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# Newsleak



## August Meeting

September  
2019

### Please read changes to September meeting in this Newsleak

#### August OVAHC Meeting Minutes

Thirty-five members attended the meeting on Sunday, August 11 at the Wolfer home in Alexandria, KY. President John ran through the 2020 meetings. None for January again due to winter weather and no business: February Jackson, March Wallace, April Ballinger, May Grabow, June Julie and Rob King, July Cox, August picnic Wolfer, September Lindauer or Loos, October bonfire Duffey, November Jacobs. The 2020 Christmas party was subject to club vote. (see below)

Next John went to nominations for Officers for 2020. Dale nominated Jeff Porada and John Jacobs for vice-president. (applause) John Jacobs nominated Jake Jacobs for delegate. Several officers were willing to relinquish to a new person if anyone would step forward. No one did, so the rest of the slate remained the same. Nominations are open until the September meeting ends. Then they will close and become official.

President John went through the OVAHC funds disbursement input from the members that he and President Jeff collected. John asked for four votes to narrow down our options.

The voting results: **The winners are in Bold.**

1. For how to spend funds, 3 choices and 2 votes. 5 points for 1st place vote and 2 for 2nd place votes

Buy **Club Tools**: 148 total points (26 votes for 1st) **Charities**: 72 total points (8 votes for 1st) and Stipend for show registrations: 18 total points (no votes for 1st)

2. Charities: 17 votes to give to both **David Kreuter and DMH Fund**, 9 votes Kreuter only, 4 votes open to other charities, and 2 votes DMH Fund only.

3. Meetings: 14 votes to **increase meetings \$25 and special events \$50**, 13 votes to increase both by \$50, 5 votes no change, and 0 votes for a formula based on attendance.

4. Future Xmas party, OVAHC gets a room reserved at a restaurant and members buy their own dinners, or status quo: 22 votes for a **local restaurant**, and 10 votes for no change from the present system.

President John thanked Chris and Donna for hosting. (much applause) President Jeff and Editor Mary Ann were away. Vice-Presidents John and Lauren, Historian John Parrott,

Business Manager Jake, and Membership Sandy had no report.

Secretary Dale reported a correction to his July minutes. The sentence: "The AHCA's national secretary, Ann Jones has health issues. She requested that her position be filled by a new person." was incorrect as pointed out by Jerry Spurlock. It should have said: "Ann

Johnson withdrew herself from consideration for the 2017 AHCA secretary position."

Treasurer Cindy reported the 4 drivers' training sessions in 2019 with 40 paid drivers gave us \$1001. (applause) The extra buck was a tip! Debit for \$150 for the picnic and our balance is very good. Cindy passed out new OVAHC business cards.

Delegate Don discussed the AHCA membership directory. Some folks use it when they



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## Minutes Continued

drive their Healeys around the country for help. The book will return in 2020 after the computer breakdown this year. Don had an AHCA financial report available to read. Sad news, Anne Johnson from Texas passed away recently. Hazel sent a card on behalf of OVAHC to her husband, Mike.

Activity Activator Skip reported some members went to the Dayton British car show. Ben and Bernie won awards of excellence. Skip had his engine blow up on his MGA a mile away, after the show ended. Skip read a postcard for the Jackson, Ohio British Car Day on September 1. Skip asked Kurt Niemeyer to speak about the Bellefontaine Hill Climb weekend in August. It starts Friday 8/23. He ran down the complete schedule. Our club will host the Gymkhana on Sunday morning, 8/25. We are asking for volunteers from our club. Activities other than rallies are available, such as shopping, sightseeing, wineries, and dining. Friday morning, August 23 is the OVAHC caravan from Bob Evans in West Chester to Young's Farm for lunch, and then to the Marysville Honda plant to start the Bellefontaine, Ohio weekend. For any Deadwood Conclave or activity questions, contact Skip.

Tech Director Tim reported there was a good tech session at Scott and Eileen Brown's house for various tasks on Tim's 3000. John Wallace got his Healey back from Zakira's Garage. Skip will need a session soon for his engine work. Call or email Tim if you need to schedule a session.

Old business: none

New business: John and Janet Parrott announced the bonfire is Saturday, October 12. Contact them to say what your food side item or dessert will be. Tim Ross wants to check into new OVAHC badges for the front of our Healeys. He wants two types. One with bolt holes and one with threaded studs attached to the back. Motion to investigate it passed.

Dale announced that Cindy has a new plan for paying 2020 dues, specifically those who pay online. Pay AHCA \$50 dues online but send Sandy an OVAHC \$15 dues check or pay your local dues at a meeting. With the previous plan, paying AHCA \$65, OVAHC does not receive our \$15 membership portion, nor are we informed you paid your dues and are a current member, until months later.

President John thanked Donna and Chris for hosting. (applause) The next meeting was scheduled for the Loos home in Fort Thomas on September 28. (Secretary note: 2019 OVAHC September meeting will be moved to the Lindauer home in Union on Sunday, 9/22 by consensus due to multiple officer scheduling conflicts. Dinner for 9/28 at Pompilio's is canceled.) Meeting details will be published in the Newsleak. John then adjourned the meeting.

Submitted by OVAHC Secretary

## Calendar for 2019

September 7-11.....Conclave at Deadwood SD

September 22 (Sunday)...meeting at Lindauer's

Change from previous meeting plans

## Meetings 2019

**September—Lindauer\***

*\*Change from Loos*

October—Parrots (bonfire)

November—Jacobs

December—TBD - Hazel setting  
us up for Christmas party

# Going to Deadwood? Here is the planned route

## 2019 Conclave Caravan to/from Deadwood, SD

9/3 - Harrison, OH thence I-74 to **Peoria** IL - 308 miles;  
9/4 - thence I-74 to I-80 to US 63 to US 20 to **Webster City** IA - 319 miles  
9/5 - thence US 20 to I-29 to SD 50 to US 81 to I-90 to **Mitchell** SD - 291 miles  
9/6 - thence I-90 to **Deadwood** SD - 313 miles.

9/11 - Deadwood to **Mitchell** SD - 313 miles  
9/12 - Mitchell to **Webster City** IA - 291 miles  
9/13 - Webster City IA to **Peoria** IL - 319 miles  
9/14 - Peoria IL to **HOME** - 308 to Harrison, OH

Using the same hotels going both directions:

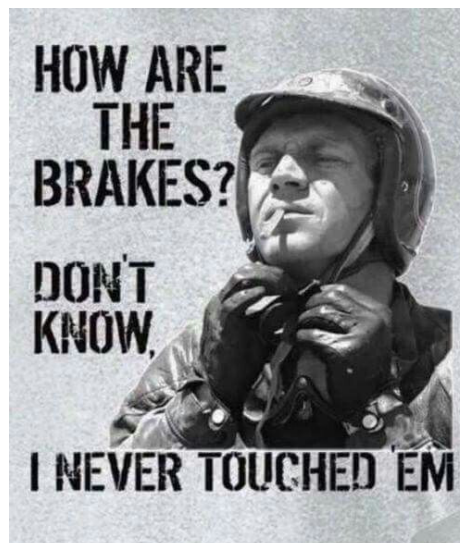
9/3 and 9/13 - Comfort Suites Peoria I-74  
1812 West War Memorial Drive, Peoria, IL  
309-668-3800  
2 Queens, Non-smoking, AARP/Senior: \$86 for Tuesday, 9/3; \$99 for Friday, 9/13

9/4 and 9/12 - AmericInn by Wyndham Webster City  
411 Closz Drive, Webster City, IA  
515-337-2611  
2 Queens, Non-smoking, AARP/Senior: \$90 either night

9/5 and 9/11 - AmericInn by Wyndham Mitchell  
1421 South Burr Street, Mitchell, SD  
605-996-9700  
2 Queens, Non-smoking, AARP/Senior: \$81 either night

Both AmericInns are pet friendly for Don and Hazel.

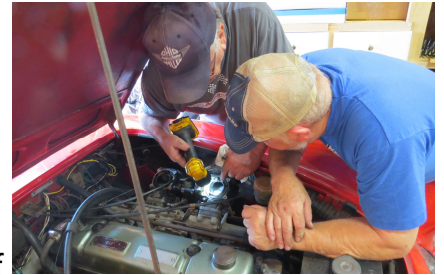
I have not made any calls to these three hotels to have any rooms held.





# Tech Team Report

Richard Pratt and Tim Ross went to Lebanon on Friday, July 26 to tune up the A-H 3000, model BJ8 of Stephen Streets. It is a decent original driver with quite a few miles on the ODO. Stephen's Healey had most of the usual age-related issues, but the car is solid, and generally reliable. We checked the compression first, and found a worn engine, but not worn out yet – somewhat low compression in cylinders 1 and 6. Probably not worth a rebuild yet. The plugs showed rich running (probably too much choke) but not oil fouled. The points and the rest of



the ignition system is in okay to good shape. Then we removed the air cleaners, and while Tim cleaned the mesh with carb cleaner, Richard used his Unisyn to balance and adjust the carbs. With no major leaks, lighting issues, or other complaints to address - we had a nice pizza and beer lunch. Then Richard and Stephen went for a long test drive, coming back satisfied that the car ran well. The transmission and overdrive is good, except for a first gear that is shot – so Richard suggested using second gear to start. Tim suggested that Stephen check

on engine rebuild and transmission parts cost with John Wallace. With a final set of adjustments to the door “hold-open” mechanism, we were done for the day. Thanks for a nice coffee cake to go with the morning coffee from Mary Ann.

On Wednesday, July 31, the tech team met at the Scott Brown garage in Batavia to work on miscellaneous items on the Tim Ross BJ7. Scott has the lift and plenty of garage space to work around the car – Thank You Scott and Eileen. Items addressed included the seat spacers (to put some recline in the seats for more comfort), tighten the front bumper bolts, steering (tightened somewhat), turn signals (flasher unit is bad on output to dash light), new points and condenser (a lot of the wiring around the distributor was intermittent, and had new connectors installed), clean and re-oil the air cleaners (don't need as much oil), and synchronize and adjust the carbs. We found that it would be best in the future to not disconnect the carb linkage and open the butterflies fully while also by-



passing the ignition switch during distributor troubleshooting – lucky the runaway engine did not fail. We also tried to grease all the suspension fittings, etc. while we had the car on the lift, but only could access about half, the others need the wheels removed. Thanks to all who came and helped: Richard, Scott, John Wallace, Jerry Cox, Gayle, and Stephen Streets. And thanks to Eileen Brown and Bobbi Ross for the breakfast items and Subway sandwiches for lunch (with the beer and soft drinks). Later we also got Richard Pratt's BJ8 on the lift and checked various items

# September Meeting Sunday 9/22

1:00  
kick tires

## NOTICE CHANGE

2:00  
meeting

Denny and Jo Lindauer  
1750 Hicks Pike  
Walton, KY 41094 (mailing address, but closer to  
Union)  
859-384-1750                      859-512-6680 (Cell)

Gayle and Denny have  
agreed to switch places  
in 2019 and  
2020...September 2020  
will be at Gayle's

Directions: (if not using GPS etc) Get on I-75, I-71 or come around I-275 towards Florence. When in Kentucky get on I-75 South and continue to drive south on I-75 about 10 miles further below the I-275 interchange. Take the Richwood exit # 175 for Route 338. Get off here and turn right on 338 / Richwood Road and drive one mile. When you see Sutherland Drive on your left, slow down. Turn right onto Hicks Pike and go 2 miles more. Our house at 1750 Hicks Pike will be on the right. You will



see a red Bugeye Healey in the front yard. Turn right into the driveway and park in the grass. Please bring a lawn chair, if you have room. The normal beer and drinks will be available, but BYOB if you have a special favorite. I do have a small winery in the basement for your inspection!





# Activities Report:



British Car Day, Dayton, Ohio  
8/10/19



Keeping the  
love of Healey's  
in the family —  
Bernie and Ben  
Grabow

Please accept my apology for putting information in the Newsleak on a drive up to the Dayton show and not realizing it was changed. Thought we had contacted everyone going on the drive when changes were made, but apparently not. Some of our usual "drive members" did not go to Dayton and we lost contact with members going. I would like to suggest that we have a contact person when we are going on a club drive—one that is going on the trip—that you can "let know" you want to be included on information and changes. Suggesting that a volunteer person can be decided when plans are made for the trip and people going hold up their hands at a meeting and their contact information and cell phone be made available in the Newsleak. (This would change with every drive...not always the same person).