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From Mountains to Sea



**Cathy Turney** 

"They that go down to the sea in ships British sports cars...they reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wit's end." Psalm 107, more or less.

Those were the old days, and these are the Austin Healey drivers of today who journeyed from "Mountains to the Sea" on August 2, and showed much greater temperance even though, per one noted member, "We're a drinking club with a driving problem."

Twenty-seven club members in fourteen mostly British cars met at the Los Gatos Lodge parking lot where we were given delightful swag bags containing two crunchy granola bars (in case we didn't make it to the restaurant by lunchtime), two waters (not sure if those were for members or radiators), and two Tootsie Roll pops, to equip us for the inevitable delay any eventuality. The day would reveal how expert Nick and Sandy Klein and Cindy and David Cross are at orchestrating and conducting a club outing.

The drive from Los Gatos to Burrell Schoolhouse Winery on ►►



The organizers: David Cross, Cindy Cross, Sandy Klein, Nick Klein.



Summit Road (42.5 miles, but who's counting?) tested drivers' steering mechanisms as we hugged the hairpin curves, hell-bent on making it to the winery. John and I kept an eye on the Korbays, who were driving their cute little Mini. John explained to me that, "No, it doesn't have air conditioning either; you're thinking of today's Mini Coopers. Theirs is an Austin Mini." I love how my husband can explain the world to me.

Burrell's lady sommelier explained that the school was in operation from 1890 until 1954, and in 1974 was developed into vineyards and a boutique winery. They use heritage Cletrac tractors for cultivation and do all other operations by hand. A totally charming stop.



The Korbay Mini



#### Happy, but not danger-

ously so, we motored on to the Sea Harvest Fish Market in Moss Landing. If Nick was not an air traffic controller in a previous life, he could be one now. Watching him herd fourteen cars into the parking lot off Highway 1 (and back out again after lunch) with traffic moving at parade speed, was a sight to behold. And he smiled the whole time!

Lunch at the Sea Harvest was fabulous. Fish, fish, fish, and the restaurant is owned and operated by fishermen. You learn a lot about people when you break French bread with them. Jerri Nock is a gourmet, per the Merriam Webster definition ("possessing a discriminating and cultivated taste in food"). When her chunk of raw tuna seared Ahi was set before her, *right next to me*, I asked:

"You're going to eat that?"

Jerri replied, "Well, yes, although I thought it might be a bit more seared." And then she ate it! (I couldn't watch.) She also eats sushi, she told me.

We learned that Marty owns 150 pairs of reading glasses because they're

cheaper by the dozen. It's a very funny story—ask him next time.

As we left the restaurant, the Healey daddies soaked up compliments from passersby in the parking lot. Isn't this a nice picture of them with the Moss Landing towers in the background? The Blevins brought one



Those who are not smiling ordered crab





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of their four (!) bug-eye Sprites. I don't think they're cheaper by the dozen, though.

Before and/or after lunch (wine does nothing for my memory), we drove through the Salinas farmlands, guessing at the various kinds of crops along the way. Strawberries were easy they perfumed the air; it smelled like a veritable jam factory.

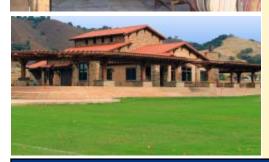
Our last stop was the Kirigin Cellars Winery in Gilroy, home of the chocolate wine! Well, chocolate-infused wine. They take a red wine, age it forever,



add chocolate, orange, and coffee flavors, and then kick it up a notch with brandy. Mmmmmmm.

At the winery, I was able to interrogate interview Harriet Anderson, the winner of multiple Iron Man Triathlons





and one of my idols of the "significant other" group:

"Harriet, how do you run triathlons when my sports doctor said if my knee hurts, stop running?"

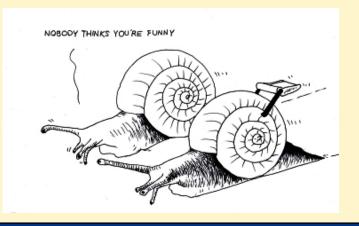
Harriett: "My knees don't hurt."

I love her positive attitude. She acknowledged that sports doctors are the best, but they're not always right. And, oddly enough, my knee stopped hurting when I did the exercises.

We parted company with the group in Almaden Valley and motored home. By the end of the day, we had registered 250 miles on our odometer. Marty Allen commented that with all that driving, it was starting to resemble a car club. MyHusbandTheEngineer observed that 250 miles equals half-way to the Rendezvous in Oregon. Had I known, I might have brought the RV again.

**GGAHC Attendees** 

Marty Allen & Cathy Gary & Harriet Anderson Brian & Naomi Bliven David & Cindy Cross Steve & Patty Darfler Dennis & Ruth Gilroy Len Hartnett Rich & Lynn Kahn Nick & Sandy Klein Steve & Kim Korbay Don & Cathy Newman David & Jerri Nock Terry & Linda Parsons John & Cathy Turney



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# Ice Cream Social

### Len Hartnett

Although eleven members made advance RSVPs, only eight showed up for the 2014 National Ice Cream Social on August 24, 2014. The three that did not make it all live in the Napa area that was hit by the 6.1 magnitude earthquake early that morning—Napa, Novato, and Santa Rosa. I wish them well and hope that they did not suffer any major issues. Attendees included one non-member, Lee Terry of

Vacaville, with his 1956 100, BN2, and one new member, Justin Lane of Sacramento, without his 1953 100, BN1 which is under restoration. Weather was warm but there was available shade and a mild breeze outside Fosters Freeze in Vacaville, plus air conditioning inside. And, of course, there was ice cream to cool one

down. Although not a member, Terry's Healey was of interest because a previous owner had the hood louvered. The problem was that the louvers were installed facing in the wrong direction. All of those who contacted me to tell me that they could not attend this



▲ The Healey Fleet has arrived at Foster's Freeze ▼ Cathy and John Turney wear matching shirts so they won't lose each other in the crowd. A passerby poses with them.

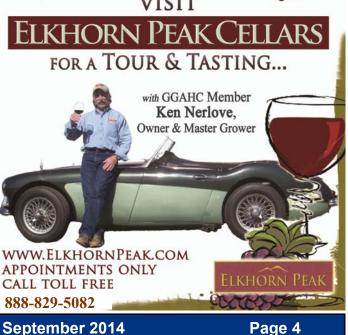


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Jim & Maurita Walton

planning a Trip to the Napa Valley? VISIT





▶ year due to other commitments, were asked to put the Natonal Ice Cream Social on their calendars NOW so that this does not happen again. Good advice for everyone! It will be August 23, 2015 at the same time and place.

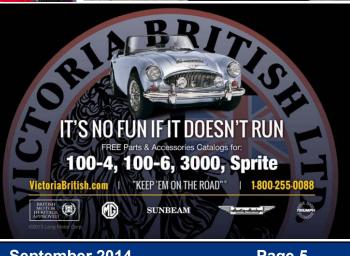
> Glenn & Karen <u>Stephe</u>nson





### Attendees

Len Hartnett, 1967 3000 MK III BJ8 Glenn & Karen Stephenson, 1961 3000 MK I BT7 John and Cathy Turney, 1957 100-6 BN4 Steve and Ruth Darling, 1962 3000 MK II BT7 Jim and Maurita Walton, 1953 Nash Healey Justin Lane, 1953 100 BN1 (under restoration) Lee Terry, 1956 100 BN2 (non-member) Michael Sonneman, 1966 3000 MK III BJ7 Cully and Julie Anderson, 1958 100-6 BN4



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An open hood is an eye magnet

Mike Sonnemar

Louvers

bass ackwards

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Lee Terry

Steve & Ruth

Darling

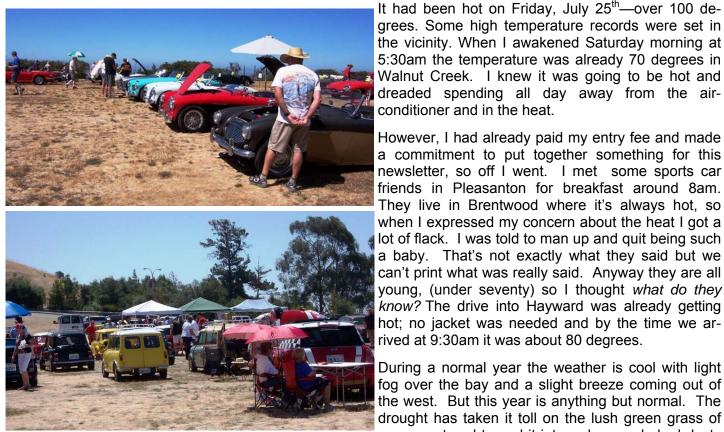
# HAYWARD FIELD MEET

## July 26, 2014

#### **Bill Putnam**



The Hayward British Car Show & Swap Meet is billed as the longest running British car show in the Bay Area. It is hosted by the Mini Owners of America, San Francisco Chapter, and held at the Cal State Hayward Campus on the grass soccer field. This year about 150 British cars participated and there was room to spare.



grees. Some high temperature records were set in the vicinity. When I awakened Saturday morning at 5:30am the temperature was already 70 degrees in Walnut Creek. I knew it was going to be hot and dreaded spending all day away from the airconditioner and in the heat.

However, I had already paid my entry fee and made a commitment to put together something for this newsletter, so off I went. I met some sports car friends in Pleasanton for breakfast around 8am. They live in Brentwood where it's always hot, so when I expressed my concern about the heat I got a lot of flack. I was told to man up and quit being such a baby. That's not exactly what they said but we can't print what was really said. Anyway they are all young, (under seventy) so I thought what do they know? The drive into Hayward was already getting hot; no jacket was needed and by the time we arrived at 9:30am it was about 80 degrees.

During a normal year the weather is cool with light fog over the bay and a slight breeze coming out of the west. But this year is anything but normal. The drought has taken it toll on the lush green grass of years past and turned it into a dry, sun-baked dusty

bring an umbrella you were just out of luck.

As in years past the Mini owners were well organized; registration and parking went very smoothly with all the cars in place by 10am. There were five big Healeys on the field and one lone Sprite. Brian and Kathy Schumacher and I were the only GGAHC members in attendance and I had the good fortune to park next to them. Kathy and Brian had one of the only big umbrellas on the field.

The Mini owners showed up in force with about 30 cars representing the their club. There was also a large contingent of Rolls Royce's and Bentleys, some dating back to the early 30's. The judging for



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mess. It was also the hottest day of the year in Hayward. There are no shade trees at the site so if you didn't

▶ this show was participants' choice. So the morning was spent roaming the venue looking at all the beautiful cars, picking the ones you like best, and casting your ballot.

Somewhere along the line the food vendor truck got lost; luckily most of the participants brought something to eat and drink and they were willing to share with others. I felt sorry for the organizers because they worked so hard to bring this show together and neither the venue (hot, dry & dusty) or the vendor truck would cooperate.

In spite of these minor setbacks Nick Becker of the Mini club and Master of Ceremonies managed to get all those ballots counted and the awards presented by 2pm. In the Healey Class, Colin Holland (BJ8) and yours truly (100-4) tied for first place and were awarded duplicate prizes. Jill FarrII, a prospective new GGAHC member (1960 3000) was awarded second place and Brian and Kathy Schumacher (100-4) Honorable Mention. As for the other classes and prizes, I don't know because it was so hot I got the heck out of there. By 2:30pm most of the participants where well on their way home just as it was starting to get



**Colin Holland's BJ8** 



really hot. The ride back to Walnut Creek was,

really hot. The ride back to Walnut Creek was, well...ever ride in a Healey on a really hot day with the top down? I've got to invest in some new insulation for under those carpets.

It must have been Murphy's Law at work all day because on the way home I thought I heard a slight rod knock. Further inspection proved that indeed the rod bearing was shot. My beauty is now on jack stands in my garage as I ponder my next move.





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## The wannabee Learning CURVe

Robert T. Devlin

A 1956 Austin-Healey BN2 started out life some 58 years ago in a popular Reno Red livery color and has been owned and cared for the past twenty years by Sue and Phil Foster— active members of the Golden Gate Austin Healey Club. Over the years, numerous modifications have been made by the Fosters including 10.5/1 high compression pistons, alter-



nator, Petronix ignition, the 1B2892 high lift M cam, 72 spoke wire wheels and a driver's side exhaust system to prevent damage to the very low slung tailpipe.





Phil Foster (right) converses with Steve Day of British Car Ranch at the Rendezvous Tech Session in Bend, Oregon

While attending California State University Chico a fraternity brother introduced Phil to his Austin-Healey. Her shiny butter cream paint and red interior beckoned. There was something about the "click-click-click of the electric fuel pump that hooked him and so the love affair began. He had to have one of his own. Phil saved wages and purchased his first Austin Healey—a green bomb that was lots of fun. Phil's joy riding years were short lived and the car was sold as expenses exceeded his pocketbook.

In 1971 Sue and Phil—who met while attending CSUC married and raised their family on "Foster Mountain" in the foothills of Lincoln, California. About ten years before retiring from teaching Phil took a leap of faith and purchased his BN2 while Sue was on a weekend trip to Yosemite. When Sue learned of this purchase, she envisioned Phil taking a leap from the top of Yosemite's El Capitan. The car was acquired in Folsom, California from a fellow who was getting into motorcycle racing and needed room in his garage.

The Fosters have enjoyed participating in numerous Austin Healey events, including tours to Conclave at Colorado Springs, the recent statewide event at Morro Bay, and the 2014 Rendezvous in Bend Oregon where I had the pleasure of meeting them. Enroute to Rendezvous, they experienced overheating while driving in grid locked traffic through the Central Valley. The temperature gauge pegged; the car died and rolled to the side of the freeway. Many Healey hands pushed him uphill to cool off beneath an overpass. Luckily, the steel head gasket saved the day, no blown head gasket on the Healey or Phil. In the meantime a friendly and helpful California Highway Patrolman pulled over and wondered if they had a British permit to park there. After much cajoling, he assisted the six Healeys onto the freeway and the group was back on its journey to Bend. Rendezvous was thoroughly enjoyed by all with the car show, tours and tech sessions.

Upon returning to California, the Foster's, Klein's, Korbay's, and Mike Sonneman chose a route that took them down the California coast to enjoy the Redwoods and cool weather making a grand finish to a memorable trip in the BN2. The fortunate four ended the trip uneventfully; however, it never hurts to have a tool bag with AAA membership, a sense of humor, patience and a phone tree when driving any British car. When it comes to a finishing touch on their BN2, Phil ordered an "M" badge to adorn the grill. Recognizing that the car is not a true "M", he mounted the "M" upside down as a "W" to signify its "Wanabee" status.



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# by Loren Parks

The Concours de la Chapelle is a benefit event for the Northern California Ballet, which is composed primarily of teenage girls learning the art. Recruited by a friend, I entered my Healey in the first event in 2009 and reported on it in this newsletter. This year (August 23) I entered again and found that things have changed. Selection of winners has always been by monetary competition. Each car is assigned a ballerina to carry the donation box around, and a photo of the car on the box indicates which you are bidding for. The car that collects the most money in its donation box wins. The first year I got second place with about \$40 in the box, and the winner collected over \$300-not because he had a good Mercedes, but because he had a lot of friends. But now the **>>** 

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With some creative bodywork by a local shop, the MGA (above) became a Cobra lookalike.



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▶ high rollers with expensive new cars have taken over the prize and the price of winning has increased dramatically. This year the mix included two new Maseratis, an Audi R8, Porsche Cayman, Aston Martin DB9, Ferrari 458, two Porsche Carreras, Rolls Royce, and Jaguar XK8. Those who can afford it feed their own deposit boxes. At the end of the process a Maserati had \$1,200 and the Aston Martin had \$1,400. I thought that was the end of it, but the organizers had the guys bid for the honor of having the winning car. The winner gets a trophy and is featured on the poster for the subsequent year. The winning bid was \$2,300 but I'm not sure who won because the cheering going on muddled the sound.



Four musical groups placed around the property of the Bed & Breakfast Chapelle de L'Artiste kept us entertained including a string quartet, a jazz combo, a fine local singer named Holly Taylor, and a pop dance band from Chico named Decades that played the awards event outdoors from 8pm to the end. Food was provided by three local caterers, and it was excellent. Overall, it's a high class event for Butte County, and it is surprising to see what expensive cars are hiding in garages in the neighborhood. The key to enjoying this event is to forget about "winning" anything

anything and just enjoy the entertainment and ambiance. After all, we have to keep those ballerinas on their toes.



A 2014 Morgan 3-wheeler. Yes, it is new!



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# Marty's Minute

### Marty Allen GGAHC President

It's hard to believe that it has been two months since many of us drove to Bend, Oregon for Rendezvous 2014. Rendezvous is the annual meet open to all Healey owners, but populated mostly by west coast cars and drivers.

In 2015 Rendezvous will be held in Washington State, which is a longer drive than Bend for those of us south of the Oregon border. There was a meeting in Bend to discuss which club would host Rendezvous in 2016. Sadly, it was a short discussion as no club stepped up to the plate and, as a result, there will be no Rendezvous in 2016.

Then the discussion turned to 2017. This will be a special year because the last Healey produced was in 1967, so 2017 will mark the 50<sup>th</sup> year since our little gems were last made. Discussion of that topic was not going too well either because of the possibility of staging a larger event to commemorate the special year.

Our club hosted the 2002 event in Lake Tahoe, which was the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first year the Healey was made. Some club had to volunteer for 2017 and, since we hosted the previous significant anniversary, it seemed like a good idea for the Golden Gate Club to host the final anniversary too. That would give us two and a half years to get ready and another year of rest from the 2013 event that we hosted last year in Lake Tahoe. It seemed like a good idea at the time, and I hope that idea proves true when we get into the stress of organizing the event.

The Southern California Club is going to co-host Rendezvous 2017 with the GGAHC, which hopefully take some of the pressure off of us. This may well be one of the last big meets on the west coast. The fact is that the cars and the owners are getting older and the long drives are getting harder. Although, having recently been to Colorado Springs, British Columbia, and Bend we all manage to get home one way or another. I love the AAA emergency road service!

This past June, 30 GGAHC members attended California Healey Week in Morro Bay, which is a small event hosted by the Southern CA club. Of course with our significant attendance the event was not quite so small as usual. My guess is that the two clubs will work more closely together in the future, and this event will evolve into a mini Rendezvous for the GGAHC and both clubs to our south (including San Diego).

## **Calendar of Events**

Contact Dennis Gilroy to list an event: <u>Gilroy.crew@gmail.com</u>. For a more complete list see <u>www.GoldenGateHealeys.com</u>. You are advised to verify the dates of events that are not ours.

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**September 6. GGAHC** Sacramento Valley Potpourri Tour. See page 12.

September 6. Chico Concours d'Elegance. www.chicoconcours.com.

September 13-14. British Fall Classic in Morgan Hill. www.thebritishfallclassic.com. Page 12.

September 13-14. 24 Hours of LeMons at Thunderhill Raceway. <u>www.24hoursoflemons.com</u>.

September 20-21. Danville d'Elegance. Tour Saturday, show Sunday. www.danville-delegance.org.

**September 27**. Ironstone Concours d'Elegance, Murphys, CA. <u>www.ironstonefoundation.org</u>.

**October 4-6.** Classic Sports Racing Group's 11th annual Charity Challenge at Sonoma Raceway www.csrgracing.org.

October 5. Niello Concours at Serrano. www.nielloconcoursatserrano.com

**October 11. GGAHC** Wine and Cheese Tour revamped. See page 13.

**October 25-26**. **GGAHC** Fall Colors Tour in the Nevada City area. Page 13.

October 31– Nov 2. CSRG Season Finale, Thunderhill Raceway. <u>www.csrgracing.org.</u>

**December 6-7**. 24 Hours of LeMons at Sonoma Raceway. www.24hoursoflemons.com

**December 13. GGAHC** Christmas party. Information forthcoming.

► At the meeting in Bend it was also decided not to hold Rendezvous at Lake Tahoe in 2017. Although it is an excellent location many do not care for the casino environment, plus we have used that location extensively. At the moment we are focused on Monterey. Having just returned from the Pebble Beach Concours I could think of no better place for us to host a car event. However, I do not have visions of staging the car show on the Pebble Beach golf course; I can visualize a golf ball landing the next day in a pool of Healey oil that was left behind.

Now we have something to look forward to in a couple of years. It is very important that we and our cars stay healthy and active at least through 2017.



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#### Sacramento Valley Potpourri : September 6

Join Rich and Lynn Kahn on **Saturday, September 6th** for a fun day that is sure to bring out the kid in everyone! **Meet at 9:30 am** at the famous Jelly Belly Factory in Fairfield, 1 Jelly Belly Lane, Fairfield, CA 94534. A 40-minute tour will provide a view of each step of the candy-making process. You'll even receive a complimentary bag of Jelly Bellies at the end of the tour and have an oppor-



tunity to browse the gift shop if you still want more. If you want directions to Jelly Belly please ask Rich and Lynn.

We'll travel a great Healey road winding past Lake Berryessa and arriving in time for lunch at the fascinating Reiff's Gas Station Museum in Woodland. Mark's entire house is an automotive museum of retro 50's nostalgia, antiques and culture. Step back in time, meander through the garage and enjoy your BBQ lunch in his 50's style diner.



Lunch includes chicken, tri-tip, potato salad and cole slaw for a fee of \$15 payable in cash. After lunch we'll stop at Turkovich Family Wines tasting room in historic Winters. Total mileage is just under 100 from Jelly Belly to Turkovich.



Please contact Rich and Lynn by August 25<sup>th</sup> to let them know you will attend; they must provide the lunch count to the caterer.

E-mail: tahoekahn@hotmail.com

Telephone: (530) 577-7615

#### British Fall Classic, Morgan Hill, Sept 13-14



# British Fall Classic

Morgan Hill, September 13-14

Welcome to the Third Annual British Fall Classic automobile show being held September 13th & 14th in beautiful downtown Morgan Hill.

#### Saturday, September 13th

12:30-3:30 pm Afternoon tour meeting at Butterfield Blvd CalTrain Station parking lot. Please arrive at 12:00 sharp for sign-in!

4:00 pm - Wine reception hosted by show sponsor, On the Road Again Classics, 16840 Joleen Way Unit G4, Morgan Hill, CA 95037 The reception is for registered car show participants.

#### Sunday, September 14th

8:00am -10 am Cars arrive at the corner of East 2nd Street and Depot in downtown Morgan Hill for staging

10:00 am-3:30 Public viewing of the cars

2:30 pm-3:30pm Awards/Closing

www.thebritishfallclassic.com.

Registration closes September 10



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Wine & Cheese Tour, October 11

## A Twist To an Annual Tour Marty Allen

About ten years ago I did my first wine tour through It was a huge success with about 25 Napa. cars. Since then our club has been doing wine tasting tours every year. We discovered that we liked wine tasting and short drives with lots of social time. But, each year it has become more challenging to do in the Napa/Sonoma Valleys. Tasting costs are now about \$15-30 per person, per winery, and finding a place to host 50 people for lunch and park the cars has become harder as well. So, this year I am trying something new. First, I am changing the date of this tour from October 4<sup>th</sup> to October 11<sup>th</sup>. October 11<sup>th</sup> is Saturday and is Fleet Weekend. And, it appears that the Blue Angels are once again flying. It seems our government found money to bring back this wonderful event. Maybe they just printed some more money.

Generally, I would be sailing that weekend, my other high maintenance toy. But this year I thought it would be fun to watch the event from land—my deck—with a great group of friends and wine drinkers who own Healeys.

Now, make no mistake about this event. It is a wine tasting event, pared with plenty of food. Four wineries will be featured. And, entertainment will be provided by boats, planes and fellow wine tasters. There will be a cover charge of \$25 per person. That will cover all your food, as much as you can eat and all the wine you can drink. Pay in cash on arrival.

I moved a few months ago to Sausalito. I have plenty of space to host a large outdoor party and possibly one of the best views of the bay for viewing Fleet Weekend. Wine tasting will commence at 12:00 noon. But, we will meet prior—maybe around 11:00; details to come later. Food will be served all afternoon. The Blue Angels will fly at 3:00pm. You are gone by 4:00pm.

As to whether or not you will want your Healey to attend, say tuned. Needless to say, 20-25 Austin Healeys in Sausalito will stop traffic and create a crowd. Those details are forthcoming.

If you want to attend, please email and let me know. I am going to limit this event to 50 people. It will be a first come basis, and I will confirm your reservation via email. <u>martyallen@aol.com</u>

Fall Colors Tour, October 25-26

## FALL COLOURS TOUR Bob Altieri

#### October 25-26

Meet at 9:00am at the Holiday Inn Express in Auburn just behind In-n-Out Burger, located at 120 Grass Valley Highway, Auburn, CA 95603 (the intersection of I-80 and Hwy 49—go north on 49). We will tour a local winery (one that we haven't visited before). Following that we will have a picnic lunch at a very special place (TBD). Please bring a picnic lunch.

After lunch, we will drive some beautiful back roads populated with fall colours (pardon my British) and arrive at the well-known **Rainbow Tavern & Lodge**, adjacent to the South Fork of the Yuba River, in Soda Springs, CA. We should arrive there at around 4:00 PM. Cocktails at the no-host bar will start at 5:00 PM followed by dinner at around 6:30 PM. Our dinner/party event will be in a private room and we have a band for dancing. Breakfast will be served the next morning at around 10:00am. Check out time will be 11:30am – 12 Noon.

After breakfast Sunday morning guests can depart for home or join us for the optional segment of the Tour to the little town of Washington (off Hwy 20; adjacent to the same river) as we have done on all but our first past tours.

Should it snow while we are there we would have to wait out the storm until Cal Trans clears Highway 80, which is traditionally very quick. You are advised to carry a set of chains in the trunk—not for actually putting them on, but for the sole purpose of "carrying them," which is the law. We would be given priority to stay extra nights at the Lodge if Mother Nature snows on us. As for rooms, in the UNLIKELY EVENT that we cancel the Tour you will be granted credit for a future one-night stay at the Lodge—no refunds.

Notify Bob Altieri boba9366@live.com OR Richard Buckley writerbuckley@yahoo.com to register for the event (Not later than October 1.) Also, book your room no later than October 1. Room rates vary depending on amenities chosen (we get a special discounted rate from normal rates). Room types are limited, so make your reservation promptly to get what you want. Contact the Rainbow Lodge at (530) 562-5061 to reserve your room, or go to <u>http://www.therainbowlodge.com/</u> to register online. Tell them you're with GGAHC.

Dinner (including limited quantities of beer and wine) and breakfast are included at \$50 per person. The balance is subsidized by the GGAHC. Please pay in cash upon arrival.

Best regards to all, and fire-em up boys (and girls); we promise that you will really enjoy the heat your Healey puts out (unlike summer) for this very special event.



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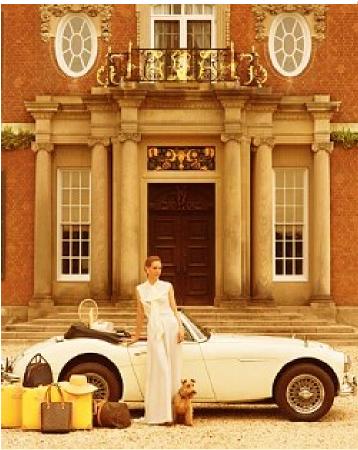
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"It's just a weekend trip, dear, so I'm taking only two suitcases, a duffel bag, two purses, a tennis racquet and bag, and the dog. What are you taking?"

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