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# Newsleak



## November minutes

December 2016



### OVAHC November Meeting Minutes

Call to order at 3:20 p.m. by Vice President Dick Sippel at his and wife Nancy Jones home near Milford, Ohio on Saturday, November 12. President John Jacobs was away. Almost thirty members were attending. Dick thanked Nancy for hosting. (applause) We approved the October minutes with a correction to the spelling of the name Spurlock.

Dick called for reports from the officers. Vice President, historian Judy Chamberlain, and Sandy Ballinger membership officer had none. Secretary Dale gave credit to Jake for giving our President-elect a nice blue Conclave camp shirt like we wore to Gettysburg. Jake gave the credit to Don Butler for making it available. Newsleak editor Mary Ann Grabow passed around a food signup sheet for hosting the OVAHC Christmas party. It is Saturday, December 17. Arrive at 5:30 PM and dinner is at 6:30 PM. R.S.V.P is required. 859-359-5488. Bring a \$15 same sex gift for exchange.

Treasurer Cindy Loos was away but Jake gave her report. Cindy has paid the bills and our balance is good. She wrote the \$3000 check to the Kreuter Fund. Tech director Tim Ross reported Ben's Healey actually is running and Ben drove it up the ramp onto Tim's trailer. They took it back to the paint shop for body panel installation. Tech team goes there 11/19. John Parrott has invited the team over for an evaluation of his big Healey on 11/20. Chris Wolfer bought a BRG square body 1969 Sprite and is getting help looking it over for necessary repairs tomorrow morning 11/13. Call Tim Ross to request help via phone at 513-528-3232.

Delegate Don Klein gave a report with information from the AHCA delegate meeting. No dues or major insurance increases for 2017. The 2018 Conclave is proposed for French Lick, Indiana. It will be a combined effort of the clubs in the region with leadership from the AHCA officers. OVAHC will do the gymkhana. The



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# November minutes continued

2019 Conclave is penciled in for the Black Hills with the Minnesota Club hosting in the month of September. The AHCA is offering free membership for one year if a new person even thinking about buying a Healey wants to join. Don has business sized cards that you can give people you see in a Healey for a free 1st year membership. Don had SEMA magazines if you wanted to take some home. Don has 2017 Waco Conclave flyers and some details, too. WACO are planning on having driving in the cool AM temperatures and afternoon events/activities to be in the AC. Please consider going, John and Jake will be going.

Business manager Jake reported that at the delegate meeting he was invited to join a new AHCA Conclave planning committee. The delegates voted to open up proposed dates, i.e., months other than June-August will be possible. The Waco Conclave will feature morning activities to avoid the DRY heat. (laughter) And Jake did not volunteer OVAHC to host again. (laughter and applause) Don stated that the AHCA leadership was amazed at Jake's careful planning and comprehensive events at our Conclave and how superior it turned out. (loud applause) John and Jake was rewarded with a complimentary 2017 AHCA membership for their efforts. OVAHC was given applause for donating the vast majority of its profits to charity. There were discussions about an outreach effort to grow membership. Subjects included, free membership to new Healey owners, calling previous members, giving out business cards, and following up with phone calls about joining.

Activities activator, Skip Jackson announced he has a busy 2017 activity schedule ready. September Roundup is at Mohican State Park. Call now and pay \$110 daily and save about \$70 per night. Southeast Classic in Alabama: Skip said we will stop half way each direction (back roads, not x-way) at the Dale Hollow State Park. Rooms are only about \$75 for seniors. Book now. Call him for all the contact info. Jake said we have been asked to run the gymkhana for the Atlanta Club. Skip is sending in the engine and chassis VIN plates order. Call him if you have a last minute request. 513-720-7547

Old business: Concerning the 2017 December Christmas party, Ben and Jenny Grabow stepped up. We will be in the Eastgate area in December 2017 for the OVAHC Christmas party. Tim has the last five OVAHC car badges for \$20 each. Ken Kreuter took the floor and gave a very elegant and gracious thank you to the OVAHC for the wonderful support for the past eleven years to the David Kreuter Memorial Education Fund. (Applause)

New business: Jerry Spurlock said there is access on the AHCA web site to read the delegates motions, minutes, and the bylaws. Richard Pratt had a visit from former member Bruce Venable. He has BJ8 door top chrome strips for free and he is making his unused restoration-type rotisserie available now. Call Richard if you want to obtain it very cheaply at 513-755-0049. Tim suggested we move all excess parts to Richard's basement Healey shop. Dick has left over Sprite parts. Hazel said Nancy Hall is recouping well. Tom Hall could benefit from some phone calls or a visit. Call Don or Hazel if you need his number.

The next meeting is at the Grabow home in southern Covington. The directions and the times will be in the Newsleak. Dick thanked Nancy for helping him host this meeting (applause) and adjourned.

Submitted by OVAHC Secretary Dale Ballinger "at your service"

# Meeting for December—Grabow's

Saturday, Dec. 17  
Dinner served at 6:30

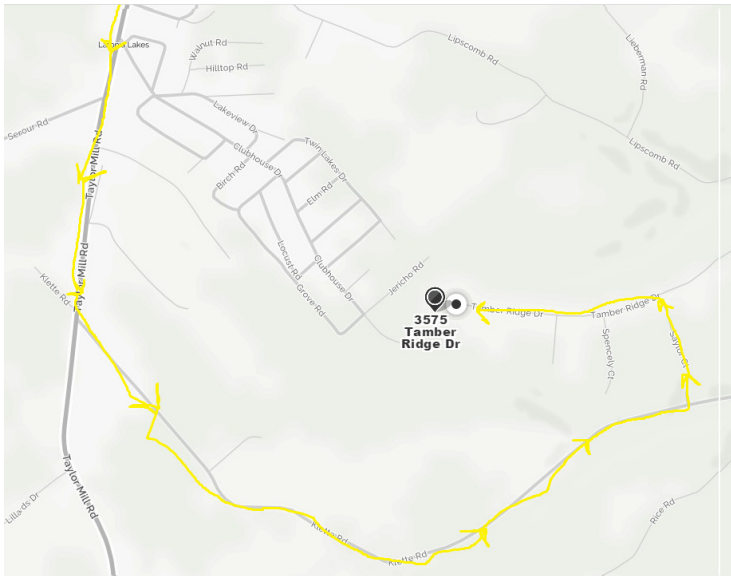
You are welcome any time after 5:30...



**3575 Tamber Ridge Drive, Covington, KY**

**41015 859-359-5488**

275 in Kentucky to Rt. 16 south . Go straight at Pride Parkway which will turn into Rt. 16 S. Once Rt. 16 turns into a 2 lane highway look for Klette Road 2047E on the left. Turn left at Klette and go 1 mile to Saylor Woods—left on Saylor Woods and then left on Tamber Ridge....last house on the left in the cul de sac



Please bring a dish to share—meat and drinks will be provided. If you want to bring a gift—we will exchange...please bring sex appropriate for exchange.

Call Mary Ann and let her know what dish you plan to bring if you didn't sign up at the November meeting.

## CAUGHT IN THE ACT

Ben's car on it's way to the painters for a final fitting...doors, bonnet etc. Ben couldn't wait to drive it though—brought over his car seat—and drove it onto Tim's trailer for the drive. Left a little rubber on Tamber Ridge first though.



## Meetings 2016/2017

December 2016—Grabows

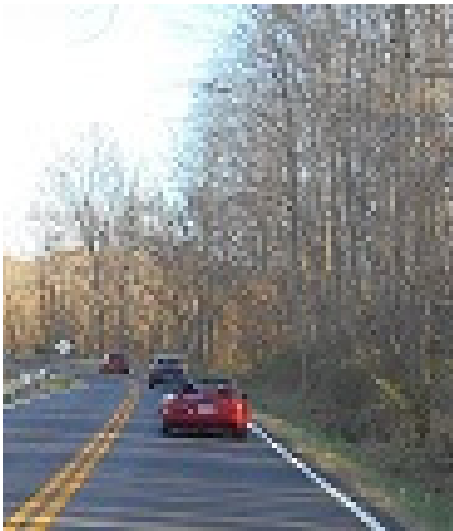
January—Joyce and Jake Jacobs	August—Wolfers (picnic)
February—Jacksons	September Loos
March Jeff Porada & Nancy	October—Parrotts (bonfire)
April—John and Ashley Jacobs	November—Bernie Grabow
June—Cox	December—Ben Grabow & Jenny—Christmas party
July—Browns	

## Calendar

December 17..... Christmas party at Grabow's

Skip Jackson is coordinating activities for 2017 and he is looking for ideas. Contact him if you want to plan a trip, or have a great activity in mind for the club!

# Activity report:



Fall Color Drive 11/13/2016  
Submitted by Dale Ballinger



On a bright but chilly Sunday, we took many folks and nice cars from the Airport Marriott in Hebron, KY down some great back roads to Rabbit Hash. The store has rebuilt since the terrible fire and has its new roof, front fascia and front porch. We made a short visit there and then went to Big Bone Lick State Park and ended up at the Tilted Kilt in Florence for dinner. They have the best looking burgers in the Tristate.

OVAHC members Tim and Bobbi Ross developed the rallye for our recent Austin Healey Club of America Conclave. They spent many hours in creating a fill-in-the-blank quiz. Most all of our travelers were happy to merely follow the route and enjoy the beautiful scenery. Skip offered a special invitation to the BCCGC, Cincy Miata Club, Queen City Coopers, and the Six Pack Triumphs to join the Ohio Valley Austin Healey Club for the drive. There were no trophies, just the fun of the drive.

Special guest present at the Tilted Kilt was Robert Reid, the bagpiper from the Cincinnati Caledonias. He was dressed in his kilt, played us several tunes, and drove his black 2006 Hummer H3. Visit the web site [www.caledoniansociety.org](http://www.caledoniansociety.org) for info about their events. We managed to get a few waitresses to go out into the chilly afternoon for some photos with the Bugeyes.

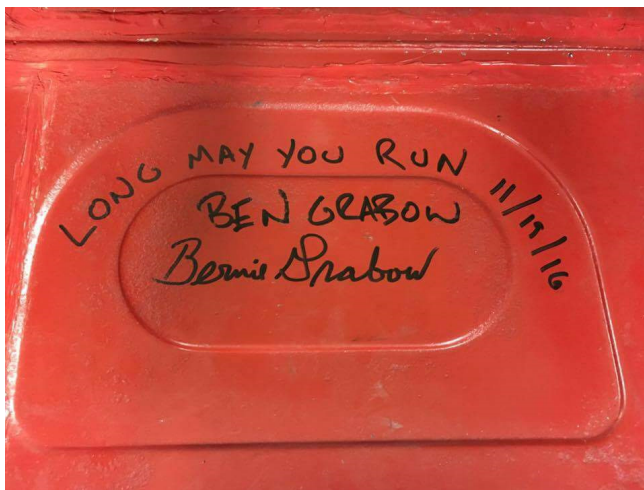
From the BCCGC were: Bob and Sharon Santoro in a sky blue 1954 Daimler Conquest Roadster, Larry and Dana Hutchinson in their 2003 inferno red PT Cruiser, Jim Steputis in his blue and white 1979 MG Midget, Aaron Kuertz in his blue 1972 TR-6. From the Greater Cincinnati Miata Club was Bob and Wendy Askin in a BRG 2001 MX5 Miata. Kurt Niemeyer from the OVAHC drove his red 1990 Miata and had Jim Clark as his *nag-i-gator*. Other GCMC members were in several clubs such as Tim and Bobbi Ross but are also members of the QCCoopers. They drove a blue 1999 10AE Miata. Vel and Ed Fenker drove a lapis color 2017 Cooper Clubman and QCC member Dale Ballinger drove his BRG 2011 Cooper Convertible. Aaron Greenberg from the 6-Pack Club drove his blue 1996 TRV Vixen. Greg Donegan from the 6-Pack Club was in his saffron 1972 TR6.

From the OVHAC were: Skip Jackson in his red over white 1960 Bugeye Sprite, John and Karen Haines in their yellow and black 1959 Bugeye Sprite. Joyce and Jake Jacobs drove their blue 2013 Genesis Coupe. And already mentioned: Dale, Tim & Bobbi, and Kurt. All told that is 22 diners and 16 vehicles. From the smiles on everyone's faces, it looked like a great time was had by all! Thanks for attending and ***hope to see you down the road.***

# Tech session



Ben's car is getting close—off to the painters ...insides looking good too



Back from the painters—tech members who worked on it signed the chassis—Ben and Bernie signed last.

Little more assembly required and you should be able to view Ben's car at Cavalcade of Customs this year!



# 2017 CALENDAR

March 19.....Leprechaun Run  
 April 22.....Kirt Neimeyer's Spring Classic Drive  
 April 29.....Chatfield College, St. Martin, Ohio—Quilt/Craft & Car show  
 May 18.....Bluegrass Club Springthing  
 May 20.....British Car Museum—Dayton, OH—Car Show  
 May 21.....Coney Island—Amusement Park—CCSM—Car Show  
 June 11.....Concours d'Elegance—Ault Park  
 July 18.....Glendale OH, Shop/Eat & Car show  
 July 2.....Rising Sun IN, Shop/Eat & Car Show  
 July 8.....Ice Cream Social and Drive (Nat'l Car Collector Day)  
 July 9.....CONCLAVE—Waco, TX  
 July 15.....Keenland Coucours d'Elegance, Lexington  
 July 23.....Rollin on the River—Car Show, Fernbank Park  
 August 5.....Dayton, Ohio car show  
 August 12.....Indianapolis IN, Car show/shopping/eating & drinks  
 August 19.....Miamitown, OH Car Show & historic tour  
 August 20.....Covington, KY Mainstrasse Car Show  
 August 27.....Put-in-Bay, OH Vintage Races  
 September 3.....Coney Island—Amusement park rides/swim/car show  
 September 15.....September Roundup—Mohican State Park, OH  
 October 8.....Spring Grove Cemetery—car show & tour  
 October 11.....SouthEast Classic—Guntersville, AL—overnight @ Dale  
                                 Hallow State Resort, KY

Live Oaks Buckwheat Rd., Milford Ohio Drivers Training—dates to be determined

**Notice: Your 2017 dues is due to  
 be paid. Please bring your check  
 to the Christmas party, or mail it  
 to Sandy before January 15**



## CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Spouse

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ AHCA MEMBER # \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIPCODE \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

CAR INFO \_\_\_\_\_  
(New member or any changes) Year Type Serial #

The Ohio Valley Austin - Healey Club chapter of the Austin - Healey Club of America dues are \$65 per calendar year. Members receive via mail the printed *Healey Marque* award-winning AHCA magazine. In addition, members receive via e-mail *The OVAHC Newsleak* with local information about the Ohio Valley Austin- Healey Club activities.

Everyone is encouraged to attend our Greater Cincinnati area monthly meetings and join us for other activities. These include drives, tech sessions, a picnic, the Christmas party, and more. Our goals are to promote friendship and to preserve and enjoy the Healey cars. Ownership is not required. Deadline for annual renewal is January 15 of each year. Please make your check payable to OVAHC and mail with a completed application to the membership officer:

Sandy Ballinger  
10179 Russwill Lane  
Union, KY 41091-9572  
SLB07TP@TWC.COM  
(859) 384-1345

Membership application can be completed with a credit card on the Austin-Healey Club of America web site [www.healeyclub.org/join-membership](http://www.healeyclub.org/join-membership) and choose our club OVAHC.

If you desire to have the printed edition of *The OVAHC Newsleak* mailed to you,  
Please contact: Jake Jacobs: Business Manager at 513-858-3071.

Thank you.