

HEALEY HAPPENINGS



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Healey Happenings is the official publication of the Carolinas Austin-Healey Club and is published January through November.

Membership in the Carolinas Austin-Healey Club is open to all owners of Austin and Jensen Healeys and to all others who have an interest in the car or the purpose of the club. Ownership of a Healey is not required for membership.

UP COMING EVENTS

Club Meeting	May 19
Conclave	May 21-25
Club Meeting	June 17
Southeastern	Sept 21-24

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May 19, 2023 Club meeting and picnic at Landsford Canal State Park, 2051 Park Drive, Catawba, SC



May 20, 2023 26th Annual Triangle British Classic, Hendrick Center for Automotive Excellence, 6600 Louisburg Road, Raleigh, NC

May 27, 2023 Great Scot Car Show, Furman University, Greenville, SC

<https://healeyclub.org/>

May 21-28, 2023



June 17, 2023 Club Meeting/Drive to White Oak Mountain near Columbus, NC



**September 21-24, 2023 Austin Healey Southeastern Classic XXXVI
Double Tree Inn at Biltmore Village Asheville, NC**

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**EDITOR'S
NOTES**

Thanks to those of you that have contributed articles for the newsletters. It really makes the newsletter better for our members and easier for this old editor who finds it difficult to keep making things up.



On a personal note, I am more than ready to get back on the road before I go stir crazy and the grass and weeds cover our property to the point where it gets condemned by the county. I am told that I am somewhere between four and six weeks out before I can start using a clutch. Unfortunately the physical therapy facility does not have a clutch machine to practice on.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the club meeting at Landsford Canal in May.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Until further notice our meetings will be held in conjunction with our monthly drives, tech sessions or other activities. Please see our monthly calendar which will be in each newsletter January through November and on our website www.carolinasahc.com

Newsletter

Submissions to the newsletter can be sent at any time to Ed Farnell. Deadline is the 5th of each month.

Classified "For Sale" ads: Advertising British cars for sale are FREE to members. Ads selling Healey parts, or Healey related items are FREE to all. Non-member "Cars for Sale" are \$10.00 per issue. Send information (photos should be jpg format) to eafarnell@gmail.com All Commercial Ads: Advertise your business in the Healey Happenings! Annual display ad rates are as follows:

Half Page 5" X 8" \$150.00 per year
Quarter Page \$100.00 per year
Business Card \$ 50.00 per year



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE & RAMBLINGS

The Gathering was every bit as enjoyable as expected, maybe even more so, with our club members receiving 7 awards.

Thanks again to Sue Gail for volunteering to be the club's Roadside Care Officer, but try as we may, her employer-provided laptop wouldn't cooperate by allowing her to load the ability to send out emails. We really appreciate her trying. Glenda Sjolander, another wonderful club member, stepped up and volunteered to take on the role. Thanks, Glenda!

For proof that hard work pays off, Chuck Reeves' efforts to secure a perfect location for the car show for our Southeastern Classic in Asheville worked. We will have it very close to the Doubletree at the "Biltmore Village Town Park and, it will be part of their 100th year anniversary celebration.

Currently we have 52 registrations, 13 clubs represented, 8 first-timers, 12 states represented, 4 Canadians, and 89 signed up for the welcome party! To register for Southeastern, click [HERE](#). Or, you can see more at our website. <https://carolinasahc.com/join-us-at-the-se-calssic-xxxvi/>

About 15 club members attended the Celebration of Life Service for Geri Davidson at the Lake Norman Yacht Club, a beautiful location for such a nice service. Jerry, John, and Bill and Debbie drove their Healeys, in honor of Geri. She would have appreciated that! The Davidsons have been long time

members of our club.

One of Geri's daughters recounted when she was in grade school, and she had a special school day coming up which she was very ex-



cited about. When she woke up, she smelled hamburgers cooking. Odd? She went downstairs, and Geri was indeed cooking burgers in a frying pan. Geri explained to her daughter that she had slept in very late, missed breakfast, so she was now cooking dinner! (Her family's favorite **April Fools** joke)

Our next meeting and gathering will be on April 19th, at the beautiful Landsford Canal State Park. We met there a couple of years ago, and Davie Burgdorf told us the story of how he was connected to that site. Hmmm! We will recall that, and have a quiz when we gather. For those who can remember some parts of Davie's connection and story, you might win a prize. Also, it will be birthday celebration time again, so bring a lunch, and we will gather for a picnic, and see the spider lilies, hopefully in full bloom! <https://southcarolinaparks.com/landsford-canal>

See you there,

Cheers
George

Secretary's Report

Meeting Minutes - April 2023

Have you noticed that President George Hege wields a hammer so mighty it looks like it may be borrowed from the Norse god of thunder, Thor? It was with this very hammer that George gaveled our meeting to order on April 15 at Shelton Winery. It was a gorgeous day and many of our members were in attendance.

The first report of the meeting came from our membership wizard, Jack Porter, who confirmed that we currently have 105 members in total. Quite unusually, we did not have a Treasurer's report, but who can spare a thought for filthy lucre when surrounded by hundreds of British cars and Spring springing out all around us?

John Jones, Jerry Price and some other brave souls had ventured to the Lone Star Republic for a Healey event and George welcomed them back to civilization. They suffered no worse than a cracked windscreen and a broken headlamp on their journey.

George then put Stuart Shepherd on the spot to speak on matters having to do with vintage motoring and he thoroughly entertained us with tales of his earliest days as the proud owner of a Royal Enfield motorbike on which he traveled back and forth to work at a flying club. He suffered several epic wipeouts on this motorbike including one in which he ran afoul of an agricultural slurry composed of sugar beet tops and mud. Later he traded up and got a Velocette, the Rolls Royce of motorbikes, and it was on this trusty bike that he and Mary dated in fine style.

It was announced that Kim Lee would be turning over the position of Roadside Care Reporter to Sue Gail.

We then got some updates on preparations for Southeastern from Chuck Reeves and Bill Walton. In brief...there will be a first-timer's car show on Thursday evening, we will be allowed to use the Biltmore Forest as a venue which is a huge coup, we will play bingo which, face it, is age appropriate, donation of auction baskets is needed, also people to volunteer to be greeters. In general, Chuck is confident that things are coming together well.

John Jones then pulled a joke on Charlie Grobusky. He had made it appear that Charlie's bonnet had been padlocked closed. There was an implication that Charlie is too often opening the bonnet to look for trouble which is utter nonsense. Or is it?

If it seems to you that we didn't conduct much serious business at this meeting you are right, thank heavens. Our excuses are friends, picnicking, British cars, and sunshine.

ANOTHER SOUTHEASTERN COMING YOUR WAY

Go to www.carolinasahc.com to register. Please register now for the best hotel rooms and to help us best plan our event.



Southeastern Classic XXXVI
September 21-24, 2023
Biltmore Village, Asheville, NC

Registration for Southeastern Classic XXXVI is now open! The Carolinas Austin-Healey Club has lots of activities and drives on the Blue Ridge Parkway planned for our SEC XXXVI. Go to www.CarolinasAHC.com for the **Event Highlights, Event Schedule, Hotel details** and the online **Registration Form**.
Questions: SEClassic2023@carolinasahc.com



Scan the QR Code to take you to the Carolinas website

TEXAS HEALEY ROUNDUP 2023

By John Grenier

I'm thinking back and it must have been in early December, 2022 when Jerry Price gave me a call and asked if I would be interested in a Healey trip to Blanco, TX for the Texas Healey Roundup in March of 2023 along with John Jones. I thought about it for a while and finally consented. My only reservation being the March weather. It can sometimes be a brutal month.

The game plan was to run backroads, state roads and old US routes. No interstates. We all felt the same in that we wanted to experience a slice of America along the way, and this would be the best way to do it.

So, we all registered. The people in Texas were thrilled to learn that three Carolinas Club members would be making the trek to Texas to participate in their event. Since many of us are getting up there in age it seems it is almost a celebratory event if any of us are still willing and able to take on such a challenge. This trip was going to be approximately 2600 miles round trip. The cars were all in good shape and we had no question they could make it, but the drivers? John Jones is driving a 1962 two seat tri-carb, Jerry Price a 1960 BN and John Grenier, a 1959 BN6. I won't mention the birth years of the drivers.

John Jones volunteered to come up with a route. He said he was going to go to Google maps to chart the course. For the heck of it Jerry and I went to AAA to see what they would recommend but after comparing notes we liked the Google plan better. Since the

event dates were Friday, March 24 and 25 with a departure date of Sunday March 26 we at first planned on running two 500 plus miles for two days and then making the third a short run of 200 plus miles. It was suggested to us by the Texas people to plan on arriving Thursday, March 23 so we would have time to relax and socialize a little beforehand. We thought that was a good idea so we made our reservations at the host hotel accordingly.

Initially we planned on leaving Tuesday, March 21 but as the time to leave approached we decided that maybe 500 plus miles a day was a little too aggressive, so we bumped the departure date up to Monday, March 20. This would allow us to run about 350 miles per day for the first 3 days and then make the last day a shorter distance.

Before we knew it our departure date was upon us. We met at our favorite non ethanol fueling station, fueled up and off we went.



The cars were not only ready mechanically, but John Jones had devised a phone holder for our dash, which is very functional. John was the lead car so he had his phone mounted with the Google app running with Jerry running number two and I number three. Both Jerry and I ran our MPH apps to watch speed and to record miles traveled. In addition, we all were using CB radios to communicate.

The weather was good but chilly, so we all bundled up. Our tops were down of course. Everything went fine that first day. The roads were good, we were able to find non-ethanol gas (John Jones was using an app to help us find it) and we cruised all the way to Columbus, GA. The only little scare we had was around Monticello, GA. A police car was following us for quite a while but he eventually turned off so we were in the clear. Maybe he picked up on the fact we were running at slightly robust speeds.



On Tuesday morning we were off again with our tops down. A little chilly but not as bad as the first day. We ran across Alabama unscathed except for the fact we did get stopped by the police in Coffeyville, AL for exceeding the speed limit. The officer



was nice though and let us go. On this second day we reached Brookhaven, MS. On the third day we reached Huntsville, TX and finally on Thursday we were in Blanco, TX, which was our destination.

The host hotel was named the Blanco River Hotel and was built around the year 2000. It was a beautiful building with very nice, comfortable rooms and the people working there were all very, very helpful.



The event itself was well organized. We had a great hospitality room with plenty of adult beverages which was to our liking. Friday was more of a social day with a chance to go out and ride the hill country if desired. We did not, as we were still recuperating from our trip. Saturday was the car show and rally followed by the banquet and awards ceremony.

The car show was at the town square right alongside the old Blanco courthouse which was built in 1886. Today it is used as a welcome center. It is actually the prettiest building in town. The car show was well attended with 26 cars. In addition to the Healeys there were two Triumphs and 1 MGB that came into town to join us and they were welcomed.



One nice twist was the organizers wanted the populace to get involved in the voting and it really worked out well. All observers were given ballots, so they really looked closely at the cars to choose their favorites. Even small children were running around picking out their favorites. I loved seeing the enthusiasm. We are all somewhat concerned about getting younger generations interested in our cars and I thought this was a step in the right direction.



Saturday afternoon was the road rally. We did not participate as my car needed a little tweaking under the hood, so John Jones and Jerry took care of that for me. Nothing major, just essentials. Once done the car was back to normal.



At 5:30 PM we all went into town to meet at one of the local restaurants for a social hour after which we filed over to the old courthouse for our banquet. We had Texas Bar B Q for dinner and it was good.



Sunday morning, we had breakfast at the hotel and said our goodbyes. We had to change our plans relative to the route traveled as the weather patterns across the south were very menacing.



After that we had the awards distributed and the Carolina guys did all right. John Jones took first place in the roadster class, and I placed third. I was also awarded the long distant trophy!

We were going to take a very southerly route back but had to change that to a more northerly route in order to try to stay above the foul weather. Also, we had to deviate from using old US routes and back roads to using interstates in order to run as fast as we could so as to try to outpace the foul weather. We got lucky and dodged all the rain and winds on that return trip and completed our top-down journey on Wednesday, March 29. We actually ran back roads for the most part that last day. We did have a close call with the police again in GA but managed to escape that one too. The Healey's must have been flying under the radar.



We then refueled, said our goodbyes and it was off to our respective homes. Of course, I still had about 100 miles to go, but that went quick.

All in all, an excellent trip. We all made it in one piece and the cars ran great.

We concluded our journey at the very gas station we had started from the previous Monday.



TECH TALK by John Jones

Installation of Finned Alum. Oil Pan



I just finished installing my second and last finned aluminum oil pan. If I had remembered what a pain it was I would not have installed but one. First, do you really think that you need to add additional weight to the front of your car?? I didn't put it on a scale but it felt like it weighed at least 40 pounds. If I did not have two tall screw jacks I could not have done it.

Removal of the original steel pan was the easiest part of the job, just remove all of the bolts and with just a little help from a flat screw driver it pops right off. Then the "fun" begins. The mating surface has been machined flat and all of the bolt holes have been drilled, but all of the holes are slightly off center of the holes in the block so I had to over drill each two drill sizes to provide clearance to the threaded holes in the block. Then I had to shave the front edge of the pan to get it in between the front and rear engine plates. The final modification was that the side of the inside of the pan had been machined to provide clearance for the oil pump. The problem was that it was machined in the wrong location so I had to do some additional machining; fortunately I have a mill and a tool that would get into where I needed. Now each of these steps involved putting the pan in place, determine what was wrong then make the modification then test fit it again, did I say that it is heavy as s...?

The only good news was that the instructions with the pan said that you need to cut 1/4" off the bottom of the pickup tube and re-notch it because of the additional thickness of the pan. I measured across the bottom edges of the block to the bottom of the pickup tube and measured the depth of the pan and found that even with the extra thickness of the pan there would still be over 1/4" of clearance. When I built a new high capacity oil pan for the race car I was told by experts, that I should put the pickup tube 1/8" from the bottom so I figured over 1/4" was more than close enough.

As I said, second and last.



Happy Birthday, CAHC Members!!

Are you a new member or not sure if I have your birthday?

Send an email to eafarnell@gmail.com.

May 5 Roger Dahnert
 May 8 Webb Rice
 May 26 Mary Shepherd

June 2 Lundy Wright
 June 6 Jack Porter
 June 16 Evelyn Lundell
 June 18 Clark Moore
 June 20 Douglas Lundell
 June 23 Treasure Teague
 June 27 Carl Brown
 June 27 Pat Bagby



Kevin Stedman - Durham, NC

EVENTS IN THE WINDSCREEN

Club Meeting/Gathering/Picnic Landsford Canal State Park
Friday, May 19th



- **Note the meeting is on Friday to avoid the weekend Festival crowd.**
- Caravans will leave in time to arrive at the park at 10:30 AM
- Bring your picnic lunch and your chairs
- Might have a quiz to see if anyone remembers some of the history that Davie Burgdorf gave us last time we were here.
- The British Car Club Midlands Center has been invited to join us
- **Park fee is \$3.75 per person**

While at the park we can walk the old canal that was built in the early eighteenth century to bypass the rocky shoals so that boats could carry goods to the coast. The shoals are also home to the largest known outcrop of the rocky shoals spider lily which should be in full bloom during our visit. This is the weekend of the Lily Festival at the park.

Caravans are available as follows:

- 10:00 **sharp** from the Harris Teeter on US 521 at 6271 Carolina Commons Dr, Indian Land, SC
- 9:30 **sharp** from the BP station at Exit 27 on I-77 in Blythewood, SC

May 20, 2023 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

TRIANGLE BRITISH CLASSIC CAR SHOW, Sponsored by NC MG Car Club, Jaguar Land Rover of Raleigh, and Hagerty. Pre-Register through April 12, 2023. The twenty sixth anniversary of the Carolina MG Car Club's Triangle British Classic Car Show is scheduled for May 20, 2023. The show is in a new location at the Hendrick Center for Automotive Excellence on the campus of Wake Technical Community College North. This is a wonderful facility with available restrooms and air conditioned sitting areas. The campus is located at 6600 Louisburg Rd in Raleigh but the Hendrick Center is Building R on the corner of Fox and Perry Creek Road. The car show entrance in to the parking lot is on Perry Creek Road directly across from Tompkins Solutions, 6870 Perry Creek Rd, Raleigh, NC 27616. There will be a car show, 50/50 drawing, silent auction, food, and Hot Wheels Racing for the kids. We will have shade inside the building and places to sit and get out of the heat, as well as restrooms on site, and the grounds and building are handicapped accessible. The cost to register a car for the show is \$30, an additional car is \$15. There is no charge for spectators, who can also vote for their favorite car. Pick up a spectators ballot on the table at the voting box. Show Agenda: Registration: 8:30 am to 11:00 am Voting Ends: 1 pm Pre-Registration & 50/50 Raffle Drawing at 2:00 pm Awards: 2:30 pm Early registration will close on April 12. Registration must be submitted by that date for early registration. Early registration includes dash plaque and show t-shirt. Pre-registering is the only way to guarantee you receive a t-shirt. A limited number will be available for purchase at the registration tent and club tent. Dash plaques will be given to the first 150 registrants. All early registrations will be entered in a drawing for a \$100 gift card. Although there are benefits to registering early, you can register on the day of the event.

Sponsor: NC MG Car Club, Jaguar Land Rover of Raleigh, and Hagerty

When: May 20, 2023 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Location:

6600 Louisburg Rd.
Raleigh, NC, 27616

Cost: \$30 for first registered car, \$15 for each additional car, Spectators are free

To Register: [Click here for more information](#) or call Dennis L Taylor at 919-610-7166 or [e-mail us](#)



Join us June 1-4, 2023

A DAY AT THE RACES!

Historic Churchill Downs is the backdrop to our signature event day at this year's SpringThing. A day at the races is an exciting way to try your hand at some wagering or just sit back and enjoy the plentiful buffet! Fresh on the heels of the 149th Kentucky Derby, the track is the place to be for a day of action and fun.

Bring your Derby finest, hats are welcome, and celebrate with your Healey friends at one of the most iconic locations in the World!





Name _____
 Guest _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____
 Car 1 _____ Car 2 _____
 Club Affiliation _____

Is this your first SpringThing? YES NO

- _____ Registration - \$75 (includes two adults)
- _____ Churchill Downs - \$45 (per person)
- _____ British BASH Car show - \$15 (per car)

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Bluegrass Austin-Healey Club

Mail registration and payment to:
 Mike Schneider
 3416 Barbour Lane
 Louisville, KY 40241

HOST HOTEL - Room rate \$99 - 109+ (request Austin-Healey Club rooms)
 Courtyard by Marriott - Louisville Northeast
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**SATURDAY, OCT. 7, 2023
TENTH ANNUAL**



**HELD AT
THE MARKET COMMON
MYRTLE BEACH,
SOUTH CAROLINA**

SPONSORED BY



On Behalf of the Entire Grand Strand British Car Club, We Welcome You to Our Annual Car Show at The Market Common! In addition to all of the beautiful British cars, we will have a shady hospitality tent. Food trucks will offer a variety of cuisines for your purchasing selection. Only 2 blocks away is The Market Common which boasts shops, restaurants and a cinema so your weekend will be packed with fun for everyone! Please, register early and plan to stay the weekend to soak up all of the fun!

The Grand Strand British Car Club's Myrtle Beach Britfest will be held at The Market Common on the empty paved lot (behind the King Street Grille) bounded by Johnson and Hendrick Ave, and Iris and Hackler St, located just off Farrow Parkway between Highway 17 Business and Highway 17 By-Pass.



Driving on Highway 17 Business:
Turn west onto Farrow Parkway, proceed 0.7 mile, turn right onto Johnson Ave.

Driving on Highway 17 By-Pass:
Exit onto Farrow Parkway, proceed east 2.7 miles, turn left on Johnson Ave.

Dash Plaques will be given to all early registration entrants and will be available for some late and "day-of" registrations.

Award Plaques or Trophies will be presented to winners in each Class with at least one entrant. Special Awards will be presented for "My Favorite British Car", "Best Picnic Presentation", and for this year, a Special Recognition for the 100th Anniversary of M.G. Sports Cars!

English Tea with "Best Hat" competition will take place under one of the shady hospitality tents during the show.

A Welcome Reception will be held Friday night from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the Tupelo Honey Cafe, 3042 Howard Ave. located in The Market Common (heavy hors d'oeuvres and cash bar).



Recommended Accommodations Special room rate information for DoubleTree Resort by Hilton Myrtle Beach Oceanfront will be listed on the GSBC website as it becomes available.



DOUBLE TREE RESORT
BY HILTON
MYRTLE BEACH OCEANFRONT

Car Class Numbers:

- 01 Austin Healey 100 / 3000
 - 02 Austin Healey Sprite / MG Midget
 - 03 Austin Healey Bugeye Sprite
 - 04 Aston Martin
 - 05 Bentley / Rolls Royce
 - 06 Jaguar SS, XK120 / 140 / 150
 - 07 Jaguar E-type
 - 08 Jaguar & Daimler Early Saloons (thru 1970)
 - 09 Jaguar & Daimler XJ0/12/R (1968-1997)
 - 10 Jaguar XJS, XJR (1978-1997)
 - 11 Jaguar XK8, XK, XKR (1997-2015)
 - 12 Jaguar Sedans, Estates, SUV's (1998-)
 - 13 Jaguar F-type (2012-)
 - 14 Lotus
 - 15 MG A
 - 16 MG B / C (chrome bumper)
 - 17 MG B (rubber bumper)
 - 18 MG B GT / C GT
 - 19 MG T Series and Other
 - 20 Mini (original) & variants
 - 21 MINI (BMW)
 - 22 Morgan
 - 23 Land and Range Rover Sunbeam
 - 24 Triumph TR 2/3/3A/3B
 - 25 Triumph TR 4/4A/5/250
 - 26 Triumph TR 6
 - 27 Triumph TR 7
 - 28 Triumph TR 7/8
 - 29 Triumph Spitfire & GT6
 - 30 Triumph Stag & Other
 - 31 TVR
 - 32 British Special Interest (not listed elsewhere)
 - 33 * British Motorcycles
 - 34 * British Replicas
 - 35 * Non-British Import of Special Interest
- * Classes not eligible for "My Favorite British Car"

NOTE: Entrant selects class designations of cars on this form. However, GSBC has the right to eliminate, combine, or add classes, and to reassign entries to other classes if deemed necessary by the Judging Committee. Award Plaques or Trophies will be presented to winners in each Class with at least one entrant.

Myrtle Beach Britfest Registration

(PLEASE-PLEASE-PLEASE - print clearly as you would like it to appear)

name: _____

address: _____

city-state-ZIP: _____

club affiliations: _____

email: _____

telephone: _____

Entry 1 class # _____ \$30 early -or- \$35 late

yr-make-model-color _____

Entry 2 class # _____ \$15 each additional

yr-make-model-color _____

Registrations before Sep. 1: \$30 first car entered + \$15 each additional car entered.

Late Registrations postmarked on or after Sep. 1: \$35 first car entered + \$15 each additional car entered.

(Registration includes 1 day Special Club Membership for Non-Members.)

T-Shirt Order:

- # of med _____
- # of large _____
- # of X lg _____
- # of XX lg _____
- x \$21.80 each (inc. sales tax) _____
- = \$ _____



Friday Night Reception at Tupelo Honey:

(Four reservations for the reception must be received by Sep. 21.)

attending = _____ x \$20 per person

= \$ _____

Total Above Fees: \$ _____

(Sorry, no refunds can be made.)

Friday Evening Reception:

4:00 - 6:00 pm Tupelo Honey in The Market Common

Saturday Events Agenda:

- 9:00 Show Field Opens to Parking
- 11:00 - 12:00 noon English Tea
- 11:00 Late Registration Closes and Voting Begins
- 1:30 pm Popular Voting Ends
- 2:30 pm Awards Presentation, Raffles, Etc.
- Off-Road Trailer Parking available next to show field.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

All registrants grant permission to the Grand Strand British Car Club, Inc. (the "GSBC") to publish photos and videos of the registrant and registrant's vehicle(s) in print or electronic media including the GSBC newsletter, promotional materials, website, Youtube channel, FaceBook page or other social media. Registrant is also aware of the hazards inherent with motor vehicle events, and specifically releases and indemnifies the GSBC, its Board of Directors, Officers, organizers of events, and volunteers, collectively and separately from any liability for personal injury or property damage incurred by registrant or registrant's guests while participating in this event. The undersigned has read and voluntarily signs this release and waiver of liability and indemnity and further agrees that no oral representations, statements, or inducements apart from the foregoing have been made.

signature _____ date _____

Register On-Line at

www.GrandStrandBritishCarClub.com

-or- complete this Registration Form, make out a check in the amount of the Total you calculated in the middle column payable to "GSBC", and mail to:

Ethan Harris, MB Britfest Registrar
931 Callant Dr.
Little River, SC 29566
tel: (781) 853-1135

For more information, contact:
Warren Bender, MB Britfest Show Chairman
VP@GrandStrandBritishCarClub.com

EVENT IN THE REAR VIEW MIRROR

Shelton's Vineyard "Gathering" 2023

by George Hege

In a word, "WOW!", what a great car show and weekend. I have been going to this show for over 15 years, on and off, and this one was a winner, not only on the fun scale, but also for the weather, number of our club members in attendance, and the number of awards their cars won.

Some of us drove up Friday and participated in the "Blue Ridge Tour" which was a really nice drive through lovely country roads near Dobson, and a kind of rally. We were given a sheet of things to look for like, for instance, a mail car, which ended up being a small white carriage on top of a mail box. Another was "it will take a lot of gravy", which brought attention to a huge, 4' tall concrete turkey. We were amazed that some folks got all but one or two. Still lots of fun, and Ron, the British chap who ran it, was a riot.

The car show, consisting of 271 cars, was laid out well, and Healeys, the featured marque, was well represented. (24 big Healeys,

Allen Hendrix brought a white, Healey rolling chassis, minus the skin, to show how they were constructed, and where the wiring went, etc. He said it was the last Jule frame. VERY COOL! It brought a lot of attention, as it should have! Thanks, Allen! What a great "revealing".



It was a great day at the always beautiful Shelton's Vineyard, and our club gathered in a big circle behind their Healeys for a brief meeting and picnic lunch. Stuart gave his "Sage Studies and Sagas from Stuart" on how a truck he is fiddling with conducted and completed its electrical lighting circuitry. The emergency flashers wouldn't work, but when he replaced a taillight bulb, they did. And it wasn't even Lucas, it was American.





It was great to see Sue and Jim Vanderlinde, club members from years ago, rejoining us after Jim battled some health issues. Welcome back, y'all! Also good to see our new member, Pete Millen, with his Healey..



I counted 30 club members in attendance, and John Jones completed the meeting with a solution to how to keep Charlie from working on his car so much.



Also joining us was Steve Ward, the chairman of the Gathering, who apologized for the oversight on the classes of Healeys for the event. He corrected them and when all of the voting was over, our club members won several. Andrew Bove won 3rd in the Sprite Class, with his Bugeye. Bill Walton and Debbie White won 1st in the 100-6 class with their beautiful car. Truly it was a winner, as you read on. Andy and Carolyn McIntyre took 1st in the 3000 Mk 1 class with their striking 3000 and John Jones won 1st in his Mk II. Additionally, Bob and Debbie Bove took home 2nd place in their Mk III.

Last, but certainly not least, Bill had to be tracked down when he won Best in Show, for he had almost left the area. Awesome car, Bill and Deb! The smile on his face when he was handed the trophy told it all.

Thanks to all for coming! See you here next year!

Left: Bill and Debbie won best in class and Best of Show
Right: Glenda's grin tells it all.



The Bove's cleaned house.



I think Jack and Annette got photo bombed.



The only picture of this winning car shows off some neat items that John Jones is making up and selling. He has a neat third brake light kit and a nice demo board. Also in the box is some cool boots he has developed to keep the driver side rear shock cool.



Only one person in this picture would have the audacity to set his beer down on the bonnet of the “Best of Show”



Above: Club meeting/lunch during the show. When George brings out the “Austin Healey” gavel/mallet the cats get herded up nicely.



A short trip to Mount Airy puts you back in the 60's.

Right: Reflections





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It is a very nice "survivor" with just under 50,000 miles. It was kept in a garage all its life and was well taken care of by the original owner who sold the car to me. I have put new Michelin XAS 180r15 tires and seat covers on it as well as given it a complete tune up. The tune up included points, condenser, cap, rotor, spark plugs, wires and valve adjustment. The previous owner had the carburetors rebuilt and tuned prior to my acquisition. The engine runs beautifully. My mechanic gave the car a leak down test and said the engine was perfect. I have a file of work done to the car including a new cloth top which was installed in 2017. Asking \$45,000. I'd be glad to answer any other questions at 704-728-9642 or petemillen@msn.com.



CAHC SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 2023			
Date	Event	CAHC Host	Details
FEBRUARY			
20 TH 11:00 AM	Club Meeting	George Hege mailto:g_hege@bellsouth.net	Famous Toastery 1028 Edgewater Pkwy Indian Land, SC
MARCH			
4 th -5 th	Amelia Island Con- cours D'Elegance		Ritz Calton 4750 Amelia Island Pkwy Amelia Island, FL
11 th 11:00 AM	Club Meeting/Drive	George Hege mailto:g_hege@bellsouth.net	Chester State Park 759 State Park Drive, Chester, SC Bring your picnic and chairs
18 th	Spring Tune Up	Ed Farnell mailto:eafarnell@gmail.com	440 Langford Road Blythewood, SC Women's Activities & BBQ Lunch
25 th	Tri-Club Drive	Dick Lunney	Trip to Shelby for lunch at Waters Edge and NC Transportation Museum
APRIL			
1st 9:00 AM	Carolina British Classic XIV	Ed Farnell mailto:eafarnell@gmail.com	The Historic Columbia Speedway 2001 Charleston Hwy, Cayce, SC
14 th -16 th	The Gathering Club Meeting	George Hege mailto:g_hege@bellsouth.net	Shelton Vineyards Dobson, NC Healy is the featured marque
29th	Broad River Classic		Dog Head Farm Shelby, NC (see registration form)
MAY			
19 th 11:00 AM	Club Meeting/Drive		Landsford Canal State Park Home of the Spider Lilies Catawba, SC (picnic lunch)
20 th 8:30- 3:00	26 th Annual Triangle British Classic		Hendrick Center for Automotive Excellence of Wake North 6600 Louisburg Rd., Raleigh, NC
21 st -26 th	Conclave		Crystal River, Florida Register HERE
27 th 9:00 AM	Great Scot British Car Show	Jack Porter mailto:jackannette@bellsouth.net	Furman University Greenville, SC
June			
1 st -4 th	Spring Thing	Bluegrass AHC	Churchill Downs Louisville, KY
3 rd	BMCCF 23 rd Annual British Car Show & Scottish Games		3600 Burnt Mill Dr. Wilmington, NC Register Here

17 th	Club Meeting/Drive	Chuck & Monique Reeves mailto:Wolfpackqb1@outlook.com	White Oak Mountain Catered BBQ Lunch
JULY			
15 th 2:00 PM	Club Meeting/ Lake Party	George Hege mailto:g_hege@bellsouth.net	Joyce Allen's Lake House 167 Ballycastle Road Mooresville, NC
AUGUST			
12 th 11:00 AM	Pool Party/Club Meeting Ice Cream Social	Bob & Debbie Bove mailto:rbsdiego@carolina.rr.com	5119 Bevington Place Charlotte, NC
24 th -29 th	Encounter		Hereshey, PA
SEPTEMBER			
21 st -24 th	Southeastern XXXVI	Chuck Reeves mailto:Wolfpackqb1@outlook.com	Double Tree Hotel Biltmore Village, Asheville, NC Register HERE
OCTOBER			
7 th	Britfest	Bill Walton mailto:Bill.walton@mac.com	Market Commons Myrtle Beach, SC
14 th	Cars at Kiawah River		Kiawah River Johns Island, SC
14 th	Club Meeting/Drive	Ed Farnell mailto:eafarnell@gmail.com	Beaver's Den 3482 John G. Richards Road Liberty Hill, SC Dual Club Drive with BCCMC
28 th	British Car Day		Palmetto Islands County Park 444 Needlerush Pkwy, Mt. Pleasant, SC
28 th	Wooly Worm Tour	Triad AHC	
NOVEMBER			
TBD	Tech Session/Club Meeting	Stuart Shepherd mailto:stuams@gmail.com	TBD
DECEMBER			
9 th 11:00 AM	Annual Christmas Party	George Hege mailto:g_hege@bellsouth.net	Camp Cherokee, Camp Cherokee Road Kings Mountain State Park Blacksburg, SC

NOTE: See out CAHC website for information about each event. Many times there is even more information including a Google map with directions to the event. Many thanks to the members who volunteer to host events.