



# *Overdrive*

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## ***Presidents Message November 2018***

Sue and I took the Black over red BJ8 (with the little trailer behind) to the SE Classic in Charleston. We joined eight other cars from the Blue Grass club on a long journey there, stopping overnight in Ashville and arriving one day before the event started. Of the nine cars (one BJ9 carrying a BJ8 and one 100) made the trip with only a generator issue on one of the other BJ8's. Although it was not charging, there were two of the small Lithium batteries that kept it running on the trip (re-charged them in Ashville). I am a big fan of those batteries as I have used them to start other BJ9's and a BJ8 in Alabama last year. For about \$120. They are a great life saver if your battery goes down on the road.

Before arrival in Charleston, we were joined by Doug Frakes who came over from Cumming, GA in his Grand Cherokee. On an unplanned gas stop in SC, we headed back onto the Interstate ramp and passed Doug waiting on us to come thru.

Great time in Charleston with plenty of time to tour the USS Yorktown, grab some fresh seafood and enjoy Healey's everywhere. The SE Classic group always puts on well planned events. Our Rally was simple with a tour thru downtown Charleston, past the park and then out thru other scenic areas, including one of the old forts. There is a lot of marshland and Mosquitoes were still in abundance. Rally was really a poker run but very enjoyable to not have to keep your eyes on the questions on a regular rally.

The Car show participation exceeded 100 cars and many of which I had not seen before. The cars were parked in the grassy part of the tourists parking area for the USS Yorktown. Classes were arranged well and on entering, our picture with us inside the car, was taken with the Ship in the background. We delighted to escort my Granddaughters sister-in-law and her fiance' and explain some about the cars, not just look and leave. Weather was very nice there with temps in the low 80's

Dinner on the ship was as good as this type banquet can get. Although the sound system was not performing well, a large group of active military provided some very good professional chorus singing. This was followed by a rousing round of auction items which went on for some time. Since we had already toured the ship, it was time to go. Mosquito's moving in!

As usual on a trip like this, everybody has a different idea of returning, so off Sue and I went by ourselves, driving some interstate and some back roads, (Sue is really getting to be a very good Navigator). We overnighted in Pine Mountain State Park, in Southern KY (I had been there before with the BGAHC). Very scenic park among some great back roads. We had a nice dinner there and breakfast the next morning. Headed out for US 25E and then on to I-75 the rest of the way, arriving home before dark. Great trip. I expect to have some pictures on the computer at our November meeting.



### **TECH SESSION**

No known further tech sessions are planned at this time. Call if you need something or just want to put the car on the lift to check something.

### **BLAST FROM THE PAST.**

Why is this building famous?



Where are we?



See you in Plainfield on the 13<sup>th</sup>.

Keep Calm and carry on. Keep the sunny side up.

Jim Frakes

## ***CARS/PARTS FOR SALE or WANTED TO BUY***

(Please send Jim Frakes or Steve Halleck any news of cars/parts that are for sale.)

There are at least five Healeys for sale in Central Indiana. Jim Frakes red BJ8, Sandy Joerhn's Healey Blue BJ8, Geoff Ford's Healey which I have not seen, and Lisa Spees, BJ7. If you need info on any of these I can provide a phone number. Update: Dan Lindsey sold his BJ8, Lewis Jay sold his 100-6. Lisa Spees BJ7 is still in the Frakes Warehouse but the work is done. She is coming to Indy for Thanksgiving and may take it back with her to Florida. She is also taking offers on the car.

## ***Next Business Meeting:***

The November meeting will take place at The Coachman Restaurant, 6112 Cambridge Way, Plainfield, IN 46168.



Dinner starts at 6:30PM(ish), with the meeting at 7:00

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<http://www.ciahc.org>

**Bluegrass AHC**  
<http://www.bluegrassclub.com>

**Miami Valley AHC**  
<http://sites.google.com/miamivalleyahccom>

**Mid Ohio AHC**  
<https://sites.google.com/site/midohioahc/>

**Northern Indiana AHC**  
<https://www.facebook.com/NorthernIndianaAustinHealeyClub>

**Ohio Valley AHC**  
<http://ohiovalleyahc.com>

**Indiana British Car Union**  
<http://www.ibcu.org>

**Austin Healey Club of America**  
<http://www.healeyclub.org>

## ***CIAHC Business Meetings, Oct 27, 2018***

A brief meeting was held during the Halloween get together at the Bush's barn.

Attending were Jim and Sue Frakes, Jim and Bev Bush, Roy Bowman, Ruth Buis, Jim and Sandy Burke, Steve and Kathy Halleck, Bob and Melanie Haskell, David Morrison and Bonnie Stahlecker, Craig and Sue Rice, Dick and Sherry Storrs, Jim and Jo Switzer, David Verrill, John Mann and Pat Wilmont, Rick and Sandy Smith, and Bush's neighbors Mike and Marla Dejaeger.

David Verrill has to step away from his role as vice president due to conflicts with work. Jim Frakes asked Jim Bush to step in to that position.

We are still looking for a replacement for Secretary.

All other positions within the club will remain the same with approval from the attendees.

Jim Bush is looking into locations for our holiday get together this year. The tentative date will be January 12<sup>th</sup>.

## ***Miscellaneous Meanderings***

### ***By Steve Halleck***

Thanks to the Bush's for another fun Halloween get together at the Barn! Good food and good company but not many pictures.



Schneiders helps keep you warm.



Kathy found the heater.

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I took the Sprite out to Rick at Korner Garage last month for some body work. I'm tired of cracking my head on the bonnet and am switching it over to a forward tilt. In addition to removing the dents and dings on the side, Rick added Spitfire latches to the bonnet and several 'while you are at it' items. I'm looking forward to getting it finished, hopefully this month.

When I get it back I need to get started on the suspension rebuilds and my list of odds and ends.



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Autoweek last month had an article about a Sprite at auction that went for \$140,757! That's very good money for a big Healey. It was a '58 Works Rally car.

## ***Event Calendar***

Please let me know of any addition/changes! The list is pretty sparse.

### **2018 Events**

Nov 13<sup>th</sup> – Business Meeting, The Coachman, Plainfield, IN

Nov 17<sup>th</sup> – Ganassi Racing Open House, Indianapolis, In

### **2019 Events**

**Sept 6<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> – CONCLAVE, Deadwood SD**