



Overdrive

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President's Message Nov 2022

You cannot win if you do not play. That adage is what drew 3 Healey owners to drive south to Vevay Indiana for the Sleepy Hollow Car Show. Why not? They're giving away \$100, \$250, \$500, \$750 and \$1000 in cash prizes. Each entrant got a ticket for a blind draw and the crowd hushed each time a winning number was announced. There were maybe 200 cars, only 4 Brits, lotta trucks. Best of Show was a modified VW Bug. He reversed the doors, nice wheels, Porsche engine, good paint and NO windscreen washer running off a spare tire. My favorite was a 1948 Ford convertible, but you had to look twice at the 58 Edsel station wagon with Aztec type paint stripes. Or the 61 Chevy wagon with air bags that lowered it to a Tex Mex level. There was a 56 Ford station wagon. Where have these cars been?

How many road detours do you think there are in Indiana right now? State Road 56 between Vevay and Madison is closed. State Road 46 between Greensburg and Batesville is closed. Steve Halleck, Pat Bruce, Debbie Bruce and myself had to be agile and flexible to reach the 10AM car show start time in Vevay. Later in October Bev and I drove north on Michigan Road/421 to Logansport on our way to Monticello. We counter closures on State Roads 26, 18, and 24.

Pete Buttigieg as Secretary of Transportation sure is spending that infrastructure money in Indiana. I like it! Hopefully all this work will be done before next year's driving season. New Year, new roads, new adventures.

Hope to see you on the road in 2023.

Stay safe.

PARTS FOR SALE or WANTED TO BUY

(Please send me any news of cars/parts that are for sale.- evetshalleck@yahoo.com)

Next Business Meeting:

**No November meeting is planned. Our next gathering will be at the holiday party
Dec 2 at Tavern on the South, 423 W South St, Indianapolis, IN 46225.**

If we get some great weather this month, a November drive is possible – I'll send out an email if that happens.



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Bluegrass AHC
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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>

CIAHCA Business Meeting Minutes

Date: October 29, 2022

Place: Bush Barn

Attendees: Attendees: Jim and Bev Bush, Jim and Jo Switzer, Dick and Sherry Storrs, Bob and Melanie Haskell, Pat and Bonnie Bruce, David Morrison and Bonnie Stahlecker, Randy and Janet Belden, Craig and Sue Rice, Ruth Buis, Bill Coan and Sandy Ferguson.

Meeting called to order at 6:59.

The Healey banner that David Broyles brought to the September meeting is enroute to the Healey Museum in the Netherlands.

Jim noted that Roy couldn't make the meeting as he's still having issues with his foot and needed to stay off of it.

2023 September Roundup planning:

Jo Switzer spoke to the Springhill Suites in Plainfield about availability for next year. We have a good working relationship with the hotel and their facilities would work well. They have openings 9/14-9/17, 9/28-10/1, 10/19-10/22, and 10/26-10/29 Labor Day and Southeastern Classic Sept 21st-24th makes finding a date in September difficult. The club tentatively voted for Oct 19th-22nd. The cost of the Springhill Suites was a concern as they were higher than this year's event near Cincinnati. Jo will check with some other area hotels to see what they could offer. Jim Switzer indicated we could probably have our car show on the square in Danville.

Jim Switzer confirmed the rally route developed before our last September Roundup was cancelled by Covid will still work.

Jim Bush indicated that next year's Halloween party will be an afternoon party with possibly square dance instructions and pizza.

Craig reported that the national organization is still working out issues with the online membership process and we should wait till we get a notice in December to renew. With our newest member, Jim Wampler, we are now at 42 members.

Dick Storrs presented Randy and Janet Belden with their trophies for winning the rally at this year's September Roundup, since they had to leave early. They not only won first place, but got a perfect score! Dick also noted that Bob and Melanie finished second.

Jim Switzer spoke about the upcoming delegates meeting. He asked if there were any questions about the survey that was sent out to the members. He noted the dues will probably need to increase as costs have gone up. He noted that the overwhelming majority of respondents did not want to cut back on the Marque or take it to an online magazine. He noted research showed that cutting back on the number of issues per year wouldn't really save money. He also reported David Broyles is donating one of the copies he had made of the Healey banner for an auction item at the Delegates meeting next month.

On 11/11, several of the delegates will be going to part of the Tom Roush car collection, Branson's in Speedway for Lunch, then to the Speedway Museum. The Roush car collection is really tight, as he has a lot of cars in a small space.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39.

Miscellaneous Meanderings

By Steve Halleck

The club Sprite contingent made the trek down to Vevay this month for the Happy Hallow Car show. Pat, Debbie, and Pip Bruce (Debbie drove separately with Pip), Jim Bush, and I arrived at different times for the show.

The show is mainly a hot rod/American muscle show, but there were a few other small cars including one Spitfire. Folks were very interested to see the 'tiny' Healeys and we got lots of complements.

The Switzerland County Tourism board puts on a nice event in the Paul Ogle Riverfront Park. They had two food trucks, a good band, and a shuttle service the 4 blocks to the downtown arts and craft fair. I'm guessing around 200 vehicles attended and they gave awards to about 20 classes. They also arranged good sponsorship for the show, passing out around \$2000 in prizes! It was a little cool, but a beautiful day and the drive through the changing leaves was beautiful. Well worth the drive down south!



This doesn't show the perspective well. The hearse/ambulance beside Pat's car is about 20 feet long!



Jim got the tough guy award. Pat and I at least had the tops up on our Bugeyes.



The Lincoln convertible next to my Sprite is one of 7 custom convertibles made by the same builder who made one for JFK.



Best of Show was this custom VW. I didn't get a good picture to show the paint job.



Another gorgeous paint job was on this Studebaker. It gets around – it's from Greene County in SW Indiana and was at the Cammack show the next day.



Coming over from Madison on 56 through the changing leaves. 56 was closed close to Vevay, so I got a drive down some NARROW (but fun) back roads through the trees for the detour.

The weather warmed up for the last Cars and Coffee at Hummel Park in Plainfield on the 22nd. They had an estimated 800 cars show up so there were a lot of cars to see. The vast majority were the modern muscle cars, but the Sprite brought a lot of attention. Terry Engle from the Indy Hi-Winders club talked to us for a while, then came back towards the end of the show to present us with a plaque for the club pick for the show. Thanks Terry!

The Bev and Jim Bush's put together another fun Halloween Party this month at their barn. Attendees were Jo Jim Switzer, Sherry and Dick Storrs, Melanie and Bob Haskell, Bonnie Stahlecker and David Morrison, Debbie and Pat Bruce, Janet and Randy Belden, Sue and Craig Rice, Ruth Buis, Bill Coan and Sandy Ferguson, Sandy and Jim Burk, and me.

After our meeting, the group chowed down on hot dogs, and tons of goodies brought by everyone. The day was beautiful, but the evening got a little chilly as people bundled up (and hit the Hot Schneider). Next year, Jim indicated we'd avoid the chill by having the party at noon rather than 6 – and have square dance lessons! We'll need to bring cameras for that.



Saw this on Facebook. The caption was I found someone who could get in to the tight spaces to help with the wiring.

Event Calendar

If you know of any I've missed, please let me know! Check the web site (www.ciahc.org) for changes. Bob is doing a great job on keeping it up to date.

2022 Events

November

3-6 Southeastern Classic XXXV, Hilton Head Island

11 Delegate Meeting Attendees Tours

12,13 AHCA Fall Delegates Meeting, Plainfield, IN

December

2 CIAHC Christmas Party, Tavern on the South