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President's Corner

When Pam and I bought our Healey over five years ago we did so with a couple of objectives in mind. The first was to provide me an outlet to spend time and money on things that aren't broke and that objective has been exceeded. Second was to provide an activity Pam and I could jointly participate in as we slowly were becoming empty nesters, with that objective being met as well. Lastly was to find an activity to enjoy ourselves with others that share a common interest. Being involved with our Wisconsin Austin Healey club has helped us achieve the last objective as well. We have thoroughly enjoyed the friends we have made, the company of club members and participating in club events. I am honored to be president of such a strong club and I want to send a huge thank you to all the current and past officers that have kept our club so vibrant since its inception.

We have a great year of events planned as you can see in this newsletter and I hope all of you can find time to participate in many. Please pay particular attention to the actions you need to take now to secure a spot at an event or room at a hotel as we don't want you to be left out. We will ensure you have a fresh monthly view of events as the year progresses to keep calendars current. I also would like to know what you are thinking and any ideas you have for events or improvements to the club. I am very accessible and would love to have your input.

I hope to see you early and often throughout the season and wish you success getting your Healey out of storage.

Happy early Spring Healeying!!

Pat

2009 Winter Dinner and Gala

The 2009 Winter Dinner and Gala was held on Valentine's Night. The venue was once again at Alioto's in Wauwatosa. This year the club offered a buy one dinner, get one dinner free promotion, in the hope of raising participation. Sadly, attendance was down; however, those in attendance were treated to a delightful evening. The No Smoking decision did cause a voiced objection, and as a compromise, those smokers were given a private room to enjoy their cigarettes without infringing on the space of the non-smokers in the crowd. The officers for 2009 were introduced by our new President, Pat Douglas. A preliminary Schedule of Events for 2009 was distributed by Pat, and an enthusiastic invitation to participate was extended. The evening ended with the Famous Silent Raffle, which had no shortage of very nice prizes and delectable baked goods. We had a whole table devoted to those baked goodies, which were highly sought after. Big winners included the Joppa (I think we will all crumple our raffle tickets next year), the Swanger and the Rushing/Thomas couples (I guess arriving later does have its rewards, right Sue/Mike and Penny/Fred?). Pictures from the event will be available on our soon-to-be unveiled website. Even with the downturn in attendance, the coffers of our club were infused with our own version of the economic stimulus! If you failed to attend the Dinner, you lost out! Make the 2010 Winter Dinner and Gala a priority on your social calendar! Watch for more news as the year unfolds!

Tech Session

Again this year Tim Phillips and BMC Repair in West Bend will be hosting a tech session. This year's event will be on Saturday April 25th at BMC Repair 1805 Barton Avenue in West Bend. Tim will cover general repair topics on our Healeys and answer any questions you may have from minor maintenance to major overhaul. Coffee and Doughnuts will be served. This was a very popular event last year and you will want to be sure to save the date and attend. The tech session begins at 9:30 A.M.!

Reminder!

If I do not have your email address, you will miss out on important event reminders! We want you to enjoy our newsletter in color as the majority of our members do! Also, due to the cost of postage, we do not send calendar updates via USPS.

Send your email address to: dmn10@wi.rr.com so that you don't miss out on our club events!

Website!Website!Website! We have gone high tech!

Within a few days, all members of the WI Chapter will now be able to access our newly designed website. Thank you to Bill Nicklas, who spent many hours setting up our very own space where members can view events, pictures, and other information relevant to our club as well as information from the Austin Healey Club of America. This tool will be a welcome addition to our club. Many clubs have their own website, easily accessible from the national website, and now we will be among them. It is our hope that our members will enjoy viewing as well as contributing to our website.

The Masterpiece Style & Speed Showcase

This year the fifth annual Masterpiece event is being held on August 22 and 23. Pat Douglas informs me that in order for our club to secure a spot for Club Day, August 22, participants need to send in their registration ASAP! The cost is only $15.00 and gets you a two day pass. To download a form, visit the website milwaukeemasterpiece.com and click on the Club Day link. Share your beautiful car with the rest of the car buffs from our area!

Botham Vineyards Vintage Celebration

The Botham Vineyards 14th Annual Vintage Celebration is being held on Sunday, August 9th and this year Austin Healey is the featured marque! We have arranged for a block of ten rooms to be held for the Austin Healey Club at the Chalet Landhaus in New Glarus for Friday, August 7th and Saturday August 8th. The rate for two nights is $110.00 per night, providing you stay both Friday and Saturday night. If you elect to stay just Saturday night, the rate is $140.00 for the night. A breakfast buffet is included with your stay. The rooms will be held until July 1st. To make your reservation, contact the Chalet Landhaus at 800-944-1716. or www.chaletlandhaus.com. To register for the show visit the website www.bothamvineyards.com. There are a limited number of registrations for the show so get yours in ASAP. For more information contact Dennis Ricchio at 262-719-8244 or dennisr@wi.rr.com.

Door County Weekend

For those of you who went to the Door County weekend last year, you were treated to a wonderful time at the beautifully renovated Gordon Lodge. We enjoyed the weekend so much, that we have again booked the lodge for this year's weekend, except that the dates are October 9 thru 11. There is a block of rooms available to us, under the name of Mary Maul or the Healey Club. To ensure that your room choice is available, make your reservations early. The lodge has walking paths and bicycles available for guests to ride. Just remember to pack warm clothes, so that you don't freeze as I did last year!

British Car Field Day

Once again British Car Field Day will be held on Father's Day, June 21, at Armory Park, in Sussex, Wisconsin. Many of you have been to the Field Day in years past and know the event is quite the unique venue! Prizes are awarded for the various British marques, and some form of British entertainment is always on tap for the day! A form can be found at the end of this newsletter which can be printed, filled in, and sent to the chairman.

Conclave 2009 in Kingston, Ontario

The National Conclave is being held from June 21 through June 25 in Kingston, Ontario, located on the shores of Lake Ontario. There is a group caravanning to Conclave from the area. We will be leaving on Saturday, June 20th, and taking the ferry across Lake Michigan and cruising up through Michigan before stopping for the night. We will arrive at Conclave 2009 on Sunday, stay for the week and participate in many of the events, and leave on Friday, stopping overnight before taking the ferry back to Milwaukee on Saturday, June 27th. If you would like to join us, contact either Pat Douglas or David Maul for more information. You will need to register for Conclave in order to book your hotel room. The Conclave website is www.ahconclave09.com If you have never been to a Conclave, trust me it is amazing. There will be 300 – 400 Healeys present.

Donald Healey Poster Collection

There are a limited number of Donald Healey posters available. These can be viewed on a special page following this newsletter. Information on ordering can be found on the poster page.

2009 Wisconsin Austin Healey Club
Events Schedule 4/4/2009

- ***APRIL 25TH*** ***Tech Session at BMC Repair in West Bend****(1805 Barton Ave)*

- ***MAY 30TH*** ***Spring Tour***
  A new event this year. The idea is to set a date for us to get together and jointly shake the cobwebs off of our Healey's. Dennis Ricchio has planned a visit to Bill Treffert's garage to view his great car collection.

- ***JUNE 11TH to 14TH*** ***Rendezvous 2009 – Ashland, WI***
  The Minnesota Healey Club is sponsoring the 19th annual celebration of vintage sports cars in beautiful Ashland

- ***JUNE 21ST*** ***British Car Field Day in Sussex***
  A popular summer event. We need a strong showing from those not attending Conclave to keep the awards with Wisconsin club members.

- ***JUNE 20TH to 28TH*** ***Conclave 2009 Kingston, Ontario, Canada***
  We will have a great showing this year and we intend to caravan out and back from Milwaukee. Sign up early.

- ***JULY 14TH*** ***Pandl's of Bayside Healey Night***
  Always a fun event to show off our Healeys to the crowd at Pandl's. Warmer weather is promised this year with the later date. Come by and hear the stories from Conclave.

- ***JULY 18TH to 19TH*** ***Kohler International Challenge (formerly BRIC)***
  A great time to take part in any or all days of festivities in Elkhart Lake and see some beautiful cars.

- ***AUGUST 4TH*** ***Wayne's Drive In***
  Enjoy a summer evening at the drive in with some great cars.

- ***AUGUST 7TH to 9TH*** ***Botham Vineyards Weekend***
  Saturday touring and a great Sunday car show. The featured marque this year is the **Austin Healey**!! Let's have a great showing and watch the Ricchio's attempt to bring home their second Best in Show Award

- ***AUGUST 22ND*** ***The Masterpiece – Style and Speed Showcase***
  This is the fifth year of this 2 day event on Milwaukee's lakefront. This year we will be participating in Club Day on Saturday the 22nd. Time for mingling with club members and viewing other great classic cars. Register early!!

- ***AUGUST 23RD*** ***Ice Cream Social***
  Help us participate with other Healey clubs from around the US by enjoying a summer Sunday afternoon ice cream. Open to suggestions on the location for this year.

- ***SEPTEMBER 12TH*** ***Elkhart Lake Vintage Festival***
  Our annual Chili Blast Off will be Saturday the 12th. Last year we had our best showing of Healeys anyone could remember. Save the date early.

- ***SEPTEMBER 15TH*** ***Pandl's British Car Extravaganza***
  We have our own Healey night at Pandl's in July but this night is for all British cars.

- ***OCTOBER 9TH to 11TH*** ***Door County Weekend***
  This year we will be at Gordon Lodge in Bailey's Harbor once again to pick up where we left off in 2008.

- ***OCTOBER 24TH*** ***Fall Color Tour*** (tentative date)

Rendezvous 2009

For those of you who may be in the area, the Minnesota and WI clubs are holding their 19th Annual Rendezvous in Ashland, WI. There is more information straight from the Minnesota organizer on the next page. Leroy and Sue Joppa are regular attendees of this trek, and would LOVE to have more of our members present. Consider this long weekend getaway if you can't be a part of Conclave 2009, which starts the following weekend.

Delegates Meeting

Did you know. . . Sue Joppa is our Club delegate and one of her duties is to attend the Annual Delegates' Meeting. This year the meeting was hosted by the Gateway Club and was held in St. Louis, Missouri. Sue and Leroy attended the meeting and the minutes are available to all members. Since the minutes document is a long one (23 pages) it will not be reproduced in the newsletter. Rather, those members wishing to read the minutes can contact Sue Joppa for instructions on how to obtain the file. The file is password protected. We wish to thank both Sue and Leroy for attending the delegates' meeting all these years. There will come a time when Sue and Leroy will want to hand over the delegate duties to someone new (Hopefully not in the near future!), so if you are interested in learning what it takes to be a delegate, I suggest you talk to Sue and/or Leroy, as they will give you an honest impression. From reading the minutes, I gathered that the 2009 Delegates' Meeting will be hosted by the Carolinas' Club. The meetings take place generally in the Fall of the year. This may be a great opportunity for someone to learn how the National Club functions.

Welcome to Rendezvous 2009 - A Superior Experience - June 11-14

Where: The pristine shores of Chequamagon Bay on lake Superior in Ashland, Wisconsin

Ashland accommodations:

Identify yourself as part of Healey Rendezvous 2009 for the Special Room Rates (+ taxes) listed below.

Headquarters hotel: **AmericInn Motel & Suites (Sold Out)**
3009 Lake Shore Drive East Phone: 715-682-9950
80 rooms at $109.00/night (on reservations made by May 11) include complimentary breakfast + pool.

If AmericInn is full: **Lake Superior Lodge (Best Western)**
30600 Highway 2 West Phone: 715-682-5235
20 rooms at $1 09.00/night (good through May 11). Restaurant: Explorer's Point / Blue Heron Bar **Hotel Chequamegon**
101 Lake Shore Drive West Phone: 715-682-9095
20 rooms at $1 09.00/night (good through May 23) include complimentary breakfast + pool
Restaurant: Molly Cooper's Eating & Drinking Establishment Molly's Fish Fry - Friday - $10.95 to $14.95
Ashland Super 8 Motel
1610 Lake Shore Drive West Phone: 715-682-9377
10 rooms at special rates (good through May 11) of:
One Bed Room - $53.95 Thursday; $62.95 Friday & Saturday. Two Bed Room - $80.95 Thursday; $89.95 Friday & Saturday.

Rendezvous Update by Tom Moerke

Barb Ronning called the other motels in Ashlcmdas the AmericInn was already booked up. They were all aware of the Rendezvous ever)t and had rooms set aside. She found that The Best Western had sold out all 20 rooms, so 10 more were added to be set aside. The Hotel Chequamegon had only booked 1 room, so they have 19 still available. The Super 8 had only booked 1 room, so they have 9 left but have added ten more. So get your reservation now!

I got anemail from the Thunder Bay ChJbthata pack of them were coming! It's always fun to chat with our Canadian friends - and see their cars!

Now we have some great news for you. Kevin Clemens has agreed to speak at the Saturday night Awards Banquet! For those of you who do not know Kevin, he is an author, editor of European CCir Magazine., Vintage car racer, and Ic:>ng distanc.e. rallyist. By lopg distance I mean really looooooong distance. In the year 2000, he drove a 1959 Mercedes around the world! Now that's long. Two years ago he drove a race from Peking to Paris. He has many exciting experiences to draw from, so you won't want to miss his talk.

He's also a pretty handy guy to go on a drive with - always willing and very knowledgeable. I speak from the experience of atrip around L.ake Superior in 2006and a trip to the Black Hills in 2007 with Kevin. The other participants were Andy and Linda, Rich and Liz, Jon Masley, Larry Henle, Russ and Marg Bees, Dick Wallrich, and my Spokane buddy Fred Hyatt.

Now it's only 2plus months to go to Rendezvous! Remember to bring your swim suits and camera. See you there!

British Car Field Day 2009, Sussex, Wisconsin
Sunday June 21st , 2009

WHERE: Sussex Village Park, in Sussex, Wisconsin (see directions and map on back of this form).

WHEN: Show from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm, rain or shine.

Refreshments: Will be available on the grounds. Refreshment proceeds go to the Boy Scouts of America.

BCFD Shirts: We are once again offering BCFD shirts for order (see form below). **Register on or before May 12th to ensure Golf / Tee Shirt / Sweatshirt orders can be filled.** New for this year is a tan colour Tee Shirt and a light stone Golf Shirt.

PRE-REGISTRATION: Pre-registration will speed your entry onto the field as you will not need to exit your vehicle to register. Pre-registrations post marked on or before **June 12th** are **$10.00 for each car or motorcycle**. If you have more than two cars/cycles, use a copy of this form.

Registrations post marked after June 12th or on the day of the event increase to **$15.00** for **each car or motorcycle**. Award winners will be determined by a popular vote by registered event participants on ballots provided by BCFD. "People's Choice" Award is selected from the balloting of public viewers. Award(s) for each class, diamond in the rough, people's choice and best of show.

Dash plaque for registered cars and cycles. (Limit first 300)

THIS EVENT BENEFITS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF MILWAUKEE AND THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

For additional information write to:
British Car Field Day
W195 S10392 Racine Drive
Muskego, WI 53150
or Call: (414) 687-8447 or (262) 521-1072 or Email Jstockinger4@wi.rr.com

Please detach on the dotted line and mail your pre-registration early. Retain top portion for your records.

Official use only Reg# 1st_____ Class _____, Reg# 2nd _____ Class_____

British Car Field Day—2009 Registration Form (Please print clearly)

Name _____

Address _____ **City** _____

State _____ **Zip** _____ **Tele#** _(_____)_____ **Email** _____

Waiver of Liability

I have read and understand the Waiver of Liability denoted on the back of this form and agree with the terms of the waiver.

X_____ **Date** _____/_____/_____

1st Car or Cycle (Circle one) Marque_____ Year _____ Model _____

2nd Car or Cycle (Circle one) Marque_____ Year _____ Model _____

Registration **$10.00** each car/cycle (Post Marked on or before **6/12/09**) after **6/12/09 $15.00** each
Registrations with **shirt order** must be post marked on or before **May 12th** to ensure order can be filled!

BCFD Tee Shirts S, M, L , XL **$10.00**, XXL, XXXL **$12.00** (**tan**, cotton/poly blend) Size & Qty: **S**_____ ,**M**_____ ,**L**_____ ,**XL**_____ ,**XXL**_____ ,**XXXL**_____

BCFD Golf shirts S, M, L, XL **$20.00**, XXL , XXXL **$24.00** (**light stone**, 100% Cotton) Size & Qty: **S**_____ ,**M**_____ ,**L**_____ ,**XL**_____ ,**XXL**_____ ,**XXXL**_____

BCFD Sweatshirts S, M, L, XL **$18.00,** XXL **$22.00** (**Ash**, 90% Cotton/poly) Size & Qty: **S**_____ ,**M**_____ ,**L**_____ ,**XL**_____ ,**XXL**_____

Total Shirt Amount $_____ **Total Car/Cycle Registration Amount $**_____ **Total Enclosed $**_____

Checks Payable to: British Car Field Day
Mail to: BCFD
W195 S10392 Racine Drive
Muskego, WI 53150

Please fill in your primary club affiliation information on the back of this form

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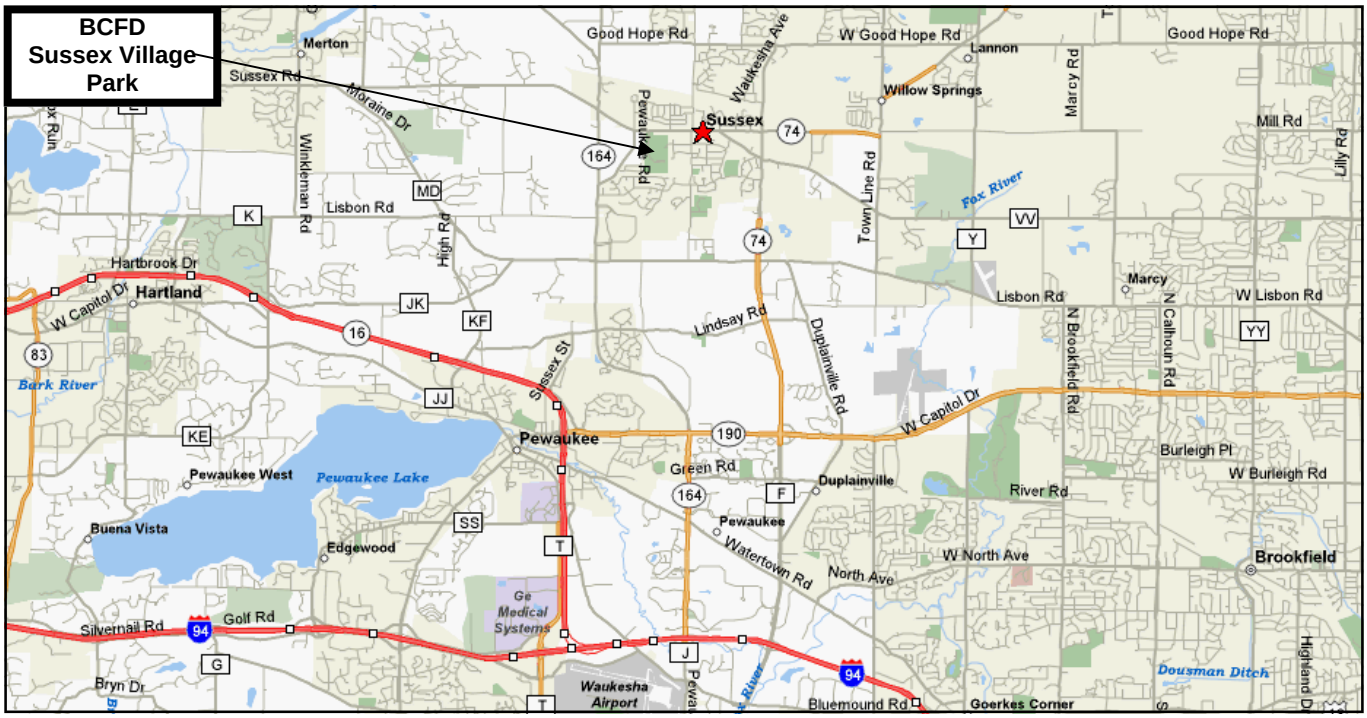

Directions

Follow Interstate 94 West from Milwaukee to Exit 295, County "F" (formerly Hwy. 164 North) which becomes Hwy 74 North, continue approx. 5 miles (in total), to Main Street in Sussex. Take Main Street west one mile to Weaver Drive. Follow the BCFD signs and look for Sussex Village Park on the left. See web for www.mapquest.com (Sussex Village Park, Wisconsin) or maps.google.com (Village Park, Sussex Wisconsin) or www.village.sussex.wi.us

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Waiver of Liability

I (we) agree that I (we), will not hold liable the British Car Field Day Committee, or their respective club, officers, or members, for any personal injury or property damage that may occur on the park grounds or while driving to or from the British Car Field Day event held at Sussex Village Park in Waukesha County, State of Wisconsin, held on Sunday, June 21st, 2009 and that my (our) participation in this event signifies my (our) agreement with the above waiver of liability.

Field decisions made by BCFD officials on the day of the event will be final and binding

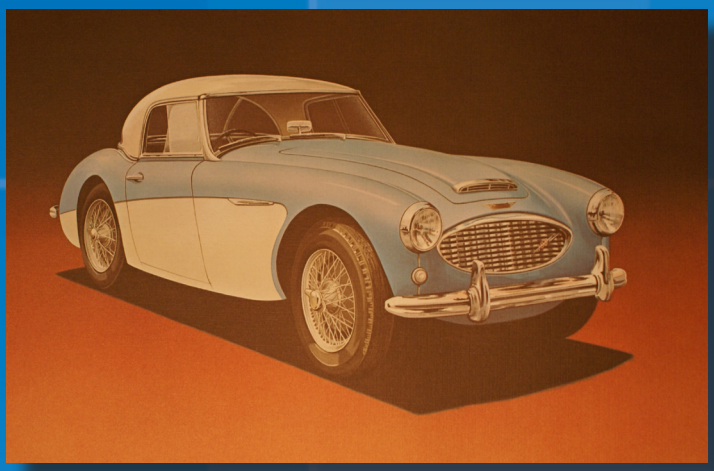
Club Affiliation

Primary Club Name _____

Club Marque _____

City and State _____

The Donald Healey Collection



Bic Healey is proud to present the last remaining quantities of original production, fine-art prints as part of the Donald Healey Collection. This special edition collection features four of the most recognizable Austin-Healey models.

Originally commissioned by Donald himself, these four prints represent his favorite Austin-Healey models. These have not been produced in over 20 years and these are the last known quantities. Prints are available at $40 per + S&H.

For more information, or to purchase your prints contact Ben Moore, HealeyPosters@mac.com.