

Healey Hi~Lites



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April 2011



Kentucky Scottish Weekend at General Butler State Park May 14 2011

Kentucky Scottish Weekend is a celebration of the “auld” country, her customs and traditions. You’ll find many activities which will make you believe you’ve found a wee bit of Scotland on the bonny banks of the Kentucky River.

This trip comes highly recommended by Bill Fryrear and many of the club’s members. It’s a delight drive and great caravanning. Check out their website for information and car show registration.

<http://www.kyscottishweekend.org/home.htm>

Bill will lead a drive from the Prospect Dairy Queen leaving at 8:30



Tech Session

Saturday April 9

Bernie Lamp hosted a Spring Maintenance / Safety Session at Adam Burckle's shop. We had stormy weather that morning but still many made the trip out. Thanks to Bernie and Adam for hosting this event.



Prez Sez

By: Ben Moore



It's time to fire up the Healey and get ready for spring! Some of you have probably already been enjoying the mild weather we've been having off-and-on for the last few months, but for others (like me) our Healey's

are begging to be thawed.

The Club is hopping along, thanks to Bill Wilding and his intrepid crew of activities volunteers. The St. Patrick's Day parade and Tech Session were great starts to our year and now it's time for SpringThing. I hope you all will plan to attend this 20th anniversary celebration. It's going to be a blast! The Corvette Museum is preparing for the British invasion and Bill and Sarah Richey have a special treat waiting for us on opening night. This is not the one to miss! Come out and support the Club and the efforts of the many volunteers, plus you might have a good time!

Conclave planning is humming along. We are close to securing final locations for events and the registration form has been drafted. Our logo will be something quite different, a more whimsical take on the event. It conveys fresh, fun and new thinking, something our Club is well-known for. If you haven't found your volunteer niche for Conclave yet, start thinking. The good jobs are going fast.

The Bugeye vs. BN6 saga continues. After months of planning and searching my dad's Bug was finally taken to the body shop on a mild day in February. Now we are waiting for the final result. Not only are we fixing the damage but freshening up the overall finish on the car. It should be beautiful just in time for SpringThing...we hope. Meanwhile, my car is the same. No worries. It's built for fun first, beauty second.

That's about it for this month. It's been a tough one with lots going on at home but, hoping for a more enjoyable summer and fall. Be sure your calendars are up to date with all the activities planned. It's going to be a great year!

See you at the meeting where you'll hear the latest run down on SpringThing and Conclave plans!

Ben



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SpringThing 2011

It's a Bluegrass Birthday Party!

SpringThing 2011 celebrates the 20th anniversary of SpringThing, and in doing so we're throwing the ultimate birthday bash for all our friends. Over the past 20 years we've ventured throughout the Bluegrass. We've traveled hundreds of miles on beautiful Kentucky backroads. We've shared countless laughs and a few tears. Now it's time to celebrate this milestone with more of the once-in-a-lifetime experiences you've come to expect with SpringThing.

We kick off with a house party at the home of Bluegrass members Bill and Sarah Richey as they open up their home and private collection of fine automobiles. You won't be disappointed in the overflowing hospitality and fun games.

Friday will be yours for the taking. Adventure through cave country, visit the assembly line for the Corvette or take in the shopping and historic sites in the area. But don't be late for the Friday night party as the British invade! We're taking over the National Corvette Museum as Healeys (and their owners) enter the building. We have a fantastic experience lined up that includes dancing the night away inside the Museum surrounded by Healeys!



On Saturday pack your bags and head...north! Experience the twists and turns of central Kentucky and our infamous cave country. We'll head for Elizabethtown, the town made famous by the Cameron Crowe movie. This quaint city welcomes up with a vintage Coca-Cola museum and plenty of shopping for the ladies. Don't worry, our signature bourbon distilleries are within a stones throw!



Please note hotel costs: Night 1&2: \$79. Night 3: \$70.
Separate reservations must be made, information will follow.

Name _____
Guest _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Email _____
Car 1 _____ Car 2 _____
Club Affiliation _____
Is this your first SpringThing? YES NO

_____ Registration - \$60
_____ Bluegrass Birthday Party - \$25 (per)

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE \$ _____

Please make checks payable to:
Bluegrass Austin-Healey Club

Mail registration and payment to:
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Join us May 19-22!



SPRINGTHING 2011 HOTEL INFORMATION

May 19 and 20

Baymont Inn and Suites – Bowling Green, Kentucky

165 Three Springs Rd.

Bowling Green, KY 42104

(270) 843-3200

May 21

Best Western Atrium Gardens

1043 Executive Drive

Elizabethtown, KY 42701

(270) 769-3030

Castle Cruise

By: Roger Coates

The fourth Friday in May, the 27th is the day of the castle cruise. The cruise is sponsored by Valor Traditional Academy which is on the east side of Bardstown south of the Gene Snyder. Admission is free and there is parking for the family car just in case. You will see several hundred cars in all shapes and sizes; some will have been meticulously restored and others will be works in progress. Plan on arriving anytime between 5:30 and seven. Valor serves great burgers and other goodies at a very reasonable price.

When we leave Valor you are welcome to come to the Coates' for dessert.

More information will be forth coming closer to the date.

Roger Coates

Prospect

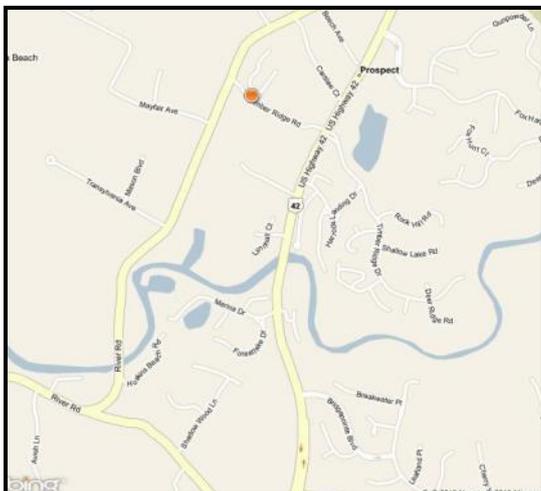


www.bristolbarandgrille.com/

Join the Bluegrass Austin Healey Club as we head east for our monthly meeting at the Bristol Bar and Grille in Prospect

Tuesday April 26 at 7 PM

The Bristol Bar & Grille is located off US Highway 42 on Timber Ridge Drive in the Prospect Village Shopping Center in the heart of Prospect. We have the Banquet Room on the right reserved with seating up to 50 guests.



From the Drivers Side... By Mike Schneider



As the now famous Bill Cosby once mused on his first album, 'what is a cubit?' Should we start gathering the animals in pairs? (You can leave out the mosquitoes.) I keep wondering what kind of a joke Mother Nature is pulling on us. We have terrific British Sports cars and are finding the days to drive them are few. Ok Mother Nature, the joke is over.

When the weather finally does break I hope you get to enjoy all the time you can spare driving with the top down. Driving our Healeys in the community is the best way we can promote our local and national club and the manqué. If you don't have some literature to hand an inquiring person please let me know and I will get it to you.

We have quite a few events coming up in the next two months. Starting with the Scottish Heritage Weekend in Carrolton. Bill Fryrear is heading up the drive to Butler State Park in Carrolton. Gather at the DQ in Prospect at 8:30 Saturday May 14th for the drive up Highway 42. Shortly after that we will be hosting Springthing in Bowling Green. The registrations are coming in at a very impressive rate. If you haven't signed up yet I suggest you do it soon. There are only 55 rooms available at the hotel and we are getting close to having a full booking. Then a few weeks after that we have the British Bash the first Saturday in June at the St. Joseph Orphanage on Frankfort Ave. That could be a sell out this year. A little over 300 cars is the capacity of the show field. At the end of June the AHCA Conclave will be held in Colorado Springs. This is going to be a spectacular event. Bob Thurman will be putting on one of his famous Funkhana's at the Pike's Peak International Raceway for all of the attendees.

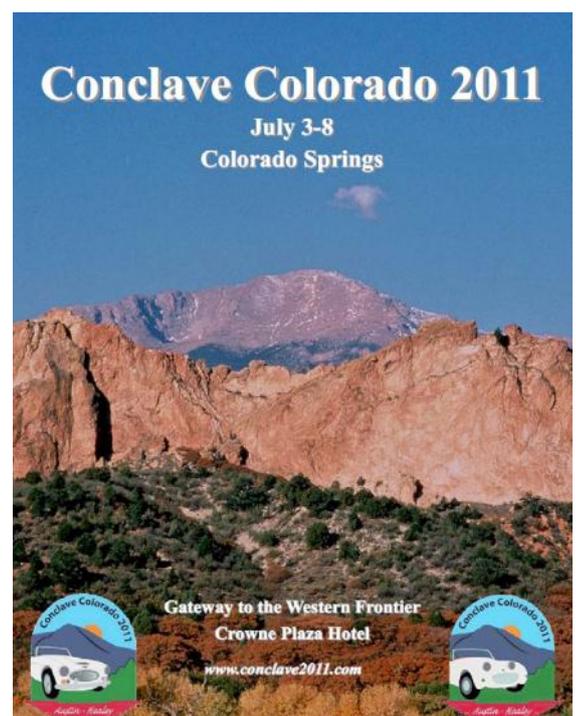
A few weekends ago we had our annual spring tune up at Adam Burckle's garage/museum. Bernie Lamp coordinated the throngs of attendees so that everyone's Healey had a chance at getting the necessary attention. The crews took on everything from adjusting valves to changing oil. Since Adam has such a fantastic facility the crews were able to work on more than one Healey at a time. That's one event Mother Nature didn't screw up. The attendance was excellent. And don't forget the free lunch, compliments of the club treasury and one of Adam's Pie Kitchens. Mmmm. The only downside to that weekend was that it conflicted with the Cars and Coffee car show in Prospect. Jack Burns did make it to both but most attendees weren't able to do both.

Every year during the article in this month's newsletter I ask that you take a moment to remember the members that have passed away. Unfortunately the list is getting too long to mention in the newsletter. The most recent passing was Brenda Thurman, wife of one of our more active members, even though he lives 165 miles away. Bob Thurman and his son Phillip drove over 300 miles round trip to attend our last meeting. It was very nice to see that everyone was considerate of Bob and Phillip's loss.

The 2011 Membership Directories should be going in the mail in about 2-3 weeks. Activity at the national level has been concentrated on the upcoming conclave. Most of the national officers are chairing various committees on this conclave. The Rocky Mountain Club is picking up all the loose ends and providing a tremendous amount of help also. They will have quite a few members on hand to act as concierge assistants during the week in addition to providing a lot of help with all of the various activities.

Don't forget to keep the rubber side down and the top side shiny. You can still come to the meeting Tuesday at the Bristol even if it is raining. That will give you more time to visit inside. See you there.

Mike





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There is only one SAFE way to fuse the headlights. You would have to use 4 fuses. Two to each headlight one for the high beam and one for the low beam. This way if you have a problem in the circuit you only lose one lamp rather than all the lights.

The other circuits that we recommend fusing are.

1. Fuel pump the white wire at the connection on the firewall just below the OE fuse box
2. The Tail lights install an inline fuse in the red wire on the back of the headlight switch. This will protect the dash and tail lights.
3. The Overdrive is another one that is optional. The white wire from the fuse box to the overdrive relay.

AT NO TIME install only ONE fuse in the headlight circuit.

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Events Calendar



Healey Events 2011

Items without dates are awaiting final date determination

February

22 Monthly Meeting

March

12 St. Patrick's Day Parade

22 Monthly Meeting

April

9 Spring Tech Session

26 Monthly Meeting

May

14 Scottish Days Car Show

19 – 22 SpringThing 2011

24 Monthly Meeting

27 Castle Cruise

June

4 Bash

18 Scavenger Hunt/Picnic

28 Monthly Meeting

July

3-8 Conclave

16 Keeneland Concours

23 Drive - Late Lunch Winery Nicholasville

Cincinnati British Car Show

26 Monthly Meeting

August

6 Dayton British Car Show

21 Golf Outing

Drive - Late Lunch Winery Nicholasville

24 Monthly Meeting

Indianapolis British Car Show

September

British Car Festival. Chicago

16-18 September Round-up

17 Sir Brit Car Show, Newburgh IN
Drive - Late Lunch West Baden, IN

27 Monthly Meeting

30-2 Fall Wind-up

October

1 Louisville Concours

15 Fall Tech Session

20 – 23 South East Classic – North Alabama

Corydon Car show

25 Monthly Meeting

November

11-13 Delegates Meeting—Louisville

12 Gasoline Engine Collection

22 Monthly Meeting

December

6 Christmas Party

Cars and Coffee

Is held on the second Saturday at Java Brewing in Prospect from 9-11am. It's always been a good turn-out with many different automakers and vintages. So fire up the British Car - get your morning coffee there, check out the cars and meet some new people. Normally 100+ cars. It's on US 42 in Prospect just past the Dairy Queen, you can't miss it.

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