



Overdrive

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held each early October in Warsaw, on Winona Lake. Ron Francis, Jim Frakes, Melanie and Bob Haskell met North on IN 37 at Strawtown on very cool, crisp Saturday morning. It was 46 degrees in Noblesville, but as we progressed further North, the light frost was indicating a much cooler morning. In Wabash, as we stopped for breakfast at Bob Evans, the locals stated it more like 37 degrees there. No wonder the Frost was on the Punkin! The venue is just beautiful along the canal linking the two sections of the lake and in front of the quaint shops (good place for the ladies). To our surprise, Barry Osborn, Bugeye driver and Paul Imel, capable navigator came all the way from Greenwood in a top down great looking Bugeye! Dedication! The car show as great, but the cool weather certainly had reduced participation, but still a Best of Show!

**Ron Francis, Best in show 100M.
(and Friend)**



What's Coming Up

Next Meeting: Nov 13, 2008 Oak N Barrel, Greenwood Dinner at 6:00 P.M. Meeting at 7:30 PM
Note: Christmas Party Dec 6th at South Harbour Club House in Noblesville.



First in Healey class was Barry Osborn with his great bugeye, driven from Greenwood with co-pilot Paul Imel.

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IN British Car Union

www.ibcu.org

Marque Matters Blog

www.marquematters.blogs.com/

AH Club of America

<http://www.healeyclub.org/>

**CIAHCA PAGE
October Meeting Minutes**

CIAHC meeting / 2008

- Jim Frakes called a short meeting before the Halloween Social began in the Party
- Financial report by Treasurer Craig Rice.
- Jim Switzer presented awards to Jim Bush for SeptemberFest 1st place in the Funkhana .
- Jim Switzer presented the award from Indiana British Car Union for 1st place in Healeys to Craig and Sue Rice, who had to leave the event early for their daughter
- Jim Frakes reported he is checking into several places in Southern Indiana for 2009 SeptemberFest, including Corydon, Vevay, Rushville, French Lick, Madison, etc. We are hoping to bring in more people from the Miami Valley and Ohio Valley clubs.
- With the later Labor Day in 2009 being September 9th, Lemon Creek event for Northern Indian will be Sept. 11-12, SE Classic and Indiana British Car Union on Sept 18-19, pushing SeptemberFest back to the 25th and 26th.
- Elections for 2009 were held with the following results;
- President, Jim Frakes
- Vice President, Brent Porter
- Secretary, Melanie Haskell
- Treasurer, Craig Rice
- Membership Chairman, Craig Rice
- Delegate to National, Jim Switzer.
- Bob Haskell web site and newsletter

chat on a very cool, crisp evening. As usual, the food was an outstanding array of tasty popcorn concoction.

Attendees included Dick and Ruth Buis, Jim Frakes, Charlene and Bruce Gilham, Bob and Melanie Haskell, Craig and Sue Rice, Jim and Sandy Burk, Brent Porter, Roy Bowman, Paul Imel and Kay, Dick and Sherry Storrs, Pat and Debbie Bruce, Susie and Norm Schoppenhorst and of course our hosts, Jim and Bev Bush.

Holiday party Dec 6th, 2008, South Harbour Clubhouse, Noblesville.



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Menu: Entrée of Pork Loin Roast, side dishes, rolls catered by Cindy Latty.

Drinks supplied by Central Indiana AHC

Members are requested to bring appetizers or desserts.

Please sign up with Jo Switzer at the Nov. Meeting or email Jo at joswitzer@earthlink.net.

Please RSVP your attendance to Jo by Nov. 28th so we may notify the caterer.

White elephant Gift exchange. Bring one per person, marked with male / female. Max is \$20 cost.



Directions: From East, take Hwy 32 thru Noblesville to West edge, take Hwy 38 toward Sheridan to South Harbour (Stop Light). Turn right onto South Harbour Drive. From West, take US 31 North to Hwy 38, turn left (East) to South Harbour entrance (stop Light). Turn left onto South Harbour drive. On South Harbour Drive, go through the four way stop and take the 4th street on right to the clubhouse. If lost, call Jim at 317-697-6441.

Indy Mayor Calls on Businesses and Residents to Fill Food Banks

Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard is calling on schools, businesses and individual citizens to pack the pantries at local food banks. He has made what the city describes as a "call-to-action" urging a response to the growing need for food donations. Ballard says food is especially needed this year as Indianapolis "like the rest of the nation is facing the challenges of an economic downturn."

As our contribution from the Central Indiana AHC, the club has requested all who can, please bring some canned goods for donation to one of the Food Banks. Please also bring YOUR ideas as to Which Food Bank we would like to contribute to, since many of us live in different counties!

SPECIAL NOTE;

BRUCE GILHAM WAS RELEASED FROM THE HOSPITAL ON FRIDAY THE 7TH, AND IS RECUPERATING AT HOME FROM SOME RECENT TESTS TO DETERMINE HIS CONDITIONS FOR A HEART TRANSPLANT. BRUCE REPORTS HE IS ECSTATIC THEY MAY HAVE A SUITABLE HEART SHORTLY. HE HAS A PORT (PIC LINE) INSERTED WITH PRE-SURGERY CHEMICALS BEING PUMPED IN FROM A FANNY PACK HE CAN WEAR AROUND.

THIS IS SUCH GOOD NEWS FROM BRUCE AND HE IS EXCITED TO GET THIS UNDERWAY. PLEASE NOTE BRUCE AND CHARLENE IN YOUR PRAYERS AS THEY GO THROUGH THIS EXCITING TIME IN THEIR LIVES.

2008 / 2009 events

Conclave 2009; Kingston, Ontario June 21 thru June 26th.

Reportedly the exchange rate is very favorable, although CHANGEABLE, between U.S. and Canadian dollars. If you register now, you MAY get your registration and dinner fees at a better exchange rate, although it must be done by credit card to get this. Checks do not have this exchange rate benefit.

Cars in Progress corner; This section is intended to provide an update on cars currently off the road and in progress of
Healey email; austinhealey@earthlink.net.

Dewey Poskon sent pictures of his BJ8 after painting. It is a very nice red BJ8. It is very close now, as of 10-October, to be-

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on it during the summer, we hope to start major progress this winter.
Others? Awaiting your input!

Cars for sale:

Jim Thomas has his very nice red BJ8 up for sale. This car just took second place behind Craig Rice at the IBCU car show last month. Contact Jim at his address. He is listed in the directory.

Tech Session report:

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system last month and are proud to say it was running within a couple hours. Jim was very pleased to hear the engine ex-
haust note.

Brent Porter, Bob Haskell and Jim Frakes helped Jim Switzer get his Baby Blue MGB running on Saturday Nov 1st. Jim was
good about the progress.

TECH SESSIONS SCHEDULE;

No new tech sessions scheduled.



OUR FAVORITE HEALEY RECIPES

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for those who HAVE NOT picked up your committed amount. They make wonderful gifts for Christ-
mas for friends and family. Jo is very pleased to report she took a case of 42 to the delegates meeting
and ran out! She is going to ship several more to people who were there.

One to five is \$10 and 6 or more is \$ 8 each.

BTW the Make-A-Wish charity drive was reported to be just shy of \$30,000 from the AHCA clubs to
Make óA Wish.

DELEGATES MEETING; St. Louis, MO.

Jim Frakes joined Jim and Jo Switzer, on the Friday Nov. 7th, drive to St. Louis for the annual Delegates Meet-
ing of the AHCA. The meetings started Friday night and all day Saturday and Sunday Morning until near noon.
There are too many items that were presented, discussed and voted upon, to present all in this one newsletter, (it
is a busy schedule of meetings) but we hope to bring highlights in a later edition. Major issues for us are the
budget was set for another year with NO DUES INCREASE. Of note, the last one was 1999. Since then, we have
added more insurance, Added a fantastic web site with much more to come in 2009, and Healey Marque went
from 32 pages to 40 pages and, starting in January, will be ALL FULL COLOR!

**Our own highlight for the Central Indiana AHC is the election of Jo Switzer as Secretary for the
National AHCA. Congratulations to Jo for being nominated and elected to this very important
office.**

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showroom, followed by the usual donated items auction provided by Gary Brierton.

Hyman Ltd, owned by Mark Hyman, has been selling classic cars since 1988, primarily Euro-
pean. We toured their facility in 1999 and were amazed how much Hyman has progressed in the
past ten years. The showroom was impressive with at least one car in the over \$3 million range
and several in the over \$100,000 range. I particularly like several but the one outstanding is a
1929 Bentley similar to the LeMans winners of the era. Cadillacs, Talbot Lago, Delahaye,

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\$200,000. What a playhouse!