



# The *Healey Enthusiast*

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## **APRIL EVENTS**

WED. APRIL 1    PRESIDENT'S INFORMAL EVENING - PIE  
SAT.    APRIL 25    ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP  
SAT.    APRIL 25    SPRING AWAKENING TOUR

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## Presidential Proclamations

By Rod Richert

### T-PAW - NEW RENDEZVOUS CHAIR

On a very aggressive move by Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty and the Explore Minnesota Office, and in the spirit of the Governor's "spend locally" initiative, the 19th Annual Sports Car Rendezvous 2009 has been moved to Rochester Minnesota.

Rochester is up to the task, having successfully hosted the 2006 National Vintage Buick meet. Jane Buck of the Rochester Visitors and Convention Bureau is handling the lodging details, so best of all for MAHC members you don't have to do a thing! If you reserved a suite in the AmericInn of Ashland, you now have a suite in Rochester. If you had a lake view room overlooking Chequagmagon Bay, you now have a view of the famous corn cob water tower of the Olmstead County Fairgrounds, host of June's "Ammonia Fest". There, the world's top liquid fertilizer vendors will be showing their wares just below your Americinn balcony. Dovetailing perfectly with Rendezvous rally events, promoters have agreed to leave these straw bales dispersed across the fairgrounds site.

Details are just now coming together, but a Saturday car show is scheduled for the 'Chester Mall (home to Papa Murphy's and Great Clips) and Dr. Ian Hollingsworth of the Mayo Clinic will speak Saturday Evening on the topic "Lucas Implantable Medical Devices".

Have A Happy April Fools' Day!

**Ten years ago** this April, Tom Politiski had a '67 Morris Minor, a '73 Jensen Healey, a '67 Sprite and a 20 ft. car trailer for sale, and the MAHC welcomed back to the club former President and First Lady Gary and Barb Ronning (BJ-8).

**Twenty years ago** this April, Spring Awakening was at the Classic Motor Company Restaurant in St. Louis Park--an annual occasion and one of the best attended events of the year.

#### THE HEALEY ENTHUSIAST

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## PIE

(PRESIDENT'S INFORMAL EVENING)

**Date:** Wednesday March 4th

**Time:** 7:00 p.m. (or before)

**Place:** Fort Snelling Officers Club

This location is on Hwy. 5 (east of I-494) on the southeast side of the Mpls./St. Paul Intl. Airport. Exit at the Post Road ramp, turn south (east) towards the river and proceed on to the road heading for the park, take the first left and wind around to the Officers Club building.

Come and enjoy refreshments and/or food with the friendly club members, catch up on news & events, and discuss cars & restorations.

## Addresses !

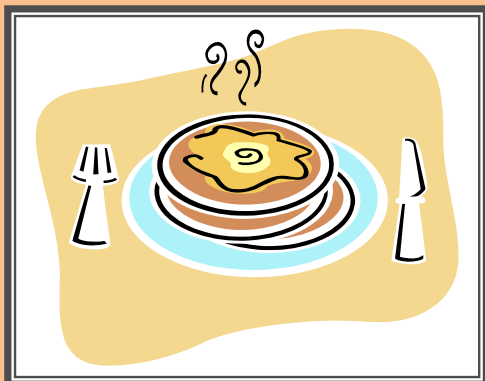
The Members Manual will be printed soon. Please let us know if you have had any changes in name, address, phone number, or email address recently. Also please send **spouse email addresses** to us, so club activities and info can be better distributed to all members. Thank you !

## Breakfast at the Peg

Come to this casual event (most) every Saturday morning about 8:00 a.m. for great food, reasonable prices, & lots of Intermarque car enthusiasts. It's a fun way to start off your weekend ! Bring your appetite !

The location:

**The Square Peg Diner**  
2021 East Hennepin Ave.  
Minneapolis, MN 55414



## THE PIE PLATTER

by Katy Olson

## 2009 MAHC HotWheels

## Grand Prix Recap

The turnout was good for the Grand Prix this year. We all gathered after the March 4 PIE and revved our "engines" to duke it out on the track graciously prepared by Tom Hazen and David Meek. There were 12 drivers on the track and competition was fierce: Curt Carlson, Jeff Gordien, Jan Huston, Jeff Lumbard, Scott Lumbard, David Meek, June Moerke, Katy Olson, Rod Richert, Kim Rixen, Gary Ronning and Eileen Wetzel.

In the end Curt Carlson took first with his Phantasm, David Meek 2<sup>nd</sup> with his Jaguar, Gary Ronning 3<sup>rd</sup> with his Healey 100 and Katy Olson eked out 4<sup>th</sup> with her Aston Martin. Rod Richert gets an honorable mention for running his vintage Healey. Alas, she was a bit too much for our track!

Thanks to Tom Hazen for an excellent performance as our timing captain.

See you next year for more excitement!



## Hot Wheels Gran Prix



## Wayne's Tech Session



# TECH SESSION

by Curt Carlson

## Wayne's Engine Replacement

A dozen of us made the trip out to Wayne's Cabin in the Wisconsin woods to help reinstall the cleaned, refreshed, and painted engine and transmission back into his Midget. Wayne and Chuck had removed the engine and tranny about eleven months earlier, because the clutch attempted a self-disassembly on a drive back home. Wayne took advantage of the chance to degrease, clean, and paint the engine bay. He'd done a nice job on both the blue bodywork and the green engine, which sported a new fresh coat or two of Austin Green Engine Enamel.

We took the engine off the stand, forced the transmission into the car, hooked up the driveshaft and then mated the engine up to the tranny. This was the first time I'd seen this technique on a Spridget. I'd always installed the engine and tranny together in one clumsy motion. This worked about as well, with the aid of a few blocks of wood, jacks, big mallets, a wrecking prybar and the lift. We were able to wrangle the (soon-to-be) snarling beast back into its corral. It seems that every time I install an engine, or assist with it, I come away with one distilled underlying thought: Gravity can work WITH you, and gravity can work AGAINST you. A little of *my* blood was shed as we were struggling against gravity to push the transmission back into its den, but gravity soon came to the rescue as the transmission rocked back downward freeing my index finger - which had become firmly sandwiched between the bell housing and the battery box. It wouldn't be a Healey Tech session unless at least one of us contributed some hemoglobin to the effort, and I was happy to make the contribution - as I'll soon see Wayne and Jan cruising down the road this summer.

We took a break with the engine/tranny bolted in place and retired to the cabin for some ham sandwiches and tales of deer hunting with rifles and chasing away Jehovah's Witnesses and burglars alike with various muskets and chainsaws. I left as they went back out to the shop to hook up the ancillaries. Wayne: NICE cabin! What a treat to see it. Thanks for sharing! We'll see you on the road soon.

Attendees included: Chuck Norton, Carl Stine, Steve Rixen, Fred Ambli, Ron Corazzo, Tom Moerke, Rod Richert, Wayne Soderbeck, Dave Lee, Jack Stein, Herb Miller, and Curt Carlson.

### From Wayne:

I would like to thank the following guys for coming to my tech session on March 14:

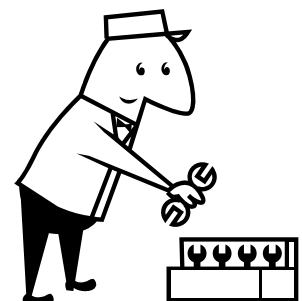
Rod Richert, Tom Moerke, Jack Stein, Carl Stine, Larry Nimmerfroh, Dave Lee, Ron Corazzo, and Fred Ambli.

A very special thanks goes to the following guys that dropped their jackets, rolled up their shirt sleeves, grabbed a wrench ( if they could find the right one), and got right into it to get the job done. I don't think it would have been completed without these guys: Chuck Norton, Steve Rixen, Herb Miller, Curt Carlson, and Jack Stein.

I publicly acknowledge my debt to Mr. Jack Stein for the motor stand and will be happy to pay off that debt at the next PIE. Curt was surprised to see that you CAN lower an engine into a car with a cup of coffee in your hand. ( Good job Curt ! ) Thanks Steve and Chuck for your "full steam ahead" work style, and Herb knows his clutch work, even when my lock tabs are on backwards! I had donuts and some coffee for the crew in the shop.

Lunch was served in my cabin for all before they left.

THANKS TO EVERYONE AGAIN !!



## Trip #3: February 2009

By Dan Powell

Early in February **Jeff Lombard**, our racing buddy **Brian Crombie** (former owner of a concour BJ-8, current owner of an MGBGTV8), and I set off on our third journey across the pond to visit car museums and other venues older than we are... which is getting tougher to find as the years go by. This trip centered around Retromobile in Paris followed by a Chunnel trip to the Dover area, where we picked up a car and eventually flew home from Birmingham England.

This trip had been in the planning stages for over two years. Brian grew up in Canada, so he had enough knowledge of French that we weren't overtly insulted while in Paris (as far as we knew)! Actually the French we met were friendly... of course that could have been because we were spending lots of Euros.

We arrived at our hotel in on Saturday about 11:00 AM local time and went sightseeing. This was my second trip to Paris so I was the guide. I showed them Norte Dame in a snowstorm and the lower half of Eiffel Tower in freezing rain... a lovely time was had by all! Sunday we went to Retromobile and met up with another racing buddy - Grant Gongell (bugeye driver in the AUHC, lives in Memphis), who is a pilot for FedEx and at the last minute was able to arrange his schedule to join us for the middle portion of our adventure. The Metro ride across Paris was like a rough-edged London tube, but it got us there. The Retromobile Show wasn't as big as in some past years, the economy hitting everything it seems; but most of the "cream" was on display. We saw (close enough to touch) the never restored Bugatti that had been in storage since 1960 or 61. It had sold the night before for about \$5,000,000 USD. The Hispano-Suizas took your breath away as did the price of lunch (captive audience). Jeff bought a new Healey book from the French A-H club and had the author sign it. He also bought a toy for his race Healey that I will give him the chance to describe later... except to say I thought we should hire a guard to take us back to the hotel. We saw lots of other interesting cars and also visited with Paul Nesse who was displaying his art.

Monday we took the Chunnel train to England and picked up a rental car. Brian drove (I drove on our first trip to England and was immediately "promoted" to navigator for the next two trips... don't know why?). Had a chance to really use my TomTom930 with euro maps... it worked very well, but you still want a fairly detailed map as a backup. We went to Dover Castle and toured the labyrinth of war tunnels that had been cut into the chalk under the castle and the ancient fortifications (30 MPH wind off the channel with spitting rain... lovely). Prior to dinner we attended evensong at Canterbury Cathedral. If you ever have the chance to attend an evensong, jump at it. You sit in the choir on chairs or benches that have been used for hundreds of years, watching the church come alive with the ritual and music. We stayed at a pub B&B about eight miles from Canterbury called The Three Tuns, which was first mentioned in print in the 1100's. No, there wasn't central heating, but the beverages tasted fine sitting in front of the open hearth fireplaces in the public room. The local MG club had their monthly meeting that night, so we had a chance to try to convert them to Healeyism !

Tuesday was off to Beaulieu, the home of the National Motor Museum. Our route took us about three miles from Brooklands; so we made a quick detour, looked at the cars, walked up the banking, and had lunch there. This was our third visit to Brooklands, and it was interesting to see the changes made each time - as well as the progress being made on the airplane restorations that were ongoing since our first visit in 2003. Continued on page 8

**Mercedes Benz  
Panamerica**



**Alfa Romeo  
(two engine-4wd)**



**Bugatti  
at  
Retromobile**



**The Hook Norton Brewery**

## Trip #3: February 2009 continued

Wednesday was busy... lots of driving with several scheduled stops. After breakfast it was off to the Aston Martin restoration facility in Newport Pagnell. This was our third visit to an Aston Martin venue. 2003 was the Vanquish factory – those buildings have now been demolished for a housing development. 2006 was the DB9 factory at Gaydon, and this year was the restoration facility. We saw a Lagonda (extreme wedge shape with spaceship style instruments) that was in for a 700,000 pound (not dollar) restoration! We were also shown two DB5's - "Bond 1" and "Bond 2" - documented cars from the movie Goldfinger that were in for restoration. Our next stop apparently didn't want to be found, so we headed off for the Bugatti Trust, which is in Prescott (a little town in the Cotswolds which also has a major hillclimb venue... go figure!). On the way, fate intervened. At an intersection of two "B" roads, we saw a signpost pointing left toward the Hook Norton Brewery. At the same intersection, a chap was offloading Hook Norton beer from a truck. Obviously we turned left. They have been brewing beer in the same buildings for over 160 years. We had a mini-tour of the brewery and sampled just enough of their brew to keep it safe but mellow in the car. We arrived at the Bugatti Trust about five minutes before closing, but the gentleman there spent about an hour with us discussing everything known about the man and the car. They have two Bugatti's on display as well as engines, drawings, etc. Very interesting stuff. Jeff brought some 8x10 photos he had taken of the Bugatti airplane at the Oshkosh museum, and they were thrilled to get them. Then off to Yoxall, the home of Denis Welch and the finest pub B&B ever - The Golden Cup! Suitable beverages and meat pies capped off the long day of driving.

Thursday started out at Denis Welch's. Here we saw the endurance car they built, as well as their new dyno, and a number of other cars. After Jeff set the balance of payments totally in favor of the Brits, it was off to the Donington museum. There are more F-1 cars here in one place than anywhere else on earth. The owner, Mr. Wheatcroft, couldn't buy a Bugatti Royale, so he had an exact copy made!

Friday started out at Cape International - which although they do excellent restoration work, isn't as polished a location as their ads imply. We did see, however, the 11<sup>th</sup> Austin Healey ever made as well as a real C-type being restored (must be lots of money in England these days). Then off to the Jaguar Trust museum, where we saw the only one of these, the first or last of that, etc... kind of like being a diabetic in a chocolate shop. The only disturbing aspect of this venue was the sight of 94 acres of plowed land... all of which used to comprise the Brown's Lane Jaguar manufacturing facility... all those skilled jobs gone forever! Our last stop was the Coventry Motor Museum, which had a very long list of "former" auto manufacturers from the Coventry area... Darwin meets the British auto executive! That evening, prior to dinner, we ran into two Dutch Healey enthusiasts in the pub. Rinus Sinke (and his rally navigator Peter), who had, along with a chase car, driven his Healey seven hours from Holland to drop it off at Denis Welch "to have the engine looked at". Turned out he is the president of the Dutch AH club and heavy into racing (see [www.healeymeetslemans.nl](http://www.healeymeetslemans.nl)). They were driving somewhere in the area to meet Jeremy Welch for dinner, and we were happy to see them at breakfast the next morning - as Brian had kept their wine glasses full throughout our hour long visit. One last meat pie for dinner and then the trip was over.

Saturday was the marathon flying day.... Birmingham to Amsterdam to Detroit to Minneapolis. Good to be home... already talking about the next trip in three years.

**Austin Healey  
"Enduro" car at Denis  
Welch's showroom.**



## Spring Awakening Tour

by Tom Moerke

Our Spring Awakening Tour will be on the same day as our Adopt-A-Highway Clean-Up – Saturday April 25th. We will meet in Birkmose Park in Hudson, Wisconsin overlooking the scenic St. Croix River. 2:00 pm is when we meet and 2:30 pm when we depart.

To get to Birkmose Park, take Interstate 94 east to WI and get off at exit 1. Go north to the first intersection, and turn right on Coulee Road. Turn right again by the concrete tipi and proceed to the overlook area. There are no lavatories at that location.

The route will be a little different from last year's Tour. Watch for the Buffalo ! The Tour will end at the Laurel Supper Club east of New Richmond. As with last year's tour, it is recommended that you not eat for several days prior to ordering the Prime Rib ! Of course if you are a dainty eater like me, you can order something lighter off the menu. A word of warning: April 25 is early in the year. Leave your top up (i.e. do not go topless !). See you at the Mississippi and the St. Croix Rivers.

Need more info? Call 651-402-2153.



## Tech Session / Open House

Dan Iburg at Midwest Motor Sports is having a Tech Session on Saturday April 18<sup>th</sup>. The topic will be Removing Scratches from Glass & Plexiglass (including windshields, side curtains, & rear windows). The session will begin at 10:00 am with lunch being served about noon. They always do a nice job.

Directions: Take Highway 10 to St. Cloud, use the Sauk Rapids/Benton Drive exit, go left onto Benton, turn right onto 8th Ave. So. (just before first traffic light, you'll see Bubba's bar), go about 1 block, look for sign on white building on right.

Midwest Motor Sports  
728 8th Ave. So.  
Sauk Rapids, MN 56379

**Notice:** Larry Nimmerfroh's mother passed away on March 16, 2009 at the age of 83. The funeral was on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, to allow for out of town family to attend. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family.

## Events Schedule 2009

**April 1\*\***

**PIE Meeting** - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See page 3.

**April 25\*\***

**Adopt-A-Highway Clean-up** - (Sat) Meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Veteran's Hwy. Roadside Park at milepost 80 on US Hwy. 61 – just above Lake City, MN for the Spring Adopt-A-Highway clean up. Arrangements are being made by Greg Lauser.

**April 25\*\***

**Spring Awakening Tour** - (Sat) Meet/leave at 2:00 p.m. Tour is to end at The Laurel Restaurant east of New Richmond WI at 4:00 p.m. Arrangements by Tom Moerke.

**May 6 \*\***

**PIE Meeting** - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See page 3.

**May 9\*\***

**Hill Climb VIII** - (Sat) Afton Alps – Rain date May 10. See page 12.

**May 15-17**

**Vintage GT Challenge** – (Fri-Sun) This will be the weekend for the Spring races at RoadAmerica in Elkhart Lake, WI. For more info, email Jeff Johnk at [jeffj@centuryrefining.com](mailto:jeffj@centuryrefining.com)

**May 16**

**Intermarque Car Show** – (Sat) The InterMarque Council will again sponsor the annual Spring car show. New location this year at Como Park in St. Paul. See page 13.

**June 3 \*\***

**PIE Meeting** - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See previous notice.

**June 13**

**German Carfest 2009** – (Sat) Held at Veteran's Park 1801 E. Cty. Rd. 101 in Shakopee, MN. For info, call Paul Bergquist at 952-937-1822  
(Sat-Sun.) Very nice showing of Classic Cars at Rice Park in downtown St. Paul. Details to follow.

**June 11-14\*\***

**Rendezvous 2009** - (Thurs to Sun) This will be the 19<sup>th</sup> year for the annual Lake Superior Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous. The location this year will be at Ashland, WI. MAHC will be hosting. Get your reservations in early! See enclosed Registration Form.

**June 20 \*\***

**Amery Airport Autocross V** – (Sat) – For those who love to “fly” ! Details soon.

**June 20\*\***

**Drive-In Movie Nite** – (Sat) Curt Carlson is bringing us back to the 50's with this event in Lake Elmo. Plan to come early and tailgate. Details later.

**June 19-20**

**Back to the 50's Car Show** – The annual gigantic car show at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds. If you want to see 10,000 fancy cars, here's the place!

**June 21-26\*\***

**AHCA Conclave 2009** – The annual gathering of the Austin Healey Club of America will be in Kingston, Ontario this year. If you have not been to a Conclave, you are missing a beautiful event with lots of great Healeys and people. Work it into your summer plans !

**June 28**

**Intermarque Picnic** – (Sun) 1:00p.m. Drive to Cherokee Park in St. Paul for a friendly casual gathering. Bring your own lunch and enjoy the afternoon with friends.

**June 28 \*\***

**Lynch / Ronning Barbecue Picnic and Easy Tour** - (Sun) Go for a country tour on the west side of town and then enjoy the offerings from Mike & Gloria Lynch's professional kitchen ! Always a feast ! Details later.

**\*\* - Denotes an official MAHC club activity**



## Events Schedule 2009

July 1 **	<b>PIE Meeting</b> - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See page 3.
July 4	<b>Chetek Car Show</b> (Sat.) at Airport, Chetek, Wisconsin mmgg.org
July 11 **	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Annual Healey Gymkhana</b> – (Sat) Meet at 8:00 a.m. in the Brown & Bigelow parking lot at 345 Plato Blvd. in St. Paul. Scott McQueen and Aaron Courteau will be making the arrangements. Details later.
July 17-19	<b>The Kohler International Challenge</b> (formerly called the BRIC) The largest vintage car race event held at RoadAmerica in Elkhart Lake, WI. Lots of people, so plan early. A great display of exotic cars. For details, call Jeff Johnk, Dan Powell, or Jeff Lumbard
July 19**	<b>Lynch Jaguar - Healey Fiesta Picnic</b> (Sun) Details tba.
July 26	<b>Intermarque Picnic</b> – (Sun) 1:00PM Cherokee Park, St. Paul, MN
August 5 **	<b>PIE Meeting</b> - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See page 3.
August 6-9	<b>Rally in the Valley</b> – (Thurs–Sun) This is a European Inter-Marque Sports Car Event sponsored by the Minnesota MG Group. Hosts are Steve & Diane Rindt – phone 715-832-8316. Location is Eau Claire, WI. Hotel reservations at Sleep Inn – 715-874-2900.
August 8 **	<b>Lauser / Stine Tour &amp; Picnic</b> – (Sat) There will be a driving tour ending up at Carl & Betty Stine's for a Picnic at their very beautiful farm in Beldenville, WI. Details later.
August 15	<b>BRIT FEST - All British Swap Meet/Car Show</b> – (Sat) 10:00 a.m. This event has been held at the Ellingson Car Museum on Hwy. 94 in Rogers, MN for the past twelve years. It's a great place to buy or sell parts and show your car. Sponsored by the MMGG.
August 22**	<b>Amery Airport Autocross VI</b> – (Sat) Another Hazen Hodown ! Details later.
August 30	<b>Intermarque Picnic</b> – (Sun) 1:00 p.m. Cherokee Park, St. Paul, MN
September 2 **	<b>PIE Meeting</b> – (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See page 3.
September 12	<b>Wheels 'n Wings</b> – (Sat) 8:00 a.m. Looks like the event is still alive. Lots of cars and books. Airplanes, a train ride, hot dogs, and friendly people make it an enjoyable day in Osceola, WI.
September 13 **	<b>Morgan - Healey Picnic</b> – (Sun.) Herb and Marsha are hosting again. Details tba.
September 18-20	<b>Fall Vintage Race Festival XXIV</b> - Held at RoadAmerica in Elkhart Lake, WI. A great opportunity to rub shoulders with the drivers and see the race cars up close. Call Jeff J., Dan P., or Jeff L. for details.
September 27 **	<b>Huston - Soderbeck Fall Picnic</b> (Sun) 1:00 p.m. at the Soderbeck home in Roberts WI. Details later by Jan Huston and Wayne Soderbeck.
October 7 **	<b>PIE Meeting</b> – (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See page 3.
October 10 **	<b>Adopt A Highway Clean-up</b> (Sat) 9:00 a.m. The second of our two clean-ups for the year is to take place on this date. Arranged by Greg Lauser.
October 10**	<b>Fall Color Tour</b> - (Sat.) 2:00 p.m. The final drive of the year to enjoy the beautiful Fall tree colors. Details later.
November 4 **	<b>PIE Meeting</b> – (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See page 3.
November 7 **	<b>Charity Event</b> – (Sat) Dale Martin will schedule our club to take part in a repeat food packaging charitable exercise for Feed My Starving Children. Details later.
November 21 **	<b>Annual Business Meeting Party</b> – (Sat) The annual business meeting, election of officers, and dinner banquet will occur on this evening at the Fort Snelling Officer's Club. Arrangements being made by Mike Martin.
December 2 **	<b>PIE Meeting</b> – (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See page 3.
December 5 **	<b>Planning Breakfast</b> – (Sat) The schedule of events for 2010 will be on the agenda for this meeting. Katy Olson will select the site.

# Healey Hillclimb VIII

## Saturday, May 9, 2009

(rain date Sunday, May 10)

### Afton Alps Recreation Area

The Minnesota Austin-Healey Club invites you to **TAKE THE HILL!** Hillclimbs enjoy a proud place in the history of European motor sports. Now you can be part of that tradition and make history with your own run **TO THE TOP!**

On-site check in opens 7:00am, closes 8:30am

**MANDATORY drivers meeting 8:30am**

Advance registration only - Payment required in advance!

Drivers must be 18+, sign waiver, pass on-site tech inspection, wear helmet (Bring Snell 85 or newer. We'll have some loaners)

Vintage Race Car Exhibit by our friends:  
See pre- and post-war track classics!



**CORNER WORKERS NEEDED!** Want to get close to the action but not drive? Like to wave flags and blow whistles? Free treats provided to all volunteers, and those who stay 8am to 5pm will receive a free buffet lunch! Space is limited, so call Tom now to reserve your coveted place among the cones.

Directions: I 94 East past St. Paul, take exit 253 and turn right onto Manning Ave/Hwy 95. After 6.8 miles turn left onto 70th Street. After 3.5 miles turn left into the Afton Alps complex.

**Advance registration required! (deadline May 6)** \$40 per driver. \$25 for Austin-Healey Club members. Make check payable to the **Minnesota Austin-Healey Club** and mail to Tom Hazen, 11434 Mtka Mills Rd, Mtka, MN 55305. Or pay via PayPal adding \$2 service charge to myliberty@comcast.net. Sorry, no refunds.

**Despite all precautions taken, this event remains dangerous and may result in property damage, serious injury, or death. Drivers, spectators, and workers enter at their own risk.**

Driver

Year, make, model, color, requested car number

Email and phone

Questions? Contact Tom Hazen at 612-237-1883 or myliberty@comcast.net



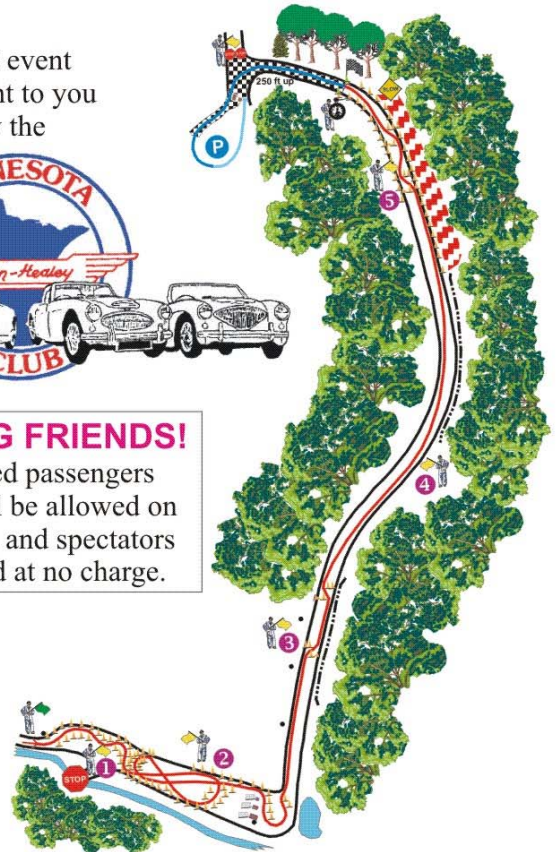
Paul Weidner climbs the hill in his Speedwell Sprite - Photo courtesy Andy Lindberg

This event brought to you by the



### BRING FRIENDS!

Helmeted passengers 16+ will be allowed on all runs, and spectators admitted at no charge.



The course is entirely paved and consists of a 1/3 mile autocross section at the bottom of the hill with several tight turns followed by a hillclimb section that rises 250 feet in just over 1/3 mile. Drivers will run in the order their paid registrations are received. We will try to give everyone four runs, more if time permits. From 12:30 to 1:30 we will take a break to enjoy the optional barbeque buffet luncheon served in the ski chalet (\$10 cash or check, pay at the buffet).

Free breakfast treats provided by the

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**SEE YOU ON THE HILL!**

# 2009 SPRING KICK-OFF COMO PARK



Hosted by:

**InterMarqueCouncil**  
*Vintage Foreign Motorcars of the Upper Midwest*

Event Co-Chairs: Phyllis Galberth and Aaron Courteau

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**SATURDAY  
MAY 16 2009  
9:00AM - 2:00PM**

**MOTORCAR PLACEMENT STARTS 8:00 A.M.**

**COMO PARK PICNIC HILL  
AND PAVILION PARKING LOTS  
1360 LEXINGTON PARKWAY N  
ST. PAUL MINNESOTA**

## The Motorcar Exhibition:

Open to all VINTAGE FOREIGN motorcars, motorcycles, scooters vintage racers **1984 and older**.  
Exhibitors are requested to PLEASE pre-register for the Motorcar Exhibition by e-mail to,  
Phyllis Galberth: [deegalberth@yahoo.com](mailto:deegalberth@yahoo.com) **BEFORE May 8, 2009**

## Exhibitors Social Gathering:

Please bring your own PICNIC and enjoy a spring afternoon with vintage foreign motoring enthusiasts on Como Park Picnic Hill.

## Special Attractions:

Local motoring club displays, artists and authors Exhibit from the Transportation Artists and Authors Guild, special photo opportunities for the exhibitors and more.....In addition there are terrific activities / sights in Como Park ( Zoo, Conservatory, Hamm Memorial Waterfalls).

**Please note to make your reservations early.**

## Welcome to Rendezvous 2009 – A Superior Experience – June 11-14

**Where:** The pristine shores of Chequamegon Bay on Lake Superior in Ashland, Wisconsin

### Ashland accommodations:

Identify yourself as part of Healey Rendezvous 2009 for the Special Room Rates (+ taxes) listed below.

Headquarters hotel: **AmericInn Motel & Suites (Sold Out)**  
3009 Lake Shore Drive East Phone: 715-682-9950  
80 rooms at \$109.00/night (on reservations made by May 11) include complimentary breakfast + pool.

If AmericInn is full: **Lake Superior Lodge (Best Western)**  
30600 Highway 2 West Phone: 715-682-5235  
20 rooms at \$109.00/night (good through May 11).  
Restaurant: Explorer's Point / Blue Heron Bar

**Hotel Chequamegon**  
101 Lake Shore Drive West Phone: 715-682-9095  
20 rooms at \$109.00/night (good through May 23)  
include complimentary breakfast + pool  
Restaurant: Molly Cooper's Eating & Drinking Establishment  
Molly's Fish Fry – Friday - \$10.95 to \$14.95

**Ashland Super 8 Motel**  
1610 Lake Shore Drive West Phone: 715-682-9377  
10 rooms at special rates (good through May 11) of:  
One Bed Room - \$53.95 Thursday; \$62.95 Friday & Saturday.  
Two Bed Room - \$80.95 Thursday; \$89.95 Friday & Saturday.

## Rendezvous Update

by Tom Moerke

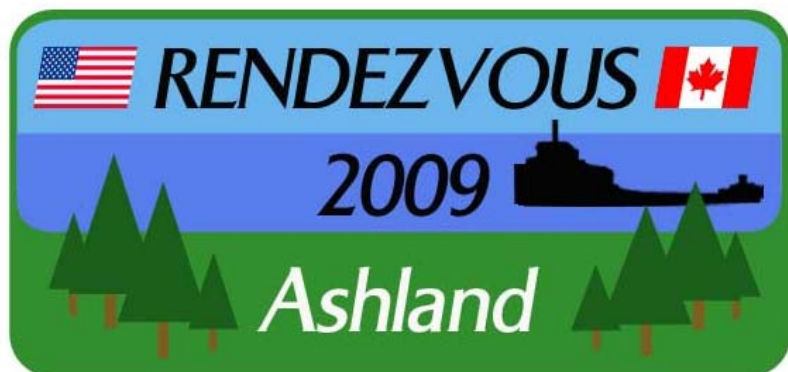
Barb Ronning called the other motels in Ashland as the AmericInn was already booked up. They were all aware of the Rendezvous event and had rooms set aside. She found that The Best Western had sold out all 20 rooms, so 10 more were added to be set aside. The Hotel Chequamegon had only booked 1 room, so they have 19 still available. The Super 8 had only booked 1 room, so they have 9 left but have added ten more. So get your reservation now !

I got an email from the Thunder Bay Club that a pack of them were coming ! It's always fun to chat with our Canadian friends – and see their cars !

Now we have some great news for you. Kevin Clemens has agreed to speak at the Saturday night Awards Banquet ! For those of you who do not know Kevin, he is an author, editor of European Car Magazine, vintage car racer, and long distance rallyist. By long distance I mean really loooooong distance. In the year 2000, he drove a 1959 Mercedes around the world ! Now that's long. Two years ago he drove a race from Peking to Paris. He has many exciting experiences to draw from, so you won't want to miss his talk.

He's also a pretty handy guy to go on a drive with – always willing and very knowledgeable. I speak from the experience of a trip around Lake Superior in 2006 and a trip to the Black Hills in 2007 with Kevin. The other participants were Andy and Linda, Rich and Liz, Jon Masley, Larry Henle, Russ and Marg Bees, Dick Wallrich, and my Spokane buddy Fred Hyatt.

Now it's only 2plus months to go to Rendezvous ! Remember to bring your swim suits and camera. See you there !



19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
VINTAGE SPORTS CARS CELEBRATION  
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*JUNE 11 -14*

Thursday – Registration: 3-7 p.m. Hospitality Reception: 5-8 p.m.  
Friday -- Registration 8 a.m.-Noon, Driving tours to Bayfield & Madeline Island areas, Golfing  
Saturday -- AutoCross, Car Show, Walking Tour & Awards Banquet  
Sunday -- Breakfast & Goodbyes

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_  
(PRINT LEGIBLY first and last name/names as they should appear on badges)

Children Attending \_\_\_\_\_  
(Include names & ages of each child)

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province/PostalCode \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
(Include e-mail address if you want a confirmation of registration – none will be sent otherwise.)

Vehicle/s to be registered \_\_\_\_\_  
(Year) (Make) (Model)  
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Registration Fee: \$50.00 After May 15: \$65.00 (All fees in U.S. dollars) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Registration includes one vehicle, two adults, one child under 18 & one free T/shirt)  
Each additional person: \$5.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Each additional vehicle: \$5.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Free shirt size \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> shirt \_\_\_\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> shirt \_\_\_\_\_ Added shirts: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(T-Shirt Sizes: Small, Medium, Large, XL) (For XXL & XXXL – Cost is \$13.00)  
Awards Banquet tickets: \$25.00/adult x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\$20.00/child under 13 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

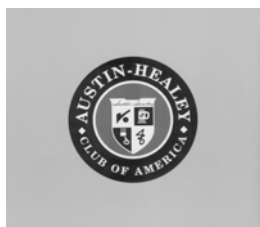
Make checks to Minnesota Austin-Healey Club (U.S. funds) and send with completed form to:  
Greg Lauser, W12349 694<sup>th</sup> Ave., Prescott, Wis. 54021  
Registration questions to: [glauser@pressenter.com](mailto:glauser@pressenter.com)  
Cancellations before 5/15/05 are subject to a \$10.00 fee. No refunds after May 15.

I want to play golf with a Rendezvous 2009 group \_\_\_\_\_  
(A Rendezvous Golf organizer will contact you with details & greens fees information)

Contact AmericInn directly for headquarters hotel room reservations in Ashland, Wis. @  
1-715-682-9950 or [www.AmericInn.com](http://www.AmericInn.com).

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