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2018 Healey Rendezvous

Madras, Oregon

September 16th thru Setember 21st



The Healey Rendezvous in Madras was held in the high dessert in Northern Oregon... Upon arrival it was time to get registered and get busy washing your car... The Car Show was to be held the next morning... But, prior to the Car Show the next day it was time to gather with some old friends and have some food and catch up on things that we have been doing since our last meeting...

The Car Show the next day was held at the home of the Erickson Aircraft Collection, just a short drive from the hotel... The cars were grouped by year this time which provided a nice change of pace... The aircraft collection was pretty cool, with some of the aircraft outside of the big hanger and some more on the inside... After the voting was started, it was time to have some lunch... Lunch was served inside the hanger, and included some salad, beans, chicken, bread, and some tri tip with some tomato based sauce that was delicious...

Once the car show was completed we headed back to the hotel for a unique Tech Session which featured a panel of experts, including Steve Day, Len Martin, Jim Smalley, & Robert Wilson...

Later in the evening a Tribute to John Wilson was held... There was a slide show presentation, followed by some personal remembrances shared by John's loving companion Lea Person as well as some of his closest friends and colleagues... At the end of the Tribute a beautiful quilt was presented to Lea Person...

The following day, a large group of us drove up the McKenzie Pass and the back to Sisters for some browsing around the little town, and getting some lunch... In the evening there was an auction held with Steve Day as the Auctioneer... Needless to say we all had fun with Steve's great sense of humor and playful nature...

On Thursday there were some more guided tours and a Tech Session was held for the ladies by Steve & Christopher Day... Following the indoor Tech Session, there was an outdoor Tech Session where you could drive your car up and address any concerns you may have regarding your car...

Later in the evening there was a cocktail hour followed by a catered dinner by Paradise Rose Chuck Wagon Catering... The food and company was quite good...

On Friday it was time to get on the road and head for home... Thanks to the Austin-Healey Club of Oregon for sponsoring this event... A Good Time was had by all...

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San Mateo, Ca. 94402

Car Show Winners: Cars were grouped by year

1957 - John & Cathy Turney1st Place1964 - Rich & Lynn Kahn1st Place1965 - Irene Medzyk3rd Place1966 - Rich & Sharon Clark2nd Place

Distance Traveled:

John & Lynne Klimaszewski - 1,700 Miles











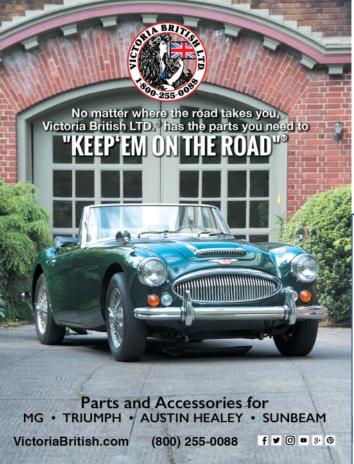














Attendees:

Anderson, Cully & Julie
Barnett, Blair
Brown, Elliott & Ginny
Clark, Rich & Sharon
Farnsworth, Bob & Carol
Hawk, Roger & Donna
Kahn, Rich & Lynn
Kingsbury, Steven
Klimaszewski, John & Lynne
Medzyk, Irene & Harami, Harry
Nystrom, Harry & Pat
Parks, Loren & Diana
Parsons, Terry & Linda
Sonneman, Michael
Turney, John & Cathy



Fall Colors Tour September 29th & 30th 2018

Everyone was smiling and feeling the anticipation of our journey, as we had our driver meeting in the Black Bear Diner parking lot... But, before we could get started we were handed a document by Jerri Nock... It was the Super Incline Elevation Road Rally Adventure... We will get back to that later...

At the conclusion of the meeting we were on our way... We took a little break a few miles up the road, and everything was going smoothly... As we approached the entrance to Yosemite, we or I should say I had a little problem with my car... The fuel pump in my car was trying to spoil my day by choosing to not work properly... Fortunately, I was in luck on this particular day for two very important reasons... The first stroke of luck came when Phil Freese just happen to have a fuel pump in the boot of his car... The second stroke of luck was Dave Nock was traveling with us and the repair was quickly made and off we went to continue our trip... However, the fun was not over yet...

Once we got close to Tioga Pass, we had another incident... However, it was not me again... Thank God... One of the other cars in the group had a flat tire from picking up something in their left rear tire after leaving our lunch stop... Once again, their spare tire was in great shape, and once the tire was changed we were on our way once again...

We all made it over Tioga Pass which is 9,945 feet in elevation... The first Pass successfully crossed with all the cars still working fine... Now it was on to the second Pass for the day... Sonora Pass which is 9,624 feet in elevation... Once again we achieved the remarkable feet of crossing the second Pass, and we are now on the home stretch for the Historical Town of Colum-

Once we arrived Dave & Jerri put out some cheese and crackers, along with some wine for us to enjoy while we determined who won the Road Rally Adventure... Dave went over each question and the winner was Marc & Patti Lewis, and second place was Irene Medzyk... This was quite a feat for Irene to accomplish, she was driving solo and had no observer in her car... Congratulations to the winners!!!

The next thing on the agenda was walking across the street to the El Jardin Restaurant for dinner... The food was good and we all had fun chatting with each other while we ate... After dinner it was time to get some needed rest... The second leg of our journey will begin the following morning... The BIG question was will the cars continue to behave or are there more roadside repairs in our future... More on that later...

The day began will all of us rolling out of bed and venturing down the hall to the showers in the Columbia City Hotel... No, ghost sightings were reported during the night... We walked around the corner and grabbed some coffee and some breakfast items, and we were ready to start our journey of crossing the last 2 Passes for the day...

Well, we didn't get very far... Another mishap with a car happened before we left the parking lot... It wasn't me again... Thank God... There was another car that had a problem with the clutch, which was going to take some time to repair... So, the rest of the group left hoping they would catch up with us later in the day... Once again, the fun was not over yet...

As we drove along heading for Ebbetts Pass which is 8,730 feet in elevation, was had another incident... One of the cars sprung a gas leak, as we approached Mosquito Lake, just a few miles short of the Pass... Once again, as luck would have it all the necessary parts were in the boot and the repair was made and we continued down the road... Or, should I say up the road...

We all made it over the Pass in spite of a BIG Truck that passed us the we all thought should not have been there... As we were driving down the road, we passed a motor home that had the right front wheel off the side of the road, and got stuck... Hopefully, a tow truck would be able to pull it back on the road...

After crossing Carson Pass which is 8,574 feet in elevation, I was relieved that my car was still running good and it was all down hill going home... Before the final leg was completed we stopped at the Kit Carson Lodge for lunch... We all had soup and salad and once we finished lunch we proceed on our journey home...

As far as I know there were no more mishaps with the cars, and everyone made it home safe and sound... I would like to thank Dave & Jerri for putting on this event and I will be looking forward to doing it again in the future... The first trip, I made it without a hitch... Maybe the 3rd time is a charm and my car will not have any problems next time...

I was laughing as I drove home, thinking of the possibility that one of the pictures of me stopped on the side of the road will be the one Dave Nock uses for advertising the Tech Session for next year... That's fine with me, as we all know you have to have a sense of humor to drive a car over 50 years old... Especially when there was no cell phone service in some of the areas we were driving through...



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Golden Gate Healey Happenings









Attendees:

Cloyse, Steve

Darfler, Steve & Patty

Freese, Phil & Zelma

Kaytis, Dexter

Kent, John & Terry

Lewis, Marc & Patti

Medzyk, Irene

Murphy, Tim

Nerlove, Ken & Faith

Nock, David & Jerri

Sonneman, Mike

Turney, John & Cathy



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November 3rd Delta Drive



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The Delta covers more than 1,000 square miles

The Delta has over 1,100 miles of engineered levees

And some of those levees have twisty (albeit flat) roads that are fun to drive.

Club member Gerry Silva will lead a drive through The Delta with a lunch stop at Foster's Bighorn Bar (43 Main St, Rio Vista, CA 94571) which houses a wide variety of animals (of the stuffed variety) culminating at the Western Railroad Museum (5848 CA-12, Suisun City, CA 94585).

The drive will start at 9:30 am from the Walnut Creek Target parking lot (1871 N Main St, Walnut Creek, CA 94596) right off the Ygnacio Valley exit at the Highway 680/24 interchange.

At about 10:30 we'll gather at the McDonald's (914 Main St, Antioch, CA 94509) before crossing the Antioch bridge, wind along scenic Highway 160 and arrive at Foster's Bighorn about 11:30 for lunch.

Then onto the Railroad Museum.

You're on your own for lunch and admission to the Railroad Museum is \$10 or \$9 for Seniors.

RSVP Gerry Silva (56f100@gmail.com) and (events.ggahc@gmail.com) by October 27th.

There are several gas options near the start:

Shell – 265 Ygnacio Valley Rd, Walnut Creek, CA 94596 Chevron - 1980 N Main St, Walnut Creek, CA 94596 76 - 690 Ygnacio Valley Rd, Walnut Creek, CA 94596

Club Election Coming – Call for Nominations!

At every Club Christmas Party (Saturday, December 1st this year), the Golden Gate Austin Healey Club members vote for these Club officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and VP of Membership.

Now is your chance to affect the Club direction by running for office!

Nominations will be accepted until December 1st. Please send your nomination to Steve Darfler at steve.darfler@gmail.com or David Nock at President@goldengatehealeys.com.

The following individuals have been nominated so far, but you may still run for these offices:

- President David Nock
- Vice-President **OPEN**
- Secretary Steve Darfler
- Treasurer Dennis Gilroy
- VP of Membership John Turney

Note that the positions of VP of Events, Editor, Regalia, National Delegate, and Webmaster are appointed by the elected Board members.





Healey Doc's Corner

October 2018

Well after a 9 year hiatus, I have been asked to step in for Rich Kahn as the President of the Golden Gate Austin Healey Club.

Rich has left some big shoes to fill, he had his hands full for the last several years and did an awesome job. He chaired an amazing meet in Monterey with over 200 registrations and has left your club very well off for the future.

The good news is that he isn't going too far, he is closing his practice so he can spend much needed quality time with his wonderful wife Lynn and their Healey "Barbie".

September has been a busy month for our membership. A large contention of the GGAHC attended this year's Healey Rendezvous in Madras Oregon. Several came home with awards.

The Ironstone Concours was attended by a couple of our members, and our newest member Dexter Kaytis took home the gold with his BT7. Many may remember his car, it was the one we had at the Lake Tahoe meet in 2013 that had no body on it.

Then there was a mighty group of travelers who went on this year's Sierra Passes Tour. We had 12 cars and covered all the Sierra Passes, 550 miles in 2 days. The fall colors were spectacular.

In the next few weeks there are the last events for the year, Morgan Hill British Car Show, and California Healey Week in Solvang. Both of which we have a strong contingent of our membership attending.

Then in December we will have our annual GGAHC Christmas Dinner. We have a new location this year. We will be going to The Van's in Belmont. This year we want to make a toy donation to Toys for Tots. So remember to bring a toy and we will get it to a local Marine Corps Toys for Tots location.

In January we will be having our planning meeting for next year's events so please attend and bring your ideas for events you want to see for next year. If you can't make the meeting contact Marc Lewis the Events Chairman with your idea for a tour.

Happy Healeying, **David Nock**



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2018 GGAHC Christmas Party

December 1st 12:00 p.m.

The Van's Restaurant

815 Belmont Ave, Belmont, CA 94002



This year's Golden Gate Austin Healey Club Christmas Party will be held at The Van's Restaurant (815 Belmont Ave, Belmont, CA 94002) on December 1st at 12:00 p.m.

The Van's has a unique and interesting Bay Area history. Built in San Francisco as the Japanese Tea House to commemorate the opening of the Panama Canal in 1915 (same as the Palace of Fine Arts) for the Panama Pacific International Exposition. Only those two buildings remain 103 years after the Expo.

The Tea House was moved by barge and then horse and mule team in 1921 to its current location. It served as a residence, a speakeasy during the Prohibition, then a saloon and, since 1945, as an Italian restaurant.

\$30 per person (checks made out to GGAHC and mailed to 164 Regency Dr., Clayton, CA 94517) and attendees need to bring a suitable gift or check (minimum \$10) for Toys For Tots (please be generous) and RSVP to events.ggahc@gmail.com by November 20th. Please indicate the number of attendees.

Commemorations and awards will be presented at the party as well as voting for Club Officers so we encourage your attendance – especially those of you participating in the High-Mileage Contest.

We look forward to seeing you there!

MENU

Fresh Baked SOURDOUGH BREAD

SALAD of Assorted Greens

with our fresh herb vinaigrette

(Soup of the day for those who order the salad entrée)

CHOICE OF:

Option #1 - FILET Medallions

Slices of beef tenderloin sautéed in a seasoned with a Beef/Mushroom demi-glace. Served with mesquite roasted potatoes and vegetables.

Option #2 - Fresh FISH FILLET

(Subject to daily weather conditions "ask your server")

Pan fried with a butter & caper sauce and served with herbed rice and sautéed vegetables.

Option #3 - CHICKEN Parmesan

Sautéed chicken breast topped with melted mozzarella cheese on a bed of pomodoro sauce

Served with garlic mashed potatoes and sautéed vegetables.

Option #4 - PORK CHOP

Seasoned with honey, garlic & sage then roasted. Served with Garlic mashed potatoes and sauteed vegetables.

Option #5 - Bay Shrimp SALAD

The Van's tradition with our "famous" house dressing

COFFEE ICE CREAM or Seasonal Dessert

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Calendar of Events

Contact Marc Lewis to list an event:

events.ggahc@gmail.com. For a more complete list see www.GoldenGateHealeys.com. You are advised to verify the dates of events that are not ours.

Oct 13th & 14th - 7th Annual - British Fall Classic

Oct 17th thru Oct 21st - CHW 2018 - Solvang, Ca.

Nov 3rd - GGAHC - Delta Drive Tour

Dec 1st - GGAHC - Christmas Luncheon

Please Note: More Information will be coming on

the Events listed above, once Dates and Details have been Confirmed...

Please see Golden Gate Austin Healey Club website for event details: http://www.goldengatehealeys.com/site/index.php/events/

From the Editor



Mike Sonneman

GGAHC Newsletter Editor

Keep those Biographies coming your fellow members want to learn more about you... Don't be shy...

I'm still waiting for some strange and funny stories that people have experienced while driving their Healey's...

I would also like some stories on how couples met each other and how long they have been together...

Please feel free to forward me any stories you may have to share...

Please include a photo if possible, it would be a great complement to your story...

Come and join us at our events, you may get your picture in the next Newsletter...

Thanks

Healeymarket

GGAHC members may submit Healey—related items—either wanted or for sale—without paying a fee.



For Sale:

Aluminum alloy cylinder head for a 6 cylinder Healey. It comes with the latest cylinder head gasket (from Denis Welch Racing) valves, guides, valve springs and valve guide seals assembled, ready to fit to an engine. The price is \$4000.





Peter Roberts: (415) 706-6825 Email: retepstrebor@comcast.net

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Terry Parsons: (831) 438-8345

Email: terryp@healey.org

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Blair Barnett: (510) 816-9387

Email: <u>bsbarnett2001@yahoo.com</u>

Storage Needed:

66 Austin Healey 3000

I'm looking for an affordable place to store it for a year or two. I live in San Francisco and parking is of course a challenge. Maybe someone could help with a secure parking spot (anywhere in the Bay Area).

My dad bought this car new in '66 (white) and could never part with it. It's always been in my life. I'm not a member of your AH club yet, but I'm interested in joining and participating.



John Eyer (415) 741-6230

Email: vosstok66@gmail.com

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For Sale: 1959 Austin Healey 100 BN-6 Excellent Condition. Asking \$53,000







Randy Chapman (415) 457-8337 Email: annekebruyn@gmail.com

For Sale: 1964 Austin Healey 3000 Mark III Phase II BJ-8 - In February 2014 this car achieved Austin- Healey Concours Registry Gold Certificate, receiving 969 of 1,000 points. 37,000 Miles - Excellent Condition. Asking \$89,900







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