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JULIE NORWAL w/ JIM JOHNSON

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Sat.	May	17	Intermarq Spring Fling	(see p. 15)

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The President's Report

By Tom Moerke

Hi Gang

I had a busy weekend. Saturday morning June and I drove the Jensen-Healey to the Square Peg for breakfast and also to meet Jeff who would look at the JH and give me an estimate how much it would cost to do the needed body work and paint. Then we hurried home and I changed into crummy work clothes to go help Wayne Soderbeck pull the engine out of his midget. I got there, at Wayne's little Cabin in the Deep Woods, before noon. Chuck Norton, Rod Richert, Greg Lauser, and Wayne had the engine out and were cleaning up. I was just in time for some of Jan Huston's chili. Such good timing. And good chili! The prior week we had received an notice of a car show in Menomonie from club member Steve Rindt. He canimurnlled it the British Invasion of the Stout 41st annual auto show. The sun was shining and even though it was below freezing it was a comfy warm ride in the red Midget. We had a nice time there and then the gang was all invited to a great lunch at Ken and Judy Weltie's house in Menomonie. Very Nice! This nice weekend was April 12th and 13th. Am looking forward to this coming Saturday; Highway 61 Cleanup. Hope a large group shows up. Now Rendezvous is only about a month away. I hope the false rumors about being not allowed into Canada because of decades old DWI charges have gone away. I have been to Canada 4 times in the last 5 years with no problems. Once to Winnipeg, Twice to Thunder Bay and once around Lake Superior. No Problems. One thing everyone going to Canada should obtain, at no cost, is called a yellow Non-Resident inter-Province Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance Card. Just call your insurance co. and they will send you one at no charge promptly. This is from AAA and they say there is a substantial fine (minimum \$575.00) for not having proof. I have never been asked to show mine but I feel better having it. By now our Spring Tour is history but I know the weather was perfect and everyone had a nice time Glad you came. See you all at PIE!

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PIE

(President's Informal Evening)

Date: Wednesday May 7th

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

ATTENDANCE

Tom Moerke, June Moerke, Greg Lauser, Nancy Lauser, Rod Richert, Larry Nimmerfroth, Jeff Hollingworth, (body work guy intro by Stu Johnson), Spook Johns, Britt Johns, Bob Featherly, Curt Carlson, Dick Mathews, Jack Stein, Dave Lee, Dwight McCullough, Herb Miller, Rich Stadther, Jim Kriz, Jim Klein, Gary Ronning, Barbara Ronning, Dale Martin, Mike Martin, Mike Manser, Stu Johnson, Carl Stine, Betty Stine, Wayne Soderbeck, Jan Huston, John Snyder, Scott McQueen, Don Heath, Byron Peterson

Since all the news seems economic, we'll start with Jim Klein reporting a treasury balance of \$11,016. New IRS regulations effective Dec. 31, 2007, require all non-profits to file a form 990. Tom Moerke has agreed to lend his address. Tom Hazen is requesting funds for additional traffic cones to make speed events better marked and safer.

President Tom Moerke outlined upcoming events (see President's column page 2 and calendar). He then presented Wayne Soderbeck with a wire wheel brush. Wayne passed out directions to his engine pull April 12th.

Dwight McCulloch is a Tire Rack dealer. If you don't find your wants in Tires Rack ads, he has catalogs of goods. Dwight is happy to supply and service MAHC member's tire needs at the lowest cost anywhere. He's hoping to add the tires we need to a large current order.

Curt Carlson has a Paul Weidner memorial t-shirt design, profits to go to the fund. He also has knowledge of a '61 Bugeye for sale.

Stu Johnson introduced Jell Gordine proprietor of a top-notch paint and body shop. Jeff is doing work for both Curt Carlson and Curt's boss.

Gary Ronning is working on a MAHC window sticker. Discussion was whether the full logo with cars would work on a 4" oblong. Gary will work on details with tentative distribution to all members.

Mike Manser has an 85 thousand b.t.u. natural gas heater for sale, proceeds to the Paul Weidner memorial fund.

Spook Johns reported the progress of his Healey restoration, roadworthy late summer or fall.

And finally, anyone in possession of a western states-Canadian provinces map with the route to Pinawa highlighted, please return to:

VEEP

**NEXT PIE IS AT FORT SNELLING
MAY 7TH**

JULIE NORWAL

Dear MAHC Club members:

I was saddened to learn yesterday of the passing of another of our beloved club members. Julie Norwall passed away on Tuesday after a multi-year battle with cancer. As many of you may remember, Julie and her husband Jim Johnson were our honored guests just a couple of years ago when we hosted a 50th birthday party for Jim's car, a 100-4 BN1 which he purchased NEW in 1954. A photo of that wonderful day is attached to this email announcement.

As I spoke on the phone this morning to Jim, I mentioned that I always thought that he and Julie would outlive me! They were *incredibly* active. They were both avid bicyclists and hikers putting thousands of miles a year on their bikes, and as the years wore on, they still biked hundreds of miles. They loved to travel together and shared their experiences and photos of their trips. Of course, Jim is coping with the loss, and he is joined by family and friends, but I'm sure this is a difficult time for him. Julie and Jim's marriage seemed like the ultimate partnership to me. When I would see them together they respected each others individuality, while loving and caring for each other together. I noted this to myself the last time I saw them just last year. While Julie didn't share in Jim's strong love of cars and things mechanical, her passions were in art; mostly painting, and she won numerous awards both locally and regionally and she has sold many of her wonderful paintings. Jim and Julie's home in the woods of Marine is filled with art, and I'm sure that this is Julie's touch. Julie and Jim lived in a home that Jim designed and built himself, and that Julie filled with love and beauty.

Julie is survived by a son Charlie, from Minneapolis and a daughter from Costa Rica, who was able to visit Minnesota to be with her mother at the time of her death.

A service remembering Julie's life was to be held on Monday, April 14th from 1-3pm at the Bradshaw, "Celebration of Life Center" in Stillwater, Minnesota.

<http://www.bradshawfuneral.com/stillwater.shtml>. If the weather is good, there may be a gathering at Jim and Julie's home in Marine after the service.

Please join me in remembering Julie and wishing our sincere condolences to Jim, her family, and their many friends.

Curt Carlson

The VP REPORT by Rod Richert

In last month's column I wrote about U.S. border control regulations in preparation for rendezvous in Pinawa, Manitoba. I promised to report on Canadian regulations regarding U.S. citizens with DUI's. The Canadian border services website answers email requests that contain no attachments, "profanity" or questions related to specific cases. I sent none of the former and thought that my reference to rumors (of entry denied to drivers with DUI's) was hypothetical enough as to not constitute the latter. I received an automated email acknowledging my request and that every effort would be made to respond within one Canadian business day. Many American business days later without a response, I can only conclude that they think I have a DUI conviction.

Information came from an unexpected source. I requested a map and travel guide from <travelmanitoba.com> (I love maps. For Pinawa I have a western states/provinces map and maps of both Ontario and Manitoba). Within is a list of commonly asked questions, one of which is "If I have a criminal record will I be allowed to enter Canada?" Answer: "...all situations are reviewed on a case by case basis. For example, driving under the influence (DUI). It is strongly advised that visitors call the nearest Canadian Consulate in the U.S. prior to visiting Canada." The nearest office is Detroit at (313) 567-2340.

WHAT TO BRING TO PINAWA: A list of parts for long road trips might include: duct tape, points, condenser, v-belt, pre-gapped spark plugs, distributor cap, spare fuel pump, fuel filter, a tube of hand cleaner and rags.

WHAT NOT TO BRING TO PINAWA: Canadian customs prohibits the following items: radar detectors, mace, pepper spray and tear gas, switch blades, brass knuckles and potatoes. Limit your meat to 20 kg (44 lbs) and cash to \$10,000. <cbsa-asfc.cg.ca>

VEEP

HIGHWAY CLEANUP Organized by Greg Lauser

Approaching mile marker #80 on Hwy 61 Saturday, April 19th, the count was 2 eagles, dozens of pelicans, several ticket writing deputies, hundreds of diving ducks and 6 members of the MAHC. A disappointing turnout? No. Soon the ranks swelled to include: Curt Carlson, Chuck Norton, Greg Lauser, Carl Stine, Rob Linden, Tom Moerke, David Lee, Mike Martin, Mike Manser, Scott McQueen, Mike Lynch, Larry Nimmerfroth, and yours truly.

I was unable to attend the second portion of the event, so after cleaning out the trunk of Larry's Buick (bottles of water all around), I headed home and Larry later reported that the lunch crowd was joined by Keith Beseke, owner of a red Bugeye for sale (see marketplace page 14).

Rod Richert
Veep

Spring Awakening and Tour May 3, Saturday

2:00pm, leave at 2:30pm.

Birkmose Park from Spring Awakening and Tour, May 3, Saturday afternoon at 2:00 pm, at Birkmose Park in Hudson. We will meet at Minnesota & I 94 from Mn into Wi exit one and then north to Dairy Queen and turn Cooley road turn right at the concrete teepee. We will go east on concrete area roads to the Eau Galle recreational area rustic rest stop, then north to Glenwood City to a restaurant locally famous for its prime rib dinners

For more info, call Tom Moerke: 651-402-2153

See you there!

Event Schedule 2008

- May 3 **** **Spring Awakening Tour** - (Sat) Meet at 2:00 PM. Leave at 2:30 PM. Tom Moerke will be leading the drive. See page 5
- May 7 **** **PIE Meeting** - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 PM. See page 3.
- May 16 - 20** **Sprite Jubilee** - (Fri-Sun) Hershey, Pennsylvania. Info: spritejubilee.com
- May 16 - 18** **SVRA** - (Fri-Sun) This will be the weekend for Spring races at RoadAmerica in Elkhart Lake, WI. Come out and cheer our club Racers on !! Info: Contact Jeff Johnk.
- May 17** **Intermarque Banquet & Car Show** - (Sat) The InterMarque Council will again sponsor this Spring Kick-off event. It will take place at the Radisson Conference Center in Golden Valley. Car show 10:00 AM - Banquet 2:00 PM.
- June 4 **** **PIE Meeting** - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 PM. See page 3.
- June 5 - 8** **Rendezvous 2008** - This will be the 18th year for the annual Lake Superior Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous. The location this year will be at Pinawa, Manitoba, Canada. The Manitoba car clubs will be hosting. Get your reservations in early!
- June 14**** **Hill Climb VII** (Sat.) Afton Alps Ski Hill. Afton, MN. Contact: Tom Hazen
- June 14-15** **Classic Car Club of America/Mercedes Benz Concours Event** - (Sat-Sun.) Very nice showing of Classic Cars at Rice Park in downtown St. Paul.
- June 21**** **Paul Weidner Memorial Speed Event** - (Sat.) - Held at the Amery Wisconsin Airport. Tom Hazen and Tom Moerke will be organizing the event -with special honor and memory to Paul Weidner.
- Jun 20-22** **Back to the 50's Car Show** - The annual supersize car show at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds. If you want to see tons of fancy cars, here's the place! Friday-Sunday
- June 25** **Spridget Golden Anniversary** - Held at Lake of the Ozarks, MO.
- Jun 28 - Aug 3** **Velocity Auto Art Show** - Hopkins, MN See February newsletter issue.
- June 29** **AHCA Conclave 2008** -The national event will be in San Diego, CA. Reserve early. For more information, call Greg Lauser at 715-262-9813 or email to: glauser@pressenter.com.
- June 29** **Intermarque Picnic** - (Sun) 1:00 PM Cherokee Park. Contact: Andy Lindberg
- July 2 **** **PIE Meeting** - (Wed) Meet at 7:00 PM. See page 3.
- July 5** **Chetek Car Show** (Sat.) Held at Airport in Chetek, Wisconsin. Info: mmgg.org
- July 12**** **7th Annual Healey Gymkhana** - (Sat) Meet at 8:00 AM in the Brown & Bigelow parking lot at 345 Plato Blvd. in St. Paul. Scott McQueen will be making the arrangements.
- July 15** **Square Peg Night at Velocity Auto Art** - (Tues.) In Hopkins, MN



Photo courtesy of the Austin Healey Store

Event Schedule 2008

July 17–20	The Kohler International Challenge (formerly called the BRIC) 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 20**	Lynch Barbecue and Short Tour Details tba next month
July 25**	Drive-In Movie Nite – (Fri) Andy Lindberg is bringing us back to the 50's with this event in Woodbury. Plan to come early and tailgate. Details later.
July 25 – 27	Donneybrooke Vintage Revival - (Fri-Sun) VCSR racing and lunch time touring at Brainerd. Info call Randy Byboth, 952 936 9335 TENTATIVE
July 27	Intermarque Picnic – (Sun) 1:00 PM Cherokee Park
August 1**	British Car Night at Velocity Auto Art in Hopkins – (Fri.)
August 3 **	Fun Rides for Kids Charity Event – Details tba Jan Huston and Wayne Soderbeck
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 twelve years. It's a great place to buy/sell parts & show your car. Sponsored by the MN MG Group.
August 17 **	Lauser / Stine Tour & Picnic – (Sat) There will be a short tour ending up at Carl & Betty Stine's for a Picnic at their very interesting farm in Beldenville, WI. Details later.
August 23**	Amery Airport Event V – (Sat.) These events were so well received last year that Tom Hazen and Tom Moerke will be having “another run at it” ! Details later
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 TENTATIVE
September 14 **	Morgan Healey Picnic – (Sat) Herb and Marsha Miller are hosting. Details tba
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. 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
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TECH TIP: by Ernie West

Preparing for Spring

The number one thing, in my opinion, is insurance. Before you turn the key you should reactivate the policy. If you are like me, you probably dropped the liability part, and left only the comprehensive part active. You can just imagine the anguish you'll suffer if you go to the storage place and in your impatient haste, turn on the key and proceed to start the car. But because of a stuck intake valve there is very little vacuum to draw in the necessary air fuel mixture. But with persistent choking and pumping you finally get enough fuel into the cylinders to allow ignition. Then, holy moly, that stuck intake allows combustion to enter the intake manifold and the resultant explosion blows a big ball of flame all over the engine compartment, which rapidly migrates to the floor and that small pile of oil soaked oil dry. Couple that with the leaking fuel pump or hose that you didn't know about, and you now have an inferno that you just know is going to spread to the next stall that houses a Ferrari or \$35,000.00 bass boat, and you then find out your cell phone is in a dead zone. And you haven't activated your liability clause.

But being you are not politicians, you have a much higher I.Q. level, and you have liability. But now, my second most recommended spring "get the car out of storage" item is: Have you adequate coverage? Collector cars are appreciating at an alarming rate. I upped mine \$3,000.00 and that might still be too low. A case in point: A Triumph TR-3 just sold for over \$39,000.00 on E-Bay. Sure it was an exceptional car, but in my opinion the seller was just a very talented salesman. But you get the point. Carry two things when you start your car, insurance and a fire extinguisher.

Safe Motoring at Dead Lake Motors

NEWS FROM MIKE LYNCH

Bill Sullivan (Winnipeg car club member) garage fire – total loss
2 each – TR-4 w/hard top
New engine for Jensen Healey
Lifetime collection of spare parts & tools
New lift
Welders
Caused by electrical short in ceiling
His other cars (Stag, Jensen-Healey, Morgan were stored elsewhere
Garage was detached, but heat burned all the siding off the back of the house.
Most important – no injuries!



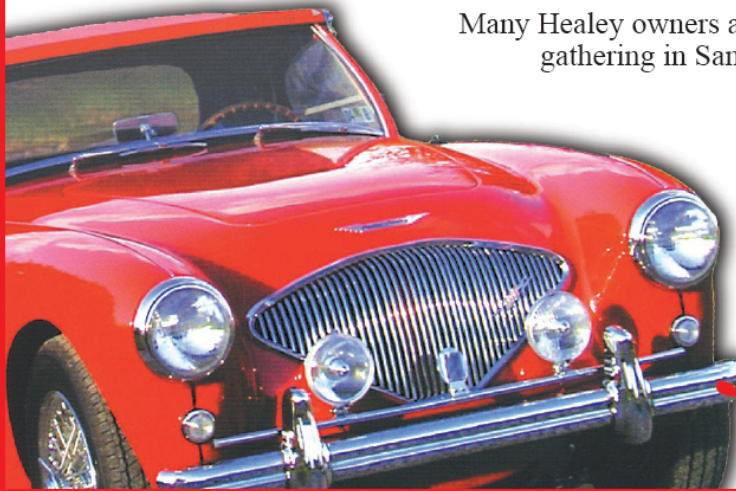
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To Help Make Children's Wishes Come True!

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Many Healey owners also will caravan together to the AHCA Conclave gathering in San Diego this June and you're invited to join them.

To sign up for the drive, get ideas for local fundraisers or get information about joining AHCA and its regional clubs, go online at www.healeyclub.org and click on Caravan or call Greg Lauser at 715-262-9813.



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MAHC CLUB MEMBER MAKING CROSS-COUNTRY DRIVE BENEFITTING THE MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION®

Starting June 19 at least one member of the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club will begin a 10-day cross-country drive in his classic 1967 Austin-Healey 3000 sports car to raise tax-deductible contributions to the Make-A-Wish Foundation®. Greg Lauser, who also is vice president for public relations with the Austin-Healey Club of America (AHCA), will start from his home near Prescott, Wis. He'll steer his vintage British sports car on a roundtrip of more than 5,300 miles raising funds while traveling to and from the club's annual Conclave gathering in San Diego. All Minnesota donations he receives will benefit the state chapter of the charity.

"The caravan is designed to promote involvement and fundraising across the continent by AHCA's regional clubs," Lauser said. "Our regional clubs and their members have supported philanthropy in their own areas for several years. This national effort builds on that history."

He said the goal is to help children facing life-threatening conditions make their one true wish come true through their local Make-A-Wish offices. He's also trying to recruit other Minnesota and national club members to make the drive. Lauser said the clubs' national "Cross Country Caravan for Kids" is flexible so those who cannot make the entire trip can drive just as far as they wish.

"With gas prices being what they are now and will be this summer, I understand people's hesitation," he said. "Healeys were made between 1952 and 1976 when miles-per-gallon weren't a concern, so that's a factor." He said his vehicle gets 20-22 mpg on the highway.

His first travel day will take him down the Mississippi River to Savanna, Ill., where he'll be met for dinner by members of the Midwest Austin-Healey Club from the Chicago area. The next day he'll drive to the St. Louis area, where he'll join other national club members who are making the transcontinental drive.

At least one other AHCA member is using Bennington, Vt. to start his drive June 14. Other drivers and club officers will start June 18 from Charlotte, N.C. From St. Louis westward, they'll travel together to Southern California.

Lauser and other drivers will rendezvous with members of 46 regional Austin-Healey clubs in the United States and Canada who have raised (or will be raising) funds to benefit their local Make-A-Wish chapters. Along the way, they anticipate they'll be joined by other club members for the cross-country drive.

"AHCA selected the Make-A-Wish Foundation for its first national fundraising initiative because regional Make-A-Wish chapters make it possible for members of AHCA's regional clubs to help grant wishes in their local area," Lauser said. "That keeps the focus on funding for deserving youngsters in each club's backyard."

The Make-A-Wish Foundation was started in 1980 by family and friends of a 7-year-old Phoenix boy named Chris, who had leukemia. He dreamed of being a police officer. His family, friends and the Arizona Highway Patrol made his wish come true as "officer of the day" just four days before he passed away. Chris' mother and those who helped grant his wish created the foundation in his memory, enabling his legacy to live on. Since then, more than 161,000 wishes have been granted to children facing life-threatening medical conditions.

"The clubs hope to fund as many wishes as possible across North America through the generosity of regional club members and those who support their fundraising ideas and desire to help some very special children," Lauser said. Anyone interested in making a tax-deductible donation in support of his trip may get more information or a pledge form by contacting Lauser at 715.262.9813 or glouser@pressenter.com. All funds contributed will go to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Lauser has been a member of the Minnesota and national clubs since 1992 and has been a fan of Austin-Healey 3000s since the mid-1960s, when a high school friend's father sold them. He bought and began restoring his first 3000 in 1991 and has owned his current vehicle since 2001. He was president of the local club in 2005.

Greg Lauser was busy upgrading reflectors last week on his classic Austin-Healey 3000 before his cross-country run to San Diego in June. Greg Lauser and other members of the Austin-Healey Club of America are making a June cross-country drive that will benefit local Make-A-Wish Foundation chapters across the continent, based on where funds are donated by Minnesota Austin-Healey Club members and 45 other regional clubs in the United States and Canada.





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2008 INTER-MARQUE SPRING KICK-OFF

VINTAGE FOREIGN CAR & BIKE SHOW & BANQUET SATURDAY, MAY 17

1. Vintage Foreign Car & Bike Show (10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)

The famous spring kick-off show returns to its pastoral setting on the walking path surrounding the Radisson Plymouth. As always, the show is **FREE** for both participants and spectators alike. *(No RSVP is required for the show, but it'd be nice if you did so anyhow.)*

2. Buffet, Get-Together & Awards (2:00-3:00 p.m.)

Starting at two, there will be a buffet, awards ceremony, and intermarque get-together. The price is \$18.00 per person. *(Money collected at the door. Please RSVP if you wish to attend the banquet as the Radisson needs an estimate of how many people will attend. RSVP early but please before May 12.)*

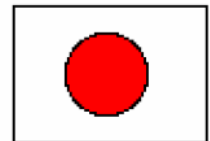
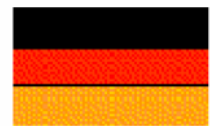
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**What is
vintage?
1987 &
older*



Countries from which vintage
foreign cars & bikes come*



RSVP form:

Name(s): _____

Car(s): _____

Club (if any): _____

Banquet Attendees: _____

Please send (by May 12) to Phyllis
Galberth, 19390 Judicial Road,
Lakeville, Minnesota 55044
deegalberth@yahoo.com

Jeff Schlemmer of Advanced Distributors in Shakopee, MN (www.advanceddistributors.com) will be joining us as a special guest at PIE with the president on May 7th at the Fort Snelling Officers' club. Jeff is an expert in ignition power distribution systems and he has a special interest and expertise in Lucas distributors as used on our beloved British Cars. Jeff will discuss the finer (and not so fine) points of ignition systems including:

- How does a distributor work?
- What does a distributor do?
- Why is it critical that it be functioning correctly?
- How does advancing ignition timing assist engine performance?
- What happens when ignition timing is not set correctly either too advanced or too retarded?
- How is ignition timing related to valve timing?
- Is it necessary to match an aggressive timing setting to an aggressive camshaft?
- What is a 'dual point' ignition system?
- How do electronic ignition kits work and are they better?

MAHC Members should bring their distributors with them for delivery to Jeff for rebuilds, or Jeff can look at them at the event. (please clean them prior to bringing them into the Officers' Club)

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The following email from Reid Trummel may not have reached all of the Healey Community. Perhaps you can spread the word through your newsletters and email lists.

Ron Mitchell

Web Master: South East Michigan Austin Healey Club

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From: Reid Trummel <[editor\\_reid@hotmail.com](mailto:editor_reid@hotmail.com)>

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I just received the following letter from Bic Healey:

I had a call from a very distressed Pat Moss Carlsson over the Easter Weekend and I am hoping that you will be able to help her. Whilst she was in hospital over and just after Christmas, someone stole her two most-cherished trophies which are irreplaceable. They are both easily recognizable and certainly not easy to dispose of as they are unique.

The first is a model of URX 727, the big Healey in which she and Ann Wisdom won the Liege-Rome-Liege Rally outright in 1960. The car is in red and full rally livery. Only two of these were made and the girls were presented with them.

The second is the Guild of Motoring Writers Driver of the Year award which was presented to Pat and Ann. It is a pewter steering wheel with a hand on it and is engraved with their names. This is also unique. Obviously the most likely means of disposing of these would be through the Internet or on eBay. Rather than worry Pat with calls, can I ask that anyone with any information gets in touch with me and I will then direct them to the police who are obviously aware of the theft. I would appreciate any help you can give and I know Pat would. She has not been well of late and the recovery of the trophies would be just the tonic she needs.

Bic Healey

If anyone has any knowledge of the whereabouts of these items, including offers to sell or auction them, please contact me off list. Please also help to spread the word. I have also requested photos which I will post if any are received. Thank you.

Reid Trummel

Portland, Oregon, USA

# **THE NEW SEASON HAS BEGUN**

## **HEALEY DRIVER INTERNATIONAL AT THRUXTON 24th MARCH**

This was a 45 minute race with the first 2 cars finishing 7 tenths of a second apart and 44 seconds ahead of third place car

Bruce Montgomery Austin Healey 3000 1st

Jeremy Welch Austin Healey 3000 2nd

With all 6 Welch prepared cars finishing

## **THE 2nd MUGELLO HISTORIC FESTIVAL 4th 6th APRIL**

### **DENIS WELCH MOTORSPORT BUILT ENGINES FINISHED 3rd 4th AND 7th**

This was a 2 hour 2 driver race

Andre Bailly Jaguar E Type 3rd

John Clark/Gregor Fisker Jaguar E Type 4th

Jeremy Welch/Simon Hadfield Austin Healey 3000 7th and class win

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**Renewal procedure:**

- Local members or local members who desire to join the national organization may renew using the form below.
- Those members who are local and national will receive a notice each December from the national secretary instructing them to renew with the national form while updating any personal information. They should remit payment to the local membership director. The local membership director will process the membership and will forward the payment and information to the national organization for you. This method is preferred for local and national members and helps us keep our records up to date.
  - Membership dues are payable on January 1st of each year.
  - Renewals not received by February 28<sup>th</sup>, will be subject to a late fee of \$5.00. New members may join at any time.

Fill out the membership form and mail along with a check made payable to **MAHC** to:

MAHC Membership Director

**Jim Kriz**

**2000 Kenwood Parkway  
Minneapolis, MN 55405**

All memberships are considered dead if not renewed by April 1st.

## Membership / Renewal Form

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Austin-Healey Club of America</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal ..... | \$40.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>BOTH CLUBS</b> .....              |                                                                     | \$60.00 |

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (   )   - \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: (   )   - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Receive Newsletter via email? ☐ Yes ☐ No

### HEALEY INFORMATION:

**Year** \_\_\_\_\_ **Model** \_\_\_\_\_ **Color** \_\_\_\_\_ **Original Owner (Y/N)** \_\_\_\_\_

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- Condition: ☐ Show Quality  
☐ Nice & Roadworthy  
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