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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

Tech Session Nov 18
Christmas Party Dec 9

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SOUTHEASTERN CLASSIC XXXVI EDITION



SAVE THE DATES

CAHC Tech Session & Club Meeting - November 18, 2023 10:00AM

6011 Davis Road, Waxhaw, SC stuams@gmail.com

Healey Electrics Simplified
Detecting Oil Leaks



**Christmas Party - December 9, 2023
11:00 till 3:00**

**Camp Cherokee, 1299 Camp Road
Kings Mountain State Park
Blacksburg, SC**



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EDITOR'S NOTES

You might notice that I wrote almost everything in this issue. Remember editor does not mean writer in most languages.

Please consider writing an interest article about your Healey (or any other LBC you may own) I will not even edit out a Ford or Chevy article at this point.

Technical articles are also always appreciated.

Again I challenge the ladies who may not really be into cars, to write a non car related article that might be interesting to our readers.

No one can say you sent me something I did not use.



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

“Best Southeastern Ever!” That’s what I heard from so many folks who attended our SEC XXXVI in Asheville recently. I totally agree! What a wonderful event, from the location, near the Blue Ridge Parkway in the NC mountains, to the very accommodating DoubleTree hotel and staff, the weather, food, car show and location, the drives, the items in the silent auction and raffle, regalia “wearables”, the awards banquet, etc. I could go on and on. The memories made, the renewed relationships with old friends and fun with new ones, including the jokes made on, and with, them all, were incredible!

I can’t help but brag on our Carolinas Club, and the tireless creative geniuses who thought of every detail to make it all work and be enjoyed by so many, including 32 “First Timers”. **A Big Thank You To:** our SEC Committee, who met many times over the months prior to plan, discuss and think through all of the details. They are: Chuck Reeves, Bill Walton, Bob Bove, Ted Sjolander, Carl Brown, John Jones, Jerry Price, Ed Farnell, Dick Lunney and I.

Chuck and Monique Reeves, our tireless and energetic Chairpersons, for hosting, directing, planning, and everything, with style! Chuck’s developed relationships with the hotel, Biltmore Forest folks on the car show and trailer parking fields, police, Green Man Brewery, Asheville Chamber of Commerce, Asheville Trolley, his wood-working buddy on making the awards plaques, and so many more, were invaluable!

able!

Ed and Kitty Farnell, for handling all of the items in the silent auction and raffle, multiple times! What a lot of work that took! Bill Walton and Deb-



bie White, for promotion and publicity, pre and post event, in the AHCA and outside the club, scheduling events, photography and slide shows, developing the electronic registration form, designing and maintaining the club website and updates, planning the Poker Rally, including the route, pickup sites, map, and tallying the results. Creating posters to keep everyone informed. Bill also developed the awards artwork, and they both provided so much planning, ideas, and wisdom, for months! They also planned and directed the First Timers Car Show and awards, which was a huge success! Bob Bove, “Mr. Regalia”, and all of the details associated with it. Nice wearables! John Jones and Jerry Price, parking, trailers, and car show Wizards! So creatively engineered and conducted! Sid Trapp, who created and maintained the car wash facilities, Clark and Paula, Jack and Annette, our excellent hospitality hosts and hostesses! Cheers! Lundy Wright, super baskets! Great signs, Charlie! They really helped. Thanks, Ted, for keeping the money straight, which was interesting at times. Tech Sessions, with our own Carl and Bill, were really informative and well done, in detail. Bingo Dinner with Sheron, our “Bingo Caller Extraordinaire”, was entertaining and different! and timely.

On the following pages, Ed has further named individuals who made this all work. It was a group effort, and what a great group we have. Everyone pitched in and made this a really memorable event and a very tough act to follow! Thanks again!

For our club, there is more fun to come. The heat has finally broken, and we have our next event in November, we are honored to go to Stuart and Mary's house for an interesting Tech Session.

ATTENTION IMPORTANT

See You There!
Cheers!

It is almost time for the election of club officers. The position of 2nd VP is available to any club member who is willing to step up and serve the club. Please call or email me if you would like more information. My contact information is on page 2.

George

Thanks to Wilbur Wright for working through his friend and master Case dealer for making this special knife available!!

A few special, limited edition Southeastern, Case Trapper knives remain for sale.

These would make an excellent Christmas present for your favorite Healey driver.

Only 50 of these exist making them a great collectable. They come in the original box along with a special draw-string bag

To purchase go to our website: carolinasahc.com Under the SE Classic tab and look under Regalia Store.

Price includes shipping and handling





As they say, “it takes a village”

The following club members who dedicated their time by serving in one or several areas were the reason that Southeastern XXXVI was a resounding success. Unfortunately, the host club members usually miss out on many of the event activities, but the comments, across the board, about how well Southeastern was run are evidence that your dedication was appreciated. From Chuck and the various committee chairs, we want you to know how much you are appreciated.

THANK YOU

Kick back and enjoy XXXVII

Sam Allen
 Edie Anderson
 Mike & Lisa Bond
 Bob & Debbie Bove
 Carl & Linda Brown
 Roger Dahnart
 Stephanie Dalaney
 Ed & Kitty Farnell
 John Grenier
 Larry & Barbara Griswold
 George & Marilyn Hege
 Don & Becky Hemphill
 Dick & Gleyn Hoffman
 John Jones
 Howard Lang
 Rick Lee
 Dick & Beth Lunney
 Janis Maurer
 Kent McCoin
 Andy & Carolyn McIntyre

Charlie & Sheron Moshell
 Jerry Price
 Chuck & Monique Reeves
 Charles Roberts
 Mark & Eunice Schowalter
 Ted & Glenda Sjolander
 Sally Tatham
 Allen & Treasure Teague
 Sid & Donna Trapp
 Bill Walton
 Debbie White
 Paige Price Wilcox
 Nancy Williams
 Wilbur & Lundy Wright
 Al Witt
 Tom Young
 Mark Leinmiller (Atlanta Club)
 Charlie Ulrich (Tampa Bay Club)

SILENT AUCTION - BASKETS - RAFFLE

BASKET
LADY

LUNDY
WRIGHT



We had 79 items in the silent auction, 44 raffle items and 31 wonderful imaginative baskets. I don't know how many people I heard say something to the effect, "I've been to a lot of car shows and I have never seen baskets like these."

At least 80% of the silent auction items, raffle items and 100% of the baskets were donated by our generous club members. The following club members donated one or more baskets for the event:

Bob & Debbie Bove
Kitty Farnell
Monique Reeves
Nancy Williams
Annette Porter
Jim & Sue Vanderlinde
Edie Anderson
Debbie White
Sally Tatham
George & Marilyn Hege
Stephanie Delaney

Don & Becky Hemphill
Phyllis Allen
Lundy Wright
Peggy & Charlie Grobusky
Treasure Teague
Paula Moore
Lisa Bond
Howie Lang
Linda Brown



Happy Birthday, CAHC Members!!

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

Send an email to eafarnell@gmail.com

October 6	Robert Williams
October 8	Jerry Price
October 17	Ed Farnell
October 20	Kaye Conley
October 20	Bill Walton
October 20	Monique Reeves
October 24	Mary Cortwright
October 27	Barbara Griswold



John Cork Lilburn, GA

November 4	Dennis Conley
November 4	Janis Maurer
November 11	Eunice Schowalter
November 13	Bonnie Steene
November 19	Ned Gregory
November 20	Stuart Shepherd
November 27	Sam Allen
November 27	Peggy Grobusky

CAHC CHRISTMAS PARTY - December 9, 2023 11:00 till 3:00
Camp Cherokee, 1299 Camp Cherokee Road, Blacksburg, SC

Volunteers needed to assist with planning, decorating and cleaning up after the CAHC Christmas Party on Dec. 9th, at Camp Cherokee. We will all pitch in to help, of course, but we need some organizers to take the lead to make this a really fun event. The more, the “merrier”, and less work for all. Ed and Kitty have been doing this for the last few years, but it is a long drive for them, and it is time for others to take over to share the effort.

Please contact George if you are so inclined to volunteer. Thanks for your help!

704-907-1740

The club will supply the beer, tea, lemonade and meat. Please bring wine if you prefer that to drink. Please bring an appetizer, salad or dessert for sharing. Food sharing is one of the most fun parts of the party.

Our charity again this year will be the YMCA A+ camper program. This allows those less fortunate to attend YMCA camps. Please bring a check made out to the club for a donation to this truly worthy cause and Ted will send a club check to the YMCA.

We will have our usual installation of officers and Family of the Year award. **As a special event we will raffle off 8 great baskets that were not claimed at Southeastern.**

There is plenty of room to spread out so let's plan to finish out 2023 with a huge crowd of Healey family members.



SOUTHEASTERN IN THE REAR VIEW MIRROR

by Ed Farnell



After many months of meetings, emails and video conferencing Chuck and Monique Reeves and the various committee chairs finally got to see what the Carolinas Austin Healey Club was working towards! The time for Southeastern XXXVI had finally arrived.

The numbers made all the hard work worthwhile.

117	Registrations
230	Attendees
32	First Timers
13	States represented plus Canada
80+	Healeys and other LBC's
50%	Arrived on Wednesday
211	Banquet attendees
158	Attended the Bingo night buffet
99	Took the trolley tour to Asheville
1st	First timers car show with awards
1st	Poker Run to Mt. Mitchell on the Blue Ridge Parkway



I arrived on Tuesday to set up the silent auction and raffle display. That evening I walked into the main lobby (actually I was going to the desk to procure one of the hotel's free hot chocolate chip cookies) and saw this nice chalk drawing. The artist pictured here is Kayla Burgess and she is the night desk manager for the hotel. I asked her how she drew it since there were no Healeys there yet to look at. She said she just searched on the internet.

This is just one example of how much the Double Tree staff went out of there way to make us feel at home.

By mid day on Wednesday our guests started arriving and registration opened for early arrivals. Greeters met the folks as they arrived and the Healeys were directed to the rear parking lot that was dedicated solely for our use. Trailered cars were unloaded in front of the hotel where trailers and tow vehicles were escorted to a secure lot not far from the hotel. Another perk the hotel provided was a room near the front desk where luggage could be secured until rooms were ready. Actually the house staff was so efficient that the luggage room got little to no business.



Above is a view of the front of the hotel from last year's test run weekend. Just checking to see if everyone is paying attention.



Some folks found the back entrance just below our private parking lot. This entrance opened into a quite roomy lobby with the registration desk and regalia distribution were located.

On Thursday by mid morning more folks started checking in.



We had outside greeters as well as inside greeters

Our president and registration chairman wisely chose Edie Anderson for her vast experience

Since Thursday daytime was relatively fairly activity free, some chose to take their trolley tour of Asheville.



Thursday evening was the beginning of the real fun which was the block party in the back of the hotel. What more could you want than a lot full of Healeys, live music, food trucks and a first timers car show with ballots and all. Let me emphasize **32 registrants had never attended a Southeastern.**

One of the most important jobs at Southeastern was guarding the entrance to the Healeys only parking lot. Here are two guards and our guard dog. As you see, we were well guarded.

No one reported a missing Healey



THURSDAY NIGHT LIVE



Food trucks, music & fellowship. Our music was provided by Bo Beaumont





Look around.
See if anyone
Was not hav-
ing fun.

Even the dogs
look happy.

We have the
32 First Tim-
ers to thank
for this party.
They pro-
vided the
venue and the
excuse to
celebrate.



JUST GENERAL FUN PICTURES





First timers at the car show on Thursday night. Man, what a huge group!



CAR WASH AREA AND REPAIR TENT WERE WELL USED

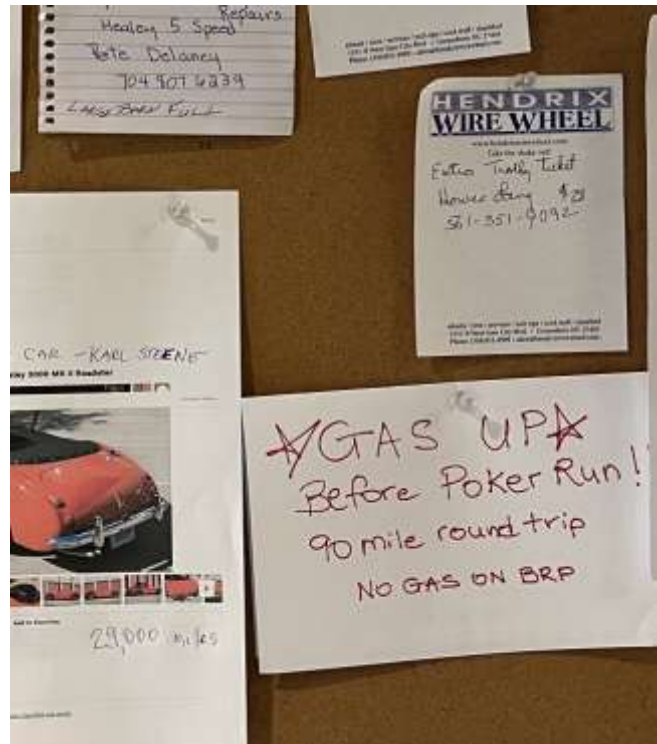


The Double Tree Provided all the towels for the car wash. Valerie from the hotel staff pictured top right was over the top helpful in keeping things organized.



Friday is Poker and Bingo Day

The first ever Healey Poker Run to Mount Mitchell was on Friday morning. The drive, which was a staggered start, began at the rear entrance to the hotel and meandered about two miles through Biltmore Forest to a Blue Ridge Parkway entrance. One of the prime reasons for selecting the Double Tree was that we could access the parkway without having to fight Asheville city traffic which can be problematic. During the 45 mile trip to the top of Mt. Mitchell, the highest peak east of the Mississippi River, there were five designated stops at which drivers would be handed a sealed envelope containing a single poker card. The temperature at the top of the mountain was in the lower 40's. The envelopes were turned in at the end of the 90 mile trip to be evaluated by Carolinas Austin Healey Club poker experts who determined the winners.









CAROLINAS AHC HAS ALWAYS BEEN ABOUT HOSPITALITY



AND THERE WERE SILENT AUCTIONS AND RAFFLES



Thanks to a lot of interest and active bidding, all 79 of the auction items sold and were picked up.

Saturday was a full day of back-to-back activities. The car show in the morning was held close to the hotel, again out the back drive through Biltmore Forest to one of their town parks. The nice, freshly mowed field provided the perfect amount of sun and shade. Almost 80 cars were on the show field and voting went smoothly with ballots periodically being shuffled back to the hotel for tabulation.



Show master John Jones was up bright and early gathering his crew to park the show cars.



Shortly after the car show, it was off for a drive south on the Parkway up to Mt. Pisgah which took us through quite a few tunnels where the “Healey sound” could be enjoyed.





The Pisgah Inn is on a beautiful location and offers great views for non drinkers. The edge of the mountain is about 30' from your room door.

A quick drive back to the hotel and trip to the hospitality room for a last SA bid then off to the awards banquet.

SATURDAY NIGHT AWARDS BANQUET



Above: Not sure what Jerry and his daughter, Paige, are laughing about.

Above right: It might be this. Seems like President Hege stepped out to get a beer and received an overdose of broccoli while absent.

Right: First Timers are honored





Left: I believe it was five totally unrelated numbers.

Right: Edie Anderson recognized for her many years of service to the AHCA.

Middle Right: Brett and Julie Miller from Canyon Lake, Texas receive the Jerry Price long distance award.



Above: Nancy Leenhouts receives Best of Show for her green MKI.

Right: Chuck validates the 50/50 winner.

ANOTHER SOUTHEASTERN IN THE BOOKS!!



AND THE WINNERS ARE

Southeastern Classic XXXVI Car Show Winners

<u>Class/ Reg #</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>1st Timer?</u>	<u>Class/ Reg #</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>1st Timer?</u>
Best of Show						BJ8- 1 Light					
40 (Green MKJ)	Nancy	Leenhouts	FI			30	John	Blanks	GA	1st	
100-4, M						77	Gary	Hodson	KS	2nd	
18	Jim	Ellis	NC	1st		38	John	Brown	NC	3rd	
36	Lewis	Hay	SC	2nd		BJ8- 2 Light					
100-6						3	Ted	Sjolander	NC	1st	
71	Brett	Miller	TX	1st	Yes	12	Jim	Cox	VA	2nd	
88	Sam	Allen	NC	2nd		35	Bob	Yule	ON	3rd	
1	Bill	Walton	NC	3rd-T		114	Susan	Ralph	TN	4th	
62	John	Wallace	OH	3rd-T	Yes	86	Bob	Simmen	NC	5th	
MkI						Square Body					
40	Nancy	Leenhouts	FI	1st		11	Bill	Nagel	GA	1st	
37	David	Verrill	IN	2nd		Bugeye					
96	Andy	McIntyre	NC	3rd	Yes	89	Brett	Ulander	FI	1st	
MkII - Tri Carb						24	Andrew	Bove	NC	2nd	
22	John	Jones	NC	1st		93	Neil	Smith	GA	3rd	Yes
107	Robbie	Cook	TN	2nd		Modified					
BJ7						68	Marjorie	Witt	AL	1st	Yes
13	CJ	Johnson	GA	1st		Jenson-Healey					
52	Jamie	Daggett	KS	2nd	Yes	122	John	Plankey	GA	1st	
6	Bob	Thurman	TN	3rd		Other British					
						90 (Red Mini)	Donald	Rosa	NC	1st	

Southeastern Classic XXXVI Awards

	Name	From	Healey	Place
The Jerry Price Long Distance Awards:	Brett & Julie Miller	Canyon Lake, TX	100-6	
	Brad Swiggart	Lincoln, Nebraska	BJ8	
	Melvin Dale	Manhattan, Kansas	BJ7	
1st Timers Car Show (First time attending an SEC)	Andy & Carolyn McIntyre	Carolinas	MKI	1st
	Brett & Julie Miller	South Texas	100-6	2nd-T
	Neil & Laura Smith	Tampa Bay	Bugeye	2nd-T
	Bret & Janet Stop	Triad	BJ7	3rd
Poker Run	Mike & Lisa Bond	Carolinas	BJ7	1st
	John Miner	Atlanta	MKI	2nd
	Jim & Linda Cox	Virginia	BJ8	3rd
	David & Bonnie Ayer	South Texas		Last
Hard Luck Award	Jim & Linda Cox	Virginia	BJ8	

Note: The pictures in this newsletter represent on a fraction of those available. All of the pictures will be available on our website in the very near future.

Go to carolinasahc.com to view and download as desired.

Thanks to all who attended.

CLASSIFIEDS

1959 Bugeye Sprite for sale

I have come realize that I am too old to finish this Sprite. Much of the mechanical work is done. The engine runs great with good oil pressure and all its accessories have been serviced . The electrical systems work fine. New brakes all round. New rear wheel bearings and seals installed. The gear box has problems in 1st and reverse gears. There is surface rust, but the body seems to be free from any serious rust issues. Comes with spare 948 engine on a stand.

Please contact me, Stuart Shepherd at Stuams@gmail.com if seriously interested.



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17 th	Club Meeting/Drive	Chuck & Monique Reeves mailto:Wolfpackqb1@outlook.co	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			
19 th 2:00 PM	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 11:00AM	Club Meeting/Drive	Ed Farnell mailto:efarnell@gmail.com	Beaver's Den 3482 John G. Richards Road Liberty Hill, SC QuadClub Drive with BCCMC
21 st	British Car Day		Palmetto Islands County Park 444 Needlerush Pkwy, Mt. Pleasant, SC
28 th	Wooly Worm Tour	Triad AHC	
NOVEMBER			
18 th 10:00 AM	Tech Session/Club Meeting	Stuart Shepherd mailto:stuams@gmail.com	6011 Davis Road Waxhaw, NC
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.