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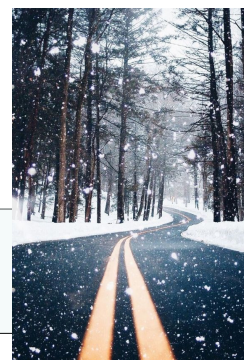
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# NEWSLEAK

## NO JANUARY MEETING



February 2020

You all know us,  
and many of you  
have intimate

knowledge of the Spanish Racing Green 100-6 of indeterminate age. So we want to give you our opinion of the Club itself. We both believe that the Ohio Valley Austin Healey Club is in fine shape thanks to the officers and club members themselves. We note that:

Our membership remains stable and we continue to attract new members. The members both actively participate in and provide assistance to events. Recently, we have added to the traditional event list (Spring Thing, Sept.

Round-up, SE Regional) by reporting on activities of other regions. Our national representatives have contributed significantly to the improvement of the Austin Healey Club of America and assisting other clubs. The Tech Team is world class, literally.

The Club is financially sound. All of the above is a direct result of the membership. We have always been impressed by how everyone contributes to the sense of fellowship and community that truly bonds the Club.

So, we are not coming in with a view to fundamentally change the Club. We do have a strong view that this is a car club and should be supportive of those who want to drive, maintain, discuss, rebuild, and show the finest sports car ever made.

One area we want to discuss is adding more trips. We envision that these would be shorter trips (one day, maybe an overnight). We send an e-mail of interest, meet somewhere, and go exploring. There may be a destination, or just a drive.

These activities would add to (not replace) the bigger and more elaborate events. Examples of these trips are: Oxford, Ohio; Sandusky (Lake Erie); the US Grant tour (Pt. Pleasant, Ripley, Georgetown); Urbana Caverns; Bourbon and Horses;

Ohio River (Ohio side to Maysville, Kentucky side back—or vice versa).

We would like to cover this the next meeting and get a read on your thoughts.

We look forward to another year of good times with all of you.

Sincerely,

John and Lauren Wallace

## Sports car event details from calendar

**February 21-23**, Barber Motorsports Museum & Lane Motor Museum Cabin Fever Beater trip. Motor-coach transportation, hotels, selected meals, admissions included. Cost is being negotiated, more to come!

Friday; Morning departure express to Nashville, stop at Ross Restorations for a break. George Ross is a renown restorer with many Best of Show winners in his portfolio; in his spare time, he is a Concours judge and rescues a variety of animals. Quite the character, George will show us around the shop and charm us with his tales and yarns. On to our hotel near Birmingham for the night.

Saturday; Visit the Barber Motorsports Museum at the Barber Motorsports Park near Birmingham Alabama 10 am-5 pm. The Museum features the world's largest motorcycle collection! Along with over 700 motorcycles the museum features a number of sports cars including the world's largest collection of Lotus cars! George Barber goes big on all accounts. We have arranged for the premium guided tour including the lower level restoration shop. Dinner follows the museum and our overnight in the same hotel.

Sunday; The Lane Motor Museum in Nashville is on the agenda breaking up the trip home. Many of you know Jeff Lane from his participation in the Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance at Ault Park with a variety of unique cars. The collection features micro cars, the AH Sprite that Jeff raced in SCCA, aero-driven cars, French, British, Italian, military, amphibious and delightful vehicles of all sorts. Arrangements are being made to visit the usually "off limits" areas of the museum. Home Sunday evening. Niemeyer, Kurt Niemeyer **ktrg65@gmail.com** 513-304-1177

## Meetings 2020

February—Jacksons

March—Wallace

April—Ballinger

May—Grabow

June—King

July—Cox

August -Wolfer (picnic)

September—Lindauer

November—Jacobs (Jake)

December TBA

## Calendar for 2020

February 15—Meeting at Jackson's

February 21-23—Kurt's overnight trip to Alabama & Tennessee (see details in this Newsleak)

April 16-19, 2020 – Texas Round Up

Spring—Date TBA *Vintage Car Dyno Day at Turn In Concepts*

April 24, 2020 – Kurt's - Wing & Wheel at Tri State War Bird Museum Batavia benefit dinner

April 25, 2020 – Kurt's - Spring Tour #8 – New Richmond

May 17-21, 2020 – Conclave 2020 – Crystal River Fla.

June 6—British Bash in Louisville (see Newsleak)

June 11-14, 2020 Rendezvous - Ontario Canada (Minnesota & mid west Canada clubs)

June 18-21—Springthing in New Albany, Indiana

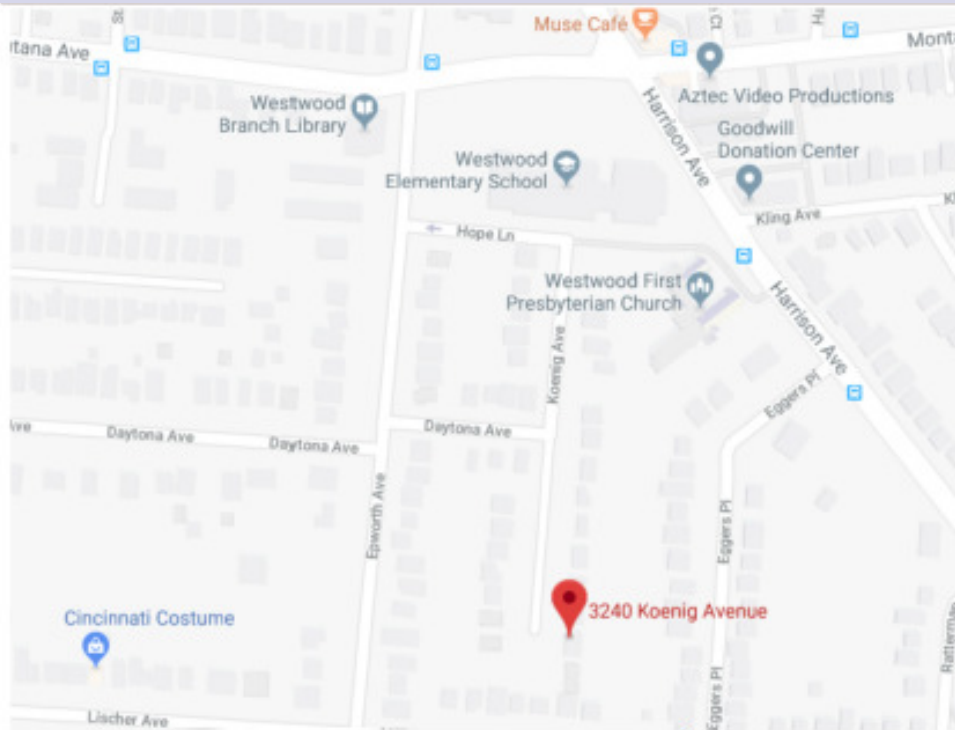
August 28-30 – Kurt's - Bellefontaine OH #2 Hill climb

September 17-20 – September Round up – Indianapolis

September 20-24, 2020 – Summit New England Area – Newport RI

October 1-4, 2020 – SE Classic – Buford Ga. Lake Linear Resort

# FEBRUARY 2/15 MEETING AT JACKSON'S



Skip and  
Joan Jackson  
3240 Koenig Av-  
enue  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
45211

513-720-7547

## Meeting:

Kick tires at  
2:00, meeting  
at 3:00

Meeting fol-  
lowed by

Dinner is at West Side  
Brewery at what ever time  
we get there. Some beer  
will be provided, bring your  
own Vino and "hard stuff".

## Directions to the Jackson's meeting:

Take I-75 to just north of downtown Cincinnati  
Take exit 4 to merge onto I-74 West  
After only 1.9 miles take exit 17 for Montana Avenue  
Turn left onto Montana Avenue and go 2 miles  
Epworth Avenue is just past Harrison Avenue  
Public Library of Cincinnati is on the corner  
Turn left onto Dayton Avenue and go 0.1 miles  
Dayton Avenue is just past Hope Lane  
Turn right onto Koenig Avenue and go under one tenth mile  
3240 Koenig Avenue is on the left—your destination is at the  
end of Koenig Avenue

Using I-275 take exit #28 for I-74 East towards  
Cincinnati

Go 5.1 miles more and take exit #14 for North Bend  
Road.  
(Don't try to use Montana Avenue now because there is no  
Exit from this direction).  
Turn right to go south/west on North Bend Road for  
1.5 miles.  
Turn left onto Westwood Northern Blvd and go  
0.3 miles.  
UNITED DAIRY FARMERS #86 is on the corner.  
Turn slight right onto Boudinot Ave and go 1.0 miles.  
Turn left onto Montana Avenue and go 0.2 miles  
Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County is on the  
Right.  
Turn left onto Dayton Avenue and go 0.1 miles.  
Dayton Avenue is just past Hope Lane.  
Turn right onto Koenig Avenue and go under one  
Tenth of a mile





Hello OVAHC,

***We are publishing this notice in the January and February Newsleak especially for those without email addresses in our club. Please, everyone look around in January for new items to buy.***

We have a plan for those of you who want to buy 2020 club shirts, etc. Jake Jacobs has a guy who will make them for us at a reasonable price. We won't use club funds or try to mark them up, either. You will order them in person, via email, or by phone, and the final order will be placed after the February 15 OVAHC meeting at the Jackson home. Catalogues will be there. We will have an order sheet if you are ready to order. The small club logo will be on the left breast area, or on the front of the caps. Pay when you pick them up beginning at the March meeting. No mail orders, please.

Feel free to check out the web version and we need the brand, item number, size, and color for each one you are buying. Final pricing will be as close to the catalogue as possible. Payments go to Jake Jacobs since he is pre-paying for all of them. However, since he is a super busy guy, **respond to me at [dlb55ah@cs.com](mailto:dlb55ah@cs.com) with your order. My phone number is 859-384-1345** if you need to order by phone or have questions. All sales final, please.

Call me now if you want any gear in 2020. I will search the book to fill your order!



OVAHC Secretary, Dale

This first web site has prices, but it will be a little extra for the logo

<http://www.espinc.norwood.com/category/APPAREL/Apparel/>

The following web site has no prices, would have to check on each item. They would be almost the same as the other site. Some brands are lower in price.

WEB SITE FOR APPAREL: [www.companycasuals.com/excel](http://www.companycasuals.com/excel)

for hats : <https://www.companycasuals.com/EXCEL/b.jsp?id=7794703&ln=126-7794703>

**SUGGESTION: Port Authority® stretch pique Polo. 55cotton/40poly/5spandex about \$25 each**

Stretch your wardrobe options with this breathable, moisture-wicking polo that features a touch of spandex for easy movement. Clean-finished details give this polo an upscale look, while our finishing wash adds extra softness. Adult Sizes: XS-4XL For XXL and above add >\$2. Final pricing is flexible.

Ladies L555   **Aubergine Purple PMS 7449C** and in all mens colors below, too including WHITE

Mens K555      

Black Chili Red 202 Dress Blue Navy533 Grey Smoke426 Moonlight Blue7684 and

# FOR SALE



## 1966 Austin-Healey 3000 MKIII Phase 2 #34591 For Sale \$22,000

I've owned and enjoyed this car for over 35 years; but now it's time for it to belong to someone else. I've made numerous updates over the years to improve reliability (alternator; solid state fuel pump; stainless steel exhaust; spin on oil filter; electric radiator fan, etc.). It runs and drives but has reached the point in its life where it would benefit from more mechanical and cosmetic

work than I have the time or interest in doing. It is currently garaged in the Cincinnati, Ohio area. If you think that you may be interested, please email me and I will send you many more details.  
Stephen Street [StreetSJ@sprintmail.com](mailto:StreetSJ@sprintmail.com)



The Louisville British Sports Car Club Presents

## British Bash 2020

*Our 36th Annual!*

Saturday June 6- Louisville, KY



Join us in June for our 36th annual All British Car Show - British Bash.

Once again our annual event returns to the park like setting of St. Joseph Children's Home!

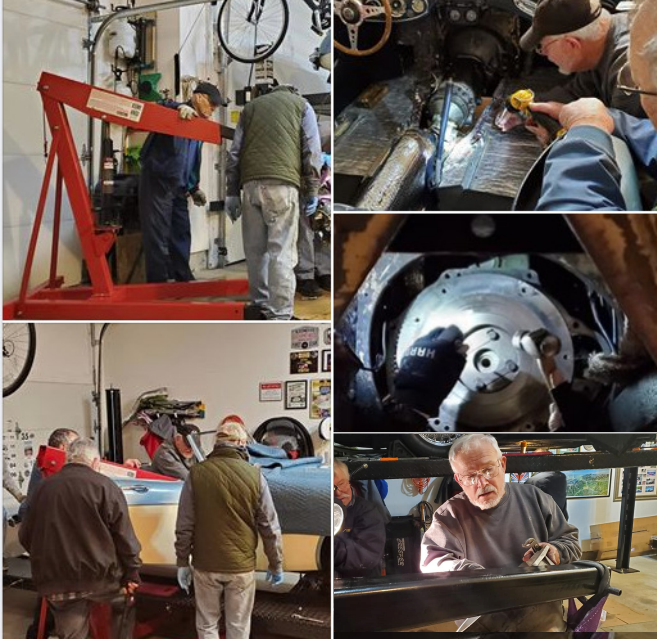
**Over 25 Classes of British (and related) Vehicles!**  
**Popular Choice Awards!**

*Save the date and plan to join us in June!*

**A Fun Day For The Whole Family! Spectators Free!**



# TECH SESSION



The first OVAHC tech session of the year went well at the spacious garage of Scott Brown. Our task was to replace the oiled clutch and rear main seal on Scott's BT-7. Scott had already removed the seats, carpeting, and trans cover before the tech team arrived. He had also removed many of the bellhousing bolts, the driveshaft and the rear transmission mounting bolts. This should have been an easy and straightforward change out since he had a collection of new parts from Moss, and Jerry Cox had provided his big engine hoist for the work, and we were on Scott's car lift. The tech team consisted of many of the usual stalwarts: Richard Pratt, Bernie Grabow, Gayle Loos, John Wallace, Jerry Cox, and Tim Ross. Maneuvering the big engine lift through the passenger door and hoisting the transmission was tight, but many eyes and arms helped. Then the lift was raised and we removed the pressure plate, clutch disc, and flywheel. Tim set about grinding the flywheel and PP surfaces for reuse to be free of burn marks and have enough "tooth" to seat the new clutch disc. Some others removed and re-sealed the bolts holding the gearbox to the bellhousing and installing a new throwout bear-

ing. The rear engine plate was removed, allowing the rear main seal to be accessed for removal. The new Moss motors rear main seal was missing the seal energizing spring, so Bernie had to carefully remove and prepare the old spring for reuse on the new seal. The bolts for attaching the halves of the new seal had heads too big for the seal housing, so Richard had to machine them down slightly with a drill and file. Scott had purchased a replacement stock rear engine plate, so it had to be modified for the new rear seal – hopefully with a tighter fit than the one we removed which leaked. This provided the excitement of the day when Richard set about grinding the new engine plate – plenty of sparks! This was good therapy for Richard since we had nothing for him to hammer and the transmission did not need to be disassembled. Then reassembly was just the "reverse steps of disassembly", with plenty of gasket sealant, NEW LOCK WASHERS, and checking the torque specs. Scott will finish up the driveshaft and interior and give the team an update on the results at our next ROMEO lunch. The next tech session may be the installation of a new stainless exhaust system on the John Wallace BN4 when Scott's lift becomes available.



## Caught in the act

Romeos out for lunch again!