

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, nor is driving a Healey required to participate in events.

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SAVE THE DATES

**May 18, 2024
11:00**

**Triad Club Flynt-Hipwood Memorial Spring Drive
101 Front Street, Elkin, NC**

**May 25, 2024
11:00**

**Quarterly club meeting at John's Family Restaurant
2002 Westinghouse Blvd.
Charlotte, NC**

May 25, 2024

**Great Scot Car Show at Furman University
Greenville, SC www.sbmoc.com**

**June 1, 2024
10:00**

**Historic Houses and Revolutionary Park Tour with
lunch in Camden South Carolina hosted by Ed &
Kitty Farnell eafarnell@gmail.com**

June 12-14, 2024

**Cooling off trip to West Jefferson, North Carolina
Hosted by John Jones nadadawgracing@yahoo.com**

**Glendale Springs Inn Annex 336-982-3103
264 Trading Post Road, Glendale Springs, NC**

August 1-4, 2024

**Annual Mountain Trip, Waynesville, NC
Hosted by Chuck and Monique Reeves**

MAKE RESERVATIONS NOW Oak Park Inn 828-456-5328

September 12-15, 2024 Southeast British Car Festival, Dillard, GA

MAKE RESERVATIONS NOW Dillard House 706-746-5348

September 15-20, 2024

CONCLAVE Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI

October 3-6, 2024

**Britfest Car Show and old timey Beach Trip
Hosted by Bill Walton & Debbie White**

October 31-November 3, 2024

**Southeastern Classic XXXVII
Shelton Vineyards, Dobson, NC**

MAKE RESERVATIONS NOW Hampton Inn 336-353-9400

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EDITOR'S NOTES/

**Don't forget our club meeting on May 25th.
"Be there or be square"**

**From an unnamed
club member.**

**Not for sale:
One gently used
Healey. Driven mainly
for short trips to the
store.**



CLUB MEETINGS

For dates, times and places please see our club 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 & MUSINGS

Hi Members, another month and another letter from your President. I know Ed was disappointed that his Camden, SC drive was postponed until Saturday, June 1 but I'm happy because I had a scheduling conflict this past weekend but 6/1 is open and I plan to attend. Ed has obviously put a lot of work into this drive so we hope to see a lot of folks attend.

Speaking of events, @ the Gathering car show, Ted & Glynda Sjolander's beautiful car received a third place trophy in the Bug Eye Sprite category. Not quite sure how that happened as he does not have a Bug Eye Sprite, but heck, hang it on the wall.

I'm curious how many plan to attend the Triad AHC driving event out of Elkin on Saturday 5/18. Looks like a fun drive with lunch after the drive in Elkin. Be sure to check out more details and let's plan for a caravan up and back.

Our second business meeting of the year is planned for Saturday 5/25 beginning at 11:00am at John's Family Restaurant. We hope to have a tech session, so please let Andy MCintyre know if you have a topic of interest that you can share with us.

John Jones informed me there are just a few rooms left for his trip to West Jefferson. Ed sent contact/time information to secure a room last week so please reference that information or check on page 1 of this newsletter. I saw a televised commercial on West Jefferson the other day and it looks like a fascinating small town.



Be sure to check out the current point totals for our COY contest. Come on out with your LBC and socialize with your fellow members.

Happy motoring,
Bob Bove

PS: According to my source, there were more than 500 British Car Companies...wow!

Trivia: How many and what type of cars are available for the Royal Family use in their duties?

2024 Car of the Year Award Standings

To recognize club members who participate with their LBC, our club will keep track of points earned for various activities, events, meetings, tech sessions, editorial contributions, etc. You must drive your LBC to earn full points, however, you will receive half points in you attend without driving your LBC.. The top three members will receive special recognition at our annual Christmas party...prizes TBD. Our events calendar will highlight in red, sanctioned events that will earn points. These events will have a sign-in sheet that will be forwarded to the recorder of points.

Events need not be listed in our event schedule to earn points. Simply provide a picture of your LBC at the event, entrance fee receipt and provide a write up to our newsletter editor for inclusion in our monthly newsletter. The participant is also responsible for providing proof to the recorder of points (me), 704-904 7391 – bobbove50@gmail.com within 30 days of the event. These events may include car and coffee meetings, non-British events, etc.

CAHC Meetings and Tech Sessions – 4 pts

CAHC Driving, Sanctioned and Party events – 6 pts

CAHC Mountain Trip – 8 pts

Southeastern Classic – 8 pts

British driving events – 3 pts

Non-British events (newsletter written report with pictures) – 3 pts

Tech articles and/or written newsletter articles provided to editor – 3 pts

Host tech, drive or event – 3 extra pts

Current Standings as of 4/30/24

<u>Member</u>	<u>Pts</u>		
Jones	26	Shepherd	4
Farnell	25	Moore	4
Hege	22	Gibeaut	4
Walton	22	Lee	3
Sjolander	20		
Price	19		
Bove	16		
McIntyre	14		
Porter	14		
Lunney	13		
Bond	12		
Reeves	12		
Grenier	6		
Hemphill	4		
Allen	4		
Anderson	4		
Lang	4		
Schowalter	4		
McCoin	4		
Roberts	4		
Delaney	4		
Teague	4		



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 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

EVENTS IN THE REAR VIEW MIRROR CAROLINA BRITISH CLASSICS, CAYCE, SC

APRIL 6



Top left: Cool April morning drive

Top right: CAHC members made up most of the Healey classes

Middle: CAHC members Dana Rindge, Ed Farnell and George Hege swept the MGC class. What's that all about??





Just a bunch of “good old boys and girls” having fun! What the CAHC does best.



THE GATHERING
SHELTON VINEYARDS DOBSON, NC

APRIL 19-20

“The Gathering” 2024

For those who went on Friday to Dobson, the Blue Ridge Tour started off the weekend for 42 cars. **Whether or not you chose to try to answer the “quirky”** landmark questions, it was a beautiful drive! The **nearby Hampton Inn wasn’t** completely renovated after the water damage the year before, but what was finished was really nice, and the Triumph Club was, as always, very organized and accommodating.

The 39th Gathering had 302 registrants for the car show on Saturday, which I think was a record. It started off cloudy and cool, but the sun came out midday and it was perfect for the car show, with eye-candy galore! While I was teased for not being with my MGC-GT to answer questions about it, I chose to visit with our club members, amidst the Healeys. We all saw some stunning British Cars! The featured marque was Jaguar, and there were many to see! I counted 22 big Healeys, and 5 Bugeyes.

The Shelton’s Choice Award went to a beautiful 1935 Morgan Super Sport, and the Best of Show was a 1953 Jag XK120. Our club members were well represented, with our Presidential **“team”**, Bob and Debbie Bove, taking 2nd in Class in their good-looking Bugeye. Ted and Glenda Sjolander won Third in Class in their handsome Healey. (Well deserved, after replacing the transmission just a few days before!) **Bill Walton and Debbie White won First in Class in their beautiful ’71 Lotus S4 SE**. I was thankful to take a First in Class in my MGC-GT. (Formerly restored and owned by Mr. Walton!) In addition, I was also very fortunate to win the 50-50 drawing! Quite a shocking day for me! I should have gone straight to buy a lottery ticket!

Once again, the Gathering was a beautiful, fun event, enjoyed by all who attended!!

George Hege









BEST OF BRITIAN CAR SHOW WINTHROP UNIVERSITY, ROCK HILL, SC APRIL 27

Beautiful spring day on lovely Winthrop Campus just across from Tillman Hall. More Rolls and Bentleys then I have seen in a while. There were 38 British cars and 7 British motorcycles. Roaring Bull food truck with good food and great prices.

Different kind of show. There was a registration fee and sponsors, but no trophies or recognition of winners. Classes were basically, Rolls/Bentley, Jaguar, Triumph, motorcycles and roadsters. (My 1968 MGC/GT was a roadster for the day)

The only voters were spectators if they could find a ballot. The best part of the event was talking with Rick and Kim and meeting their children and grandchildren. Also, a great day for a drive up 21 and back on 321. The "C" is a great road car.



BROAD RIVER CLASSIC

SHELBY, NC

APRIL 27

John Jones reports that he and Jerry Price attended the show in Shelby. There were 56 cars on the beautiful slops of Dog Head Farm. In addition to John and Jerry's Healeys Chip Long brought his red BJ7 and Alan Roebuck drove his white over black BJ8.



EVENTS IN THE WINDSCREEN

Carolinas Club: Join us for another Jon Taylor "Spirited" drive in the NC/VA Mountains on May 18th

If you missed the drive in the same area at last month's The Gathering, then you do not want to miss this one too!

Meet 20+ other LBCs in downtown Elkin at 101 Front Street. Drivers meeting at 12:30, but come early for a cup of coffee in downtown Elkin! After the drive we will meet back in Elkin for lunch.



THE MARCUS FLYNT AND RICHARD HIPWOOD MEMORIAL SPRING DRIVE
 1/2 weeks away
May 18th 2024
 Cost: \$10 per car (you will be purchasing lunch at the end)
 (Start: Corner of Main st and Front st (Downtown Elkin, NC) Cars start arriving at 10am Drivers meeting @ 12:30pm (Cars out at 1pm)
 Join us for a beautiful scenic drive in memory of Marcus Flynt and Richard Hipwood thru the back roads of the Blue Ridge parky mountains and end at Elkins popular restaurant Speedy spot for lunch and fellowship with other car enthusiasts like yourselves
 Questions, etc contact Margie at m020468@yahoo.com

Questions? Contact Bill Walton at bwalton1451@gmail.com



June 1, 2024

Club Drive to Historic Camden, SC

Take a trip back to the 19th century in the oldest inland city in South Carolina. The city is rich in history dating back to the Revolutionary War period when the British won one of the most decisive battles of the war. We will tour the Revolutionary War Park and learn about the bodies of 14 soldiers that were recently unearthed and given a proper burial with full military honors. Despite Camden's history I have been assured that British cars are now more than welcome.



We will meet at the Steeple Chase Museum then proceed on a driving tour of eighteenth and nineteenth century historic homes throughout the city including Kamschatka that was William F. Buckley's family home.. We have arranged a photo op and personal tour of a private home built in 1860 and pictured below that sits on 3 acres in downtown Camden. We will continue our tour at the Revolutionary War park where we will also eat our picnic lunches. Time permitting we will stop briefly to see the Beard Collection noted as the best gun collection in South Carolina. We will most likely end our day at a local ice cream shop to cool off for the return trip home.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR THIS FUN AND INFORMATIVE DRIVING EXPERIENCE.

For you history buffs, go to the website below to read the very interesting history of the home we will tour. I believe you will find it quite fascinating.

Simply Google Hobkirk Inn history Camden, SC then click on the Roots and Recall "Flat Pine " c. 1860 web



June 12-14, 2024 Trip to West Jefferson, NC hosted by John Jones



Laid back trip with views galore, beautiful drives & dedicated motel. Plan to meet at the Glendale Springs Inn Annex on Wednesday afternoon with dinner on your own that evening. Thursday morning we will begin about 10ish for a 50 mile drive with a stop about half way. Lunch will be in West Jefferson at the Red Dog Inn and then out to John's sister's home for friendship, finger food and desert. Friday we will have a private brunch at the Inn before heading home. **See page 1 for reservation number. Call W-F 4-7 or Sat-Sun 11-2**





Time & Location

Sep 12, 2024, 2:00 PM – Sep 15, 2024, 2:00 PM
Dillard House, Dillard House Ln, Dillard, GA 30537, USA

About the event

All marques of British cars and motorcycles are invited to participate. Self-driving tours, guided tours, wine tours, local arts & crafts, silent auction, great food and fellowship. Registration not yet open.

More information will be coming soon. Registration should be available in mid April. Our drive that will take us through Gorges State Park, Sapphire, NC and a possible stay in the Franklin, NC area is still in the planning stages.

If you are planning to attend it would be wise to make reservations at the Dillard House NOW for Friday and Saturday nights.

Tech Tip

by our modern day Sir Johnny (Jones)



Something else to do when changing from positive to negative ground

When I restored, actually I had to build it, my car 30 years ago I set it up as negative ground initially so I did all of the things that I was told to do at that time. In addition to hooking the battery up correctly I wired the fuel pump as negative ground, reversed the leads on the coil and re-sparked the generator. Since my car is not a BJ8 I didn't have to fool with the electronic tach.

This week I finally got around to changing the heater blower since it has been squalling like a stuck pig for several years which meant I couldn't use the blower. When I pulled the motor out I noticed a sticker on it with arrows on it showing rotation if it was hooked up positive or negative. I knew that DC motors rotate in one direction or the other depending on which way the wires are hooked up vs AC motors only rotate in the direction they were meant to no matter which way the wires are connected. Think Direct Current meaning that charges run in the direction they are hooked up. Long and the short of it is that my blower motor has been sucking instead of blowing for 30 years due to the direction of the air foils on the squirrel cage blower fan. The new motor is hooked up in the correct direction and I guess I will get much more heater air when I need it.

Just one more thing to file away in that foggy brain that is pretty well full.

John Jones



I am a long time member of the Triad Austin Healey Club. I am currently helping sell three Healeys for some folks in the area. What I know about the cars is described below. If you have any questions about the vehicles listed please contact me.

Ken Fleming 336-399-8181
ahmg@aol.com

VectorStock
Photo Bank.com 12415233

1967 Austin Healey BJ8

Owned for nearly 40 years by longtime TAHC member This car is ready for long drives. Maintained all of its local life by Allen Hendrix, It has recently had over \$10K worth of updates, including updated rear main seal, new top, new wood steering wheel, tune up etc. Non-standard interior color with no rips or tears. Runs and drives as is. **Asking \$39,850.00**



1965 Austin Healey BJ8

Purchased from original owner in 2006 and driven regularly until 2023. Parked due to health. The engine runs smooth and it was restarted with new battery and fresh gas in May 2024. All gauges and lights work. No apparent rust. Very nice original interior. It will need some minor brake work but the clutch and transmission are operable.

Records back to original dealer purchase including titles, dealer card etc.

Asking \$29,500.00



1966 Austin Healey BJ8

Wonderfully cared for Healey Blue with blue leather interior . Car runs and drives but may need head gasket. Paint is in wonderful condition and chrome is bright. Owner meticulously kept service records, history file of previous owners and his date and mileage driven since ownership . A deep file that should provide great background for next owner. A local club member for many years .

Priced right at \$28,500.00



SERVICES OFFERED

By Ian Gail

Do you need vintage Lucas or Cibie spotlights, Smiths or Lucas gauges, a stopwatch panel or a variety of racing and rally equipment, etc. Please check my eBay store at www.sheridangailinc.com.

DO YOU HAVE PARTS LYING AROUND IN YOUR GARAGE DOING NOTHING BUT GATHERING DUST? GIVE THEM TO ME ON CONSIGNMENT. I'LL FIX THEM (WHERE POSSIBLE) AND CLEAN THEM UP, RESEARCH PRICING, PHOTOGRAPH THEM AND PUT THEM ON MY eBAY WEBSITE WHICH I HAVE BEEN OPERATING FOR OVER 19 YEARS NOW AND HAVE A 100% POSITIVE FEEDBACK FROM, LITERALLY, THOUSANDS OF BUYERS AND SELLERS.

REGALIA FOR SALE



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

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

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

CAHC SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 2024			
Date	Event	CAHC Host	Details
FEBRUARY			
24 th 11:00	Club Meeting	Bob Bove Bobbove50@gmail.com	John's Family Restaurant 2002 Westinghouse Blvd. Charlotte, NC
MARCH			
1 st -2 nd	Amelia Island Con- cours D'Elegance		Ritz Calton 4750 Amelia Island Pkwy Amelia Island, FL
14 th - 16 th	35 Annual Run to the Sun Auto Show		Former Myrtle Square Mall 2501 North Kings Highway Myrtle Beach, SC
16 th 10:30	Spring Tune Up	Ed Farnell mailto:eafarnell@gmail.com	440 Langford Road Blythewood, SC Women's Activities & BBQ Lunch
APRIL			
6 th 9:00AM	Carolina British Classic XIV	Ed Farnell mailto:eafarnell@gmail.com	The Historic Columbia Speedway 2001 Charleston Hwy, Cayce, SC
19 th -21 st	The Gathering Club Meeting	George Hege mailto:g_hege@bellsouth.net	Shelton Vineyards Dobson, NC Hampton Inn 336-353-9400
27 th 10 AM	Broad River Classic		Dog Head Farm off Sam Latimore Road Shelby, NC
MAY			
4 th	Club Drive 10:00 AM Rescheduled to 6/1	Ed Farnell mailto:eafarnell@gmail.com	Historic House tour and Revolu- tionary War Park tour with lunch in Camden, SC
16 th -19 th	Springthing	Bluegrass AHC mike@mjsfasworkshop.com	TBD Kentucky
18 th 11:00	Triad AHC Flynt-Hipwood Me- morial Spring Drive	Margie Steele M020468@yahoo.com	Meet at 101 Front Street Elkin, NC
25 th 11:00	Club Meeting	Bob Bove Bobbove50@gmail.com	John's Family Restaurant 2002 Westinghouse Blvd. Charlotte, NC

June			
1 st 9:00 AM	Cape Fear British Car Show & Port City Highland Games	https://www.bmccf.org/events/ car-show-2/	3600 Burnt Mill Road Wilmington, NC
12 th - 14 th	Club Drive	John Jones NaDaDawgRacing@yahoo.com	Trip to West Jefferson, NC Details to follow
JULY			
20 th	Club Drive and Picnic	Charles Roberts Croberts8930@gmail.com	BBQ at Roberts Farm & Renovated Cabin, Midland, NC
AUGUST			
1 st -4 th	Mountain Trip	Chuck Reeves mailto:Wolfpackqb1@outlook.co m	Oak Park Inn 828-456-5328 Waynesville, NC
24 th 11:00 AM	Club Meeting/Pool Party/Ice Cream Social	Bob Bove Bobbove50@gmail.com	John's Family Restaurant 2002 Westinghouse Blvd. Charlotte, NC & 5119 Beving- ton Place, Charlotte, NC
SEPTEMBER			
12 th - 15 th	Southeast British Car Festival	Chuck Reeves mailto:Wolfpackqb1@outlook.co m https://peachtreemg.com/Dillard- 2024	Trip to Car Festival with stop off at Gorges State Park, Sap- phire, NC Details to Follow
15 th - 18 th	Encounter	https://austin-healey-stc.org/ show.html	Ocean City, NJ
15 th - 20 th	Conclave		Road America Elkhart Lake, WI
21 st	Autumn in the Mountains	Larry Griswold larrygris@gmail.com	http://bccwnc.org/ Mills River, NC
OCTOBER			
3 rd -6 th	Britfest & Beach Trip	Bill Walton mailto:Bill.walton@mac.com https:// grandstrandbritishcarclub.com/	Market Commons Myrtle Beach, SC Details to Follow
31 st - Nov 3 rd	Southeastern Clas- sic XXXVII	Triad AHC Ahendrix1551@gmail.com	Shelton Vineyards, Dobson, NC Hampton Inn 336-353-9400

NOVEMBER			
16th	Club Drive	Rick Lee writer@comporium.net Ed Farnell	Events in Kershaw and/or Camden, SC TBD
23 th 11:00 AM	Club Meeting	Bob Bove Bobbove50@gmail.com	John's Family Restaurant 2002 Westinghouse Blvd. Charlotte, Nc
DECEMBER			
14th 11:00 AM	Annual Christmas Party	Bob Bove Bobbove50@gmail.com	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.