



# *Overdrive*

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## ***Presidents Message January 2019***



We hope to see many of you at our belated, but relaxed, Christmas / Holiday party on the 12<sup>th</sup>. This year, the club is picking up the tab (except for bar drinks). Plan on a good time and don't forget your white elephant gift.

As we settle in for the long winter, it's time to plan for our 2019 Central Indiana Healey events. As always, we are looking forward to the Daytona Party. After missing last year's race with a fracture, I am looking forward to returning to an annual trip to Daytona again this year and will not be present. The date is Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>.

February -March; We have a proposal for a Tech session at Rick Smith's shop in NW Indy on a Saturday in Late February or early March. The plan is to show off his new painting process. Rick is becoming a PPG paint rep for their Omni Plus paint line and will have a mixing station. He is thinking of doing some paint demos, shooting a few colors and showing the whole process. We need to give an answer after our meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup>.

April: Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> is the planned date for a Tech Session at the Frakes Warehouse, car readiness permitting. The planned work is still in progress but would likely be on my original BJ8 white car, which is begging to be completed.

Don't forget every Saturday night's informal cruise-in on the Noblesville Square starts in April.

May: May 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> is the planned date for BGAHC Springthing in Louisville or maybe Lexington (still deciding). Always a fun event and certainly Blue Grass hospitality.

Mecum Auctions Indianapolis Fairgrounds 2019 May 14<sup>th</sup> thru 19<sup>th</sup>.

Indy 500 May 26<sup>th</sup> at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Party Anyone?

May also starts the monthly Cars and Gravy at the National on 38<sup>th</sup> street. This venue started last year after two local business men purchased and renovated the former Indiana National Bank building. 2019 schedule escapes me now, but hopefully will be found by our next meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup>. The event is for any older cars and last year had many Brits and German cars. Breakfast is available at the venue.

British car week everywhere runs from May 25<sup>th</sup> through June 2nd. Weather permitting, it sounds like a great time to have a nice drive before the hot summer season kicks in on June 21<sup>st</sup>. We need a **Volunteer** to plan the route and destination? Maybe western Indiana? Near Turkey run sounds like a good venue with a possible stop at Ben-Hur author Lew Wallace's Study and Museum in Crawfordsville on the way.

July; ??? Any ideas? IBCU London to Brighton has not been set but should be sometime in July.

August; The date for the annual Indiana British Car Union's British Car Day show in Zionsville is August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

September: Finally a Conclave in cooler weather? September 6<sup>th</sup> to the 11<sup>th</sup> in Deadwood, SD is the location. We are looking forward to the event and the drive out and back.

October: Newport Hill climb in Newport, Indiana is October 6<sup>th</sup>. It would be a nice drive to a very festive venue if anyone is up for it. I think we would enjoy a Healey, maybe a Sprite, try to climb the Hill.

October also means Halloween Party time for the Central Indiana AHC. For a great number of years this has usually meant "Partying in the Barn" at Jim and Bev Bush's great barn venue. It has seen many a party and a lot of improvements over those years. The Bush's wish for a rest and would like to pass the torch. We are looking for a volunteer to lead this always fun event, preferably in a warm place.

If I have left some event off, please send me an email so I can add it to our list.

### **CAR REPAIRS AND UPGRADES**

John Mann is upgrading the brakes on his 100-6 BN4 to Front Discs. This is apparently a major undertaking due to his car being a disc wheel car. John has found a lot of issues that he is working thru.

Jerry Butler has completed the work on Lisa Spees's car. Several upgrades were made and the usual additional fusing added. Her father picked it up just before Christmas. It is a very nice original BJ7 that could use some small dogleg rust repairs. Paint is older and has some chips but a sample polish area revealed it will polish up nicely.

Jerry has also finished Mike Farmer's car which had many upgrades installed. This was formerly Lewis Jay's car, a nicely painted 100-6 BN4.

My original Healey of now 23 years is still down for a complete rebuild. It was totally stripped, chassis blasted and painted. It is still a long way to go and progress is slow. Suspension is done and it is now a rolling chassis with tires on.

Name the type of car based on just the Hood Ornament.



Hope to see you at Squealers on January the 8<sup>th</sup>.

Jim and Sue

“Keep Calm and Healey on”

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

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

Jim Frakes, Red 65 BJ8 is for sale \$45,000

Lisa Spees, BJ7 will take offers.

Steve Halleck is looking for windshield wiper motor for a Bugeye Sprite. The armature has gone bad and they are no longer made.

***Next Business Meeting:***

**The January business meeting will be Jan 8th at Squealers, 5515 W. 86th street, Indianapolis. Dinner at 6:30, meeting at 7:30 PM.**



**The holiday party is Jan 12, Tavern on the South, 423 West South Street, Indy.**



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**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,***

None in December

## ***Miscellaneous Meanderings***

***By Steve Halleck***

I hope everyone has had a good time over the holidays and have a great 2019.

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I picked the Sprite up from Korner Garage this week. It was good to get her back into my garage.

Rick and his team did a great job on the paint and bodywork. I put the top and side curtains on for the drive home, since it was in the 30s when I picked it up. On the way home, my list of things to do to the car got bigger, as I was reminded of rattles and vibrations I'd forgotten about since last fall. One of the items is to put better felt in the side curtains. In 30-degree weather, it's no fun for them to slide open each time I put on the brakes.



Craig gave me the name of a shop that may be able to re-arch the rear springs to remove the 'bachelor's lean' on the driver's side. I hope to get the springs out in a few weeks. If the re-arch works, I may have to change the cars name from Ilean.

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Some slight revisions were made to the minutes from the delegates meeting this year. Rather than copy the entire large PDF into the minutes, it can be found on the web.

1. Log onto the AHCA web site at <https://healeyclub.org>
2. Click on the Members Access section (far right on the options toolbar)
3. Log onto the site using your Healey email and password
4. Click on "visit members only section"
5. Click on "Club By-Laws and Meeting Minutes"
6. Under the "Delegates' Meeting" section, click on "Delegates' Meeting November 10-11, 2018". The minutes are in a PDF file that will open with Microsoft Edge.

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# ***Event Calendar***

Please let me know of any addition/changes!

## **2019 Events**

Jan 8<sup>th</sup> – January Business Meeting, Squealers, 86<sup>th</sup> St, Indianapolis.

Jan 12<sup>th</sup> – CIAHC Christmas Party, Tavern on the South, 423 West South Street, Indianapolis. 6:00PM social hour, 7:00 PM dinner followed by white elephant gift exchange.

Feb 17<sup>th</sup> - 26th Annual All British Classic Car Show, FL

Apr 6<sup>th</sup> - 35th Annual All British Car Show, FL

Apr 13<sup>th</sup> – Tech Session, Frakes Garage, Castleton, In

May 5<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Cruisin to a cure for ALS, Lawrenceburg, IN

May 14<sup>th</sup> – Mecum Auctions, Indianapolis

May 25<sup>th</sup> - June 2<sup>nd</sup> – British Car Week, Everywhere

June 30<sup>th</sup> - Michiana Brits Annual British Car Show, St Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN

July 7<sup>th</sup> – Cincinnati British Car Day, Harbin Park, Cincinnati, Oh – *date not certain yet*

July ?? – IBCU London to Brighton run, Fairland, IN to Lawrenceburg, IN – *date not certain yet*

Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> – IBCU British Car Day, Zionsville, In

Aug 10<sup>th</sup> - British Car Day, Eastwood MetroPark, Dayton, Oh

Aug 27<sup>th</sup> - Artomobilia, Carmel, IN – *date not certain yet*

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

Sept 21st-22nd - SIRBrit Motorcar Day on the River, Old Dam Park in Newburgh, In

Oct 6<sup>th</sup> – Newborn Hill Climb, Newborn, IN

Noblesville Cruise In – Saturday Evening (weather permitting) April to November, Noblesville Courthouse Square