



# Overdrive

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## *President's Message Nov 2019*

**Halloween.** I would like to thank Pat and Debbie Bruce for a very nice Halloween Party on Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup>. About 25 Central Indiana AHC attendees braved the atrocious weather and were rewarded with an abundance of good food and beverages. The early arrival date was a great idea as no one wanted to drive home in the dreadful and dreary darkness. The garage, converted into a party house worked out great and the electric heaters were able to keep up.

As this was known to be my last year as President, an election of officers was held with Jim Bush as the incoming elected President, Jo Switzer as Vice President, Jim Switzer as Delegate, Craig Rice continues as Treasurer and Membership Czar. And we again have no designated person as Secretary.

My time in the club is not over. I expect to be very busy this winter trying to complete my restoration of the '66 BJ8. (Tech sessions anyone). And, I hopefully will still be able to help our members when the need arises. (It is nice having lifts to go up and down instead of me doing the up and down). Call me if you need help or advice or just to chat and keep me company.

**HEALTH.** By now, many of you have already heard my next day (Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>) was very eventful. An early church, then to the soccer field for Sue's granddaughter Sophia's game at

UIndy at Noon. (they won their fourth in a row. Then on to CVS to pick up supplies for a planned Colonoscopy on Monday noon. But first I needed to pick up the prescription for the dreaded event at my office. As Sue and I arrived, I started having chest pains, laid down and soon had Sue call 911. The Ambulance Technician quickly confirmed a Heart Attack was in progress. I appreciate the professionalism of the ambulance people and Community North's medical staff who in very short order had a stent in place and back in a room to recover. It is sure nice to live and work so close to a fine hospital and great staff.

All's well that ends well. Released on Tuesday AM. I am doing fine and spent most of my Saturday (2<sup>nd</sup>) back working on the Healey. Grin!

Speaking of members health, I talked with Ron Francis and find he also had some sheet time the week before. He is home also and feeling much better.

### **Central Indiana AHC business.**

Jim Bush and his September round-up committee have made progress on the event and hopefully will have a report at the November meeting.

**Events for 2020.** If anyone has info on 2020 Healey, Brit car, cars and coffee local, regional or National events, please let Steve or Jim Bush know so we can keep apprised and have a good calendar.

Springthing and September Round-up dates (September 17<sup>th</sup> thru 20<sup>th</sup> in Plainfield, IN) are set as well as SouthEast Classic in Townsend Tennessee. (October 15 thru 18<sup>th</sup>)

Conclave 2020 in Crystal River Plantation North of Tampa will start on May 17<sup>th</sup>. Sue and I have a graduation in St. Louis at 4 PM on the 17<sup>th</sup>. We may fly down on the 18<sup>th</sup> and stay a few days.

### **Cars for sale**

My Yellow 58 Supercharged Bugeye is up for sale if you know of a person interested. I finally found out why it was not running correctly. Too embarrassed to tell what it was.

I have been watching prices for Healey's on Bring A Trailer (BAT) and find they are quite soft. Of course winter is coming (no, its here). And that is not unusual for cars to go up for sale.

*"That's all Folks"*

Jim Frakes, President,  
Central Indiana Austin Healey Club.

## ***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 supercharged Bugeye (see his column).

-There's a '62 3000 for sale in Muncie for \$16,500. It's a tri-carb that looks rough (not an automatic like the ad says). Info <https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/item/1111680495691603/>.

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

**The November 12<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at Grindstone Charlie's, 5383 W. Rockville Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46224.  
Dinner at 6:30, meeting at 7:30 PM.**



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### *Mr. Healey's Neighborhood*

**Central Indiana AHC**  
<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 October Business Meeting***

**Date: October 26, 2019**

**Place: Pat & Debbie Bruce's Barn  
4501 N 400 W, Rushville, IN**

Attendees: Roy Bowman, Pat & Debbie, Bruce, Ruth Buis, Jim & Sandy Burck, Jim & Bev Bush, Jim & Sue Frakes, Steve & Kathy Halleck, Bob & Melanie Haskell, John Mann, Jon Monies & Joan Wright, David Morrison & Bonnie Stahlecker, Craig & Sue Rice, Rick & Sandy Smith, Dick & Sherry Storrs, Jim & Jo Switzer, David Verrill

Jim Frakes called our meeting to order at 5:25 pm

The minutes from our August business meeting were unchanged as published in Overdrive.

Craig Rice Treasurer/Membership reported 48 members.

Election of 2020 Officers:

President	Jim Bush
Vice President	Jo Switzer
Treasurer/Membership	Craig Rice
Overdrive Editor	Steve Halleck
National Delegate	Jim Switzer
Web Master	Bob Haskell

Jim Bush confirmed the September Roundup will be hosted at The Springhill Suites in Plainfield. The car show will be at the Mayberry Café in Danville.

We adjourned at 5:40 pm

Next business meeting: Tues Nov 12, 6:30 pm  
Grindstone Charley's, 5383 W Rockville Rd  
317 243-8760

## ***Healey Christmas Party***

The club Christmas Party will be Dec 8<sup>th</sup>, 6 to 9 PM at the Glossbrenner Mansion, 3202 N. Meridian, Indianapolis.

Reservations are due by Dec 1 to Randy at thebeldens@aol or 317-432-1647.

The cost for the meal is being paid by the club. Participants are requested to bring a \$25 wrapped gift for the exchange.

## *Miscellaneous Meanderings*

*By Steve Halleck*

October weather turned out to be pretty good most the weekends, so I tried to make some shows and cruise around as much as possible. Griot's garage open house had a few LBCs, including a nice MGTD. Dave Verrill joined me at Cars and Gravy to see some very interesting vehicles.



I parked between a very nice MGBGT and a Ferrari. The Subaru Brat had the less than safe rear facing jump seats, that were designed to bypass truck tariffs.



Dave was parked in the back row. In the background is another of John Klein's cars, a beautiful Packard.



The 'old' bike is actually a hand-made replica the builder brought in. A very interesting bike!

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The Cammack car show was their last of the season and had a record turnout of over 210 cars, but with minimal LBCs. There were only two of us for most of the show, although an MG Midget showed up late in the show. Driving home after the show in the dark, I was concerned when my dash lights weren't working, until I discovered the Grandkids had shut them off.



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The only club event for October this year is the Halloween Party at Pat and Debbie's barn. In the invite, they advised that a bonfire might not be possible due to the dry conditions. After a month of pretty good driving weather, the remnants of tropical storm Omar decided to help those dry conditions but the rain continued through the party, so we still could not have the bonfire.

Pat and Bonnie Bruce welcomed Jim and Sue Frakes, Jim and Bev Bush, Craig and Sue Rice, John Mann, Jim and Jo Switzer, Dick and Sherry Storrs, Jim and Sandy Burke, David Morrison and Bonnie Stahlecker, Ruth Buis, Dave Verrill, Rick Smith and Sandy Dodson, Jon Monies and Joan Wright, and Roy Bowman to their beautiful property for an afternoon of good food and fun. Pat supplied some great brats in addition to the hot dogs, and folks again brought lots of delicious sides and deserts.



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Who says Healeys are small cars?



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I took a final(?) drive with the top down before the rain and cold weather started this week and found my brake lights weren't working. It's no fun driving across Indianapolis with no brake lights in rush hour traffic! The brake light switch has apparently given up after 59 years. It's rare for those to fail, but that's where the issue is so a new one is on order.

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What are folks doing to their cars (or other hobbies) over the winter? I'm sure folks would like to know more than what's going on with the Sprite! Send me notes/photos of your projects – [evetshalleck@yahoo.com](mailto:evetshalleck@yahoo.com).

## ***Event Calendar***

Please let me know of any addition/changes!

### **2019 Events**

#### **November:**

Nov 8<sup>th</sup> – Delegate's tours of Wolf and Skillman auto collections

Nov 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> – **Delegate's meeting**, Indy

Nov 12<sup>th</sup> – **CIAHC business meeting**, TBD

#### **December:**

December 8<sup>th</sup> – **CIAHC Christmas Party**, 3202 N. Meridian, Indy

Dec 10<sup>th</sup> – **CIAHC business meeting**, TBD

## 2020 Events

### May:

May 17-21 – 45th Healey Rendezvous, Montebelu Resort South Lake Tahoe

May 17-21 – Conclave 2020, Crystal River, FL

### August:

Aug 8<sup>th</sup> – British Motor Day, Zionsville, In

September:

Sept 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> – September Roundup, Springhill Suites, Plainfield, IN

### October:

Oct 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> – Southeastern Classic, Townsend, TN (I can't find any info online)

