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Scott McQueen's Dinkytown Garage, site of March's Tech Session

Upcoming Events

Suspended until further notice due to COVID-19

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PIE

(President's Informal Evening)

Date: Wednesday, Jan 8

Wednesday, Feb 5

Time: 6:00 p.m., meeting at 7:00

Place: Joseph's Grill

140 South Wabasha Saint Paul, MN 55107

651-222-2435

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

Thank you to people who submitted news, articles, and photos for this issue:

Dave Hatzung John Hatzung June Moerke Dan Powell Kim Rixen

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President Dave Hatzung's

Very Presidential Column

The excitement of another car season is about to explode. I went to the first car show of the year: the Mt. Olivet Motorheads Winter Event was Tuesday night, March 10th. It was held at the man cave/she shed of one of our Church members, **Jeannine Rivet & Warren Herreid** (no relation to our club member **Dave Herried** ...remember, you can pick your nose, but not your relatives).

You might think we went to see the cars, but the venue is also something else. It has to be the largest and nicest private garage/party space I've ever seen. AND, there were some nice cars there. They even chose my BRG '67 AH BJ8 to put on display along with **Gene Berghoff's** Morgan, and one of **Mike Karch's** new purchases, a Goliath – you're going to have to look that one up. Plus, a bunch of other beauties. **Rich Stadther** was there and will vouch for all the above!

I was also at **Scott McQueen's** garage/open house/tech session. He has a very nice man cave/garage, and some super nice/perfect cars. It's always fun to see his collection. **Steve Rixen** gave a tech session that was unbelievable. I thought he knew a lot about Healey's, but was I wrong – he knows everything about them and shared that knowledge with us in a 2+ hour session. We are very fortunate to have people like Steve and Scott in our club.

This week the coronavirus is starting to wreak havoc in the USA. They've been canceling events like crazy, and I have no idea how that could affect our club. I can't think of what concerns we'd have, other than being around a group of people who mostly use gasoline for after shave. We had a discussion at my office this morning about what we need to plan for, should this thing get worse. I just got an email that the Jag Club dinner was cancelled. I hope we don't have to have that discussion for the MAHC. If you have any questions or concerns, let me or a board member know.

Take care, Dave Hatzung

P.S. As this issue goes to press, the COVID-19 issue seems to be getting worse. On the next page is a copy of the email that was sent reluctantly to all MAHC members. Possibly one of the few things we'll be able to do until this is over is work on our cars and ride in them.

All MAHC events suspended until further notice

During this unprecedented time of social distancing, first and foremost, we hope you and all of your loved ones are safe and healthy. While we know that many of you are following the recommended social distancing guidelines, your MAHC Board and I feel we need to put all club activities on hold ... until further notice. So, no PIE meeting in April. Also, any planned activities are also cancelled.

We will keep you posted as to when we can start having fun again with our Healey's. Until then, don't follow anyone too closely! (Stay at least 8' behind them.)

Take care, stay healthy and maintain a safe distance,

Your President

Dave Hatzung



P.I.E. Meeting Minutes

by John Hatzung

March 4, 2019

President Dave Hatzung brought the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Upcoming events

• Saturday, March 7 Tech session at Scott McQueen's 10:00 am – 12:30 pm.

Tuesday, March 10 Motorheads Event (Dave's car & Jensen Interceptor featured)

Saturday, May 9
 Intermarque Osseo Spring Kick-off

• June 11 – 13? Lake of the Woods Rendezvous (Now cancelled)

?? Tampa Bay Conclave??

Club Status and Event Reports

Second Harvest Heartland volunteers packed potatoes. Included were Eileen and neighbor,
 Suzanne and Greg, Steve and Kim, Daphne and Dave, John and Lisa (who did I forget??)

Humor: Tom amused with a jeweler joke.

Current membership: 64

• Treasury: Sound / in the black

Timed Events Insurance

With approval of the board, Dave, as a Hagerty rep, has taken this on. Applications have been submitted for quotes. Dave has noted that "most Insurance companies are going to perhaps charge extra for "car events," so we have asked Gary Feldman to send out a questionnaire to each member club to respond with their anticipated event schedule so clubs can decide if they want to proceed with those events. Will try to keep you all in the loop. I suspect timeline will be 2-3 weeks (with some back and forth re more questions). I think that questionnaire is going to come to me as president, so if any of you get it, let me know, as I'll probably want to forward that to Dan to fill out."

Regalia

Jeff Johnk Charcoal polo

Rich StadtherBlue denim shirt Eileen Wetzel Raspberry vest

Kent Brown Charcoal vest (needs to be mailed)

Tom Moerke Khaki jacket

Race Masters

Greg Willodson Amery Autocross
Tom Hazen Waumandee Hillclimb

Next PIE Meeting

The April meeting is canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Present: Barb & Gary Ronning, Scott McQueen, Tom Politiski, Jim Kriz, Cheryl & Dave Rademacher, Geoff & Diane Rossi, Steve Rixen, Tom & June Moerke, Dick Leithinger, Dan Powell, Rich and Liz Stadther, Dave Hatzung, John Hatzung.

Tech Session Report



by Dan Powell

The annual tech session at Scott McQueen's carriage house was held on Saturday, March 7th. Attendees included (but were not limited to—some didn't sign in) Rich Stadther ... who drove his MG TD without side curtains, Steve Hagen, Dan Powell, Chuck Norton, Gary and Eileen Wetzel, Jay Jacobson, Dave Hatzung, Dick Leighninger, and Steve Rixen (host speaker). A pleasant cameo appearance was made by Kim Rixen, who stopped by to take photos for the newsletter. Several others who normally attend were still in Florida or environs.

The subject of this tech session differed somewhat from prior years, which previously had focused on specific systems (brakes, electric, etc.). This year Steve outdid himself with a Powerpoint presentation on Donald Healey prior to the name Austin being used, including some of his racing and rallying experiences. His presentation also included interesting differences between the various small and big Healeys (BN4-BJ8). I've been around Healeys for 57 years and I still found myself learning things from the presentation.

As usual, Scott provided designer pastries and donut holes, regular and dark roast coffee, and the ingredients needed to make a Bloody Mary for those who had their watches set to eastern or maritime time zones. A few attendees spent time viewing Scott's collection of Healeys in his heated garage, and all of us enjoyed the temperate weather.



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"Boot and Bonnet" Leap Year Potluck

by June Moerke

Saturday evening, February 29th, a sizeable group of antique British car owners (enthusiasts all) gathered at Tom and June Moerke's jhome in Hudson, Wisconsin at 6:00 p.m. for appetizers and a potluck meal (supper).

Eight Healey couples were in attendance, making a part of the enthusiastic group: Steve and Kim Rixen, Clarence and Kate Westberg, Gary band Eileen Wetzel, Carl and Betty Stine, Chuck and Mary Sue Ash, Phil See and friend Laura, Dick and Sally Leinengher, and of course hosts Tom and June Moerke.

From the Saturday morning Intermarque breakfast group, we were joined by fourteen Minnesota Triumph Club members and by four Minnesota Mini Club members.

The largest group of guests were from the original host of the spring "Boot 'n Bonnet" pot luck, the Minnesota MG Club. They had 22 members in attendance, along with three folks not affiliated with a car club.

All enjoyed appetizers, snack foods, and an array of assorted wines and beverages from 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. A bit after 7:00, dinner with a wide variety of salads and main courses were served. June had made two: corned beef and a ham to serve along with the salads and casseroles that others had made.

After much eating and visiting the dessert course was announced. June had made three pans of different brownies. Betty Stine shared a sumptuous bread pudding topped with whiskey sauce (hard sauce). A Triumph member made a huge homemade chocolate bundt cake, another gal brought a tray of assorted bars topped with a frog holding a sign that read, "Have a Hoppy Leap Year Day!" These were rounded out by snickerdoodle cookies, assorted chocolates and candies, and coffee and more wine.

Due to the large size of the group and the noise volume, we can only assume that merriment was had by all.







Activities

Meet & Greet at Lake of the Woods Brewing Company

Scenic Driving Tour & Pickerel Lunch at Smith Camps

Art Gallery & Museum Tour with lunch at Boston Pizza

- Evening Cruise on the historic M.S. Kenora
- Fun Rallye
- Harbourfront Charity Car Show
- Awards Banquet at the Kenora Recreation

Centre

Travelodge 800 Highway 17 E.

807-468-3155



Days Inn 920 Highway 17 E. 807-468-2003

Accommodations



Comfort Inn 1230 Highway 17 E. 807-468-8845





2020 LAKE OF THE WOODS VINTAGE SPORTS CAR RENDEZVOUS

REGISTRATION FORM

Welcome to the **2020 Lake of the Woods Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous** hosted by the <u>Austin Healey Club of Manitoba</u>, the <u>British Car Club of Manitoba</u> and the <u>Mid Canada Mini Group</u>. The Rendezvous will take place June 11-13, 2020 in the destination location of Kenora, Ontario.

A fun filled weekend of events has been planned, including (* indicates pre-registration required):

- Meet and Greet at our sponsor, Lake of the Woods Brewery, on Thursday evening
- Friday morning choice of:
 - Scenic Drive and Renowned Walleye Lunch at Smith Camp *
 - Lake of the Woods Museum and Art Gallery Tour and Boston Pizza Lunch * Self-guided Tunnel Island Hike
- Charity Wine and Cheese Tasting on Friday afternoon *
- M.S. Kenora Cruise on Friday evening *
- Fun Car Rallye on Saturday morning
- Charity Car Show on Saturday afternoon
- Awards Banquet on Saturday evening *

Our host hotel is the Clarion Lakeside Inn and Conference Centre. Additional rooms are available at the Travelodge Hotel. Book your accommodations now and receive the Rendezvous event rate.

Registration is now open! When sending payment please make cheques payable to **2020 Rendezvous**. Mail your completed and signed registration form along with your cheque to: Chad Edwards – 2020 Rendezvous Registration 25 River Wood Dr.

La Salle, MB ROG 0A2 CANADA

Be sure to check the website (http://rendezvous2020.com) for updates and you can send an email to info@rendezvous2020.com if you have any questions.

HOST HOTEL

Clarion Lakeside Inn and Conference Centre 470 1st Ave. S., Kenora, Ont. P9N 1W7 (807) 468-5521

ALTERNATE HOTEL

Travelodge 800 Highway 17 E., Kenora Ont. P9N 1L9 (800) 916-4339

Basic Registration includes <i>ONE</i> vintage vehicle, <i>TWO</i> adults and any children age 15 and under.
Cancellations will be subject to a \$10.00 cancellation fee. No refunds will be provided after May 1 st . Registration
details will be confirmed via an email to address included below.

Name:	Person 2:

Additional Guests & Children

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Street Address:		City:			Prov/State:	Post	al/Zip:
Email 1:			Phone 1:				
Email 2:			Phone 2:				
Club Name(s):							
Vehicle Year:	Make:			Model:			
Note: Use the pricing	that matches the cu	ırrency you wil	I be paying wit	h.	CND	US	
Basic Registration (1 ve	ehicle, 2 adults, children	age 15 and under)		<u>1</u>	x \$80.00 /	\$61.50 =	
Late Fee (Only applicable	e if registering after Apri	I 30 th)		<u>0 o</u>	<u>r 1</u> x \$10.00 /	\$7.75 =	
Additional Guests (ove	r the 2 adults and childre	n included in Basic	Registration)		x \$20.00 /	\$15.50 =	
Additional Vintage Ve							
Breakfast – Friday					x \$16.00 /	\$12.50 =	
– Saturday					x \$16.00 /	\$12.50 =	
Smith Camps Drive &	Walleye Lunch * (lim	ted to first 160)			x \$25.00 /	\$19.25 =	
Art Gallery and Museu	ım Tour & Boston Pi	zza Lunch * (lim	ited to first 50)		x \$25.00 /	\$19.25 =	
* The Smith Camps Drive							
Charity Wine and Chee	ese				x \$15.00 /	\$11.50 =	
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Awards Banquet – Adı							
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Rendezvous 2020 location changes:

A fire at the Clarion Lakeside Inn has resulted in location changes.

The Kenora Recreation Centre is reserved for Event Registration, Silent Auction, Charity Wine and Cheese, and Awards Banquet.

Rooms are available at

- Travelodge 800 Highway 17 E. 807-468-3155 \$129 CND
- Days Inn 920 Highway 17 E. 807-468-2003 \$129 CND
- Comfort Inn 1230 Highway 17 E. 807-468-8845 \$139+ CND (includes hot breakfast)

People already registered for Rendezvous 2020 do not need to re-register.

MAHC Membership / Renewal Form

Minnesota A-H Club Dues	New	Renewal	\$20.00
Austin-Healey Club of America Dues BOTH CLUBS			\$50.00 \$70.00
Minnesota A-H Club (Local only) Dues	New	Renewal	\$25.00
Name:		Spouse:	
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Make checks payable to: MN Austin	Healey	Club (or MAHC)	

Checks covering AHCA membership renewals must reach Jim Kriz no later than January 1, 2015,

Send form and checks to:

Jim Kriz 2000 Kenwood Pkwy. Minneapolis, MN 55405

to assure that your information appears in the 2015 AHCA Membership Directory.

MAHC Events Schedule 2020 cancelled until further notice

Day	Date	Event	Time	Place
April				
Wed	1-Apr	PIE Meeting	7:00PM	Joseph's Grill
Sat	18-Apr	Adopt a Highway Pickup		
May				
Wed	6-May	PIE Meeting	7:00PM	Joseph's Grill
Sat	9-May	Intermarque Spring Kickoff		Osseo
Fri-Sat	16-17 May	Vintage Racing Road America		Elkhart Lake, WI
Sun-Thu	17-21 May	Conclave 2020		The Plantation at Crystal River, Florida
Sat-Mon	23-25 May	VSCR Vintage Race		Brainerd International Raceway
Sat	30-May	Hatzung Party		Mary & Dave Hatzung home
June				
Wed	3-Jun	PIE Meeting	7:00PM	Joseph's Grill
Thu-Sun	11-14 Jun	Rendezvous 2020		Kenora, Ontario
Fri-Sun	19-21 Jun	Blackhawk Race		
Fri-Sun	19-21 Jun	Back to the 50's Car Show		Minnesota State Fairgrounds
Sun	21-Jun	Stone Arch Bridge		
Sat	27-Jun	Amery Autocross?		Amery, WI airport
Sat	27-Jun	Coulee Classic?		
Sun	28-Jun	Intermarque Picnic	1:00PM	Cherokee Park, St. Paul
July				
Wed	1-Jul	PIE Meeting	7:00PM	Joseph's Grill
Fri-Sun	10-12 Jul	VSCR Vintage Race		Brainerd International Raceway
Fri-Sun	24-26 Jul	Vintage Racing Road America		Elkhart Lake, WI
Sat	25-Jul	Lynch Mexican Fiesta		Mike & Gloria Lynch home
Sun	26-Jul	Intermarque Picnic	1:00PM	Cherokee Park, St. Paul

NOTE: Insurance and potential safety issues may affect timed car events including the Waumandee Hill Climb and Amery. Investigation ongoing.



Marketplace

1966 Austin-Healey Sprite for sale by charity. Car was donated to the Center for Vision Loss in Allentown, Pennsylvania. 166K miles. VIN: HAN8L53998. Contact Dennis Zehner at (610)433-6018 x 241 or dennis.zehner@centerforvisionloss.org.

MAHC Events Schedule 2020 (... continued)

August				
Wed	5-Aug	PIE Meeting	7:00PM	Joseph's Grill
Sat	8-Aug	BRIT FEST all British Car Show	9:00AM	Hudson, WI
Sat	22-Aug	Amery Autocross?		Amery WI Airport
Sat-Sun	29-30 Aug	SCCA Brainerd Racing		Brainerd International Raceway
Sun	30-Aug	Intermarque Picnic	1:00PM	Cherokee Park, St. Paul
September				
Wed	2-Sep	PIE Meeting	7:00PM	Joseph's Grill
Sat	12-Sep	Pizza Party		Herreid cabin, Afton, MN
Fri-Sun	18-20 Sep	Vintage Racing Road America		Elkhart Lake, WI
Fri-Sun	25-27 Sep	Waumandee Hillclimb		Waumandee (near Alma, WI)
Sun	27-Sep	Intermarque Picnic	1:00PM	Cherokee Park, St. Paul
October				
Wed	7-Oct	PIE Meeting	7:00PM	Joseph's Grill
Sat	10-Oct	Adopt a Highway		
Fri-Sun	16-18 Oct	Blackhawk Racing		
Sun	10/17? Oct	MG Fall Color Tour		
November				
Wed	4-Nov	PIE Meeting	7:00PM	Joseph's Grill
Fri-Sun	6-8 Nov	AHCA Delegate's Meeting		
Sat	21-Nov	Annual Banquet/Business Mtg		
December				
Sat	5-Dec	Annual Planning Breakfast	7:00PM	Joseph's Grill

^{*} PIE = President's Informal Meeting, Dinner 6:00 PM, Meeting 7:00 PM

InterMarque Breakfasts

The Saturday morning location has been changed to:

The 400 Tavern

1300 Industrial Blvd (near I35W) Minneapolis, MN

Phone: (612) 455-6312

InterMarque Newsletter

Check out InterMarque's multi-marque calendar in their latest newsletter for even more car events!

www.InterMarque.org

Marketplace

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1960 AH 3000 BN7 (rare two-seater) for sale by member of the Flatwater AHC in Omaha, NB. Jerry Mimick has owned this year for over 40 years and completed a full restoration in July of 2018. For more information/pictures contact Jerry at (641) 691-6961 or email mimshouse7@Q.com.



1964 Austin Healey BJ7, 72-spoke chrome wires, overdrive, perfect runner, great driver. \$37,500.
Contact Steve Walburg at (612) 272-7069 or swalburg13@gmail.com.
Minneapolis, MN.

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