

The Healey Enthusiast

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The Planning Breakfast
Tom Hazen posting the events for 2004!

January Events

Wednesday January 7 -- Pie with the President Saturday January 10 -- GT Cars Tech Session Saturday January 31 -- Classic Iron Cars Tech Session

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President's Line

Tom Hazen

It's The End Of The Year As We Know It.

Just a quick note to thank all of the Helpful Healey Hunks and Honeys who contributed to a very successful 2003 for our club. Our 2004 planning meeting produced an action-packed schedule for the new year, but remember, you can always add more! Impromptu drives, tours, tech sessions, whatever.

Steve Rixen just came up with the excellent idea of meeting at Phil Vanner's Square Peg Diner (2021 East Hennepin in Mpls) on Saturday mornings at 9 for "British Breakfast". This is exactly the type of initiative I'm talking about. Just contact Gary Ronning to have your event added to our schedule, and send an email to Dave Lee so he can put it out to the emailing list.

Best wishes for safe and happy Healeying in 2004!

Pie with the President!

Greg Lauser

Fifteen Hearty Healey Enthusiasts made it to the Dec. 3 session. The highlight of the evening was seeing that the December issue of *Healey Marque* published Curt Carlson's article and picture about Jeff Johnk winning his third Geoff Healey Sportsmanship Award at the Elkhart Lake Roadamerica Track in September. Congratulations to Jeff and Curt!

Members attending included Tom Hazen, Dan Powell, Chuck Norton, Curt Carlson, Dick Matthews, Dave Lee, Jack Stein, John Snyder, Jim Kriz, Gary Ronning, Larry Nimmerfroh, Andy Lindberg, Scott McQueen, Mike Martin and Greg Lauser.

In addition to reviewing newsletters from other chapters provided by Gary Ronning, conversations among those present included mechanical maladies and corrections, Curt Carlson's newly acquired 100, and past and possible future civic activities that the club has and could undertake. Tom Hazen urged everyone to attend the Annual Planning Meeting Dec. 6 at The Square Peg Diner, 2021 East Hennepin. See everyone at Baker's Square for Pie Jan. 7.

New Intermarque Event British Breakfast

Where: The Square Peg Diner

2021 East Hennepin Ave Minneapolis, MN

When: Saturday mornings

Time: 8:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Steve Rixen has proposed this new Intermarque event, and it sounds like a good one! If there are no other conflicting events on Saturday mornings, we can gather for breakfast - and in the summer park our cars in the large parking lot. Phil Vanner, proprietor and British car owner, is very warm to the idea. He says that we could even have "walk around food" so people could enjoy the mornings and wander among the cars in the Spring, Summer, and Fall. Come on out!



Restoration Tech

Where: Classic Iron Cars 8210 West 125th Savage, MN

When: Sat. Jan. 31

Time: 9:30 a.m.



Refreshments: Coffee & Donuts

Subjects: Chassis & Body restorations

Owner Lee Lawrence has had experience in restoring all types of British cars and will have some works in progress available to discuss. Ph: 952-465-0550

Winter Work!

Editor

During the long cold winter, there is work being done to refresh and restore our favorite cars. April Harayda has had Curt Carlson and Steve Rixen redoing her Sprite engine and transmission. There were definitely some problems, and she hopes to be buzzing around nicely come Spring. Tom Hazen is tearing his quick Sprite apart again this winter to make it even faster! Curt Carlson is reviving his recently purchased 100 that had been "resting" for several years. Chuck Norton is suffering from a cracked head – no, the one on his Sprite! He'll have that remedied shortly. Ronning (who needs his head examined) has a Tri-Carb all apart for another restoration.

There are some guys sifting through junkyards looking for Datsun 5 speed transmissions. The idea is to have them available in case their Healey tranny decides to decompose. If there are other projects going on out there, please let us know. It's always nice to hear that more Healeys will be on the road! Keep wrenching!





April & Curt cleaning car parts. How much fun can you have...

Jeff, Brian, and Dan's Great Adventure - continued from December issue.

By Dan Powell

Wednesday was the first of two consecutive driving days. We started out from Heathrow behind schedule with heavy traffic on the motorway, missed our exit off the motorway, etc. The day brightened, once we arrived at Donington Museum and racetrack. There we found well over 100 significant F-1 cars along with more memorabilia than a mortal could absorb in one visit. Dan Gurney's Eagle, a Scarab, a Tyrell six-wheeler, a gaggle of Vanwalls, Masers, Ferrarris, March, MacLaren, BRM, ERA, etc. I have reviewed my video and still can't accept that so many F-1 cars could be assembled at one site. Throughout our tour we could hear the wind trying to get through the garage doors and could hear the wail of racers on the track. After leaving the museum we visited the track (unlike the U.S., it was no big deal to get in) and watched motorcyle testing... interesting on a damp track with strong cross winds. Then it was off to visit the Denis Welch shop in Yoxall. With best intentions and seeing a "direct" route of about 30 miles, we took off over the back roads (refer back to "driving in England" comments), drove over a one lane bridge that we would call a heavy duty foot bridge, followed a few miles down the road by a "bridge out" sign. Took an official marked detour (unlike our other "detours") and found ourselves visiting Jeremy and Denis late in the afternoon. Jeremy provided a detailed tour of their facility (much more R&D than I had expected) and described their recent racing adventure at the Nurburgring and of Denis's next adventure (Chinese government is paying for 50 European vintage racers to participate in a vintage race there). When asked for a suitable spot to stop for a pint, Denis recommended The Golden Cup in Yoxall. It turned out to be the quintessential British pub. It was 200-250 years old, had a fire going in the dining area, had a "green" to the rear with wood lawn chairs and tables, and an area at the rear for various ball games. A newspaper article on the wall spoke of a resident ghost (had been murdered long ago in what is now the parking lot). The pub area off the dining room seated about twelve, and the smells from the kitchen made us all hungry. Unfortunately they didn't start serving for some time, so we had a pint and hit the road again.

Had dinner at the Greyhound (in a small town somewhere off the M1). Apparently having a death wish, we drove to the end of the M1 in "suburban" London (kind of like being at the seven corners area during rush hour without all the traffic signals) and, after a few attempts, found a parking spot near a tube stop. Left the car there and took the tube back to our apartment.

Thursday we picked up the car, got directions to the RAF museum, found a gas station, discovered we were headed south when we should be going north, went north, found an RAF sign, and had no problem finding the museum. There is a fabulous collection of English, American, and German aircraft there. There is a WW2 German jet fighter, a wood amphibian, a British jet fighter/bomber with "overwing" spare fuel tanks (only the British...), several variants of the Spitfire, and the extremely huge Lancaster bomber. We were somewhat pressed for time (again scheduling more than we could possibly do each day), so we skipped the Battle of Britain building. Highly recommend visiting, easy to reach by tube, free admission.

We then proceeded north to Mini-Spares in Potters Bar. Found it with "minimal" disorientation. After Jeff spent his kids' college fund on parts, we proceeded north to Newport Pagnell for a tour of the Aston Martin factory where the Vanquish is assembled.

We felt that our tour of the Vanquish factory would be a very special event, given that as one e-mail had stated "generally tours are provided only for current Aston Martin customers" (in a past life I sold real estate so I guess I convinced them of our passion for British cars). This hour and one-half private tour was the highlight of our trip. The Vanquish is assembled in the same set of buildings that at one time housed the Tickford factory (purchased by David Brown in 1954), where the prototype Healey 100 was assembled. They combine space age technology in shaping panels (Super forming), and then hand work each of the panels for several more hours. There was a constant pounding of bodywork going on while we viewed the space age chassis, Cosworth built engine, and "work of art" suspension pieces. Each vehicle is hand assembled and receives nine hand applied coats of paint. The Aston Martin badges are not applied until the final inspection has been cleared. We also visited their repair facility, saw Rowan Atkinson's (a.k.a. Mr. Bean) AM racecar, an AR-1 (one of 99), and dozens of AM's from a DB2 to the one off DB4GT (Bertone) show car (photo on page 98 of "Aston Martin DB4-6"). It was parked in front of the building, its owner having just driven the car from Switzerland for service. There were several vehicles in their restoration shop, including a DB5 which had an estimated ten months work ahead. It is said that some of the craftsmen now working in the restoration facility have found their "mark" on the underside of body panels indicating they helped originally build the vehicle they are now going to put back on the road. A most fulfilling situation.

We were all extremely impressed with how cordially we were treated during our visit. We obviously didn't appear to be prospective purchasers of a \$265,000. vehicle, as I had clearly indicated in earlier e-mails, but we were treated with the highest level of courtesy and professionalism. We had expected perhaps the "quicky tour" but in fact received an extremely detailed tour, perhaps longer than normal due to our numerous questions and comments. They permitted unlimited photos and videos. The sounds I have of hammers pounding, 60's music being played, and English accents is almost overpowering.

Then it was back to Heathrow to drop off the car after having driven 481 miles in two days... only seemed like 4810 miles. Had a quick pint at the swan, which was closing that evening at 6PM to host 140 Norwegians (still trying to figure that one out) and went in search of a likely pub for dinner. Found one with a restaurant in the basement and had a wonderful meat pie.

Friday found us at Westminster Abbey shortly before they opened for the day. Visited the resident monarchs (all buried there) and my (supposed) relative Sir Baden-Powell. Then proceeded to an antiquity shop near the British Museum, followed by a very tasty steak & ale pie lunch. On to Trafalgar Square (saw Princess Anne go past in her motorcade), St. Martin's in the Field church, St. Martin's Accessories (metal car models), a sidewalk café for coffee & tiramisu (it's a tough life but someone had to be there). Had dinner near Soho and a farewell pint at the Swan. Saturday was taken up with transit to the airport and a boring flight home. As we began our descent I could feel the pressures of the real world coming back... no wait... that may have been altitude pressure on my ears. Anyway, it is still hard to believe that the trip actually happened. Lots on our list didn't get done, so it's about time to start planning the next trip!!

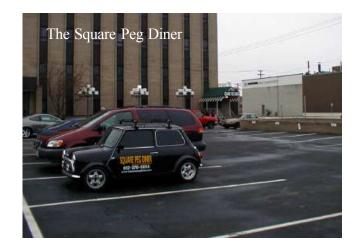
Planning Meeting sets 2004 events amidst "Big Healey" and "Sprite" menu specials!

Greg Lauser

A big thanks to Phil Vanner for hosting the planning session at his Square Peg Diner in S.E. Minneapolis and offering tasty "Big Healey" and "Sprite" breakfast specials. The food was great and was surpassed only by the camaraderie and volunteerism of those present to help plan the 2004 club events.

Those who enjoyed the menu and planning included Curt Carlson, Tom Politiski, David Meek, Barb and Gary Ronning, Sandy and Steve Rixen, Fran and Jack Stein, Dave Lee, Tom Hazen, Dick Mathews, Tom Moerke, Dale and Barb Martin, Rich Stadther, Larry Nimmerfroh, Chuck and Jean Norton, Jeff and Karen Sartell, Rose and Jim Klein, Byron Peterson, April Harayda, Mike Martin, and Greg Lauser.

Customary annual activities were scheduled, Larry Nimmerfroh volunteered to organize on MAHC's behalf special Saturday luncheon arrangements for the 2004 Donneybrooke Vintage Racing event, and Tom Hazen promised a May hillclimb – and possibly a second hillclimb in the fall. In the category of truly advanced planning for 2005, Fran and Jack Stein volunteered to manage registration activities for Rendevous 2005 and Tom Politiski stepped up to organize a special Rendezvous popularity Car Show designed to raise funds for a worthy community or youth organization. The 2004 slate of club activities is listed elsewhere in the newsletter's calendar of events. Looks like another banner year!









(from previous page) 1) Dan, Brian, & Jeff trying to stay awake on their first full day in England.
2) A building at the Aston Martin Factory – which they toured.

Who are the members of the Minnesota Austin Healey Club? Curt Carlson, Membership Director.

• The most common vehicle owned by club members is the BJ-8 with 31%.

Vehicle BJ-8 (3000Mk3)	Count 33	Percentage 31.13%
AN-5 (Bugeye)	20	18.87%
None/Other Make	11	10.38%
BN-1 (100-4)	9	8.49%
BN-7 (3000Mk1)	5	4.72%
BN-4 (100-6)	4	3.77%
BN-2 (100-4)	4	3.77%
BJ-7 (3000Mk2)	4	3.77%
BT-7 (3000Mk2)	3	2.83%
AN-9 (SpriteMK4)	3	2.83%
BT-7 (3000Mk1)	2	1.89%
AN-8 (Sprite Mk3)	2	1.89%
AN-7 (Sprite Mk2)	2	1.89%
Jensen-Healey	1	0.94%
BN-7 (3000Mk2)	1	0.94%
BN-1 (100-S)	1	0.94%
BN-1 (100-M)	1	0.94%



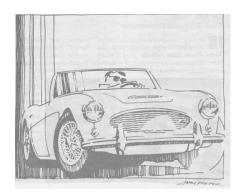
- If we split this into Sprites vs. Big Healeys, this means that 25% of the members own Sprites (27 members), while 63% (67 members)of the members own Big Healeys, and 11% have another marque or no vehicle registered.
- 58% of us (or 62 members) have an email address registered with the Membership Director. Of those members, 52% (or 32 members) receive the newsletter via email.**
- More of us live in the 651 Area Code than any other area code. This is relative to the geographic size of the area code which is larger than the others compared.

rea Code	Count	Percentage
651	25	23.58%
952	21	19.81%
612	14	13.21%
507	12	11.32%
763	10	9.43%
715	10	9.43%
Other	8	7.55%
218	6	5.66%

• In 2002 at Annual Meeting time, there were 103 members. Today we have 106 members. The Annually published Members Guide will come out in early 2004. Watch for it.

**If you'd like to begin receiving the newsletter via email, or would like to notify the Membership Director of a change in your email address, drop a note to spritemann@hotmail.com stating this fact. Frequently, meeting reminders and offers of cars and parts are emailed to members for quick distribution.





Tech Tip: by Doctor Ernie

Subject: Exhaust Systems

Modern cars have chosen to mount the exhaust systems fairly rigid, and then incorporate some type of flexible connection that allows the engine to move around considerably. But I'm going to address only the earlier type cars that mount both the engine and exhaust fairly tight with little movement. Sure there's rubber mounts, but they're intended to only soak up certain vibrations. With these early mounting systems, clearances many times are less than one-half inch. So you see, any mount failures, either engine or exhaust, can cause contact of pieces. The penalty here can range from just an annoying dentist drill type noise, to rubbed through oil pan, brake line, or gas line, any of which can ruin your whole day. Exhaust pipes can run over, under, and many times through frame cross members, so if an engine mount fails, terrific loads can be transmitted to the exhaust system. In time this can bend or break off pipes or even exhaust manifolds.

Next I'll try to explain the importance of alignment. The external alignment is pretty much a visual thing. Don't forget that some things like shocks, suspension, and brake hoses move during the vehicles normal use, so allow for this.

Next, is internal alignment: And this is most critical if you expect the most performance from your engine. The thing to keep in mind is that parts are always mass-produced, and more often than not they don't even come close to fitting right. I'm not talking about where the exhaust hits the frame; I'm talking about misalignment where the manifold hits the head ports. Most valuable indicator of port alignment (or lack of) is the manifold gasket. It will have telltale marks of surfaces that don't line up. If the manifold is bolted up metal to metal without a gasket, it will still have these marks. Now, this is kind of like carrying a couch into the house with the door blocked half closed. A half hour spent with a drill and a rotary file dressing off these protrusions will give you the horses you paid for. Next, the outlet of the manifold to the head pipe is another restriction possibility. Just cause the catalogue says "Fits 59 to 75 Models" doesn't mean the gasket or o-ring can't be a big bottleneck. The inside diameter has to be at least as large as the exhaust pipe I.D.

Following on back, all parts aren't created equal. Many manufactures skimp everywhere they can. The muffler is the most common place for cheating. I won't mention names (but the initials are F & F). The mufflers they sell seem to have very small internal tubes, and all they do is weld on in and out pipes of various sizes. What I'm saying is look inside. Just cause the box says inlet 2 ½" doesn't mean the rest of the innards are that big. If your making a custom exhaust system, and have a choice, make it with larger diameter stuff. But don't build it eliminating the main muffler. A good muffler sacrifices practically no power. Some so called performance tail pipe / resonators are unbearably loud if installed without a muffler. They seem to put most of their engineering into chrome and paint.

Next about headers: If you enjoy grief and trouble, headers are right down your alley. Again, the old "Fits All Engines From 59 to 75" can be the biggest lie since "It's Just A Temporary Tax". Worse yet, port alignment may be next to impossible to correct because there's no metal to work with. Also, the very nature of their construction limits their longevity. They also turn loose tons more of under hood heat. If you do get a set that fits well, quick take them back off and send them off to be ceramic coated. This coating greatly increases life and greatly reduces radiant heat at the same time. One more thing about headers: Some stock cast iron manifolds are quite efficient, and you can actually reduce power by installing a poorly designed header, or you can move the power band up into a RPM range that you never use. On some applications heat shields or wrappings are necessary to keep from cooking other under hood components.

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Please make checks payable to: Minnesota Austin-Healey Club. Send to Curt Carlson (see page 2).				

January 2004	The Healey Enthusiast Page 8
	Events Schedule – 2004
	Please mark your calendars!
January 7 **	Pie with the President - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. at Bakers Square Restaurant
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	2239 Ford Parkway St. Paul, MN (Right across from the Ford Plant and the Ford
	Bridge). Eat pie, or supper, or both! Always an enjoyable group of members there
January 40	to discuss a variety of topics.
January 10	GT Cars Tech Session – (Sat.) Meet in morning at 950 West 94 th St. in
	Bloomington. They host an open house for all sports car lovers. Call 952-884-3101
0.4 ***	for more info.
January 31**	Classic Iron Cars Tech Session – (Sat.) Meet at 9:00 at 8210 West 125th in
	Savage, MN. Phone: 952-465-0550. Lee Lawrence will go over the process of
	restoring a vintage British car. He has had experience on all British car marques
	and can answer your questions.
	Coffee & donuts served.
February 4**	Pint with the President – (Wed.) Meet at 7:00 p.m. at Brits Pub – 1110 Nicollet
	Mall in downtown Minneapolis. This is a change in venue for the monthly (Pie)
	meeting. Come and enjoy an Ale with your Healey friends at an authentic British
	pub!
February 29 **	Wine & Cheese Party – (Sun.) From 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Dick & Karla's Mathews'
	home at 1301 Waterford Drive in Golden Valley, MN. Bring wine and a snack.
March 3 **	Pie with the President - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See previous notice.
March 20	Intermarque Go Kart Challenge –(Sat) From 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. at the ProKart
	Indoors track in Blaine. This is the fourth year for the Jaguar Club sponsored
	event. Awards lunch will follow at Tasty Pizza. Call Peter Griffin at 612-922-3917 or
	pgrif888@aol.com
March 27**	Garden & Garage Gathering – (Sat.) Meet at 1:00 p.m. at the Rixen settlement in
	Hudson, WI. Ladies will discuss Spring gardening and men will discuss the
	"coming out" of Healey Beauties after their winter hibernation!
April 7 **	Pie with the President - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See previous notice.
April 24 **	Spring Awakening - (Sat) Hopefully Spring will have sprung, so we can have a
	lunch and a tour afterwards. For info, call Dale Martin at 651-436-5902.
May 2	Intermarque Banquet & Car Show – The Intermarque Council will again sponsor
	the Spring banquet. It will take place at the Radisson Conference Center in Golden
	Valley.
May 5 **	Pie with the President - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See previous notice
May 8**	Healey Hillclimb - (Sat.) - The Healey Hillclimbs at Afton Alps have been such a
	success that there will be more in 2004! Details to follow. Call Tom Hazen for info.
	(see page 2).
May 14 - 16	Donneybrooke Vintage Revival – (Fri – Sun) – The VSCR will again have their
	racing and touring weekend at BIR in Brainard. For info call Rich & Liz Stadther at
	651-698-1981.
June 2 **	Pie with the President - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See previous notice
June 4 - 6	Rendezvous 2004 - This will be the 14 th year for the annual Lake Superior
	Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous. Winnipeg is the host city. Get your reservations
	in early!
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Back to the 50s Car Show – Minnesota State Fair Grounds.

Greg Lauser at 715-262-9813 or email to glauser@pressenter.com.

AHCA Conclave 2004 – "Conclave Texas" The event will be in San Antonio this year and it promises to be a good one. Reserve early. For more information, call

June 18 - 20

June 20 - 25

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July 10**	there to discuss a variety of topics. Jim Johnson Honorary Anniversary – (Sat.) Come out for a picnic to help celebrate the 50 th anniversary of Jim Johnson buying his AH 100 in 1953! For details, call Curt Carlson.	
July 15 – 18	The Bric – The Brian Redmond International Challenge. This is the big annual vintage car race event held at RoadAmerica in Elkhart Lake, Wi. For details, call Jeff Johnk, Dan Powell, or Jeff Lumbard.	
July 24	Rally in the Valley – For those of you that love to rally seriously, this is the event for you. For more info, call Ed Solstad at	
July 31	Swap Meet/Car Show – (Sat) 9:00 a.m. This event has been held at the Ellingson Car Museum on Hwy. 94 near Rogers, MN for the past several years. It's a great place to buy or sell parts and show your car. Sponsored by the MN MG Club.	
Aug. 4 **	Pie with the President – (Wed) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See previous notice.	
Aug 14 **	Gymkhana – (Sat) Meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Brown & Bigelow parking lot at 345 Plato Blvd. In St. Paul. The pylons will be set up, and you can test your driving skills. For more info, call Steve Rixen at 715-386-2880 or email to steve@rixen.com	
Aug. 15 **	Healey-Morgan Picnic – (Sun.) Meet at Jeff & Karen Sartell's home at 4541 176 th Lane N.E.in Ham Lake. MAHC is sponsoring the event this year. Details later.	
Aug. 28 **	The Red Green Tour – (Sat.) Another fun Rally is being planned by Tom Hazen. Details will be forthcoming.	
Sept. 1 **	Pie with the President – (Wed.) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See previous notice.	
Sept. 11	Wheels 'n Wings – (Sat) 8:00 a.m. 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.	
Sept. 17 – 19	Fall Vintage Race Festival - 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.	
Oct. 6 **	Pie with the President – (Wed.) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See previous notice.	
Oct. 9 **	Fall Color Tour - (Sat.) Come out and enjoy the beautiful Fall colors with the top down. Tom Moerke will be planning the event. Details later.	
Nov. 3 **	Pie with the President – (Wed.) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See previous notice.	
Nov. 7**	Tea & Tech Session - (Sun.) - Meet at Sandy and Steve Rixen's home for another session of sipping (Ladies) and slurping (Men) in Hudson, WI. Details later.	
Nov. 20 **	Pizza Party – (Sat.) The annual business meeting, election of officers, and consumption of pizza will occur on this evening. Details later.	
Dec. 1**	Pie with the President – (Wed.) Meet at 7:00 p.m. See previous notice.	
Dec. 4 **	Planning Breakfast – (Sat.) The schedule of events for 2005 will be on the agenda for this meeting. Greg Lauser will select the site.	
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MARKETPLACE

FOR SALE: New convertible softtop (hood) for Bugeye. Latter windshield style, 2 stud (not 9 stud earlier version), recently purchased and not yet shrunk. Also, original sidecurtains for sale. **WANTED:** Black Bugeye tonneau cover in servicable condition. Will consider trades. Contact: April Harayda, 612-724-1291 or aharayda@knutsonconstruction.com (1/04)

WANTED: For A-H 3000 Mk II – horn button assembly (non-adjustable), horn tube for steering column (non-adjustable), sidescreens. Call Gary Ronning at 612-722-8397 or gtronning@aol.com (11/03) **FOR SALE:** New rear leaf springs for A-H BJ8. \$100. for the pair. Call Gary Ronning (see above) (11/03)

FOR SALE: 1973 MG Split Bumper Round-Arch Midget GAN5UD136256G British Racing Green (GN-25 light); Black interior, Black tonneau cover. Complete "frame-off" restoration completed in March 2003. Everything refurbished or new except seats, which are original and tastefully covered in grey cloth. This is a quality restoration for anyone with a trained eye. 1275 engine completely new but restored to stock. 600 miles on careful engine break-in. Front 5/8" sway bar. This car is restored to original specs with a few exceptions: Lowered 1" with all new – not rebuilt springs and shocks all the way around. Silicone brake fluid. Front bumper replaced with Bugeye bumperettes to complement the split-bumper look of the back. (original front bumper to go with car to restore to original look if desired). No top installed, original folding top bows blasted/painted go with the car and are also ready to install. Reasonable offers considered. Curt Carlson – 612-721-8667 or spritemann@hotmail.com or mnhealey@earthlink.net I'm clearing space in the garage for a BN2!

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