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# NEWSLEAK



# September Minutes

October 2014



The September 9, 2014 meeting of the OVAH club was opened by President Dale Ballinger and Gayle and Cindy Loos were thanked for hosting. The David Kreuter scholarship fund will be the charity for 2015 conclave. President: Dale Ballinger thanked all who have worked on the Newsleak. Scott Brown who is going to the AH South East Classic will write a report for the Newsleak.

Treasurer: Pat Duffey has paid Hazel Klein for the shirts she bought for the Fall Round –Up regalia. She did a beautiful job of embroidering the shirts. All sold. Any bills related to Fall Round should go to Pat.

Editor: MaryAnn Grabow: No report Historian: Judy Chamberlain: No report

Delegate: Don Klein—Will be going to a delegates' meeting in November.

Skip Jackson talked about the up-coming Fall Round Up.

The Makeshifts Band (with our own Jeff Paroda) will be playing in Burlington, Ky. Sept. 26.

There will be a tour of the Spring Grove cemetery on October 12 at 10am.

There will be a cruise-in on September 20 in Brookville, In. at Jim True Ford dealership on U.S. 52.

The Air Force museum will be commemorating the 100th anniversary of the start of WWII.

John and Jake Jacobs will be getting a web site up and running for the 2015 conclave. There was a discussion of shirts for conclave.

MaryAnn mentioned that 2015 was the 200th year anniversary of Covington's beginning.

Skip will get a CD of this year's conclave. October 19 is the last auto-cross of this year.

October 4th is the Parrots bonfire at Ipm. Please call Janet with what you want to bring, food wise.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Hall, secretary.



# October Meeting

## Saturday, October 4 1:00 (stay for the bonfire).

The Annual Fall Bonfire Picnic at Janet and John Parrott's

3016 Goodwin Schoolhouse Rd. Bethel, OH 45106 OVAHC meeting at 4:00 Potluck dinner at 5:00....fire at dusk

Fish in the pond, shoot the potato gun or your real gun, hike to the creek, or put your feet up and relax.

Meat, beer and soft drinks provided by the club.

Please call Janet or John if you have not already signed up to bring an appetizer, side dish, or dessert. Phone 513-876-3085 (long distance from some areas)

If you wish to stay on the east side of town, the Parrotts have three extra bedrooms, a futon, sofas, or plenty of space outdoors for tents with sleeping bags. Free showers. Leftover beer. You are welcome to stay!

Call our cell phone 513-368-2496 or home 513-876-3085 for directions, if needed.

#### **Directions:**

#### Coming from north via 1-275:

Take the SR 32 Batavia Exit #63B (about 8 miles to Batavia)

Take the first Batavia exit and proceed to turn right on SR132 (second traffic light)

Follow SR132 to SR125 junction and turn left

Proceed on SR125 (about 5 miles) to SR 222 and turn right

Follow SR222 carefully watch route signs, there is a hard left at Pt. Isabel, after making that turn go straight for about 1/4 mile and keep going straight. (Do not follow SR222 which goes to the right) Continue straight and the road name changes to Mt. Olive / Pt. Isabel Road. Go about ½ mile to right on Goodwin Schoolhouse Road. Proceed to 3016 Goodwin Schoolhouse Road which is about 1 mile on the left with a black mailbox and concrete drive just after the bridge.

#### Coming from south via 1-275:

Take the SR125 Exit #65 east toward Bethel (about 8 miles to Bethel) proceed on SR125 (About 5 miles) to SR 222 and turn right. Follow SR222 carefully watch route signs, there is a hard left at Pt. Isabel, after making that turn go straight and keep going straight. (Do not follow SR222, which goes to the right). Continue straight and the road name changes to Mt. Olive/Pt. Isabel Road. Go about ~ mile to right On Goodwin Schoolhouse Road. Proceed to 3016 Goodwin Schoolhouse Road, which is about one mile on the left with a black mailbox and concrete drive just after the bridge.

#### Alternate route coming from south or west via 1-275:

After crossing the Ohio River take the second SR52 East exit to New Richmond and continue on SR52 past New Richmond. After it becomes two lanes, go about four miles to Pt. Pleasant (35 MPH zone). Turn left on SR232 past Grant's birthplace, and continue about 2 miles to right on SR756. At the first stop sign turn left which is SR743 and continue for 3 miles to Pt. Isabel. At the stop sign turn left and go about one block, then turn right on SR222. After making that turn go straight and keep going straight. (Do not follow SR222 which goes to the right). Continue straight and the road name changes to Mt. Olive / Pt. Isabel Road. Go about ~ mile to right on Goodwin Schoolhouse Road. Proceed to 3016 Goodwin Schoolhouse Road which is about one mile on the left with a black mailbox and concrete drive just after the bridge.



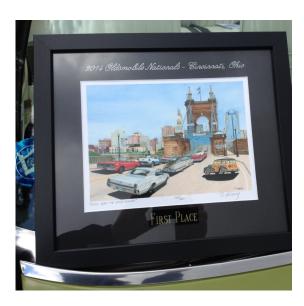
# Meetings

October: Parrots, bonfire

Nov. Duffey's December: Kleins

# Caught in the Act:





Bill and Judy Chamberlain's prize winning Olds Cutlass.

# Calendar

October 4.....October meeting-Bonfire at Parrotts 1:00

start

October 12....Spring Grove Cemetery, Car Show & Tour of grounds

October 19 (Sunday)...... OVAHC Family Gymkhana @ Live Oaks

October 19.....Herbst tour in Campbell County

December 6......OVAHC Christmas party MARK YOUR CAL!





### 2014 September Round Up **Event Report**

On opening night, Thursday, September 11, 2014 Gayle and Cindy Loos set up to receive our guests and got them quickly registered. The regalia shirts sales table was set up and manned by Bob Duffey. Most arrivals after registering just relaxed and took advantage of the sandwiches and snacks Hazel Klein and her crew obtained. Everyone enjoyed the friendly atmosphere.





Friday 9/12 some enjoyed lunch at a local pub, Ryan's Tavern in downtown Hamilton on High Street. It is supposed to be haunted, but we only saw great food and drink. Many took advantage of the spare time to try out the walking rallye. Others went to the Model T and A Museum nearby. Still more went to the Air Force Museum in Fairborn, Ohio. Walt's BBQ provided a great dinner spot for a lot of our group. Sandy & Dale went to the Holiday Auto Drive Inn for an action / comedy cop flick.

We also had a misadventure right in front of the Marriott entrance. An oil pan of Jack & Ann Over-



ley from Michigan struck an object just up the road and it punctured through and caused a massive leak. But our crew found a way to get it fixed with a pan from Don Klein and a gasket from Richard Pratt. Tim Ross lent his trailer for a ramp to let

the workers lay underneath to secure the repair.

We had a great showing of Austin - Healeys and British cars on Saturday morning 9/13 on the streets in Hamilton. The layout and class signs were

set up by Dale Ballinger with assistance from Skip Jackson. The band "Keith Jones and the Makeshifts" played during the late mornthe Courtyard Marriott on North Front taking the time to make your selections for your

ing car show outside the front doors of Street. Thank you for attending and favorite cars.

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Funkhana Master, Scott Brown presented the awards for the best times on the course he set up with his helpers Bob Merten and John Parrott. Winning driver was Jeff Porada from OVAHC and winning copilot was Nancy Bacon in a MG. Second place driver was Charlie Lownsdale from MVAHC with son Aidan in a Sprite. Honorable mention for third was driver Dale Ballinger with Skip Jackson in a Jensen - Healey.

The Rallies - by Tim and Bobbi Ross

The Walking Rallye was new for us and came from an interest in sharing the things we found when we were first exploring Hamilton to create the Driving Rallye. As we walked a few blocks around the Courtyard, Tim took pictures of sculptures including small details on those sculpChairman, Tom Hall addressed the attendees. He asked them to stand for a rousing round of apbroidered the knit shirts. She had purple ones for sale. John Parrott did the artwork. Jake Jacobs the deals. Hazel, Nancy, Joyce, and Pat orgadled registration. Bob Merten ran the car wash chairs to present the awards.



# September Roundup Pictures











Keith Jones and the Makeshifts with OVAHC member Jeff Porada on Sax





Tom Hall's Model A which gave many rides around the block

Joyce and Jake Jacobs heading to the Funkhana





Salty Dog Racing / Ron's Model T&A shop tour



Inside the Salty Dog Museum at Ron's Model T&A shop



tures. Participants were given a sheet with photos, a sheet with questions, and a sheet of instructions including a map showing the area within which they would find the answers. Two teams had perfect scores, so the luck of the draw (tiebreaker was the draw of a playing card) placed Mike and Kim Bish in first and Joyce Jacobs with Pat Duffey in second.

The Driving Rallye showcased Houston Woods Lodge, the support facility for all Audi Autosports in the U.S. and Ron's Machine Shop connected by some lovely country roads. Nineteen teams set out, nine were official finishers. The rescue team was busy, first towing in Bruce and Charlene Gilham when their differential failed, then picking up Scott Brown and Bob Merten at Indian Creek Tavern when Scott's Healey began making nasty engine sounds. Third place went to Richard Pratt and Dale Ballinger on a tie breaker; and second to Jeff Porada and Nancy Bacon who drew the higher card in the tiebreaker. The winners were Bob and Melanie Haskell from Central Indiana AHC.

The trophies for the car show were announced by Dale after Sandy Ballinger did the tabulations and then presented by Tom. The Austin - Healey Sprite winner was Bob and Pat Duffey from OVAHC in their blue Bugeye. Second place was Charlie and Dee Dee Lownsdale from MVAHC in the black square body Sprite. S.O.B. or some other British winner was Jim and Jo Switzer from the Central Indiana AHC in a MGB. The Austin - Healey 100's first place went to Ron Francis from CIAHC and Jeff Warner form OVAHC was second. The Austin - Healey roadsters winner was Dave and Vicki Roberts from MVAHC with Scott Brown from OVAHC in second place. The Austin - Healey convertibles winner was Gayle and Cindy Loos from OVAHC. There were many beautiful examples in this class so many awards were handed out. Second place was Jerry and Peggy Spurlock from Mid - Ohio AHC, third place award of excellence went to John Steck from MVAHC, fourth place to Roy Bowman from CIAHC, fifth place was Tim and Bobbi Ross from OVAHC, and sixth was Bruce and Charlene Gilham from CIAHC. BEST IN SHOW with forty total entered cars displayed in the street outside the Marriott Hotel was Jim and Sandy Burck from CIAHC in a beautiful black A-H 100-4.

We all enjoyed a delicious dinner in the ball room. The band then took over and rocked and rolled for a couple hours. They were very good and amazingly energetic. Thank you and see you next year in Piqua,

Saturday, AM show chair Dale Ballinger with 2014 September Roundup Chairman Tom Hall



At the awards dinner our leader, Show Chairman, Tom Hall addressed the attendees. Tom thanked his committee members and asked them to stand for a rousing round of applause. Hazel Klein designed and embroidered the knit shirts. She had purple ones for the committee and red ones for sale. John Parrott did the artwork. Jake Jacobs managed the finances and negotiated the deals. Hazel, Nancy, Joyce, and Pat organized the food. Gayle and Cindy handled registration. Bob Merten ran the car wash station. Skip Jackson ran the silent auction and made a tidy sum for our club. Tom then called up the other chairs to present the awards.





Best in Show winners Jim and Sandy Burck from  $\mbox{CIAHC}$ 

### **Ohio Valley Austin – Healey Club**

### Driver's Training / Gymkhana 2014

## Sunday Oct 19

Location: Live Oak Vocational School - 5956 Buckwheat Road - Milford, OH 45150-2287. Exit # 57 from 1-275 and go northeast on Route 28. (towards Blanchester) use the bypass - Right on Buckwheat Road (@ Circle K Mart gas station) this is the nearest rest room and store

Time: The main gate opens before 9:00 AM. Registration is the first 20 cars with up to 25 drivers. The maximum is usually reached BEFORE 10:00 AM. Runs start as soon as possible. Clean up and awards about 3:30. The more help picking up cones and cleaning the earlier we leave.

Cost: \$25.00 per Driver - Max - 25 drivers - spectators free! - Rain or Shine

Everyone will be required to sign a waiver and all drivers are required to work the course when not driving. Bring chairs and a cooler; there is shade available. No alcohol.

Required Equipment: A safe/functioning car (we will inspect it) any make or model, the cooler the better; Helmets are required for drivers and passen-gers. There are usually loaners available.

Goal: "Fun & Family Oriented Gymkhana" Meaning - street legal tires driven to the event only (no tire changing is allowed); No trailered cars unless they are vintage European or Japanese. We may give out awards for improvement over the day i.e., training.

This event is designed to be a safe, fun way to enjoy your automobile. No dangerous driving or recklessness will be tolerated. We operate near a resi-dential section and ask that the exhaust system be street legal for noise. **Regardless**; we reserve the right to determine if it toooo loud. We want to come back next year.

We would like to see more vintage iron in 2014.... Remember - you are competing against yourself, not others - come out and have some fun with your car!

Questions call the Committee: Jake Jacobs (beancounter) 513-858-3071; Don Klein (Track Master) 513-895-2624; Skip Jackson (Equipment Master) -513-720-7547 or E-mail me if you want to be on our update list.

jake.jacobs@fuse.net or check our web site: www.OhioValleyAHC.com

# Fall Windup Report by the Skipper

Fall was totally wound up at the Fall Windup by Sandy & Dale Ballinger, Joan & Skip Jackson in Oscoda, Michigan on September 18-21, 2014. It was a 1,000 mile round trip for the Jensen and Sprite. Both cars completed the trip in good form except for a slight miss in the Jensen at high speed coming home. The Sprite got 37 MPG. The accommodations were good, the food was great, the riverboat cruise was beautiful, and the light house climbing was fun. The Lumberman's Museum was interesting and the parties at the beach house bonfire were raucous with singing and drinking. The SE Michigan Club always organizes a fun event so we look forward to their offering next year.

Dale and Sandy taking a long walk off the short Oscoda boardwalk and pier

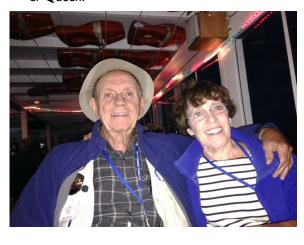


The 1870 Sturgeon Point Lighthouse, won-derful site for the informal car show.



Sandy & Dale with a good buffet, free wine, and a sunset tour with SEMAHC

Skip and Joan on the "3 hour tour" aboard the paddle wheeler, Au Sable River Queen.





#### President's Report:

I am accepting responsibility for our club accidentally having mailed the August Newsleak hard copy twice. I failed to discover the error in time to correct or prevent it. My communications were not good enough. The buck stops here. I am sorry.

However, I personally mailed out ten issues in black and white to those without e-mail and have extra copies of the 2014 September Newsleak here (September meeting) to hand out. The total cost was \$9.24 plus some of my time. Please forgive me if I seemed to take our volunteers' efforts for granted, as I did not intend to. No one in our club should ever do that, including me. All our officers and workers do a great job. I thank them. Sincerely, Dale Ballinger President OVAHC