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# **Healey Enthusiast**

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## MAHC SUMMER ACTIVITIES

## **EVENTS - SEE PAGE 7 DETAILS**

## **AUGUST**

Wed.	Aug 1 Aug 6 Aug 9	British Car Nite at Velocity Auto Art Hopkins (see p.9) PIE (see p. 3) Ellingson British Swap Meet (see p.7)
Sat. Sat.	Aug 16 Aug 23	Lauser / Stine Picnic (see p. 12) Amery Airport Event V
Sun.	Aug 31	Intermarque Picnic Cherokee Park

#### **SEPTEMBER**

wea.	Sep 3	PIE Meeting – (Wed) Meet at 7:00 PM. See page 3.
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		at Brainerd. See page 7
Sun.	Sep 14	Healey Morgan Picnic – (SUNDAY) 2:00 PM.
		Herb / Marsha Miller are hosts, Bloomington page 7.
Fri.	Sep 18-20	Fall Vintage Race Festival XXIII - RoadAmerica
		in Elkhart Lake, WI

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## The President's Report

By Tom Moerke

We have a great August coming up!

It will start off with a bang with the British Car Nite at the Velocity Auto Art at the Hopkins Art Center on Aug. 1st. We should all go even if we are not among the chosen 10 Healey's that will be on exhibit. Lets flood Hopkins with Healeys that night. And we get to vote for our favorite. going to have a tough time deciding between Herb Miller's perfect Bugeye and Gary Ronning's perfect 3000. And when no one is looking I might throw in a vote for my Jensen-Healey. It should be done by then with the new paint and the new top and interior. I hope !!! I am really slow at putting it back together.

Aug 3 is PIE and on the 9th we have the Ellingson British Swap Meet. This is a great event for all of us with British cars. Lots of goodies at the swap meet.

The following Saturday, Aug. 16th is the Lauser/Stine Picnic which this year will be an Intermarque event Those of us who have gone know what a great cook Betty Stine is with her SOUTHERN COOKING not to mention their farm which is like a dream; something like a Disney Production.

On the 23th of August we will have the Amery Airport Event V. This is another great event and maybe we can watch Andy drive his 2CV at breakneck speed around the pylons and then go blazing down the straightaway. The Girl Scouts provide good food and it's great fun to go to the very nice restaurant in Amery for the awards delivered by our very own Tom Hazen.

And to finish off the month we have the Intermarque picnic at Cherokee Park in St. Paul. For those who haven't gone, just go over the high bridge and turn right as soon as you can and keep turning right till you see the pretty cars.

Everyone should have a great August. Be seeing you!

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## PIE (President's Informal Evening)

Date: Wednesday August 6th 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.

## Breakfast at the Peg

This casual event every Saturday morning about 8:00 continues to be very popular! Great food, reasonable prices, & friendly LBC car enthusiasts make it a great place to keep in touch. Meet in the room added on just for us!! The location again is:

The Square Peg Diner 2021 East Hennepin Ave. Mpls.



## **PIE REPORT**

By Rod Richert

President Tom Moerke likes to begin the President's informal meeting with a review of up coming events. The next official MAHC event was Scott McQueen's annual Healey gymkhana Saturday July 12. A bargain at \$5 for members, Scott delivers an informal, fun event, lunch at the local establishment Joseph's.

Tom spent considerable time lining up participants for British Car Night at the Hopkins Center for the Arts august 1st.
Other MAHC events include Drive-in movie night Friday July 25th and the Lynch BBQ picnic Sunday, July 20th. Gary Ronning says the preceeding west side country tour will be about 50 miles with one or two stops. Be at the Lynch's by 4.

Wayne Soderbeck announced that due to the lack of interest on the part of local non-profits, the Fun Ride for Kids August 3rd has been cancelled.

Steve Rixen has found out that Conclave 2010 will be held in Galena, Illinios.

A couple of date changes. A Saturday event and a Sunday event that have been listed with incorrect days/dates are the Lauser/Stine picnic—should be Saturday August 16th and the Morgan/Healey picnic's date is SUNDAY September 14th. More on these events elsewhere in this and future issues.

Attending: Jeff Lumbard, Dan Powell, Kim Kiser, Steve Rixen, Carl & Betty Stine, Gary and Barb Ronning, Jack Stein, Tom & June Moerke, Wayne Soderbeck, Larry Nimmerfroh, Herb Miller, Michael Manser, Dick Mathews, Bob Featherly, Curt Carlson, Aaron Courteau, Scott McQueen, Jim Kriz and Dave Lee.

**NEXT PIE IS AT FORT SNELLING** 

**AUGUST 6** 

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## Picnic Aug. 16 is almost a free lunch!

## Tax-deductible donation to Make-A-Wish Foundation<sup>R</sup> provides catered picnic & scenic Pierce County drive

The 4th Annual Pierce County Parade & Picnic hosted and catered by Betty & Carl Stine and Nancy & Greg Lauser is scheduled Saturday, Aug. 16 at the Stine Ranch in Beldenville, Wis. This year's event is doubling as a fundraiser for The Make-A-Wish Foundation<sup>R</sup> and is expanding to include members of other clubs that participate in Intermarque functions.

The day's festivities will begin at 1:30 p.m. with the driving tour. The picnic starts at 3 p.m. Those who want to make the drive should meet at Point Douglas Park on the shore of Lake St. Croix – just before you cross the U.S.10 bridge into Prescott between 1-1:30 p.m.

A \$15 per person tax-deductible donation to The Make-A-Wish Foundation gets you a catered picnic at the beautiful Stine Ranch, including a tour of Carl's "Tree House in the Woods" and a brief driving tour of scenic Pierce County's back roads around Prescott and Beldenville. The fundraiser is being made possible by financial underwriting from MAHC.

To be sure they "thin the soup" enough for everyone attending, reservations are necessary. If anyone leaves Betty's house hungry it's their own fault. Those who have attended past picnics know there is never a lack of good food to eat or hospitality to enjoy. That includes Carl's famous husk-on sweet corn, two or three meat choices, salads and munchies galore. By special request, Betty is making her special English Trifle dessert this year and, naturally, there will be some chocolate alternative.

Make your reservations by e-mail at <u>glauser@pressenter.com</u>, or call Greg & Nancy at 715-262-9813 no later than 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13. If you're planning to skip the driving tour, see directions below directly to the Stine Ranch. See you in Wisconsin!

Directions to Betty and Carl Stine Maplewood Ranch W6347 710<sup>th</sup> Ave Beldenville, WI 54003 715-273-4636 if lost

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## The VP REPORT by Rod Richert

June must be speed month for the MAHC. Tom Hazen puts on a great show--beautiful weather complimented beautifully run events (as always). June 14th's Afton Hill Climb was reported in the July newsletter, I'd just like to add thanks to Tom's MAHC member workers for the day, Jack Stein, Mike Lynch, Wayne Soderbeck and Aaron Courteau.

Engines barely cooled and it was off to Amery for the Paul Weidner Memorial Speed Run the following Saturday, June 21st. This event lets the participants open it up and Tom Moerke, Aaron Courteau, Steve Rixen, Steve Rindt, Dave Meek, Tom Hazen and Dale Martin did just that. MAHC member helpers--Curt Carlson, Wayne Soderbeck, Steve Rindt, Diane Rindt and Aaron Courteau. After Tom Hazen's thorough and professional driver's meeting, he turned the mike over to Curt Carlson to talk a bit about Paul Weidner. It's an injustice to paraphrase Curt's eloquent memorial, but suffice it to say that the exuberant Paul loved people, cars and speed events and rather than a moment of silence, Curt led a round of applause.

After days of tropical heat, it took a MAHC driving event to bring some wonderful weather, this time for Scott McQueen's Gymkana on Saturday, July 12th. Club members driving this event--Andy Lindberg, Steve Rixen, Aaron Courteau, Tom Hazen, Scott McQueen, Rich Stadther, Mel Turanik and Kim Kiser. Spectators this day were--Mike Martin, Jack Stein, Tom Moerke, Barb and Gary Ronning and Ron Corrazzo. This is an annual event and at \$5.00 with complimentary water and soda I can't understand why the whole club wasn't there!

## TOM HAZEN RECENT RECAPS

Healey Hillclimb VII at Afton Alps went off without a hitch on Saturday, June 14th. Thanks to all my dedicated and hard-working corner workers, and everyone else who helped make the event a success.

Timing results:

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Certificate, in case you didn't get yours:

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Photos:

http://www.flickr.com/photos/jessinminneapolis/sets/72157605612933488/

Video:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2pZE55qCIQo

The June 21st Paul Weidner Memorial Speed Run at Amery Airport happened just as Paul would have wanted. His spirit lives on in all of us. Thanks again to everyone who helped out.

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Photos:

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Videos:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sbjd176b8II

http://videos.streetfire.net/video/1988-Turbo-Audi 167502.htm

If you would like to order a Paul Weidner Memorial Speed Run t-shirt from the Amery Girl Scouts (like the shirts that the Girl Scouts were wearing at the event), please fill out this order form and mail it to them with a check:

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The next Amery Airport Autocross and Straight-Away Speed Run will happen on Saturday, August 23, 2008 (rain date Sunday, August 24). Modern car advance registration is almost sold out. Still plenty of room for vintage cars (1979 or older) as well as supercars, exotics, and fully-prepped non-street-legal race cars.

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Yours in Speed, - Tom Hazen





## **Lynch Tour & Barbecue Picnic**

What could be better on a sunny Sunday afternoon than a drive in your favorite sports car and a destination with friends and great food? Nothing that I know of! It was indeed a beautiful day, and Mike, Gloria, and their staff put out a delicious banquet.

The members gathered at the Medina Ballroom in Medina where we got instructions for the Tour (including questions to be answered while driving) and shook dice for the best poker hand. Then, proceeding up Hwy. 55 we turned south on Hwy. 92 and drove through the lush green countryside. First stop was at the Ox Yoke Inn. This is a pleasant little roadhouse that serves good food and drink – even Guiness on tap! After our respite, we shook dice again and went back on the road. Wound our way down past Lake Waconia, the Arboretum, and in to Mike & Gloria's beautiful Chanhassen home with patios and gardens galore!

Besides Mike & Gloria, those attending this gala event were Gloria's sister Coke, Byron & Susan Peterson, Jim & Rose Klein, Dale & Barb Martin, John Shorrock, Tom & June Moerke, Jack & Fran Stein, Gary & Barb Ronning, Wayne Soderbeck, Jan Huston, Carl & Betty Stine, Rod Richert, Larry Nimmerfroh, Joe Werner, and Tom Hazen.

The Tour questions contest was taken seriously, and there was much discussion and tallying to determine the grand prize winners. After all was said and done, Barb & Dale Martin won first prize (Pinot Noir Wine) and Jim & Rose Klein won second prize (Sauvignon Blanc Wine). Tom Moerke donated three other prizes that were given out for third, fourth, and fifth places. Thankfully, no brawling or fighting ensued!

Refreshments and snacks were available, so naturally we obliged! Soon the barbecued ribs and chicken with trimmings appeared, and we happily consumed while chatting with good friends. Tom Moerke held a short meeting regarding Rendezvous 2009. Preliminary ideas were put forth, and members volunteered for some of the committees that will be needed. Thanks again to Mike & Gloria for a most enjoyable afternoon.







## **Event Schedule 2008**

August 1\*\* British Car Night at Velocity Auto Art in Hopkins – (Fri.)

August 6 \*\* PIE Meeting - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 PM. See page 3.

August 9 Ellingson's All British Swap Meet/Car Show – (Sat) 10:00 AM This event has

been held at the Ellingson Car Museum on Hwy. 94 near Rogers, MN for the past many years. It's a great place to buy/sell parts & show your car. Sponsored by the MN MG Group.

August 16 \*\* Lauser / Stine Tour & Picnic – (SATURDAY) There will be a short tour ending up at

Carl & Betty Stine's for a Picnic at their very interesting farm in Beldenville, WI.

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August 23\*\* Amery Airport Event V\_(Sat.) Another fun day with Tom Hazen see page 8!!

August 31 Intermarque Picnic – (Sun) 1:00 PM Cherokee Park

**September 3 \*\* PIE Meeting** – (Wed) Meet at 7:00 PM. See page 3.

September 6\*\* Wheels 'n Wings – (Sat) 8:00 AM Always a lot of cars and a lot of books. Airplanes, a

train ride, hot dogs, and friendly people make it an enjoyable day in Osceola, WI.

September 12-14 Donneybrooke Vintage Revival - (Fri-Sun) VCSR racing and lunch time touring at

Brainerd. For info, call Randy Byboth at 952 936 9335

September 14 \*\* Healey Morgan Picnic – (SUNDAY) 2:00 PM. Herb and Marsha Miller are hosting

again! How much does your sports car weigh?? Herb will tell you! Bring something to grill and a dish to pass. Refreshments will be provided. Come to 9701 – 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue South in

Bloomington (near the Mall of America).

September 18-20 Fall Vintage Race Festival XXIII - Held at RoadAmerica in Elkhart Lake, WI. A

great opportunity to see vintage racing up close. Call Jeff J., Dan P., or Jeff L. for details.

October 1 \*\* PIE Meeting – (Wed) Meet at 7:00 PM. See page 3.

October 11\*\* Fall Color Tour- (Sat.) The final drive of the year to enjoy the Fall tree colors. Meet at

Birkmose Park in Hudson, WI. Steve Rixen coordinating. Details later.

October 25 \*\* Adopt A Highway Clean-up (Sat.) The second of our two clean-ups for the year is to

take place on this date. Details later.

**November 5** \*\* **PIE Meeting** – (Wed) Meet at 7:00 PM. See page 3.

November 8 \*\* Charity Event – (Sat) Dale Martin will schedule our club for taking part in a repeat food

packaging charitable exercise. Details later.

November 15 \*\* Annual Business Meeting Party – (Sat.) The annual business meeting, election of

officers, and dinner banquet will occur on this evening at the Officer's Club. Details later.

**December 3\*\* PIE Meeting** – (Wed) Meet at 7:00 PM. See page 3.

**December 6\*\*** Planning Breakfast – (Sat) The schedule of events for 2009 will be on the agenda for

this meeting. Rod Richert will select the site.

\*\* - Denotes an official MAHC club activity

## **Event Schedule 2009**

June 11-14\*\* Rendezvous 2009

AmericInn in Ashland, WI

**Hosted by MAHC** 



AMERY AIRPORT AUTOCROSS
AND STRAIGHT-AWAY SPEED RUN V

Saturday, August 23, 2008 (rain date Sunday, Aug 24) Registration opens at 8:00am, closes at 9:00am

**MANDATORY DRIVERS MEETING 9:00am** 



Turn quickly through the orange cones of the autocross, then straighten 'er out for the 1/2 mile taxiway top speed run. Our state-of-the-art stopwatch/thumb system will measure your time on the course, and a radar gun will capture your top speed on the straight-away.

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



CORNER WORKERS NEEDED! Want to get close to the action but not drive? Like to wave flags and blow whistles? Free treats and lunch provided to all-day volunteers, so call Tom now to reserve your coveted place among the cones.

Directions: The simple route is 94 East into Wisconsin, take the Baldwin Hwy 63 exit, turn left heading north on Hwy 63 which eventually becomes Hwy 46. For a more scenic drive, from the northeast corner of 694, take Hwy 36 East into downtown Stillwater, turn right and take the old drawbridge over the St. Croix into Wisconsin, following Hwy 64 East. Stay on 64 past Somerset and through New Richmond, then turn left onto Hwy 46 North. The airport is on your left before you get to Amery, WI.









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.

Advance registration (deadline Aug 20) \$30 per driver. \$15 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 \$1 service charge to myliberty@comcast.net. Sorry, no refunds. Day of event payment will be \$10 more.



Year, make, model, color, requested car number:

Email and phone:

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

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- Rear Tube Shock Conversion
- Hardened rear ½ axles
- 7/16" hardened wheel studs
- 8-3/4 lb. Race wheels with "R-Compound" tires

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- Dual Master Cylinder setup with Remote Reservoirs
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- Custom Wiring Harness
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- Custom Turn signals and brake lights
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- Engine completely rebuilt in 2004
- Datsun 5 Speed conversion
- Shortened shifter lever
- Hydraulic Clutch
- MSD Electronic Ignition w/Rev limiter
- Mallory optical-pickup electronic Distributor
- Limited Slip Differential
- Lightened flywheel
- Hardened head studs, rod bolts, and bearing studs
- Kent 276 cam
- Port/polish on head
- Carburetor ram-air intake tubes

• 3 into 1 perf exhaust header

#### **Cooling**

- Thermostatically and manually controlled auxiliary electric cooling fan
- Aluminum Radiator

#### **Safety**

- 5-point roll bar
- 5-point racing harness
- Racing seats

#### **Aesthetica**

- LeMans Style Fuel filler cap
- Custom Dashboard w/starter button
- Custom Moto-lita Steering wheel
- Custom Horn
- Cocobolo Shift knob (Dale Martin)
- Brooklands Windscreens
- Custom Smiths instruments w/oil temp gauge
- Custom paint w/racing stripe
- Ribbed vinyl floor matting

#### **Future additions**

- Cold-air box
- Radiator ducting
- Driving lights
- White roundelles on sides
- Roundelle lighting
- Soft Tonneau Cover
- Front tow hook



# 7th Annual Gymkhana Invitational Team Healey Challenge 7/12/08 by Mel Turcanik

This was advertised as a test of your driving skills around pylons on a genuine Minnesota parking lot. Fortunately, pedestrians, shopping carts and parked cars were all absent and we had nothing but the pylons to contend with. For some of us, that was plenty. I've driven this parking lot a few times and, for me, it's the best learning experience I can hope for.

And it would not be possible if it were not for the volunteers that offer their time, experience, and even equipment to putting on this event. Scott McQueen did a really solid job of organizing a fun, safe and well run event. From snacks in the morning to an entertaining compilation of results, there was nothing more that could be desired. He wanted to be sure to thank all those who helped out, especially Steve Rixen, Tom Hazen, Gene Bard, Mitch Steinhoff, Jim Risser and all the corner workers. Regardless of the number of participants, the number of volunteers needed pretty much remains the same, so I feel even more thankful to the folks who continually work to put on these events.

The weather was beautiful as long as a little wind doesn't bother you. It would have been very hot without it. The only problem was the blowing over of the finish and corner flags. At least something besides Doug Lindman in his Porsche 911 was tipping cones. In spite of being a cone killer (5 on one run, 10 total), he still managed to have the 3rd fastest time of the day.

Although there were only 15 cars participating, there were some innovative techniques on display. Noteworthy is Steve Rixen's driver door airbrake and aero differential steering assist. While he utilized it more than once, it apparently didn't help his lap times that much. Never-the-less, he was faster than I was.... almost everyone was. But I didn't come here to beat anyone but myself. Last year I spent more time in reverse than in 3rd and I just wanted to be able to miss those cones while going forward.

Everyone was able to improve throughout the day. In fact, 8 drivers did their best time on their last run. This was a learning experience, and a cheap one. As a MAHC member, I got 8 runs for five bucks! What a deal! Of course you are stressing the equipment and that can get expensive. Unfortunately, Steve Shogren broke his suspension and his car went home on a flat bed. Better have it done here than on the road, I guess. The scary part is that it was only noticed when he went to adjust his tire pressure. Personally, I started noticing a really strange sound after my 3rd run. Sounded like loose U-joint? some kind of broken brake thing? damper come adrift? Turned out to be my boot lid was trying to emulate one of those pop up spoilers on the back of a Porsche Carrera.... at 41MPH. Once locked, problem solved. (My times got worse for a while after that. Maybe it helped when it was popping up?)

During the day some really nice cars showed up just to watch. I would have liked to see them run, but since this course is a bit on the gravelly side, I can understand if paint takes preference over performance. As it was, they gave the setting a bit of class.

I took about 40 minutes to take a break from driving and work corner #3. There is a certain excitement to being right in the middle of the action. I've never thought the TVR's were particularly attractive. But when Terry Telke was coming straight at me in his, with the tail hung out a bit revving for all it's worth, that TVR looked positively hungry.

The most exciting drive isn't necessarily the fastest, or in the top three, or five, or ten..... When Andy Lindberg takes the track in his Citroen 2CV, conversation stops. He said that the most challenging part of driving this vehicle is getting the steering wheel spun sufficiently to move the front wheels. I can attest that his hands were a blur and the steering wheel was moving faster than the road wheels going through the "Chicago Box".

Tom Hazen topped the time list even taking into account a cone penalty. The best competition he had was Aaron Courteau in his 1967 Ginetta who was at least a second slower without hitting any cones. Tom was fast, but Aaron has the prettier car. He always seems to have the best looking car. And it looked good performing in the traditional British way with the steering being done with gravel assist on the rear. Aaron told me that in spite of it's somewhat Italian name, the Ginetta was actually the product of a British car company that has been building cars for 50 years, and is still producing beautiful examples that can be bought in kit or custom form here.

Women have participated in motor sport for a long time. Though always a minority, they have left their marks in the record books. A young lady, Katy Olson, managed to out run four of us on this Saturday, driving a Ford, with an automatic. Oh, the shame of it. What can I say? See you next year!

#### 7th ANNUAL GYMKHANA INVITATIONAL

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	Mitch Steinhoff	-		GTI	black	177		1.33.37	1	1.33.22	1	1.33.78		1.36.68							Ш		Ц.
	Mike Gaddis		Lotus	7	green	70		1.35.52		DNF		1.35.19	-	1.35.47		1.34.94		1.35.78			Ш		L
1.35.6	Steve Rixen	1957	A-H	100-6	yel	27	47	1.36.15		1.39.22	1	1.49.53	1	1.47.50		1.35.6		DNF		1.36.53			
1.37.78	Gene Bard	1991	Toyota	MR2	red	122	49	DNF		1.39.84		1.37.78											
1.38.29	Frank Howard	1971	Lotus	Elan	yellow	45	48	1.44.57		1.37.03	1	1.38.29		1.40.03		1.37.56	1	1.39.66					
1.40.47	Steve Shogren	1967	Lotus	Super 7	yellow	7	n/a	1.44.94		1.40.47													
1.41.4	Katy Olson	2002	Ford	ZX3	green	3	37	1.58.36		1.43.06		1.41.40		1.42.12	1	1.41.62		1.42.96	1	1.43.96			
1.45.87	Terry Telke	1971	TVR		brown	11	44	1.47.85		1.48.75		1.46.06		1.47.25		1.45.87							
1.47.93	Mel Turcanik	1967	A-H	Sprite	red	1	41	DNF		1.54.22		1.49.69		1.47.97		1.49.44		1.48.16		1.47.93		1.50.32	
2.09.44	Kim Kiser	1992	Mazda	Miata	red	111	29	2.10.63		2.09.44													
2.10.94	Andy Lindberg	1978	Citroen	2CV	bleu	Χ	32	DNF		2.21.75		2.12.47		2.10.94									
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