Harbor. We parked together on the hill above the harbor just as the MV *Mount Sunapee* began boarding her passengers for the 2 p.m. sailing. The boat has an enclosed lower level and an open upper deck, which is where most of our party chose to settle despite the availability of both AC and a bar downstairs.



Mt Sunapee ready for boarding

Covering 6.5 square miles, Sunapee is the fifth-largest lake located entirely in New Hampshire. Its shape is, however, extremely irregular with many inlets and 11 islands giving it about 70 miles of shoreline —most of which is lined with summer homes ranging from huge and gorgeous to modest and cute. The boat's captain provided almost ceaseless commentary during the 90-minute trip, most of which concerned the value of certain homes or how little time they had been on the market before being snapped up, but a little local history did manage to slip in here and there; for some reason he was particularly fond of pointing out tennis courts and remarking how he had never seen anyone using them!



Some tour in classic boats instead of cars

After the MV Mount Sunapee docked at the end of the cruise tour participants said their farewells and went on their various ways. The tour was a simple one, with a straight-forward drive that was interesting and fun without being challenging or too short or too long. There were no busy intersections or complicated towns to break up our convoy and we only once briefly lost our tail. Excellent directions were provided to each participant but were not actually needed. The lunch stop was an excellent choice and booking tables ensured that our whole party was accommodated on two tables so long that we had the porch almost to ourselves. Having three very different clubs participate ensured a refreshingly unusual mix of vehicles and occupants, some of which were familiar and others not. And the boat tour provided a very different activity for us to enjoy after all that driving and formed a wonderful conclusion to what was truly a grand day out. Thank you, Bob and Linda!

New England Chapter Of The Antique Boat Society Antique Boat and Car Rendezvous

The New England Chapter of the Antique Boat Society is holding the Antique Boat and Car Rendezvous at the Wolfeboro (New Hampshire) Town Docks on 17 September 2022 and welcomes AH Club Members to Participate.

There is No Pre-registration, Register after Arrival, preferably before 9:00 AM. It is, of course, right on the Shore of Lake Winnipesaukee, and the big Mount Washington Tour Boat puts in during the Show. There are Good Restaurants in the Downtown Area that are in Walking Distance of the Docks. There are No Entrance Fees, but I think Donations can be Made.

For Sale: 1965 Austin Healey 3000 BJ8 Mark III

Old English White with red leather interior.

True milage unknown. Date of build 14

August 1964 Numbers matching. Owned 20

Years by current owner. No rust.

Maintained by British Car R&R. British

Motor Industry Heritage Trust certificate.

Pretty much the way Donald built it with
the exception of a spin on oil filter adapter,
Moto-Lita steering wheel, LED head lights,
72 spoke Dayton wire wheels (tuned by



Hendrix Wire Wheel), 4 Nexen tires shaved and balanced by Hendrix, stainless exhaust. Moss leather interior & carpets. All instruments work. Overdrive in 3rd & 4th, adjustable steering column, Tonneau cover. Some additional parts, manuals, and regalia included.

Asking price \$44,000.00

We are moving to a Town House in Atkinson and are listing our home of 48 years in November. We will include the home with the Healey for for an additional \$625,000.00. Rich Ray. Richray210@gmail.com. 508-641-3605

AHC New England Calendar of Events

DATE	HOST	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT
September				
September 3rd - 5th	All	Historic Festival 39	Lime Rock Park 60 White Hollow Road Lakeville, CT 06039	
September 9th - 11th 2022	All	British Invasion Stowe, VT	Register — The British Invasion	Bob Britton healeybj7@hotmail.com 603-381-3158
Saturday September 10 10:00 am	Wing 1,2, 7	Toplands Farm - Tractor Museum	102 Painter Hill Rd, Roxbury, CT	Jud Perkins juds3000@comcast.net
Saturday September 10th 10am-2pm	Wing 3	Stonington Lighthouse Tour & Lunch at Velvet Mill	Stonington Lighthouse Museum, Water Street Stonington CT	Dutcha Slieker-Hersant HealeyDutcha@gmail.com 860-859-7476
Monday September 12th 7:00 PM	All	Monthly Technical Zoom Meeting	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8560646 6257?pwd=TVdOSm1HaUpSTkdwMk E1czZTMlh6Zz09	Pete Sturtevant healeybn4@comcast.net
September 18th - 23rd 2022	All	Enclave 2022 70th Anniversary Kalahari Resort Pocono, PA	https://www.enclave2022.org/	Linda Hakala linda.m.hakala@gmail.com 603-398-4421
Saturday September 24th 9 AM	Wing 7	Catskill Conquest Rally	5096 NY-28, Mt Tremper, NY	RICHARD NIEZABITOWSKI miez@sbcglobal.net
TBD	Wing 3	Clock and Fire Truck Museum	230 Pine St, Manchester, CT	Jud Perkins juds3000@comcast.net 860-204-9168
TBD	Wing 3	Tech Session Winterizing	Cardone and Daughter 4 Custom Dr, Old Saybrook, CT	Dutcha Slieker-Hersant healeydutcha@gmail.com
October				
Monday October 10th 7:00 PM	All	Monthly Technical Zoom Meeting	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8560646 6257?pwd=TVdOSm1HaUpSTkdwMk E1czZTMlh6Zz09	Pete Sturtevant healeybn4@comcast.net
Tuesday October 11th 9:00 am	Wing 4	Breakfast	Kevin's Restaurant South Meadow Rd. Plymouth/Carver	Steve Bell scbell1@comcast.net 508-947-6499

Saturday October 15 10:00 AM	Wing 3	Fall drive to Roseland Cottage & 40th Fine Arts & Crafts Festival	Roseland Cottage 556 CT-169, Woodstock, CT	Dutcha Slieker-Hersant healeydutcha@gmail.com			
Sunday October 16, TBD	Wing 1	A Gathering of Old Cars	Staatsburg-state-historic-site 75 Mills Mansion Drive, US-1, Staatsburg, NY	Jud Perkins juds3000@comcast.net			
Wednesday October 26 10:00 am	Wing 1	Fall Foliage Tour-Lunch - Winery Visit	Start Ridgefield, Ct	Greg Mandas gmandas@yahoo.com			
November							
Monday Nov. 7 9:00 am	Wing 4	Breakfast	Nellie Rose Restaurant Chase Rd. E. Freetown, MA	Steve Bell scbell1@comcast.net 508-947-6499			
Monday November 14th 7:00 PM	All	Monthly Technical Zoom Meeting	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8560646 6257?pwd=TVdOSm1HaUpSTkdwMk E1czZTMlh6Zz09	Pete Sturtevant healeybn4@comcast.net			
December							
Saturday December 3rd 6:00 PM	Club	Annual Holiday Party	Longfellow's Wayside Inn 72 Wayside Inn Road Sudbury, MA	Bruce Ketchen bruce.ketchen@gmail.com 617 947 6473			
Monday December 13th 7:00 PM	All	Monthly Technical Zoom Meeting	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8560646 6257?pwd=TVdOSm1HaUpSTkdwMk <u>E1czZTMlh6Zz09</u>	Pete Sturtevant healeybn4@comcast.net			





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