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Presidents Message:

For those of you who didn't go to the Air Museum at Hill Air Force Base, and for those of you who were not at the last meeting, and those of you who fail to read the web site I must tell you the last BAHC driving event was very successful.



There were a lot of new exhibits since our previous visits. And this time a volunteer from the Museum, who just happened to be one of the pilots for the SR-71 (Blackbird) was there to answer all of our questions. He also turned out to be a classmate of Jim Thornton's and he seemed very eager to accommodate us. This Strategic Reconnaissance Plane is still very impressive and somewhat "spooky."

Our May trip to Zion's and Cedar Breaks sounds like an enjoyable trip. Jim Revel is putting together a good arrangement of sites, lodging and restaurants for our enjoyment. I hope you all will try to make this Driving Event.

Doug and I booked our room for Healey Days in Park City; we didn't want to miss out on this one. Jim has been pursuing the least expensive room rate coupled with the safest parking for our Healeys. So, as soon as he announced the final offer, we jumped on it. And I hope you do too. The Grubsteak is a good choice as well. We all seemed to enjoy it last year. There are sufficient selections for everyone and the price is reasonable.

Doug and I have been stressed out a little the last while. Well, Doug more than I. The morning of April 15 he got out of bed for the day and could hardly move around. He was so weak and exhausted. He had a pain in the middle of his back as well. I thought "Oh my God, it's his heart!" I rushed him to the emergency room of the Intermountain Medical Center. After many tests and X-rays they admitted him to the Intensive Care Unit. They told him he had bacterial pneumonia. And later confirmed he had a blood infection also. He is now at home and recuperating. He's on oxygen and massive doses of antibiotics. He's extremely weak and has no appetite, but knowing Doug as I do, he'll be up and running soon. We both thought when someone gets pneumonia they have had a cough, cold, or bronchitis. But Doug's only symptoms were the exhaustion and pain in his back.

The meeting this month is at Red Robin, 1353 Foothill Blvd. on May 11. See you all there.

Keep 'em rolling, Ann

FROM THE EDITOR:

Watched the last of a PBS program called "**A GULLWING AT TWILIGHT** the Bonneville ride of John Fitch". The



photography of the Salt Flats, and the fact that John Fitch drove Healeys for DMH enticed me to send for the DVD. I have it and have enjoyed it as much as I thought I would. Probably the best quote in the program is when John Fitch replies to his niece's question of if he was nervous of driving that fast. He

replied "We used to go that fast.. at night.. in the rain. And there were 60 cars on the track!" If you would like to borrow it, give me a call.

This month's issue will update some of the activities that are planned, most particular Healey Days, and lodging if you are interested. Time is of the essence for booking a room at the rates that Jim Revel has bargained, so stop reading this and call for your room NOW!

The Zion's Park trip will be a great time. A "show of hands" here, who has been to Cedar Breaks? That venue is scheduled to be included in the Zion's trip.

Be sure and check out the book review and special offer from motorbook.com.
Happy Healeying, Dave

Drive-in on Highway 6 at the mouth of Spanish Fork Canyon.

The December Dinner/meeting may be moved to a weekend date instead of Thursday

Rendezvous 2010, It appears that all the members who are going have different plans so there probably will not be a group tour to Eugene.

British Field Day is Scheduled for June 19th Check with the BMCU for more details.

Healey Days does not have an official hotel at this time. Rates and availability are still being determined the official dates are still July 30, 31 and August 1.

The Gateway Colorado trip will be discussed closer to the actual date.

Other business:

Dave Maxwell has received an offer from Motorbooks .com to allow club members to purchase books with a 46% discount. (See separate article) Dave also gave a short review of one book that he received, *Cobra in the Barn*, by Tom Cotter. It is a collection of short articles about cars that have been stored for years and discovered through some serious sleuthing. He said that it is an easy read and has some very interesting car stories.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07

Bonneville Austin Healey Club

April 13, 2010

Meeting held at Joe Morley's with famous mud pie.

Meeting called to order a 7:32 by President Ann Lewis.

Members present:

Doug & Ann Lewis, Bob & Fran Riemenschneider, Dave & Sandy Maxwell, Ernie Reno, Joe Morley, Jim Thornton, John & Gloria Morrison, Jim Revel

Reports:

Treasurer: Bob Jahnke was not in attendance but on 4/13/10 the bank balance was reported to be \$4521.77.

Membership: Jim Thornton reported that the club currently has 42 paid members. H anticipates that there will be 50 by year end.

Editor: Dave Maxwell would like all submissions for the newsletter by the 25th of the month.

Activities: 8 members made the Hill Field Air Museum trip. The Experience was labeled as great. One of the Blackbird pilots volunteers once a month to give tours and talk to people in attendance. The highlight of the day for Doug Lewis was the one-on-one time with him.

Jim Revel reports that 5 couples are scheduled for the Zion's Park Trip on May 21. We discussed meeting the eastern contingent at 10:00 A.M. at the Little Acorn



Tom Hanrahan's BN6

SPECIAL OFFER FROM MOTORBOOKS .COM

You will find in this issue a review of the book "Cobra in the Barn" by Tom Cotter. I was asked to review the book and pass on to the club members a special offer from the publisher.

The offer that they propose is to allow a 46% discount on any orders. The catch, and it isn't really a catch, is that the order needs to be 10 books, (any that they sell), and shipped to one address only. Looks like a real good way to improve your home library.

As mentioned at the April meeting the web address is www.motorbooks.com. Their inventory is HUGE, and more than just auto related books. Check it out and if you are interested in a great bargain let me know and we can put in an order.

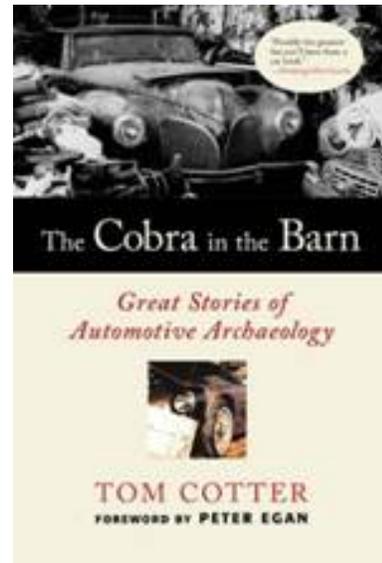
Dave Maxwell, Delegate to AHCA.



Brian & Beth Bacigalupo's BJ8 and..



.. the future driver (with his mother)
Circa, 2005



Cobra in the Barn by Tom Cotter

This book is a fun read for any one that is interested in classic automobiles. The book is a compilation of many stories of "barn Find" cars. There are stories about people waiting a lot of years to acquire the cars that they covet. Many chapters in the book refer to the right way to approach a restoration. One chapter in particular gives a great approach to locating the "barn find". It also reminds the reader that a car that can be "torn down" in a few hours still takes a lot of time to restore.

Another chapter that I liked was on Don Paye's Healey Hundred. It goes not only into the way Don acquired the car, but it says a great deal about the way that Donald Healey and his company built the cars that we love. I especially liked the comments that he had about Roger Menadue.

If you are like me you will find this book VERY hard to put down. I completed reading it within 24 hours of opening the package. I found COBRA IN THE BARN to be a thoroughly enjoyable read. I'm sure you will too.

Dave Maxwell

ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATION

Come on you guys and gals we have some fun things coming up and I don't see very many of you signing up. How about getting involved with the following:

Month of May:

May 21, 22 & 23 Cedar City & Zion Natl. Park Trip

So far only 5 couples have signed up. If you want to go call the Abbey Motel in Cedar City 435-586-9966, mention BAHC and the \$67 rate they have offered us for 5/21 and then call the Montclair Motel in Springdale mention the 116.96 rate quoted by Brooke for 5/22. Let me know as I am making dinner reservations at two great places Milt's Stage Stop steak house in Cedar City up on the mountain and the Bit and Spur in Springdale. Also you will be missing some things planned at both places if you don't sign up.

Months of June & July:

June 19 British Field Day mark your calendars for that Saturday

June 28 – July 1 Healey Rendezvous Eugene, Oregon sponsored by AHCUSA & the Austin Healey Club of Oregon

So far to my knowledge only 4 couples are going. This is going to be held at the beautiful Valley River Inn right on the Willamette River and the room rates are \$95.

Go to www.healey.org and click on 2010 Rendezvous in Eugene to see the schedule of events and how to register for the event and reservations.

July 11-16 Conclave to be held in Galena, Illinois, consult www.healeyclub.org and click on Conclave for the details. It is going to be held at the Eagle Ridge Inn & Resort, a beautiful place. I haven't heard of anyone attending unless Dave Maxwell our delegate decides to go unless Susan and I decide to go visit my son and daughter at that time.

July 30, 31 & August 1st Healey Days in Park City from 10am with awards at 2pm BAHC sponsoring the event and the Wasatch Mountain Jaguar Register participating again.

We have some very attractive room rates offered at the Park City Mountain Resort Lodge by All Seasons Resort Lodging while they last so act fast if you care to stay in Park City Friday and or Saturday. Hotel rooms are \$62, Studios \$90, and One Bedrooms \$111. Make your reservation by calling 1-888-575-2775 or 1-888-754-3279 and mention Bonneville Austin Healey Days. Susan and I plan to host a cocktail party at our house again on Friday for both clubs that will be in town on Friday. Dinner will be on your own that night and on Saturday our Banquet and Auction will be at the Grubsteak again for \$35 including tax and gratuity.

Month of September

September 24 - 27 Gateway Colorado Auto Museum trip via Green River, more on this in next month's news letter.

Month of October

October 9, Bear Lake Trip via Logan Canyon.

Jim Revel



Zion's National Park

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Trip to Glenwood Springs, TBA,
West Coast Meet, Eugene, Oregon, June 26th - July 2nd

JULY.

AHCA Healey Heritage CONCLAVE Galena, IL. July 11th - 16th.

General Meeting @ Red Robin, 1353 Foothill Blvd. July 13th. 7:30 pm.

Healey Days Park City, UT. July 30th –August 1st.

AUGUST

General Meeting @ Joe Morley's, 100 West Center Street, Midvale, August 10th, 7:30 pm.

Mirror Lake Drive and Picnic August 21st.

SEPTEMBER

Meeting & BBQ @ Jensen's, Sept. 12th. Details to follow.

Tour Gateway Auto Museum. September 24th-27th. Details to follow.

OCTOBER

Day trip: Bear Lake via Logan Canyon, and Monte Cristo, Oct. 9th.

General Meeting @ Joe Morley's, 100 West Center Street, Midvale, October 12th. 7:30 pm.

NOVEMBER

General Meeting @ Red Robin, 1353 Foothill Blvd. November 9th. Nomination for 2011 Officers.

DECEMBER

Christmas Party Dec 4th, **Faustinas**, 454 E. 300 South Salt Lake City

Bonneville Austin- Healey Club 2010 Activities Schedule

MAY

General Meeting @ Red Robin, 1353 Foothill Blvd. May 11th.

Tech Session May 15th. Place TBA

Zion National Park May 21st to 23rd.

If you are planning on going I would advise making your reservations as I am afraid at Zion they will get away from you as they are not held and most of the other places are getting booked. Also please call Jim Revel if you are going and have made your reservations. For May 21:

The Abbey at Cedar City 435-586-9966 mention BAHC and the \$67 rate.

For May 22:

At Zion, The Mont Clair, 435-772-0266 mention the \$116.96 rate and a sports car club, quoted by Brook.

JUNE

General Meeting @ Joe Morley's, 100 West Center Street, Midvale, June 8th 7:30 pm.

British Field Day June 19th.



Bob & Fran Riemenschneider's Sprite



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