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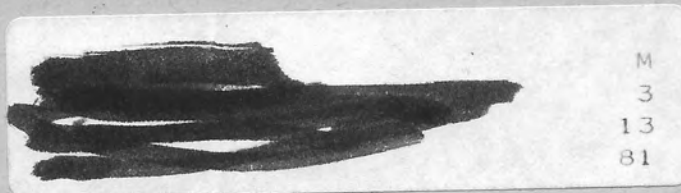


NEWSLETTER

The Austin-Healey Sports & Touring Club
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* * * * * AHSTC AT LARGE * * * * *

NOVEMBER 1980

BY-LAWS. It's Official - we're now AHSTC as an incorporated group with an honest to goodness officially adopted set of by-laws.

A few members, in their eagerness to respond, sort of goofed with their post-card ballots. A few were not signed and two were signed but did not indicate their vote. All in all, we'll call it a unanimous "yes". The last count that we had was in the 170-180 rangewhich is just barely a majority of the club membership.

But at any rate, we're in business and once the regional elections are completed the next step will be a meeting of regional presidents to organize and start working on our 1981 (as well as long-range) goals. They are also charged with appointing several corporate officers and starting work on the remaining portion of our by-laws.

Hopefully, this first meeting will be held in December and once they appoint a secretary a resume of each of their meetings should be printed here.

ENCOUNTER-CONCLAVE. Our other order of business during the past few months was our vote on whether we should join with AHCA and have a joint meet in 1981. Again, much to the gratification of the US Postal Service we sent each of you a post card for your vote. Unlike the By-Law question, this vote was not unanimous, but it WAS favorable to the idea of the joint meet. The last count we had was like 92 for and 70 against. We're sure that this subject will be on the presidents' meeting agenda and we'll have more news for you after the meeting.

We're sure too that the names of the 90+ that voted yes will be gathered and used as a workers list for our share of the 1981 meet. Gotcha!

One thing that we do hope that you realize by now is that your voice is important in future club planning. Now that our Board of Directors (basically composed of the regional Presidents) is on the verge of reality we would suspect that most of the policy decisions of the club will be made by this group. They will be speaking for you and the only way that you can guarantee that they are speaking correctly is for you to communicate your feelings to them. If you live in Baldwin, NY but never attend a Long Island meeting to voice your wishes to Mike Haran, he can only guess how you may feel about some issues which may be raised. If, on the other side of the coin, you live in northern NJ and attend their meetings faithfully and voice your opinions to Ben Cohen - then Ben is a better informed President and can really speak for his chapter.

One more option: If you're way out in the hinterlands nowhere near a club meeting you can do one of two things. (1) Form your own chapter, or (2) Drop a line to Dave Bayne (Harrisburg Pres) at the Club PO Box and let him know how you stand.

October was a busy month for some Healey enthusiasts. A big thank you to Tom Daggett and Jack Conrad for driving the Home Coming Queen and her court in the Wm. Penn High School parade. That had to be a first - Healeys instead of Cadillaes!

A few brave souls went on the "Morderlich" Halloween Rally. Chuck & Nan Voorhees from Brandywine Region motored up from Media, Tom & Pat Daggett and Pat's sisters, Shirley & Jane came over from Columbia, and Bob & Melba Bates tried again! If you would like to know if it was fun, ask the Voorhees and the Daggetts - DON'T ask Bob & Melba!

The tour to Harpers Ferry was delightful. The Potomac Region was there "en force" - arriving at the exact same time as the contingent from York. It was great to see so many Healeys lined up in the parking lot. A few brave owners even had the top down, and it was a bit on the chilly side. After touring through the historic buildings, eating a picnic lunch and shepping, the gang moved on to the Rat Factory to hoist a few with Doug Reid and the Potomac Region. A good time was had by all.

The November Rally was short and easy, the idea being to get to a nice place to eat, drink and socialize. The nice place turned out to be The Underside Pub at the Altland House in Abbettstown - a very nice place indeed.

The big event coming up will be the AWARDS BANQUET to be held on NOVEMBER 22nd at the Reesevelt Tavern, corner of 400 W. Philadelphia and Penn Sts., York, PA.

The following are choices of entrees. Both are full course dinners and include tax & tip:

- Lenden Broil \$8.50
- Roast Beef & Filling \$7.75

If you haven't already done so, call Joan Null immediately for reservations - 717-755-1596.

There will be a No Host Cocktail Party at 6:30 PM - Dinner at 7:30 PM.

All of you who were honored last year with our infamous awards - please bring them with you to the banquet - they are travelling awards. You may win them back - but who knows where Morrison may strike?

FOR SALE: Would you like to add a car to your Classic Collection? And aid the American Cancer Society at the same time? The American Cancer Society in State College, PA is selling chances on a 1968 MGA coupe. Donation is \$10. Only 1000 tickets will be sold. Drawing will be on August 29, 1981 (or sooner if all tickets are sold). Make your check payable to the American Cancer Society for \$10 and send with a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Joan E. Null, 127 N. Manheim Street, York, PA 17402.

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Our rally, held Oct. 12 was a modest success, with 10 entrants and a net profit of \$.50 plus 8 cases of beer left over. All but one car finished and a good time was had by all even if there were no Healey winners. The one DNF ('49 TC) was towed to the finish and emergency repairs made (the Prince of Darkness strikes again). If the weather had been warmer we might have run out of beer. At least it was dry.

Oct. 22 saw our last meeting take place at the Hodgman's in Syosset. Most of the people who make the meetings seem to think rotating from house to house is a functioning idea, although it has been suggested we try meeting at a restaurant/saloon in '81. Any thoughts on this (especially with specific suggestions) are appreciated.

It was more or less unanimously decided that another rally is in order. This will take place on Sunday, Dec. 14. It will not be a poker run, but will be a seat of pants, fun type event the specifics of which should be firm by next meeting on Nov. 19. There's quite a bit happening at the next meeting, so plan to attend! In addition to final rally plans, election of Officers will take place. Yes, for 1981 we will have real elected (selected) officers. Pres., V.Pres./Treas., Secy/Newsletter Ed., & Events Coordinator will all be filled. Come and vote! Run!?

We will also consider the possibility of a Christmas part. We do have 8 cases of beer to dispose of. We could have a pot luck dinner (or whatever) and maybe even a Healey grabbag? We do need a host for this affair, so if you're up to entertaining at little or no cost for a group of less than distinguished individuals, let us know. (Some of us can hardly type!)

The next meeting, by the way, will be on Wed. Nov. 19, 8 PM at Carol and John Hendrickson's, 1557 Wales Ave., Baldwin. Take Southern State Pky Exit 20 (Grand Ave) south one mile to DeMott Ave. Right on DeMott to second left (Wales Ave.) to 1557 on left. If you come to stop sign on Wales, back up 2 houses and cross street.

When this region was first trying to make a go of things, several of you made a few meetings and then stopped coming for one reason or another. The organization left a great deal to be desired and you can't be blamed. However, things are starting to cook now and it would be nice to see you again. Take a chance and give us a second chance. See you at the next meeting?

Mike

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 * * * * * NORTHERN NEW JERSEY REGION * * * * *

The Resurrection of the New Jersey Region: Most people had given us up for lost! Our last mention in the newsletter cannot be remembered. However, due to some bullheaded, hard-driving, hard-working and hard-drinking - Austin Healey enthusiasts, we are back, bigger and better than ever.

Our present reorganization began abruptly before the New Hope car show in August. Through a few phone calls by our acitivites chairman, Dennis Meehan, we gathered four Healeys together for the tour from northern New Jersey to New Hope. Meeting a fifth member there - Larry Knudsen - who just missed third place by one point in the 3000 class. Together we enjoyed the picnic and scrounged up some parts. Many thanks to Larry for driving down to show that the Northern New Jersey Region is still in contention.

The next weekend it was off to Encounter. Three cars toured out together leaving Thursday morning. Since we read about the festivities last month, lets just check the results again: three finished in the rallye; our Team-Khana team finished third by less than one second; and one member got sixth place in the Funkhana. As we said - we ARE better than ever.

Since then we have had two re-organization meetings, one at Walt Mainbergers and one at Bob Shaffsicks, with the following results:

New Officers:	President	Ben Cohen	(201) 773-1737
	Vice President	Walt Mainberger	(201) 694-7036
	Secretary	Nancy Meehan	(201) 464-9514
	Events Chairman	Dennis Meehan	(201) 464-9514

Our membership is rising fast. We came back from Encounter with twice as many members than we had when we started.

Our future plans are:

November 19th: Regular meetings begin. They will be held on the third Wednesdays of each month at the home of Ben and Leslie Cohen. Call (201) 773-1737 for directions. Maps will be sent out to each member.

December 13th: Cocktail party at the home of Dennis and Nancy Meehan. Directions to follow.

So don't give up! We are still here and hopefully with the new enthusiastic membership we'll be here every month.

CHUCK HURLBUT NEEDS:

WANTED: For 1959 Bugeye front & rear bumpers with brackets, 2 seats and interior trim panels (blue or black preferred).

WANTED: For 1969 Sprite - original BMC radio with antenna; original Sprite steering wheel with emblem.

WANTED: BT7 Mk I 3000 parts car. Need a solid body; some rust OK if minor.

Call or write Chuck Hurlbut, 1 Lindberg St, Johnson City, NY 13790. (607) 798-9270

LEHIGH VALLEY REGION

All those who attended our excursion to the Alpine Slide in the Poconos on October 5 had a great time. The weather was a bit cold but after the first run down the slide everyone was numb and didn't feel a thing. The hot chocolate and Lodge were a real welcome. Jeffrey Guth piloted and his father was navigator of the winning sled on the course beating everyone down the hill not once but four times - not bad for a six year old. Move over Mario.

At our last meeting we made final plans for our covered dish Christmas Party which will be held at Jim and Sue Markulics residence in Klecknersville, Pa. on December 12. If you plan to attend please contact Bob Miller (tele. #433-1692) or Sue Markulics (tele. #837-6140) by November 22 so we can plan the amount of food, etc. needed. Directions to Sue & Jim's house will be available when you call.

Our next meeting will be held on November 24, 7:30 P.M., at Mansard Inn, 501 Race St., Catasauqua, Pa. Come one and all and join us for a Thanksgiving drink.

Get the Spirit!
Come to a Club Meeting!

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NOVEMBER

- 19 Philadelphia region meeting.
- 19 Long Island region meeting, 1557 Walls Avenue, Baldwin, NY, 8:00 PM
- 22 Annual banquet Harrisburg region. Roosevelt Tavern, 400 W Philadelphia St, York. Cocktails at 6:30 PM.
- 24 Lehigh Valley region meeting, Mansard Inn at Catasauqua, PA, 7: 30 PM
- 25 HMS Brandywine region meeting. Check with Harve Mallory for details.

DECEMBER

- 14 Long Island region rally. Call Mike Haran for details.

FOR SALE: AH 3000 MK III. Restored, runs like a top. Transmission replaced in 1974. Original top with clear window. Rebuilt wire wheels with Michelins. Old English White - a clean car. Asking \$7,500. Scott Lange at (215) 433-3191 Extension 311.

FOR SALE: Clearing garage of remaining parts from low mileage '60 100-6, right & left front brake backing plates with spindles, front seat frames (need new upholstery), drive shaft, four brake drums, flywheel with clutch & pressure plate, axle with brake backing plate, two front disc brake assemblies, right seat bottom (good wood), heater core with housing, 2 left rear fenders, set aluminum inner sill trim - \$10 each. Set head light housings - \$5. Finned aluminum valve cover, 2 doors - \$15 each. Other misc. dash boards, complete steering and suspension, shocks, gauges, horn & turn signal parts, fan blades, etc. Shipping extra. Contact Jerry Curtis, 206 Dawson Street, Jackson, OH 45640.

FOR SALE: BUGEYE T-shirts. Front on view in black on Red, Lt Blue or Beige shirt. Sizes S, M, L. \$6.75 postage included. Dave Doyle, 12806 Valleywood Drive, Wheaton, MD 20906.

FOR SALE: End of season clearance specials - '61 Bugeye, great condition, 43 mpg, \$2800. '63 MkII BJ7 3000, runs fine, new floors & front end, \$2450. Both cars are fully roadworthy and regularly serviced at world's largest Healey shop. Selling at cost complete in box NOS Mk III BJ8 distributor, #40966, \$200. NOS Mk II distributor #40920, \$100. Both are ready to bolt on car. Call Doug Reid at (301) 845-6130.

FOR SALE: ABARTH exhaust system. Limited supply. These are THE class retrofit systems with integral chrome tips. Super sound. Suitable for 100-6 thru Mk III. Priced \$40 under the only major supplier with these units available. Yours for \$200 plus nominal shipping. Can only supply at this cost if we sell 10 sets. Contact
 George Greenwood at (609) 298-5595
 or Don Olsen at (717) 599-5770.

FOR SALE: Just in time for Christmas. Pewter belt buckles, Austin-Healey marque. Reduced to \$7.50 + \$1 postage. Mail orders to Dave Bayne, 445 Appletree Road, Camp Hill, PA 17011. Checks only.

FOR SALE: Start your maintenance project or rebuild now with these parts:

Right front hub	\$65	Caliper rebuild kits (NOS)	\$ 5
Sprite Mk II starter	40	Front shocks (used)	25
Rear shocks - used	20	100 Fan belt (NOS)	5
Safety gauge-white face	25	Speedometer-white face	25
Tach - white face	25	Squab - 100-6 - Mk II	35
Squab - Mk III	30	Mk III wood top bow	20
100 wind screen	150	100 right rear fender	100
100 rear surround	250	Surround-100-6-MkII, 2 seat	300
Surround - Mk IIA (NOS)	350	Oil drain plug	3
Turn signal/horn assy	75	Two seater top, complete	100
Doors - all models	50	Side shifter w/OD	250
Mk III padded dash	40	Hoods - 100-6 - Mk III	75
Disc brake rotors	25	Healey Crest patches	2

Much, much more - for specifics call Don Olsen (717) 599-5770

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The following is a tentative schedule of events for 1981 for the Harrisburg Region. Besides the regular 3rd Wednesday monthly meetings, there will be 2 events each month. Hopefully, there will be something for everyone - Tech Sessions, Rallies, Tours, Picnics, Car Shows and more. Programs are also being planned for the regular meetings - so lets see more of you at these events. Come with us - for some fun!

- Jan. Tech Session - Trans rebuild at Butch Miller's Garage.
- Jan. Rally
- Feb. Tech Session - To be announced
- Feb. Michter Distillary Tour
- Mar. Tech Session - To be announced
- Mar. Rally
- Apr. Winery Tour
- Apr. Rally
- May Hospital Fete Autocross
- May Family Picnic - All Regions
- June Gude Car Show - All Regions
- June British Car Days - All Regions
- July 9-12 Encounter/Conclave, Fredericksburg, Va. - All Regions
- July Pool Party Rally
- Aug. Handicapped People Rally
- Aug. Picnic - Caledonia State Park
- Sept. Renault Winery Tour, Egg Harbor, N.J. - Sat. & Sun.
- Sept. 2nd Annual Clam Bake, Sea Isle, N.J. - Sat. & Sun.
- Oct. Halloween Party
- Oct. Morderloch Rally
- Nov. Awards Banquet
- Nov. Rally

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