

# OVAHC

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# NEWSLEAK

## March minutes

March 2026

## Meeting Minutes and Club Updates

### Opening and Attendance

The meeting began with a lighthearted joke and a warm welcome. It was noted that Denny Lindauer could not be present due to recovering from a recent operation. He sends his regrets and best wishes to everyone. The group emphasized the importance of socializing at these meetings, encouraging members to enjoy the food and take leftovers home if possible.

### Minutes Approval

The minutes from the February meeting were reviewed. No changes were suggested, and they were accepted as presented.

### Officer Reports

#### President's Remarks

No particular new subjects were brought up by the President at this time.

#### Vice President's Report – Dale Ballinger

No report

#### Treasurer's Report – Cindy Loose

The Treasurer reported the following:

- Opening balance: \$6,451
- February credits: \$42
- Six additional standard renewals: \$510
- Three logo-only memberships: \$60
- Rebates for credit card payments: \$45

Expenses included payments to Mark Snyder (\$420), National Treasurer (\$10), and an honorarium for Richard. checks ordered: \$38

Closing balance: \$6,480

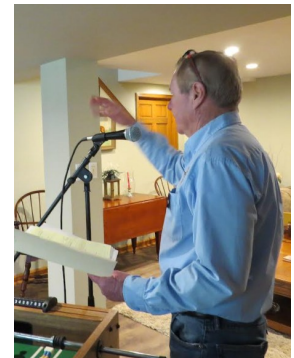
The tech team's opening balance was \$1,150. Expenses included a hangar knockoff hammer purchase (\$13.87). Closing balance: \$1,136.

#### Secretary's Report – Mary Ann Grabow

The Secretary confirmed satisfaction with the previous minutes. ChatGPT was mentioned as having assisted in preparing the minutes.

#### Activities Report – Nancy Bacon (by Jake Jacobs)

Jake discussed updates regarding Google calendar dates for club activities and the process for integrating them with the club website and calendar. The 2028 regional (Conclave) event planning is in progress, with contracts almost finalized. The event will be held at a state park, utilizing all facilities. Details such as discounted meals and logistics were discussed.



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# Minutes continued

## Drivers Training and Insurance

Drivers training sessions are scheduled for May 9 and August 1, using the staff parking lot due to conflicts with other activities. The club's national insurance coverage has changed to bundle liability with driving events, reducing the club's insurance expenses. The club will continue with two annual driving events.

## Mid-American Tech Calls

Participation and scheduling for tech calls were discussed. Members are encouraged to join, and reminders will be sent.

## Upcoming Activities

An Old Bridge Tour is planned for summer, starting at Colerain Ave. and including stops at various bridges and a winery. The Maysville Drive will be scheduled for late April, considering weather and restaurant availability. An August trip to Bardstown is also under consideration, possibly including an overnight stay and ghost walk.

## Membership – Rosalee

Membership processing began at the end of November and is ongoing. There are 46 members in the AHCA and Ohio Valley Austin Healey club, including 4 multi-club members and 10 local members. One new member, Tom Echlin, was welcomed. Updates were provided regarding honorary memberships and outreach to members experiencing health issues. Members not renewing – Haines and Housh.

## Tech Team Report – Tim Ross

The Joe Yanonne recently acquired a TR6 and we will assist with installing a lift at Joe's garage. Members are invited to help or watch the process. The team encourages spring tune-ups and offers tools such as grease guns and wheel balancing adapters. Members can contact the tech team for assistance. There was also discussion about shock absorbers and the importance of proper maintenance. John shared a story about discovering an incorrect speedometer in his car, which was resolved by purchasing the correct part. He offers free speedometers to those in need.

## Historian Report – John Parrott

John Parrott, the club historian, did not have a report to share at this time but will provide one for the next meeting.

## Website Update

The club website is active and is receiving increased traffic. Members are encouraged to visit and contribute as needed.

## Old Business

Rosalee reported that 13 people have registered for the MAC event, including three non-club members. Registration promotions will intensify in the coming weeks. The club is accepting donations for goodie bags, with \$750 already committed. A ladies' tea event is planned, with costs covered by donation and to include a speaker from Waynesville. Volunteers are needed for set-up and assistance.

Event chairs are coordinating with activity chairs to ensure readiness. A dry run for the rally drive and a trip to Lebanon are being scheduled.

For silent auction and raffles, better organization and item consolidation are encouraged based on past experiences. The timeline for item contributions will be communicated by the committee.

The club is considering a donation to the Healey Concours committee, which manages concourse judging at events. The committee is independent and not funded by the club, but a token donation is being discussed.

## New Business

Members were reminded that club logos are on file for shirt embroidery, with pricing clarified. The Concours d'Elegance is scheduled for June 14, with discounted tickets available. Parking privileges are included for classic cars.

The next club meeting is tentatively set for April 11.

## Meeting Conclusion

The meeting ended with reminders to enjoy the food, a split-the-pot activity, and group photos.





# Drivers Training 2026



Ohio Valley Austin – Healey Club

Driver's Training / Gymkhana 2026

Gymkhana Dates:

May 9 (Saturday)

Registration 9 to 10AM Live Oaks – Milford, OH 5956 Buckwheat Rd, Milford, OH

45150

Aug 1 (Saturday)

- Rain or Shine

**Time:** The main gate opens before 9:00 AM. First 20 cars - up to 25 drivers. The maximum or cut off is 10:00 AM. Runs start as soon as possible. Clean up about 3:30. The more help picking up cones and cleaning the earlier we leave.

**Cost:** \$35.00 per Driver – Min 8 - Max 25 drivers - spectators free!

All drivers are required to work the course when not driving. Bring chairs and a cooler - No alcohol.

**Required Equipment:** A safe/functioning car (we will inspect it) any make or model, Helmets are required for drivers and passengers. We have 3 loaners available.

**Goal:** "Fun & Family Oriented Gymkhana" Meaning - street legal tires driven to the event; No trailered cars unless they are vintage.

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 residential section, the exhaust system must be street legal for noise. **Regardless; we reserve the right to determine if it toooo loud.** We want to come back next year..... Remember - you are competing against yourself, not others - come out and have some fun with your car and like-minded people!

Questions call the Committee:

Jake Jacobs (beancounter) 513-509-6038; Don Klein (Track Master) 513-785-8484; Jeff Porada/Nancy Bacon (Track Set UP & Timing Master) 513-315-8958 or E-mail me if you want to be on our update list.

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# MID AMERICA CLASSIC



## "Healeys and History"

June 7-10, 2026

Hosted by

**Ohio Valley Austin Healey Club**

### MAC Activities



Come and enjoy the beautiful back roads and history of Southwestern Ohio with visits to historic Waynesville and Lebanon where you will find unique shopping experiences and great restaurants. Austin Healey activities to include Funkhana Evening, Road Rallye, Silent Auction, Basket and Grand Raffle, Split the Pot, Walking Rallye, Car Show and for the ladies, chair yoga and a fun tea.



### Hotel



We will be staying at Drury Inn & Suites in Middletown, Ohio. Between Cincinnati and Dayton on I-75, Middletown has plenty of places to shop and eat, but Drury Hotels provides free hot breakfast every morning and hot food and cold beverages at our 5:30 Kickback® every evening. Exit west on OH-122 to Towne Blvd. Our hotel is to the northeast on Village Drive, next to Bob Evans and O'Charley's restaurants.



### Attractions

National Air Force Museum, Wineries, Outlet Mall, Amusement Park golf courses and many quaint small towns for antique shopping. Located a short distance from Cincinnati and Dayton Ohio where there are many other attractions, events and great restaurants!



Register now at [www.ohiovalleyahc.com](http://www.ohiovalleyahc.com)

or

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**Registration Form**  
**June 7-10, 2026**  
**“Healeys and History”**  
Hosted by the Ohio Valley Austin Healey

Please complete and return the Registration Form with payment and make your 3 night hotel reservations at the Drury Inn & Suites in Middletown/Franklin, Ohio, 3320 Village Drive, Middletown, Ohio 45005. (513-425-6650) and then press zero. Register under group # 10153860 for *Mid America Classic- OVAHC*. Room rate is only \$119 plus tax. Your Drury Inn stay will include a free hot breakfast each morning and for the evening 2 free drink tickets (beer, wine, mixed drinks and soft drinks) and snacks as well as a rotating menu of hot food. Hotel Reservations/cancellations must be made by **Wednesday, April 22, 2026**. Reservations received after the Cutoff Date will be confirmed on a space-available basis at the Hotel's then prevailing rate. **These amenities are available for only those staying in the Drury Inn & Suites.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Car 1 Include Model and Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Car 2 Include Model and Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Early Registration: \$90.00 for 2 people Deadline **April 22, 2026** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Late Registration: \$100.00 for 2 people \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Awards Banquet Buffet: \$60.00 per person \_\_\_\_\_ X \$60.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Golden Lamb in Lebanon, Ohio Seating is limited)

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks or money order payable to  
Ohio Valley Austin Healey Club or OVAHC  
Mid America Classic on Memo Line**

Mail form with payment to  
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# CALENDAR 2026

## April 10-12 Texas Healey Roundup

April 18—Kurt Neimeyer's spring drive

April 19—Meeting @ Lindauer's

## May 5-9 California Healey Week

## May 31-June-Healeys on the Hudson

May 9—Gymkhana

June 7-10, 2026—MAC Lebanon, Ohio

August 1—Gymkhana

August 22—Bellefountain Hill Climb

September 13-18, **2026** Conclave Galena, Ill

September 17-20-Southeast Classic

October—weekend drive to Hocking Hills (TBA)

October 10-Fall Driving Tour

June 7-11, 2027—Conclave Lake Tahoe, CA

## MEETINGS 2026 (so far)

April 19—Lindauer's

May: Ballinger's

June: Skipping due  
to MAC

July: Wolfers (if they  
still live there)

August: Cox

September: Ben Grabow

October :Parrott's ?

**November: Still need volunteer.**

# TECH TEAM

On Saturday, Pi Day, the Ross Flex and trailer was hired to go to West Vernon, IN to pick up and transport a TR6 to Cincinnati for Joe Yannone. We had no issues pulling the Triumph out of the small shed and winching it on the trailer. The battery had recently been “stolen” and the last time the car was run it had a “tick” so was parked. The owner had not received the replacement title in the mail yet so Joe paid him half the cash purchase price now and the rest to be exchanged at a half-way point next week. The TR was generally decent with okay original paint, no obvious damage or rust. It rolled and steered okay so was easy to push and get onto the trailer. We only had a one block turn off US50, an hour west of Lawrenceburg, so the drive was direct and easy. Back in Cincinnati we had an easy time unloading the Triumph and getting it into an open spot in one of Joe’s multiple garages. Some photos are included, including some of the new garage extension to which the OVAHC Tech Team is invited to assemble and erect his four-post lift this week. We will look to line up the volunteers for this at the Wednesday ROMEO lunch, 3/18/26, at the old Peters cartridge factory near Kings Island. Save your Triumph questions for Joe on Wednesday.



# ROMEOS



Bernie and I accepted the 1st place award for Ben's Austin Healey at the Cavalcade of Customs. Ben's car was beautiful!



# APRIL MEETING

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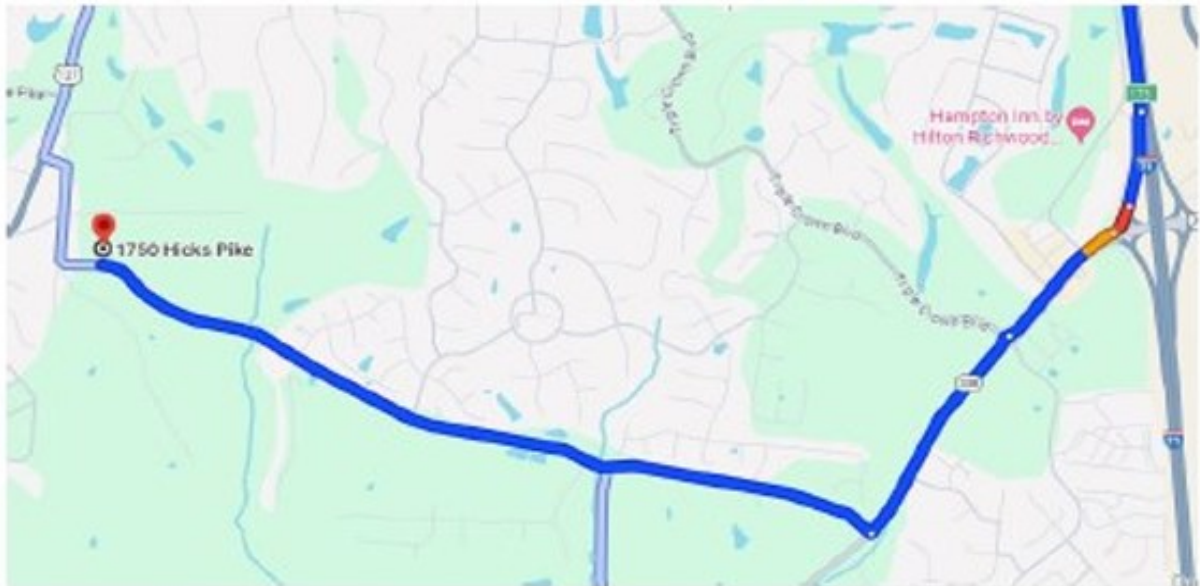
April 19— Kick tyres at  
1 and 2:00 starts the

meeting

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