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From the 2021 Fall Color tour.
Photo courtesy of Kim Rixen.

Upcoming Events

	March TBD	Planning and PIE Meeting
Sat	May 21, 2022	Spring InterMarque Kickoff
Thurs - Sun	Jun 9-12, 2022	Rendezvous, Tower, MN

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PIE

(President's Informal Evening)

Date: **Wednesday, TBD**

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.

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President Dave Hatzung's Very Presidential Column

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and Happy New Year! I can't believe it's December already. You can tell it's December because there are fewer and fewer ads for people looking for car storage 😊. I'm thinking we should start a car storage service, coordinating people and their cars with a place to store them over the winter months. Of course, there are the people who have enough room in their garage at home to store their car, and even heated garages so they can putz with them over the winter.

It's also that time of the year where we can reflect on how blessed we are. As a club, we seem to be coming back to pre-C days, slowly but surely. Thanks to my brother **John Hatzung**, and the great committee he put together, we had our first annual Dakota Track Day. Notice I called it annual, as I know that **John** is already putting his thoughts together to refine and have the second annual Dakota Track Day.

While we delayed our normal December planning day for a few months, I think that was a good idea. Some of our members still have reservations about getting together, and I like that we respect those feelings. We'll plan on discussing our plans for the MAHC 2022 year at the February or March PIE meeting. So, gather those thoughts about what you'd like to see our club do, and write them down or email me about them. I'd also like to thank **Dan Powell** and **Barb and Gary Ronning** for organizing and running the MAHC Banquet!

One last note, remember that you can put an ad in this newsletter. So if you have a car for sale, or looking for one, or have some car parts you want to get rid of, write something up and send them to **Daphne Walmer**.

Wishing you all a Healthy and Happy 2022,

Dave Hatzung
MAHC President
until someone else steps up 😊



The Club, The Fuel

by John Hatzung

Minnesota Austin Healey Club is a pretty simple concept: a bunch of Minnesotans that do things with Austin Healeys. But that's just on the surface.

First, there's the car. Donald Healey, initially an engineer with Sopwith (who was shot down in WWI by his own side – at night) who prepped and raced cars for Triumph and Riley (among others), envisioned a relatively inexpensive car that would compete with the high-performance cars of the time. The many cars with the Healey name all had something in common: they were intended for “regular” people who wanted the experience of driving a high-performance car. That characteristic still fits.

Take a car for generally unpretentious folks and multiply that with those from an unpretentious place and you really have a group of down-to-earth car nuts. Imagine a Jag or Porsche owner dropping a transmission to replace the clutch right on the paddock lawn – no sixteen wheelers for our guys. Granted, among the affordable British sports cars that unaffectedness is probably the rule, but Healeys stand out for their design and for their speed. Seems like there's something else about Healeys that is distinctive – something about the cars have in spades – a spirit that grows out of the serious performance levels they're intended to achieve.

Though Healeys are treasures of design and engineering, the lives they live with their Minnesota owners vary from concourse lawns to weekend drives to cross-country trips to big track enduros. Last year our club added another option. Intended as a celebration of the emergence from the Covid fog, it ended up as kind of a party at the track. Healeys were the primary intoxicant, but it was BYOC and tastes ran from American to Japanese, German and, of course the venerable British marques. In retrospect, it was loose and fun. When everyone had their fill, we packed up and were headed home by 5:00.

It wasn't quite what the organizers anticipated. Fewer people, only two show cars. Way less food consumed. But the cars in the paddock and on the track were the actual show. The levels of seriousness and skill ranged from learning to drive a stick to focused domination, the cars from Healey big track machines and Dave Vader's GTS Death Star to Triumphs, MGs, a Kia and a smooth-gliding vintage Chrysler. It was all fun and way more relaxed than imagined. We did miss our less restless friends and their beautiful Healeys who were unable to make it.

So next year – 2022. With one track event under our respective belts, there seems to be enthusiasm for more. The track is relatively cheap, and we have both new and tried-and-true ideas to make it even more fun for less money. We learned lessons about food and marketing and there's a lot of interest from our friends with fun cars other than Healeys. Barbeque, touring and two-lap runs could be on the plate. And questions like “why not two

DCTC track days?" "Might it be possible to get more Healeys to show up?" and "What color hats should we get?" are keeping Prez Dave up at night.

Pipe up with any ideas or opinions. Let Dan, Dave, or me know if you'd like to be involved – there are likely to be Zoom meetings before March. See you then.

For your movie-viewing pleasure as fall falls and winter (and TV binging) approaches, here's a link to car movies on You Tube, forwarded to your editor by Steve Rixen:

<http://www.tvraaca.org/oldmovies.htm#movie>

2021 Annual Banquet, November business meeting, and election



The Club annual banquet/election/business meeting took place Saturday, November 20th at our regular meeting place, Josephs Grill. Twenty-six members attended the event. Attendance was low compared to our last banquet two years ago due to members being out of town for various reasons, a couple more isolating due to having been exposed to a Covid carrier, a couple more not feeling totally well and not wanting to risk passing something along, and others still justifiably concerned about the Covid situation in general. All made good decisions for themselves and in consideration of others, and we look forward to seeing everyone once the world stabilizes.

From left: Gary Ronning, Geoff Rossi photobombing, and Dan Powell chairing the meeting. Photo courtesy of Rich Stadther.

Overview:

The social hour began at 6:00, followed by dinner at 7:00, and the election and annual business meeting at 8:00. We had the traditional silent auction and door prize drawings, with many attendees going home with some interesting swag.

Dave Hatzung, our President was unable to attend but said the Florida sunsets made up for it. John Hatzung, our Vice President was unable to attend due to family responsibilities out of town, making me, the outgoing Chairman of the Board, the MC for the evening. With Gary Ronning's vast knowledge of running the event, I was able to fulfill my duties without any of the club members visibly falling asleep.

Dinner:

Dinner was a buffet meal of rolls, salad, two types of potatoes, sliced ham, sliced turkey with dressing, and various extremely tasty deserts... not a bad feed for \$10.00 per person!

Election:

The election went off smoothly... no recounts or hanging chads (how old am I). As happened last year, all of the current officers stepped up and volunteered for their current positions. A giant thank you to everyone for continuing to support our club. There were two positions open on the Board this year, with my term and Jim Manion's term ending. A big thank you to Jim for his involvement in the Board these past two years. We had two

candidates on the ballot, making it a pretty easy election process. The new Directors are Phil Dawson and Dan Powell (yes... me again). Again, thanks to Phil for stepping up. The new Chairman will be announced at a future date, once the new Board has met and made its selection.

Business meeting:

During the business meeting items discussed included the upcoming Rendezvous in Tower MN on June 9-12 (more info to follow), membership renewal changes to be all on-line this year... watch for more info and do not delay in renewing once the info comes out. The traditional December breakfast planning meeting has been postponed until March due to the uncertainty of the Covid situation. Monthly Wednesday evening meetings have also been put on hold until March. Individuals are encouraged to plan small gatherings that fit their comfort level. Liz Stadther, our Treasurer reported we are solvent, with about \$21,000 in the bank. Jim Kriz, our Membership guru was unable to attend, but said we currently have 73 members. Eileen Wetzel, our National Delegate also was unable to attend but had asked me to toss out a question regarding our club's interest in being involved at some level with the Wisconsin club for a future Conclave near Road America, Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. There appeared to be positive interest in attending or involvement depending on what the Wisconsin club is looking to us to do. The meeting adjourned at 9pm.

People attending:

Chuck & Mary Sue Ash, Kent & Janet Brown, Phil & Stephanie Dawson, Deborah Imelmann, Jay Jacobson, Jim & Patty Manion, Dick Mathews & Betty Cole, Brian & Jennifer McCullough, Scott McQueen, Tom & June Moerke, Dan Powell, Gary & Barb Ronning, Geoff & Diane Rossi, Rich & Liz Stadther, and Carl & Betty Stine.

Left: Geoff Rossi and Gary Ronning. **Right:** Liz Stadther and Barb Ronning. Photos courtesy of Rich Stadther.

**Dan Powell
Outgoing Chairman**



2021 Fall National Club Delegates Meeting

November 6 & 7, 2021

by Mike Schneider
Bluegrass Delegate and AHCA Membership Director

Saturday

Gary Feldman called the meeting to order. This meeting was held in a hybrid format. There were several dozen delegates physically attending and another several dozen attending via Zoom.

First order of business was for Gary to recognize the Veterans as Veterans Day was in a few days.

Gary recognized that Edie Anderson and Chuck Anderson, Jr were in attendance. Chuck Anderson, SR, passed away in early September 2021. Gary asked for a moment of silence. A memorial service will be held at the Anderson's Church in Monroe on November 22, 2021. Gary also recognized that Gerry Coker, Jack White, and John Sprinzell passed away in the last year.

Edie Lowery conducted a roll call of the delegates and AHCA officers. A quorum requirement was satisfied so we could conduct business.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the 2020 Fall delegates meeting and another motion was made and seconded to approve the meeting minutes from the Conclave Delegates meeting. Both motions passed.

Area Club reports:

Steve Bell mentioned the New England Region club is very active in person and on social media. Their membership is up 34 members. Brad Swiggart mentioned Jim Danielson was killed in a car wreck about two months ago. Jim was a founding member of the Flatwater club in Nebraska. Mike Maloney with the Capital Area club mentioned Jack White passed away suddenly a few weeks ago. The club has named the fall drive after Jack White. David Nock of Golden Gate mentioned that they had to cancel Rendezvous due to limited registrations. A long tour is planned for May of 2022. Roger Hamel from the Quebec Club said they have 5 new members and he is very happy that the border will open November 8. Mike Scroggie with Austin Healey Association of Southern California mentioned that they have 35 new members. Many of their members are partying in Mexico celebrating a very successful conclave. Bob Yule of Southern Ontario mentioned their membership is up 4 members. Barbie Bucy of North Texas mentioned their membership is up 6 and that they had a very good Texas Healey Roundup.

Officer Reports

VP Safety – Jeff Porada: New insurance requires that the AHCA adhere to the SCCA rules for solo events. The rules have been copied into a 13-page manual available to members. Jeff

is very proud of beating Del Border in the Conclave gymkhana. That is quite an accomplishment.

VP Conclave – Neil Anderson: There are numerous challenges for hosting future conclaves. Neil praised AH Association of Southern California for their effort in creating an excellent Conclave. Neil is investigating some possibilities for future conclaves in Santa Fe, NM, and Branson, MO. The downside to Santa Fe is the cost as most prices are higher than we normally experience at Conclaves. Neil is working on a concept of getting several regional area clubs to help with the Branson, MO effort. He did get a number of offers of help from the delegates. David Nock suggested a good idea would be to trim a few mandatory events from the list for hosting conclaves that routinely have small participation. David thought that would open up the possibility for a smaller club to host conclave. The gymkhana at the 2021 Conclave was examined for participation and it had about 40% of the Healeys registered participate in the gymkhana, which did surprise a number of delegates that the participation was that high. Gary Feldman pointed out that the gymkhana creates a very impressive sight for many other attendees to view. Gary's point was that even though a limited number of registrants were competing the spectatorship raised the participation to a much higher percentage.

VP Club Support – Cliff Hudgin: Cliff was not able to travel through 2021 as he had planned. Being the chairman for the effort to identify a new software system to replace the membership program as well as develop a replacement website demanded so much of his time that there was very little time left to travel. The need to replace the website was a requirement as the current webmaster told the AHCA in October 2020 that after 12-31-2021 they would no longer be able to support the AHCA website. That created a lot of pressure to find a solution for the website situation. Cliff wanted to devote some time to the 'local only' issue and other projects to help local area clubs. He reported that the Rocky Mountain Club did not cooperate with efforts to get a list and payment for 'local only' members. Cliff is planning to retire at the end of 2021 as VP Club Support.

VP Promotions – Pete Sturtevant: Pete is working with Club Express in an effort to move the existing website to Club Express. The project is going well and Club Express has been very helpful in the transition. Once the transition is complete the local clubs will be able to maintain their web pages with regards to keeping their activities, officers, and meeting information up to date.

Membership Director – Mike Schneider: The total membership count as of this meeting in 2021 is 2814. At this same meeting in 2020 the total membership count was 2943. Even though the membership count is down a little the club is strong and very active. The membership system is being migrated to Club Express. This will enable each member to maintain their own profile online. The membership will also be able to search other members on the website. In the coming year a membership directory will not be produced. This has been voted on by the delegates in a previous delegates meeting. Once the migration to Club Express is complete the membership will be able to search the website and create their own copy of a membership directory.

Regalia – Steve Bell – Steve is looking forward to being able to better manage regalia with the Club Express Storefront. Steve is interested in hearing from members with ideas for regalia. One of his efforts is going to be to appeal to the ladies in the club.

Secretary – Edie Lowery – Edie will be able to upload documents to the website so that people can view the documents in the members only section.

Treasurer – Bev Sealand – passed out reports for the budget. Bev reviewed the current status of the budget. She answered a few questions from delegates related to some of the numbers. There were no surprises from the delegate's meeting in 2020.

Advertising – Vince Barnell – Edie Lowery presented Vince's report as he was not able to attend. Vince is developing some ideas for streamlining the advertising program. He is going to be reviewing the ad rates with attention to getting the ad rates in line with other comparable magazines. He would like to link the advertising in the magazine to also advertising at conclave.

Healey Marque – Reid Trummel – Presented by Gary Feldman since Reid was in Mexico on vacation. Gary said Reid is doing a terrific job. He is producing excellent articles in every magazine. Every year he has been at or below budget all the while increasing the quality of the magazine. Once in a while he is able to print 48 pages, he has added full color to the magazine as well as the magazine being shipped in polybags. So far Reid has produced 176 issues and 17 calendars over the last 16 years. Reid created the idea of accepting payment from members of \$250.00 to have a picture of their Healey appear in the calendar. Reid is raising \$3,000.00 per calendar, with all of the income going to the DMH Fund. The calendar photos are sold out for 2023 and partially sold out for 2024. The opinion was unanimous of the delegates that the magazine is the best magazine in this market.

DMH Fund – Bonnie Ayer- The balance in the DMH Fund is \$34,514.09. This year there will be 2 scholarships awarded to the McPherson College in McPherson, KS. Each scholarship will be for \$3,000.00. Bonnie is investigating setting up a tax deductible status so that payments to the DMH Fund could be a deduction on the income tax form for the donor. Bonnie reported that a restoration specialist called The Bugeye Guy has hired two graduates from McPherson College. There are about 120 students in the restoration program at the college. Neil Anderson and Barbie Bucy have visited the college. Both were extremely impressed. IMHO this is a classic example of "paying it forward."

Healey Museum – Gary Feldman – The AHCA has a program in which it will match up to \$2500.00 in donations to the museum. In 2021 the AHCA donated \$5,000.00 to the museum. That left \$1925.00 in the fund. Due to some anticipated financial constraints the AHCA will not be doing the match for 2022. The AHCA will send the \$1925 to the museum for 2022.

F1 Racing in Montreal – Roger Hamel and Gary Feldman – If all goes well the race will be held this year in Montreal. If that happens then the winning bidder at the 2019 Fall Delegates meeting will be driving his Healey in the parade.

Insurance – Bill Borja and Gary Feldman - Gary and Bill reported that they are very satisfied with the current coverage. The AHCA will continue with the same coverage for 2022. The cost for the 2022 insurance will be about \$1,000.00 more than in 2020. The total cost will be \$19,400. The AHCA will bill area clubs \$225.00 for each gymkhana event. There were 8 events held in 2020. If a certificate of insurance is required then Bill Borja should be contacted. There are currently two waivers required by participants to be signed when registering for the event. One waiver is for the event and the other waiver is for Covid-19. Copies for both waivers can be requested from Bill Borja.

Conclave Updates – Neil Anderson – Mike Scroggie reported that they had excellent weather for Conclave 2021 at Big Bear Lake. Well of course they had great weather. It never rains in southern California. They had help from the Golden Gate and San Diego clubs. They had all the usual events that you have come to expect at a conclave. Over 100 Healeys in the popularity show, 155 registrations, about 300 people, an original Healey boat. 2 registrants traveled over 3000 miles. They had excellent participation from sponsors. There were many challenges that the hosting club conquered. Most of the challenges were due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Enclave - Pete Sturtevant- Poconos – AHCA will partner with Sports and Touring once again. This Enclave will be celebrating the 70th anniversary of the introduction of the Healey at the Earls Court Motorshow. As a recognition of the era all the pictures are in black and white. The Enclave is budgeted for 160 registrations with a room night charge of \$149.00. No resort fees will be added to that number. There will be three special Healeys on display including Blair Harber's first production Healey. Pete said something about a sr swimsuit competition with special awards. When you finish ruminating on that idea come back to this point to continue. You can participate in the Hot Wheels racing on a 72' long track. You can purchase your Hot Wheel racer online with your registration form. Steve Bell will be chairing that effort with a 72' track.

Motion for Conclave 2023 - was made, seconded, and passed to allow the AHCA officers to approve a proposal for the 2023 conclave since the advance time that is required is getting so thin.

Proposed By-Law Changes – The following represent changes to the by-laws that were read during the 2020 Fall Delegates meeting and again during the 2021 Fall Delegates meeting. Both of the bylaw changes were approved by the delegates. The section that is underlined represents the new text to the By-Laws

Section 2 subchapter B

- a. Lifetime Membership nominations must be made by the AHCA Nominating Committee. Submissions for consideration for Lifetime Membership can be made to any member of the Nominating Committee up to 30 days prior to the start of the Fall Delegates' meeting.

Section 2 subchapter C

b. Honorary Membership nominations must be made by the AHCA Nominating Committee. Submissions for consideration for Honorary Membership can be made to any member of the Nominating Committee prior to the start of the Fall Delegates' meeting.

Section 7 – Nominating Committee

a. The Nominating Committee shall consist of Past Presidents who desire to serve, plus three Delegates, each of whom will serve a three year term. The election of these Delegate members shall take place at the fall Delegates' meeting, from floor nominations. Board of Delegates members shall elect, by a simple majority vote, one Delegate each year to serve on the Nominating Committee for the next three membership years. The Nominating Committee will annually elect its own Chairperson at the first meeting of each calendar year, or as necessary.

b. The list of elected officer candidates from the Nominating Committee to be presented to the Board of Delegates at the Fall Delegates meeting will be published in the September issue of Healey Marque, and included with the Delegates' package prior to the meeting.

c. The Nominating Committee may have additional responsibilities as indicated in other sections of these Bylaws.

d. If any member of the Nominating Committee has not attended any Delegates' meeting for the previous three years, the Committee may elect to declare that member inactive and remove that member from the committee.

New Membership Program – Cliff Hudgins – The AHCA is migrating to a new membership program. The old system did not provide availability to local membership directors as it was stored off line. The old system provided for only two rebate cycles during the year. The rebate cycle is when the AHCA sends checks to the local clubs covering the local club dues collected by AHCA when a person joined or renewed through the AHCA. The current website will no longer be supported after 12-31-2021. These were some of the issues with the old system in addition to the workload for the AHCA membership director. When the AHCA membership director retires trying to find a person to take over the workload could be very challenging with the existing system. With the new system finding a replacement should be much easier. With Club Express it will have an online integrated database, changes in the profiles of members will be visible immediately, dues reimbursement will be available three times per month, renewal notices can be sent out by email with a link back to the website, local clubs can have a web page displaying their officers and events and meeting times, a local club can store documents in their section of the website, there will be a storefront for sales of products, there will be more data saved on Healeys if the member desires such as pictures etc., communication by local clubs will be available to their membership. Club Express also has an event management module included in the system. A local club could use this event module to manage their area club events. The 2021 Conclave was 100% managed using the Club Express Event Module. There will be no additional charges to the area clubs for any of the above features. When the system goes live the AHCA team

members will be assigned a range of clubs to support in the event the area club membership director has questions or problems.

Budget – Bev Sealand – The current budget was reviewed. Jake Jacobs proposed a two tiered dues system. \$50.00 for a digital only magazine and \$70.00 for a printed copy of the magazine. Brad Swigart suggested going to \$70.00 to fully cover the cost to run the club and print a paper copy of the magazine. Steve Bell mentioned that we need to stay the course and consider the work for Reid to produce a digital magazine for part of the year and a printed copy for the balance of the year. Michael Maloney said Reid needs to be part of this process as we don't need to do something right now since we have adequate reserves to sustain us for another year. We expect to end the 2021 year with \$45,000 to \$50,000 in reserves with no change in dues. A straw poll was held to see who is in favor of \$50 or \$60 or \$70. The first two were tied and the \$70 got 2 votes. Another straw poll was held to determine hybrid or paper only. 22 voted in favor of a hybrid choice and 5 opposed (meaning stay with paper only). Another straw poll taken to do fewer paper copies per year. 22 were in favor of doing fewer paper copies and 11 opposed (meaning staying with the current process)

Sunday

Gary called the meeting to order. He started the day by praising Jo and Jim Switzer for all of their work making this whole weekend possible. Bev mentioned that the auction Saturday night raised \$940 to help offset the cost of the weekend. Steve Bell took the prize for night by bidding \$125.00 for a rolling pin made by Dave Roberts. My ABBA album donation earned a \$20.00 bid from Bonnie Ayers. The delegates provided quite a few items for the auction. Gary Brierton was, once again, our outstanding auctioneer. Gary is very quick with the puns and jokes. You have to pay close attention to keep up.

Eddie Lowery took **roll call** of the delegates in the room and the delegates on zoom.

Conclave – Neil Anderson – Moss was the main sponsor for Big Bear Conclave 2021. Moss also would like to sponsor a Long Distance award for conclaves going forward which they also provided for Big Bear Conclave 2021. They have prepared a terrific award. It is a Moto Lita steering wheel with a plexiglass plate inside the steering wheel with logos and wording for long distance award. It was very impressive. It was planned and made to very high standards. The plan for determining the long distance winner is to calculate the mileage from home to the host hotel, with no allowance for deviations such as visiting Agnetha in Stockholm. The attendee with the most miles wins the award. Trailering does not count nor does shipping the Healey. It has to be driven. Steve Byers mentioned that only people on each coast would have a chance of winning. No one else agreed.

The next topic was a Best of Show award. Bill Emerson created a Best of Show award that started in 1980 and Gary Feldman won it in 1980. As it stands right now the criteria for winning Bill Emerson's award is not well defined. In some cases in the past it was not consistent with the voted winners at conclave. It was agreed that going forward Bill Emerson's Best of Show award would not be presented at a conclave.

Local Only Members – Gary Feldman – last year the delegates voted to raise the 'local only' fee to \$10.00 which starts in 2022.

Suspension – Gary Feldman – The Rocky Mountain Club has not participated in supplying a list nor payment for local only members nor have they sent in any of the three annual reports required by the AHCA by laws. This has been going on for a number of years despite an effort to contact them. As a result they were suspended, as the AHCA by laws require. Once they get caught up with the requirements they can be re-instated. A suspended club will not have the D&O insurance coverage nor will they have the Liability insurance coverage as a club and they will not be listed on the AHCA website or in the Membership Directory. All of the current members will be moved to national status and remain members of the AHCA. The delegate vote for this action was 35 yes, 2 no and 1 abstention. Motion carried and Rocky Mountain Club has been suspended.

Honorary Membership – Bob Gilleland – Bob presented Steve Kirby and Mike Scroggie as Conclave Chairs and Cliff Hudgins for his work as VP Club Support for an honorary membership in AHCA for 2022. Unanimous approval by the delegates.

Nominating Committee Delegate – Bob Gilleland – every year one delegate is approved to serve on the nominating committee for a three year term. There are three delegates and each year one seat comes up for election. Edie Anderson was voted in as the delegate representing the Healey Sportboat Club.

AHCA Officer Elections – Bob Gilleland – All of the current officers agreed to serve for another term except Cliff Hudgins for VP Club Support. Ray Donovan was nominated for VP Club Support. The officer list as presented by Bob Gilleland was voted in by the delegates.

Budget Proposal – Mike Schneider – I made a motion to retain the current dues at the \$50.00 per year rate. The motion was seconded by Jake Jacobs. After reviewing the Readers Digest version of our finances the motion passed with no visible disagreement. Bev has been saying for years that she would like to have at least \$25,000 in cash to start the year. Based on a careful review of the finances we should start the year 2023 with between \$25,000 and \$30,000 in cash. Unless someone donates a winning Powerball ticket to the club we will likely have to raise the dues for 2023. That is my opinion. That discussion and review will happen during the Fall Delegates meeting in 2022.

Delegates Meeting Fall of 2022 – Gary Feldman – On November 12 and 13, 2022 we will meet again at the same hotel in Plainfield, IN. We will have a hybrid meeting similar to this one. I think most everyone thought the meeting was productive and very valuable to all of the delegates and AHCA officers. The hybrid aspect allows the delegates that live in the western part of the USA to participate without having to spend a large portion of their weekend in airports.

By Mike Schneider
Bluegrass Delegate and AHCA Membership Director

A Mid-Winter's Nightmare **by Dan Powell**

It was a mild and partly cloudy day. Time for a Healey ride.

Having decided on a daylong driving trip through southwestern Wisconsin, I stopped to top up the tank. While waiting for an open pump, I thought back on the days when fuel stations were called gas stations, and actually provided refined fossil fuels to power our cars, rather than the hydrogen gas now used to power the fuel cell in the boot. I was anxious to get on the road, having been forced to store the Healey for years after gasoline was no longer permitted to be sold, and I had just installed the conversion kit developed by Tom Kovacs (who at 115 was just starting to talk about retiring since he had restored virtually every Healey in America). Tom had devised a method of installing an electric motor inside the empty engine block, with the fuel cell in the boot. This method is much less efficient than the typical one motor per wheel of current cars, with the parasitic drag of a driveshaft, diff, etc., but it maintains the character of the Healey (nothing worse than opening the bonnet of a classic at a car show and finding an engine bay full of electronics). I had popped for the optional sound generators, one mimicking engine noises (including random odd noises) and the other inside a gutted silencer, which made a nice growling sound. I also went for the aroma kit which dispenses a hot oily mist odor from time to time.

The fuel storage cell was full, so I headed off to southwestern Wisconsin. This area is one of the few left with population density low enough to avoid the autonomous driving regulations which are mandatory on most roads. Since the Healey is "grandfathered" in as a historical vehicle, I am allowed to drive it manually on lesser roads, but only during daylight hours. Another reason for heading to southwestern Wisconsin is that is widely known as having "beef-easies" ... similar to the gin joints of the 1920s Prohibition Era, but having actual beef ... steaks, prime rib, burgers ... yum! They have to maintain a low profile to avoid the Tofu police who lobbied successfully for the virtual prohibition of meat products from methane-producing beef cattle. Cheese shops are still to be found, but they have to keep a registry of each purchase to prove to the Tofu police that they have dairy cows and not beef cattle.

After several hours of spirited driving, using ancient maps originally obtained from Tom Hazen (currently under investigation for the third time by the Department of Politically Correct Speed Administration), I headed for home. I was almost to my garage when an alarm went off, which I first thought was that the hydrogen tank had developed a leak ... but it was only my iPhone alarm telling me it was time to get up! Two cups of French roast later I thought back on my nightmare and realized that we are living in the golden age of classic sports cars right now ... use 'em or lose 'em (maybe wait till the white stuff is off the ground).

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Results from 2021 Waumandee Time Trials September 25, 2021

FTD	First Name	Last Name	Year	Make	Model	Car#	1st	2nd Run	3rd Run	4th Run	5th Run	6th Run
2:28.19	Daniel	Nielsen	1988	Chevrolet	Corvette	411	Y	2:35.25	2:28.19	2:29.06	DNF	
2:29.60	Mark	McKee	1991	BMW	318ti	43	Y	2:33.39	2:34.04	2:31.76	2:29.60	
2:34.02	Jess	Meyer	1984	Porsche	944	28		2:39.27	2:36.84	2:35.14	2:34.02	2:35.83
2:35.31	Cody	Smith	1985	Oldsmobile	Cutlass	736		3:09.93	2:49.41	2:38.63	2:36.68	2:33.31
2:36.42	Max	Currie	1984	Porsche	944	788	Y	2:42.13	2:41.34	2:36.72	2:36.42	
2:39.38	AJC	Cohen	1991	Porsche	911	25	Y	2:52.35	2:51.50	2:43.78	2:39.38	
2:39.79	John	Moravec	1988	Chevrolet	Corvette	41	Y	2:44.85	3:16.50	2:39.79	2:45.25	
2:40.81	Matthew	Johnson	1991	BMW	325is	772	Y	2:40.81	3:07.51	DNF		
2:41.50	Jay	Silverberg	1979	Datsun	280ZX	111		3:03.15	2:51.33	2:48.23	2:43.07	2:41.50
2:43.91	Phil	Dawson	1972	MG	Midget	79	Y	2:43.96	2:46.04	3:13.94	2:43.91	2:47.67
2:45.69	David	Jelinek	1990	Mazda	Miata	119	Y	2:50.29	2:49.13	2:45.69	3:08.74	DNF
2:45.75	Tim	Skwiot	1984	BMW	318is	21	Y	2:49.16	2:45.75	2:49.47	2:48.96	
2:46.41	Wayne	Lee	1971	BMW	2002	109	Y	2:47.88	2:47.02	2:46.41		
2:48.00	Brian	McCullough	1980	MG	B	16		2:57.80	2:48.00			
2:51.75	Andrew	Tasi	1989	Toyota	MR2 SC	892	Y	2:54.90	2:52.18	2:55.92	2:51.75	
2:56.05	Terry	Richards	1991	Ford	Chump Car	751	Y	3:04.05	3:03.00	2:56.05		
2:57.37	Anthony	Stamson	1988	Ford	Mustang	517	Y	3:05.59	3:03.13	2:57.37	2:57.60	2:55.76
2:57.54	Chris	Dick	1984	Volkswagen	GTI	6	Y	2:58.19	2:57.54			
2:58.33	Roman	Hrynewycz	1980	Triumph	TR 8	74	Y	2:58.33	2:58.75	3:06.07	2:59.94	
2:58.49	Pete	Halsmer	1991	Ford	Chump Car	175		3:46.67	2:58.49			
2:59.13	Larry	Lunda	1990	Mazda	Miata	611		3:15.22	3:11.91	3:06.52	3:00.78	2:59.13
2:59.29	David	Kaiser	1979	Porsche	911SC	13	Y	3:01.41	3:00.36	2:59.29	3:03.24	
3:00.76	Matthew	Kunes	1990	Volkswagen	Wolfsburg Jetta	33	Y	3:13.51	3:00.76			
3:02.84	Austin	Thielen	1991	Mercury	Capri XR2	11		3:19.02	3:15.88	3:14.47	3:07.67	3:02.84
3:07.71	Doug	Lindman	1986	Mazda	RX-7	242	Y	3:34.45	3:22.03	3:16.50	3:07.71	
3:08.11	Kurt	Seeman	1978	Chevrolet	Nova	645	Y	3:42.76	3:23.42	3:15.92	3:13.16	3:08.11
3:08.40	Dean	Borris	1963	Lotus	Super 7	714		3:22.34	3:08.40	3:08.63	DNF	3:20.74
3:08.94	Andy	Diesen	1976	Chevrolet	Blazer	361	Y	3:22.76	3:18.04	3:16.39	3:08.94	
3:09.61	Mark	Fisher	1959	Lotus	15	42	Y	3:13.81	3:12.70	3:09.61	3:14.97	
3:11.10	Brian	Duoss	1973	Jensen	Healey	71	Y	3:13.84	3:09.10	3:21.83	3:11.10	
3:12.75	Steven	McCombs	1991	Mazda	MX-5 Miata	420	Y	3:29.37	3:16.03	3:18.26	3:12.75	
3:13.69	Derek	Diesen	1976	Chevrolet	Blazer	136	Y	3:16.70	3:15.21	3:13.69		
3:15.50	DJ	Jayawardena	1987	BMW	L6	142	Y	3:24.68	3:17.51	3:18.00	3:15.50	

3:16.71	Bill	Connell	1969	Triumph	TR6	69	Y	3:29.74	3:26.91	3:20.76	3:16.71	
3:17.92	John	Hatzung	1990	Mazda	Miata	102	Y	3:17.92	3:22.29	3:26.65		
3:17.96	Emerson	Zentz	1977	Dodge	Monaco	72	Y	3:26.27	3:17.96			
3:18.15	Rick	Paulsen	1976	Triumph	Spitfire	76	Y	3:18.15	3:19.52	3:19.69		
3:18.71	Tom	Hazen	1978	Suzuki	GS550	0	Y	3:18.71				
3:19.64	Alfred	Schultz	1969	Chevrolet	C10	26	Y	3:19.64	DNF			
3:23.21	Steve	Pommer	1971	Ford	Pinto	46	Y	3:27.21	3:23.21			
3:28.89	Amanda	McCullough	1980	MG	B	116		3:48.63	3:29.64	DNF	3:41.55	3:28.89
3:31.84	LA	Fisher	1968	Triumph	GT6	68	Y	3:31.84	3:34.59	3:31.91	3:37.99	
3:33.08	Brent	Schulz	1989	Porsche	944 S2	91	Y	3:33.08	3:35.70			
3:34.92	Rich	Stadther	1952	MG	TD V8	95	Y	3:34.92	3:35.47	3:39.97		
3:39.51	Justyna	Schmidt	1971	MG	Midget	23	Y	3:51.26	3:53.00	3:39.84	3:39.51	
3:42.50	Glen	Wilson	1975	Triumph	TR6	44	Y	3:42.50	3:47.65			
3:46.41	Don	Petersen	1962	Triumph	TR3B	32	Y	4:02.55	3:46.41	3:57.06	3:50.82	
3:46.49	TJ	Jayawardena	1977	MG	B	421	Y	3:46.49				
3:50.66	Ken	Anderson	1956	Porsche	356 Speedster	1	Y	3:52.19	3:53.18	3:54.56	3:50.66	
4:02.07	Richard	Michels	1973	MG	B Roadster	88	Y	4:10.26	4:09.90	4:02.07		

50 Drivers Starts: 41 50 48 39 31 11

Total 200



Above: Winner of the 2021 Waumandee Time Trials, Daniel Nielson in his 1968 Corvette. Photo courtesy of Joseph Wilson. To see more of Wilson's Waumandee photos, go to <https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?vanity=photojoe64&set=a.207063428189995>

It's Healey Club renewal time again, and there are changes for everyone this year!

MAHC "local only" members:

For MAHC "local only" members, the National Club (AHCA) has increased their insurance surcharge by \$5.00. That means the **new renewal price is \$30.00** this year, up from \$25.00 last year. Everything else remains the same.

1. Get the Membership Renewal form on the next page of the Nov/Dec 2021 *Healey Enthusiast*, or
 - a. Go to the MAHC website at <https://www.mnhealey.com/>
 - b. Click on **Membership**.
 - c. Scroll to the bottom of the page.
 - d. Click on **Membership Form 2022**.
2. Print and fill out the form.
3. Enclose your check for \$30.00.
4. Mail to Jim Kriz at the address on the form.

MAHC/AHCA (local and national) members:

For MAHC/AHCA members renewals be different, but hopefully easier. You will no longer receive paper renewal invoices.

The Austin Healey Club of America (our governing organization) implemented a new and powerful internet tool for managing clubs and associations called ClubExpress (CE). As part of that program, you will have a new **username** and **password**.

You should have already received an email from the Austin Healey Club of America with your new username and a temporary password, and another telling you to go to the website to renew your membership. Below are detailed instructions:

1. Go to <https://healeyclub.org>
2. Click **Join** and then **Click here** on the the following:



Already a member? [Click here](#) to login and renew your membership.

3. Log in using your new username and password. The first time, you can change the password to something that is more intuitive. Save both to a safe location.
4. In the upper left of the screen, you should see your name and a red dot. Click on the red dot.
5. Follow the instructions on the screen. Note that you have an opportunity to add information for secondary and/or tertiary members, such as a spouse.
6. On the Payments screen you can choose whether to pay with a credit card online or by mailing in a check.

As always, if you have questions, concerns, or crises, please email me (Jim Kriz, Membership Director) at jkriz1@comcast.net or call/text me at **612-321-0123**. I may not have a ready answer, but I know where one can be found!



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MAHC Membership / Renewal Form (for Local only members)

Minnesota A-H Club Dues	New	Renewal	\$20.00
Austin-Healey Club of America Dues	New	Renewal	\$50.00
BOTH CLUBS			\$70.00
Minnesota A-H Club (Local only) Dues	New	Renewal	\$30.00

Name: _____ Spouse/Friend: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Phone: Day () _____ Evening: () _____

E-mail address: _____

Spouse/friend email (if they want MAHC email): _____

HEALEY INFORMATION:

Year _____ Model _____ Color _____ Original Owner (Y/N) _____

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Condition: Show Quality Nice & Roadworthy
 Could be running with help Restoration Project

Make checks payable to: MN Austin Healey Club (or MAHC)

Checks covering AHCA membership renewals must reach Jim Kriz no later than **January 1, 2022**, to assure that your information appears in the 2022 AHCA Membership Directory.

**Send form and checks to: Jim Kriz
2000 Kenwood Parkway
Minneapolis, MN 55405**

Marketplace

Marketplace policy: All ads are free to current members. For non-members, the charge is \$5.00 per month. Ads will be run for three months, after which time the advertiser needs to submit new ad copy. Please inform the editor if your item or items have been sold during the three-month period, so that the ad can be removed.



For sale: 1961 Bugeye Sprite Project Car
This car has been in storage for years. It is a strong chassis for restoration, about 90% complete. Some new parts.

Price: \$4850

Contact: Bob Rittan at 612-729-1368 or
cfmfxr1@yahoo.com



InterMarque Breakfasts

Contact Todd Bjerknes
to be added to email list
for the week's location

RSVP to tbjerknes46@gmail.com

InterMarque Newsletter

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

Body parts from 100-6 for sale: Front scroud, beautiful condition, stripped. Rear deck. Hood. Door, one side only. Fender, left (driver's) side? Also, other minor parts. Call Dennis Koepsell 920-400-6052 anytime or email koepselldennis@gmail.com.



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.

