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President's Message

23rd Annual Healey Days



Healey Days 2006 has come and gone. The event was a success. I want to thank Don Colman for all that he put into this years event. I liked the change in venue. We may not have had a lot of the public looking over our Healeys, but the people who came were "car nuts" like ourselves. The awards, voted on mostly by the participants were: *Favorite Non-Healey*: Bob and Dixie Jahnke - TR-3. *Austin-Healeys*: 3rd Place, Jon Hanson - 3000 BJ-8, 2nd Place, Dave and Sandy Maxwell - 100 BN-2, 1st Place, Ernie and Vickie Reno - 3000 BN-7. *Peoples Choice* went to Jim and Virginia Pearce - 3000 BT-7.

The Funkahana on Sunday was a lot of fun. The team of Bill and Moni Davis in the yellow Bugeye produced the best time of the day. Runner up was awarded to Doug and Ann Lewis in their 3000.

Sandy and I enjoyed the accommodations and the dinner, and the room. Having a central meeting area for the guests is a lot better than all of us going to one of the rooms for our pre-dinner get together. When we made our reservations we weren't sure what was meant by the "breakfast or dinner" with the room, but when we received our bill for the dinner we found that the coupon covered the entrees for both of us. What a bargain!

Again, THANK YOU to Don and Marian Colman for setting up Healey Days 2006. Also, thanks to all the people who donated items for the door prizes and the auction. Finally, thank you to all who brought their cars and made Healey Days a success.

The auction after dinner was a monetary success. We raised \$264.50 for the treasury. I know some people feel that the club already has too much money on hand, but when you consider all the expenses that the club has during a year, dues alone will not help us remain solvent.

One major item that the club must fund as part of the affiliation with the Austin-Healey Club of America is sending a delegate to the Delegates Meetings. AHCA holds two delegate meetings a year, one at the Conclave, and a fall meeting, where most of the club business is accomplished. When the Bonneville Austin-Healey Club first affiliated with AHCA and I was

appointed to be the delegate, my son was working for Delta Air Lines. Therefore I was able to attend the delegate meetings with no cost for airfare. My son no longer works for Delta and as a result the club will have the added expense of airfare for a delegate to attend the meetings.

The "Fall Color Tour" has been scheduled for September 30. We will leave from the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 12:00 noon for a drive up Mill Creek Canyon. On the down trip we will stop at the Strasser's cabin to eat our picnic lunch. Bring your lunch, your camera, your best friend, and your Healey for a great time.

Happy Healeying,

Dave

PRESIDENTS CHALLENGE

1. Doug & Ann Lewis
2. Don & Marian Colman
3. Jim & Sheryl Thornton
4. Bob & Dixie Jahnke
5. Allen & Judy Brown
6. Ernie & Vickie Reno
7. Jim & Virginia Pearce
8. Jon Hanson
9. Jim and Susan Revel
10. Tom & Ann Henderson

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*Congratulations
And Best Wishes*



*To Jim Revel and Susan Schaffer
who were married on August 19th*

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Bonneville Banter Distribution Notice!

At the August General Meeting, it was decided that starting with the Oct. issue, the standard method of distribution for the Bonneville Banter newsletter (in color) would be via the BAHCA website @ www.bonnevillehealeyclub.org If you don't have access to the web, a black and white copy will be mailed to you upon request.

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Bonneville Austin Healey Club

Minutes for August 8, 2006

Meeting at Marie Callendar's Restaurant
Called to order by President, Dave Maxwell at 7:33 p.m.

Members present:

Ann & Doug Lewis	Ernie Reno
Dave and Sandy Maxwell	Jim Pearce
Bob & Fran Riemenschneider	Dil Strasser
Don & Marion Colman	Jim Revel
Jon Hanson	Allen Brown
Jim Thornton	

Welcome:

A brief report of the Healey Rendezvous at Nelson, B.C. was given. Jon Hanson and Jim Thornton were thanked for the introduction of two new members to the website.

Old Business:

Item 1. Treasurer, Bob Jahnke, is working on obtaining a new banking facility with lower fees and will report at the next meeting.

Item 2. Our bank balance remains unchanged before deducting Healey days expenses.

Item 3. Bonneville Banter : The issue of electronic newsletters was voted on and passed without exception, (i.e., if a member wants a printed issue they must request it).

Membership: Jim Thornton reported that we have 48 paid members. A new Membership List is now on the website.

Activities:

Item 1. Healey Days '06 is on track for August 12th & 13th.

Item 2. The annual Jackson, Wyoming trip has been set for Sept. 15th- (Editor's Note, 8/28/06 – The Jackson Trip has been cancelled.)

Item 3. There will be a Fall "Color Drive" and Picnic on Sept. 30th. Pack your picnic basket, load the Healey and meet at noon in the Olympus Hills parking lot. We will drive up Mill Creek Canyon and end at the Strasser's Cabin.

Meeting adjourned

Don Colman

Bonneville Austin-Healey Club Proposed 2006 Activities Schedule

Sep. 12 - General Meeting, 7:30 p.m., at Joe Morley's, 100 West Center St., (7720 South), Midvale

Sep. 16 - Tech Session. Location to be announced.

Sep. 30 - Fall Color Tour in Mill Creek Canyon. See President's Message on Page 1 for details.

Oct. 10 - General meeting, 7:30 p.m., at Marie Callender's 1109 E. 3900 South, Salt Lake City

Other Oct. Activities - TBA

Nov. 14 - General Meeting, nominations, 7:30 p.m. at Joe Morley's, 100 West Center St., (7720 South), Midvale

Nov. 18 - Tech Session, noon, place TBA

Dec. 9 - Holiday Party and Elections, time and place TBA

The club will also hold several one day driving events throughout the year

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Welcome to New BAHC Members

Craig and Carol Mossberg – 1960 Sprite

Craig Ward and Hope Woodside – 1967 BJ8



German Healey Club (See P. 3)

Photo by Don & Julie McEligot



Healeying in Germany (See P. 3)

Photo by Don & Julie McEligot

Since we are temporarily living in Stuttgart we have joined the Austin Healey Club Germany (Gert Schreiber, editor of their magazine and organizer of the AH Internationales Pfingst-Treffen when it was held in Ludwigsburg, put us on the right track) and took advantage of their "recent" 17th Austin-Healey Meeting Sauerland. The Sauerland is a hilly vacation/resort region south of the Ruhrgebiet, east of Köln, north of Frankfurt and west of Kassel. Actually the trip started a few months ago when Dave Maxwell (BAHC) sent one of the magnetic BAHC "On tour" signs to my brother Keith (PEDC) who brought it when he visited us in May.

After visiting friends and colleagues in Darmstadt, on Friday morning we headed east on the B-26 and then northwest on Autobahn A-45 to Olpe where we found real Healey roads to the Haus Platte (www.platte.de) in Niederhelden where the meeting was held. At some Raststätte along the way we placed the sign on the trunk (boot?) of the car. Would you believe someone asked us what an Austin-Healey was and thought our AH BJ9 was a VW Golf?

As we pulled into the parking lot, we were met by Werner Hennig, 2nd Vorsitzender of AHCG and organizer of the meet. He has been organizing about four rallies per year for a number of years so one could count on an excellent event. He kindly explained the meeting activities and rally procedures. Friday evening featured an informal dinner on the terrace with about fifty friendly AH fanatics (plus Julie) so we became acquainted with a few who were willing to suffer Don's poor attempts at the language. Wide choice of meals with excellent food and drink.

We were told that the Sauerland was so-named because it usually has sauer weather = it rains all the time. Evidence was the lovely forest greenery around the twisty roads through the gently rolling hills. This weekend was gorgeous with mostly bright sunshine and nice temperatures.

After Saturday breakfast, registration materials were distributed. These items included the "Bordbuch" and "Bordkarte" (BK) for the rally, the car number stickers and the number shield for the front of the car. About 34 cars were registered, mostly from northwest Deutschland. After the drivers meeting, cars were set off at one minute intervals. The rally process had several aspects with the key being the Bordbuch and the driver's evidence being a properly-completed BK. In addition to instructions, the Bordbuch gave the route sequentially in terms of a series of distances, traffic symbols where appropriate, turn diagrams and remarks. One records on the BK the first letter of the sign for each town entered in turn; in addition to showing that one may have followed the proper route, this action also reminds the driver to slow to 50 kph (or whatever that is on a Smith speedometer, if working). Also at a few control points the BK was stamped.

Conceptually, one could deduce the route in advance with the Sauerland ADAC Stadt Atlas, scale = 1:20,000, which seemed to have every street in the Sauerland. However, at that scale one must flip pages about every six km and quickly loses the right page.

After a while, we realized that the turns tended to be marked by highway arrows indicating direction and distance

to the next town. If the distance was the same as the Bordbuch listing, it was a clue. So the route became reasonably easy to follow (we think -- we have not seen our score).

On the first stage was the first timed section. A control point near the beginning of a leg restarted the cars individually, gave a desired average speed and recorded the start times and then sometime before the end of the leg the completion time was recorded at a hidden control point. The first timed section was less than two km through woods over a hill on a twisty one lane (not one-way) road.

The goal of the first stage was Hotel Mörchen where Herr Hennig had ordered a tasty soup to be made available for quick lunches -- if one could get quick service ("ich komme gleich"). It was located in Winterberg/Altastenberg, a pleasant winter sport resort. Happily (from our viewpoint) it was not crowded that day.

The second time trial was partway along the second stage enroute back to Haus Platte and was like the first but probably about five km. The last section was a combination navigation exercise and time trial around a region of farmers fields plus a special control point where one stamped one's own BK. We were given a map with miscellaneous arrows showing directions to take for particular stretches and needed to figure what routes had to be followed between them. Luckily Julie was navigating rather than Don so we did not make a mistake. We did stop to help a Sprite having gear problems -- by hand-pushing it to a slope where it could roll nearly to Haus Platte -- so our time would have been much higher than the desired 34 kph or so. (No, Dave, 34 kph was not slow on those roads.)

The overall distance was approximately 140 km and for a Saturday there was very little traffic. A very nice tour. Overall timing had us back and recovered in time to watch the Deutschland-Sweden World Cup game at 1700 = more excellent planning by Herr Hennig. I suppose the game may have been a reason for the reduced traffic?

In the evening after the Deutsch victory, all gathered for the gala dinner and awards ceremony -- again outstanding food and drink. We recommend Haus Platte highly. Awards were given for about ten rally scores and a few other bases. We were credited with coming from Idaho rather than Stuttgart (or Darmstadt) so we carried home a gigantic cup as a Sonderpreis for the long distance trophy (actually there was a registered couple from Rosenheim = between München and Salzburg > Stuttgart).

We missed the planned picnic mid-Sunday as we had to head to Göttingen for Don to work a bit the next week and Julie to have fun. By taking the B-55 to B-7 to B-3 to Göttingen instead of the Autobahn system, we continued the pleasant driving we found with AHCG. It completed a great weekend.

The next AHCG event we know of is the annual ADAC-Nürburgring-Classic on 22-24 September but we are scheduled to be at a technical conference then. Anyone want to go in our place?

Don and Julie McEligot

(See photos on Page 2)

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2006 Healey Days, Brighton, Utah

