



Karen Meinzen McEnerny really cares for her car!

Her brother Rob made this gorgeous blanket to protect her "Lucky Lady" BJ7 while doing work near the fenders.

Excellent design. Check out the story, materials and the directions and then go make one! (p 8)

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Coming Events

(See AAHC [Website](#) for details and for previous events)

March 2021

- 20 St Paddy's Day Drive to Left Nut Brewing Co, Gainesville (GA Triumph Assn)
- 25 AAHC Zoom virtual meeting (details to be emailed to members)

May

- 16-21 Conclave 2021, Big Bear Lake, CA
- 20-23 Amelia Island Concours D'Elegance

Many events in the near term will likely be online because of the pandemic.

Check our website for the latest on what we do know about events further down the road.

As local events get planned, even online events, we will send out emails to everyone.



March

- 25 AAHC Zoom virtual meeting No flyer yet on the agenda or goals for this next online meeting. Keep checking the club website.

While you are waiting, call up another club member just to say hi, or host a Zoom tech session to get real time assistance with your latest frustrating repair or mod,



Charlie Moshell
Atlanta Austin-Healey Club
Fearless Leader

Feb 2021

A first hand report on the 2021 Atlanta Austin Healey Club Planning Meeting

This report may appear a bit lengthy due to the amount of information discussed at the meeting.

Once again, those members not in attendance at the planning meeting did not miss a thing. Since we did not actually have a planning meeting, we did not do the following:

Several of our prestigious annual awards were not presented.

First. Who will be the recipients of the Rodney award passed along from the last recipient?

This award has no rules, no regulations, and one curse. Each year's recipient is required to polish it before presenting it the following year. Candidates are selected by the person/s who as the previous year's recipients, in their opinion, contributed the most to the wellbeing of our club, our cars and our friendships. Congratulations to?? Will the last recipient from 2020 kindly polish the award then contact me for discussion for the passing of this most coveted cup?

The Len Thomas Technical Achievement award was also not passed along to a member who has undergone a transformation from an individual who may have always just written a check for auto diagnostics and repair, or was just a tinkerer, who has finally made the transition to perform significant Healey work, share skills and/or techniques with others. Will the last recipient from 2020 kindly contact me for discussion for the passing of this most coveted plaque?

Lastly, the "Little Rodney" or (Do Little Award) is missing in action. Will the last recipient kindly contact me for discussion for the resurrection and update of this award and claim the reward for its safe return to me?

We started off February without a Super Bowl Party at any location for the second unscheduled activity since the imaginary January planning meeting.

Then for Valentines we missed our opportunity for our annual social substitution for a Christmas Party as accomplished in the past.

We did however accomplish our first ZOOM formatted meeting @ 7pm on Thursday February 4th. Our Technical Gurus are working on setting up a monthly Zoom in the interim of actually being able to re-establish physical group gatherings. Exact time and log on info to be sent out under separate notice. My intent is to have it scheduled for the last Thursday of the month excluding November and December. The last Thursday will give a little leadtime for the next month's upcoming events as they materialize. We should have the next Zoom prior to the end of February to discuss possibilities of March events.

Thanks to the many positive remarks I received from the Google Group announcement sent out recently.

We will continue attempting to put together some driving and tech session events.

Two suggestion's in response to the announcement for outings were:

A visit to Mercer's orchards in Blue Ridge.

A visit to The Army Aviation Heritage Foundation Museum and helicopter rides, Saturday the 13th of March. This event has been moved to the Peach State Aerodrome located an hour south of Atlanta just outside the quaint town of Williamson, Ga which is a vibrant public/private airport community modeled after the original Atlanta airport, Candler Field. This would make a great outing ending up for lunch at Barnstormers Grill and event center in Williamson, Ga. If any one is interested in hosting and coordinating a group drive, get with me for contact information for details. **[Update from John Woodward]** The tour to the air show is now being

planned for June 5, Saturday, to Peach State Aerodrome (Williamson, Ga), which is having a Car and Aircraft show together (a better venue for all). We will also be providing rides that weekend. Check the club website for details and updates.

Last but not least-

Bob Wall provided the following info regarding the rescheduling of British Car Day this year.

Originally it was planned for SATURDAY May 8, 2021 at the Tellus Science Museum in Cartersville. However, due to all of the precautions, they asked us to reschedule to SATURDAY September 4, 2121. The club has agreed. We did not want to cancel the show again this year. Please note that it is on a SATURDAY! Yeah! Since the museum accepts charitable donations the club will not be asking the Lyons and Rotary Clubs to assist with registration and the museum will be our charity this year. The Motorcar Club is asking for two volunteers to

help with the registration and parking. I will volunteer for parking duty.

The clubs will have room to set up tents and have their own picknick lunches. Tellus will also have a snack bar set up with goodies for sale and the museum will be open if some of our member want to visit. They will likely have the normal admission charge. They will allow us to have a car corral on the grounds.

This will be our venue this year and maybe next year. We have already discussed having the event next door at the Savoy Automobile Museum that is scheduled for completion this year. They are really excited about having our car show so when it is completed, we will move the show there.

Check the club website for upcoming tours!



Member profile: John Woodward

I started driving a Healey back in High school in 1966 and have included the One picture of my car from back then. Sadly I bent the frame on her after hitting a deer, running off the road, jumping a fence, and landing in a corn field, one night on my way back to North Georgia College in 1970. But that's another story. So my love of the Healey has pulled me back into her charms ... and as my love of flying becomes less doable My BJ8, a work in progress, will hopefully remind me of my youth and keep my spirits alive.

John Woodward



Rick's Recap

Yes, a New Year, still not a monthly issue.

Mainly because not much happening. Yet.

But this month (Feb) we had **2 club meetings!**

Virtual, and both were business/planning meetings, but still meetings, so they count. Charlie's column has details (p 4).

Other club tours are being planned. Watch for emails, with details on the club's website.

Karen shares a blanket! Well, at least she tells how to *make* one. Much more elegant and paint protective than the usual vinyl fender cover. (p 8)

Polar Bear Run Ric Anderson describes the fun twisty turns and shares good pics of this year's frozen tour. Some rarely seen vehicles too. (p 10)

Barry's Tech Corner Barry talks about computers and modern car technology: controls and materials. Then he presents lots of details on the comparative value of electric vehicles- a full analysis is very complex. Put on your thinking caps! (p 13)

Grandson Zach did his own Polar Bear Run. Not very fast, not very warm, but very stable in corners! The runner up pic, aw heck, here it is: Hot Wheels launch of his Healey, with Grampy cheering!

The Flash is up for discussion. Several ideas for improving the website and the Flash came out of the Zoom meetings. Look for details in emails.

Google Groups: **To send to the entire club**, send your email to:

AAHC-members@googlegroups.com

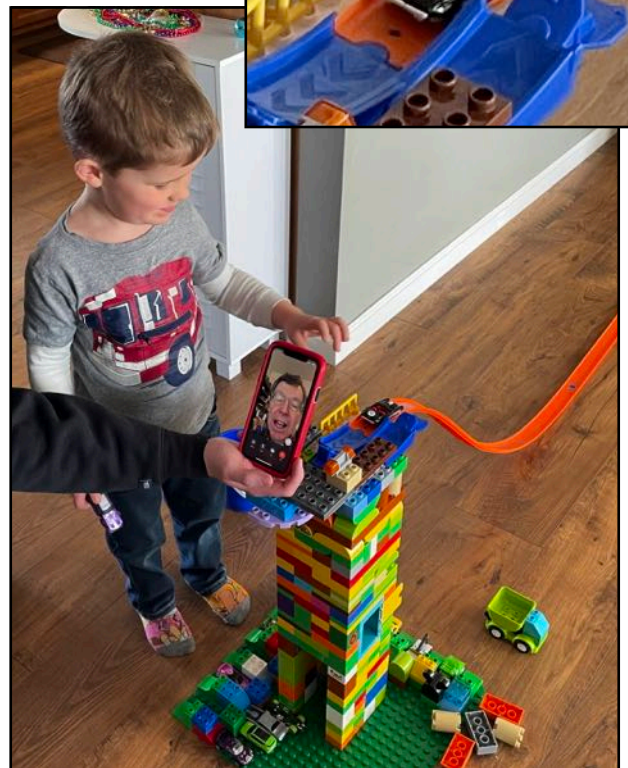
Only paid up members will get the email.

We are setting up a second Google Group:

AAHC-friends

that will allow nonmembers to see what we are doing and to share ideas. So if your message is not member-specific, consider sending your emails to both groups. Check the club website for updates.

-Rick Hertzberg, Editor



GTA 2021 SPRING ST. PADDY'S DAY DRIVE

**SATURDAY
MAR 20**



TO LEFT NUT BREWING CO. / GAINESVILLE, GA

Invitation for a drive to Gainesville, GA for lunch and visit to Left Nut Brewing Co.

MEET: 10 AM at Starbuck's, 10800 Alpharetta Hwy #312, Roswell, GA 30076.

DEPART: 10:30 AM. Our route will get us to Gainesville about 11:45 AM,
where lunch is available downtown at a restaurant of your choice.

Left Nut Brewing opens at 1 PM / 2100 Atlanta Hwy, Gainesville, GA 30504.

Further Info, contact: Mark Post, GTA / mp2422@att.com / 678-612-1608

Karen's Blanket- Full Coverage!

This is such a cool fender blanket.

These emails on mechanics' suggestions for the A-H group jogged me to send something different. For my last birthday my precious and talented brother Rob thoughtfully gave me a terrific custom Austin-Healey 3000 BJ7 fender blanket in anticipation of an upcoming oil change and heat shield installation.

The idea of a blanket cover was not his but the quality was so much better than you can buy online in terms of weight, quality stitching plus the underside "flap" he incorporated to allow additional stiffening to be placed between two thicknesses of blanket to further protect the fenders. All those make this one especially useful.

Materials:

- One movers' furniture blanket;
- One standard plastic yard sign (optional) to place between the two thicknesses on top of the fenders that you make with the material cut out from the engine compartment opening;
- Sewing machine. Industrial is better if you want to sew edging around the opening; but, while a bit tricky, a regular model can work if you can pull the 2 layer thickness through the machine (an extra person can help there) .
- Regular cotton or nylon thread
- Chalk

General instructions:

- Make the chalk outline of the exact (as possible) opening of your engine compartment on the top side of the blanket; place so it touches the windshield wipers and covers the front of the car over the headlights and as much of the bumper's splash guard as possible in case you drop tools. (See photo). These engine compartments openings vary. A BN2 is different than a BJ7, etc. Cut out the engine compartment area and save it.
- From the extra blanket material cut from the engine compartment opening, cut it lengthwise (wipers to bumper) and then cut each half 12.5 inches deep (this will be the part that covers the fender/shroud area). Sew ½ of the cut-out onto an interior edge of the engine compartment opening; repeat for the other side. Then the flap part touching the fender is also white (see photo where the top layer is folded back). This allows 1) a double thickness where you need it most, 2) a place where if you want you can insert stiffening material between the two sewed together blanket thicknesses to add strength over the delicate aluminum shroud and fenders. We are using a standard 2 ft x 1½ ft plastic yard sign cut lengthwise to 12 inches width. It just lays in there bent a tad to add strength.
- Stitch double-sided ¾ inch cotton edging around the engine compartment opening if your sewing machine can handle the additional thickness (ours couldn't).
- Label the top side of the fender blanket with "front" and "back" to help in getting it positioned on your car more easily.
- Get a basic Laundry Bag to store the fender blanket in, as any dirt/grit on the underside will ruin your fender's paint.

What a terrific present for Lucky Lady. I love it Rob. Many thanks.

Karen Meinzen McEnery



Top layer folded back to show the second added layer. Note the part touching the fender is white making it easier to keep clean



REMINDER: Car Photo(s) Wanted

The Club Website has a profile for each member that allows storage of a photo of your 'Healey'. In addition to other club members being able to access your contact information, they can also see the Healey you drive (or work on). The plan is to use a different member's car photo on the website home page each month as a way to keep it fresh and interesting.

So, send me a .jpg file of the Healey (or two) that you want associated with your profile and/or used on the website home page. Send to: jrminer47@gmail.com

Best regards,

John Miner



21st Annual Polar Bear Run

Our friends with the Georgia Triumph Association hosted the 21st annual PBR on the traditional last Saturday of December. And, as is also a tradition, they did a great job of it.

While for the last few years, the beautiful Atlanta Motorsports Park has been host to the starting line, things got switched up a bit out of respect for health and safety. This year we assembled at the Roswell Starbucks, scene of previous car gatherings. Spacious parking lot, allowing folks to spread out a bit, coffee and restrooms for those in need of either, and an easy spot to get into and out of. Despite this year being a little on the cool side (lower 20s!), folks began arriving early to enjoy the coffee and tire-kicking and some catching up with friends and acquaintances from year past. Also following tradition, there was the opportunity to purchase a spiffy PBR logo shirt or make a donation to the ALS organization. If you missed either please contact the GTA to take care it.

The GTA hosts had a brief drivers' meeting about 9:00 and then everyone moved to the parking lot to get headed out. A great mix of cars, Alfas to Volkswagens, and a lot, more than 50, in between. While I only saw a few Healeys in the lot, I counted at least 8 AAHC members in attendance.

This year's route got us out of Alpharetta and Milton pretty quickly and out to where the roads were a little more winding and a lot less busy. We passed through Birmingham, and Free Home, then up past Big Canoe and Faucetts Farms, then skirting along Amicalola Falls State Park, and towards the outskirts of Ellijay. Then some of those fun "little" roads and across Doublehead Gap to Newport and Aska and then into Blue Ridge. A fun and scenic drive.

From the edge of Aska and on into Blue Ridge our hosts had noted several restaurants for folks to choose from. Some stopped early, others ran the rest of the way into Blue Ridge, so we had plenty of options for spreading out. Lots of choices for cuisine too.

After lunching, some people headed towards the proverbial barn, others took the opportunity to wander around Blue Ridge for some shopping and people watching. I think there was a local ale sampled too. I found a fine dish of flan and coffee to go with it. I know there was at least one serving of ice cream tested too.

2020 has been a tough year for the old car events business, and while this one was tweaked and adjusted, it was a pretty great way to celebrate the end of the end.

Already looking forward to December 2021 and the 22nd edition.

Club members on the tour: Doug Duffee, Glenn Stephens, Abe and Susan Cheij, Joe Hall, Rick Alley, John and Dana Homonek, Phil Hungate, and me.

-Ric Anderson



Ric Anderson's Healey friend and great hauler of tools and spare parts



John&Dana Homonek's Jensen Healey



BJ8



Rick Alley's BJ-7



Porsche on my wish list



and the classic Porsche



Abe&Susan Cheij's MGB-GT



The Mini



Phil Hungate's Lotus



Ford GT



From Alfa to Omega, er VW

Tech Corner by Barry Rosenberg**Tech Article: February; 2021**

I noticed as soon as I started typing this morning that I needed to use a bigger font so I could read what I write. It could be age; I am moving on up the ladder. I have been writing articles for more years than I can remember. There isn't much that has not been written about in my articles. Once, years ago, there was a full series on a complete restoration of an old British car.

I went thru almost every part of the car from major body and paint to engine and trans rebuilds to the heater blower motors. I still have them on a computer but is MS DOSS and I do not know if the old computer still works. Even if it did, I doubt I could turn it on and open the programs. It took many months to write that series and I do not plan to repeat it any time soon.

So, this brings up my lack of any new topics in which to offer my opinions. I pledge to try to avoid anymore political comments in my articles as I would not like to get banned from the newsletters I send them to. These articles should be about our cars and hopefully, I can restrict myself to that goal.

Over the years, I have stated that I am very opinionated and that mine was the only opinion I cared about. Still believe that; but, there has been so much new technology that my opinions may be changing. No, I will never praise Pertronix. But, oils, fuels and paints have made great strides in improvements. Will I ever embrace synthetic oils? Maybe not.

My oil of choice is still Shell Rotella 14W40. It still contains enough zinc compounds to satisfy our engines. The metallurgy of our cams and lifters has not changed as much as other internal engine parts. The material new pistons are made of has changed as have the bearings on the crank.

New engines in the new cars runs a much tighter tolerance than what our old engines can tolerate. They can run a much thinner weight oil, some like a 0w20 weight. That is like water to us. But, the design of the materials and technology inside the engines not only allow them to thrive but produce what was once ungodly amounts of horsepower. 600 plus is possible in a street car and they come with a warranty!

What are some of the changes that allows this? One of the biggest improvements is in computers. They can control the work of an engine within such a fine range, they can make a car with high compression, such as 11 or 12 to 1, run without pinging. Computers control every part of the ignition, fuel injection and valve timing that there is very little fear of a major malfunction.

What is pinging? Two things actually. One is detonation. Detonation is what happens when the fuel/air mixtures in a cylinder explodes instead of burning. Rather than a smooth even flame front, that moves thru the combustion chamber, it is a sudden explosion of the mixture. The other is pre-ignition. This is what happens when the fuel/air mixture ignites before it is time: before the plug fires a spark, while the piston is still traveling up the cylinder. Both can be detrimental to the engine.

In the old days, they could control spark knock, pinging, with a small part attached to the side of the block. It contained a small crystal, piezoelectric, that generates a very small electric signal when hit or compressed. It could be tuned to generate the signal when the engine began pinging. This minor electric charge was then sent to an early generation computer to retard the timing. This would lessen the chance of destroying an engine.

Mother nature is great having created these piezoelectric crystals. And most of you have used them in places like your gas log starters or gas grill igniters. You push a button then hear a bang or pop. That is the crystal being struck to produce the electric charge that jumps a small gap at the igniter and lights the grill.

New computers have much more sophisticated technology but the same basic principle is used. They also have total control of the fuel delivery. They can vary the amount of fuel injected into the engine to be exactly right for the rpm and load on the engine. We used SUs or Strombergs or Webers to bring fuel into our engines. And they all worked fine.

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Now, fuel injection has advanced thru so many forms that it is about as good as it can get. They no longer need to mix the fuel with the incoming air like carbs used to do. They have progressed past manifold and port injection straight to direct injection. Direct injection is where the fuel is injected directly into the combustion chamber. It no longer pre-mixes with the air.

New materials for the injector tips, new super high pressure fuel pumps and plumbing, and computers to time the inject to the exact 1,000ths of a second. If the computer senses any knocking, pre-ignition or pinging, it can adjust when the fuel is sent thru the injector and how much is sent.

The other thing they can control is the cam timing. The opening of the valves can now be controlled without having to touch the internal components. I had a Honda S2000 for several years and it had a version of cam adjustment that would plant your butt firmly in the seat when you hit 6,000 rpm. The engine revved to 9,000 rpm. At 6,000, a solenoid opened and allowed oil pressure to lock a second set of rocker arms to high lift lobes on the cam and bam, you would snap your neck in acceleration.

All these things have been allowed by better computer control. How much further can they take our gas powered engines? How much longer will we be able to get gas for them (not a political statement, only scientific)? With battery technology improving daily and hydrogen systems both as a fuel in the engine or as an electric generator in the car getting more attention, how long will we need gas engines?

Look at what an electric car can do. It has instant torque and will out accelerate a gas car without working very hard. They produce no pollution as they run, more on this in my next article. No, do not get the impression I am for electric cars. I am old school and like my SUs and point ignition and having to adjust valves. But our children and grand children will probably not use gas in their cars in the very near future.

Well, now I have a subject for my next article: what sucks about electric cars. So, until I see y'all, stay safe and enjoy your gas powered car while you can. See y'all somewhere soon.

Barry Rosenberg

British Car Service

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Tech Article: March; 2021,

I left off last month with a short comment on electric cars. I believe they have a place in your garage but should not be your only form of transportation. Electric vehicles have been vastly improved since their early days. Actually, they have been around longer than gas powered cars, since the 1890s.

Even Porsche tried out a very early gas/electric car, before he did his gas powered cars. One problem with the very early electric cars was a way to charge the batteries. Not every one had electricity back then. As more people got power to their homes, more could charge the batteries. But, along came gas engines and the technology went away from batteries and toward gasoline.

When electric cars were invented, no one was taking long trips as there were no real roads on which to drive. They became popular for short, around town driving and that is still what they are best at today. The roads are there for long trips but the ability of the batteries to hold enough power for that cross country trip is not quite here.

Tech Corner (cont.)

Distance is improving rapidly as is time to recharge the batteries. But, would you want to drive long distance in one if you had to stop every 300 miles for a four hour charge cycle? No, gas engines are quicker to refill with energy. You barely have time to pee while your spouse fills the tank.

Where I live in Jasper, an electric car makes sense. The vast majority of our trips are less than 25 miles there and back. And we have less traffic, we would not sit and wait as long to get thru lights. In winter, heat takes a lot of your battery charge so a 300 mile range could be reduced to across Atlanta in the winter when there is a dusting of snow.

Why are electric cars making such a strong comeback? Most people incorrectly believe that the electric car is better for the environment. Wrong! Google some of the sites where lithium is mined. They look like a nuclear dump site gone bad. And it takes a great amount of energy to mine and produce the materials for the batteries. Most of that energy is produced from coal and gas powered power plants. As more batteries are demanded, more lithium will be needed. It takes 500,000 gallons of clean water to make one ton of lithium. And there are no lithium deposits within the US. It will all need to be imported and that takes energy to transport it.

Someone once did a thorough analysis of an early Prius and a Hummer from birth to final death as to which was more economical and which was more environmentally friendly. The Prius lost. The batteries for the Prius had the minerals mined in Canada in an area that was totally destroyed for most future use. This material was flown to Europe where it was converted into battery use. Then it was sent to Japan to be made into batteries which were then sent to the US to be installed in the Prius. Just the battery materials made an around the world trip before they were ever installed in the cars.

Using the life expectancy of the Prius from Toyota and the Hummer, the Hummer would last a lot longer making it more economical to own over a longer period of time. Your cost per mile of driving was lower for the Hummer! When it came time to get rid of the vehicle, again, the Hummer brought a bigger return as scrap and did not have the great expense of disposing of the batteries that the Prius had.

No matter how you want to power your car, it will take energy. As battery technology improves, they will become more economical to produce in money but so far not in terms of environment. You change where you harm the environment from the driving of your gas powered car to the production and recycling of your batteries. Of course, you will not be harming the US environment as no lithium is mined here.

There is an undisputed law of physics that says "energy cannot be created or destroyed, it can only be changed from one form to another." So, no matter how you want to power your car, you will use some form of energy and it will harm the environment in some form or other.

Another form of fuel is hydrogen. Hydrogen can be burned in an internal combustion engine the same as gasoline or it can be used to produce electricity onboard the car as it is driven. There have been experiments setting up hydrogen stations where one could refuel his tank as quick as you do with gas.

There are lots of problems with this. One, it costs a lot to produce hydrogen. Plus, it takes lots of electric energy to make the hydrogen. Most commercially available hydrogen now is produced from methane gas and very high temp steam (over 1500 degrees) or splitting the water molecule into hydrogen and oxygen, which requires electricity. So, it stills takes oil production to gather enough methane and it requires a lot of energy to make the steam required. Or, you need a large electric power source to separate water.

At least, when burned, hydrogen leaves behind water, no pollutants. At this time, it is not practical to produce hydrogen in sufficient volumes to power all the things in which we now use petroleum products. Add to this the hazard of carrying a tank of hydrogen in your car or storing it under ground in tanks and hydrogen's future as a fuel is still some time off.

There was a time when CNG or LNG was gaining use; it was estimated that over 20,000,000 cars used them. This is compressed natural gas or liquid natural gas. This required special tanks in your trunk. Atlanta Gas

Tech Corner (part 2)

used to use this in their company cars. It burned thru the standard carburetor with a minor jet change. And you could flip a valve and burn gasoline when your CNG ran out.

These fuels produce similar mileage as gasoline but is harder to fill tanks. Plus, there are very few places to fill your tank. There used to be a device sold by Honda to refuel your car at home. It took several hours to fill using your homes natural gas system, similar to electric cars in time.

So, what is the best source of power for your sports cars? For performance, it is definitely battery powered. They have instant torque and more power than most gas powered cars. For the sound, nothing beats a good gas engine under hard acceleration thru a good exhaust system. Safety, you can give that to either battery or gas powered cars; both have their problems with burning. Ease of driving and living with, I give this to gas based on the ability to refuel quickly and you get a longer driving distance and more fueling locations.

Emissions would be a tie between the two. They produce the same amount during their life cycle. Disposability goes to gas until they have a way to dispose of the batteries. Cost may become a tie as the price of battery technology decreases but right now, I give it to gas. And looks, this must go to gas as I do not like not having a grille in front of the cars and so far no electric car has a good looking front end.

Will I ever own an electric car. The cards say no. Our driving style does not require an electric car. I may have to change my plans once gas production ceases. But, at 72 years old, I do not foresee this in my future. Maybe, in the future, they will have tiny nuclear power plants in your car that produces all the electric power your car will need. By that time, they will be able to safely store a small amount of uranium or other nuclear fuel in your trunk and you will never have to refill your tank. It could last past your lifetime.

Well, this is long enough so hopefully, things will get better and we will feel free to meet in person once again. In the meantime, stay safe and try to have some fun with your car. Hope to see y'all somewhere soon.

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Rest Up, It's Day and Night Fun at Conclave

This Just In! The Big Bear Village Council has given their final approval for the Conclave 2021 Car Show to be held right in the center of town, on Pine Knot Avenue and Village Drive. Both roads will be closed to all traffic during the show and our cars will line both sides of the quaint village streets.

While it will be a feast for the eyes for Big Bear visitors, it will be shopping and food feast for the exhibitors. The Village center features dozens of fine shops, art galleries, pubs, and restaurants....so while your car is on display, there will be plenty to see and do.

Also just announced are the themes for each evening's events:

- **MONDAY** Night Cocktails and BBQ will be **California Cowboy**. The original California cowboy was a mix of traditional Old West cowboy and Spanish Vaquero. Any of your



Big Bear Village

favorite western wear will fit right in, but maybe your want to try a little "south of the border" embellishment.

- **TUESDAY'S** cocktail party will be all **50's and 60's**. James Dean? British Boy Band? Flower Child? Let your imagination run wild!

- **WEDNESDAY** evening will feature **Wearable Art**. Our event chairperson defines it as "referring to individual pieces of clothing and jewelry assembled to create a wearable expressive art". Hmm...that should be fun.

- **THURSDAY'S** Farewell Banquet will have a **California**

Beach Party theme. That's easy... Hawaiian shirt, shorts, and flip flops....or maybe something a little more "resort casual".

No matter what the theme, these events are sure to be great fun and provide plenty of time to socialize with friends old and new.

Don't wait any longer, register now!

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More Nighttime Fun at Conclave

The Conclave host hotel, The Lodge at Big Bear, is well known locally as a music venue on weekends. In addition to a large outdoor deck, complete with band stand, there is a substantial amphitheater overlooking a pond and facing the stage. For Conclave, plans are for music every evening after dinner. Several local artists will be featured and while there will certainly be a country vibe, there should be something for everyone.

Of special note will be the **Pub Night with Austin Healey Spares**. This premier event sponsor, coming all the way from the UK, will be bringing some of their local fun with them. We will

have some English pub snacks, pub games and maybe even a round of Team Trivia. Worst British Accent competition? Beatles cover band? Who knows? Come along and find out. No matter which day during Conclave, the fun doesn't stop when the sun goes down!



Stillwell's amphitheatre



Check out this YouTube video of California Healey Week in Big Bear in 2012. This episode of Car Crazy, hosted by Barry Meguiar, originally aired on the Velocity Channel.
youtu.be/44NZEDu9rwk

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Conclave 2021 – Day by Day

Conclave 2021 will offer all the traditional events and much more, with plenty of time to socialize with old friends and make new acquaintances. The week will unfold as follows:

SUNDAY, MAY 16

Hotel and Event Check-in, time for a **Car Wash** (on site) or to relax in the Social Center. No host evening **Cocktail Party** with appetizers and a special **Guest Speaker**. Silent Auction, Arts and Crafts and Photo Contest displays open. Dinner on your own at the hotel or one of the numerous nearby establishments.



California Cowboys

MONDAY, MAY 17

After breakfast we will head out on our **Poker Run and Tour** around the Lake and into the mountains. **Concours Judging** all

day. **Cocktails and final Poker Card draw** in the evening, followed by the optional **Santa Maria BBQ Dinner** by the pool.

TUESDAY, MAY 18

Today is our big drive, your choice of participating in the TSD Rally or just enjoying the scenery. We will head down the mountain on scenic Highway 38 to visit **Joshua Tree National Park**, a truly unique landscape and habitat. After lunch, we will return to Big Bear via another mountain route. Tonight will feature the preliminary and practice rounds of **Rocker Cover Racing** followed by a no-host **Cocktail Party** in the Social Center. Many have decided to partake of the optional **Paddlewheel Boat Tour** on the Lake.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

Car Show Day is here! After your commemorative photo is taken you will be directed to your parking spot on Pine Knot Avenue, the



main drag in Big Bear where we will wow the tourists with our dazzling cars. Late afternoon will see the finals of **Rocker Cover Racing** followed by a no-host **Cocktail Party** in the Social Center and more **Paddlewheel Boat Touring**.



Wearable Art

THURSDAY, MAY 20

Gymkhana and Funkhane Day at the Big Bear Airport. For those not participating there will be several optional self-driving opportunities including a **Lake Arrowhead drive, Morongo/Las Vegas style casino visit, Palm Spring Aerial Tramway ride, Idyllwild and Palms to Pines Highway tour** and

many other options. Late afternoon will include **Tech Sessions** and a **Ladies Only Event**. A final **Cocktail Party** with appetizers will precede the **Grand Banquet, Awards Ceremony, conclusion of the Silent Auction** and a very special **Healey guest**.

FRIDAY, MAY 21

Start your morning with an included **Farewell Breakfast**. We will have some special fun awards and the event signage will be auctioned off.

(Please note that the hotel room rate is \$100 plus tax for Sunday through Thursday nights. Early arrival on Saturday or stayover on Friday night will also enjoy a discounted rate).



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration is now open. You may register online or by mail. Visit www.conclave2021.com for full event and hotel information and to start registration. Please note the money back COVID-19 Guarantee. Please answer all the questions carefully, we are collecting a lot of information to make your visit as personalized and enjoyable as possible. Once we have received your paid registration, you will receive an email containing the code required to book your room.

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Questions? Contact us at 404.538.9611 or email at samncyna@att.net

WANTED, or FOR SALE

Reminder for Club Members: Anyone have any British cars or parts- for sale or any items wanted?
Pass on the info & we'll get it listed. Advertisement is **free** to members. Your ad will run for three months unless you pull it or ask for renewal.

Chuck Vanderwoud's 1962 BT7 For Sale



Our family bought the car in 1962 new and currently has approx. 21,100 original miles. Updated work was performed by Speedwell of Watkinsville GA. last year to ensure road worthiness. The vehicle is up for sale and the pictures were taken by Speedwell. We have all repair documentation and original paperwork including the bill of sale. If you have interest in purchase of the vehicle please contact me for any questions or PDF of the work performed. Black with red interior. Original paint and interior.

Chuck Vanderwoud

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Jon Tucker's BJ8 For Sale



1967 Austin Healey 3000 Mk III BJ8

- Asking \$55,000.00
- Mileage: 84,258
- Healey Blue
- Original Except:
 - New roof (4yrs old)
 - New rims (4 yrs old)
 - New brakes (2 yrs old)
 - New radiator (2 yrs old)
 - New leather interior (1 yr old)
 - New interior carpet (1 yr old)
 - New trunk liner & gas tank (1 yr old)
 - New fog lights and brackets (1 yr old)
 - New rear bumpers (1 yr old)
- Front and rear bumpers have been removed but come with car.
- Stock grill has been removed (comes with car) and custom mesh grill installed.
- Ceramic coating was applied late last year (2019).
- Comes with car cover & trickle charger.
- Car has been maintained locally in Atlanta, GA by Neil's Restoration and Philip Middleton.
- Located in Atlanta, GA (Brookhaven).
- Higher res images available upon request.
- Contact:
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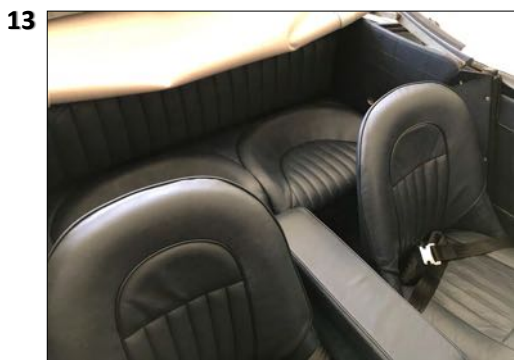
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WANTED: Parts Needed

Working on (2) projects and am looking for the following parts:

Short term project: Building a MK1, 1962 MG (GAN2 VIN prefix). I need a:

(buildable condition) **1098 Engine.** I'd like to keep it "Year and Make" accurate if I can, but a 1275 engine would work also.

Tach and Speedo for MK1, 1962 MG

I purchased the car with no engine, transmission, Tach or Speedo, but otherwise complete and with only 2 rust through spots (on bottom of each front wing in the usual place).

Longer term project: Building a Bugeye from tub up (currently on a rotisserie to replace floor pan and spring boxes). If you have any BE parts (interior or exterior) you're not using / would part with - send me a list please!

Thanks All !

Lee Etterling

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WANTED:

Hi Club Members- Am working on my 100/4 project and am in need of all clutch linkage from the pedal to the 4 speed gearbox. Please advise if you have any to spare or where I might locate them. Thanks!

Regards, markhenderson3376@gmail.com

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