

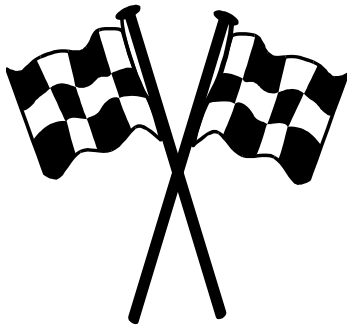
EXHAUST NOTES



GULF COAST HEALEY CLUB
Austin Healey Club of America
January, 2005



PRESIDENT'S CORNER



I hope everyone had a happy holiday season. As we start the new year I would like to welcome Patton Dickson as the new club president. Please give him the support that you have given me. I am confident that he will bring lots of new ideas on how to improve the club.

As I look back on the past two years I see a successful Texas Healey Roundup that the club organized. We also had Conclave Texas which Anne Johnson, Edie Lowery and Bonnie Ayer organized. Conclave was great with outstanding venues

and beautiful weather. Everyone was very complimentary about the event. Unfortunately in the last year we lost two of our members, Scott Hensel and Norman Jones.

I would like to wish a fond farewell to Bertie Edwards. She is moving to Washington state. She will be missed by all that know her.

As I continue to reminisce I must tell you about my latest discoveries. While cleaning out my bookcase and organizing my Chatter/Healey Marque magazines I was browsing through some of my early issues. Would you believe a 1965 MK III driver in good condition, new tires and rebuilt engine for \$2,900? How about

a 1966 MK III with 50,000 miles for \$2,500 or best offer. Maybe you would like a completely restored 1967 MK III for \$6,700. I would like any one of those deals but unfortunately that was in 1980. How times have changed.

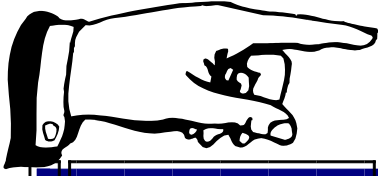
The one thing that hasn't changed is the friends that I have met through the club that I would never have met otherwise. This is what makes the club work.

Roger Lowery



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**GULF COAST HEALEY CLUB WEB SITE:
Keep your eyes open for the new
and improved Website**

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 8: 8:30 am Breakfast meeting at Otto's

February 12: 8:30 am Breakfast meeting at Otto's

March 12: 8:30 am Breakfast meeting at Otto's

April 22-24: 25th Anniversary Round-up at Lake Texoma at the Tangelwood Resort. Registration information will be listed soon at the North Texas Austin Healey Club web site: www.ntahc.org

MEMBER NEWS

December Meeting

Robert Farlow joined our club during the December meeting. Robert is the proud-to-be owner of a '67 BJ8. Yes, he bought a fully restored car in Philly and expects delivery any day. Please add Robert's e-mail address: RDFARLOW@AOL.COM.

Bill Elliott won the 50-50 draw of \$22 for the first time in 3 years! Way to go, Bill!

Eddie Lowrey reported the "almost final" financial report on Conclave Texas was available. Thanks to all the hard work of our members, the club hopes to show a \$1,700 profit.

Conclave schedule for the next several years is as follows:

2005 = Winston Salem, South Carolina; 2006 = Akron, Ohio; 2007 = Burlington, Vermont; 2008 = San Diego; 2009 = Taos, New Mexico.

We are looking for photos of the GCHC Christmas Party held at the Sandy's. Please either email me or send your duplicates to me so I can include them in the next newsletter. Thanks Bonnie and Bob



Have you heard? Patton Dixon is the new Gulf Coast Healey Club President!

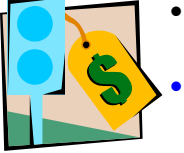


New trailer hitch cover with an Austin Healey Logo. This black hard plastic cover is 4" X 5" in size. This cover is manufactured to fit any standard 2 inch hitch receiver. This will accent your vehicle while keeping the receiver area dry and protected. The cover accepts the same locking pin (sold separately) as you would use to attach a trailer.

Contact Bob Relick if interested (rrelick@houston.rr.com). \$12 + shipping (GCHC members will receive a discount!)



I received an email from Mark, mark@collieryroad.com, with the below photo describing the model an Austin Healey with coal, this unusual model is black and is 4 1/2" 115m (l) X 2 1/4" 55m (w) x 1 3/4 45mm (h). It sells for around \$14.00.



FOR SALE

- **New**

Victoria British parts for sale; One set BN4-BJ7 seat foam, (2) backs, LH & RH cushions; \$119 — King pin kit, p/n 5-225; \$90— (2) front brake hoses, p/n 7-854; \$28 — Clutch slave hose, p/n 7-845; \$11 — Front drum brake cyl. repair kit, p/n 7-600; \$15 — (1) set outer door panels, BN-4-BT-7, Tan, no inner pc. available, easy color change, excellent for freshening a driver; \$80 Roger Bailey, TX. 281-257-8650 (12.04)

- **3000 Tri-Carb:** Stored outside for many years and the engine is partially disassembled. It might be ok as a major project or a parts car. Asking price is \$1500. Contact John Cook in Dayton at 936-258-5503. (11.4)
- **REDUCED PRICE FROM \$5,500 TO \$4,500 FOR HEALEY CLUB MEMBERS:** 1960 Bugeye Sprite, straight, rust-free, new top, strong 948cc engine. Great driver-easy restoration Mike Callahan 281 347 2013. Request pictures from Callahan@fbtc.net (5.4)
- **1962 Square body Sprite, red.** Older restoration, 948 cc engine, good condition. \$5,000 or OBO. Call Wayne Todd 281 363 4973 or e-mail wbtodd@juno.com (6.4)
- **'67 Austin Healey BJ8 MK-III, Serial #3409, British Heritage Certificate, Second Owner, TX/Arizona car — no rust, matching numbers, all original, Old English white with red interior, 78K miles, everything works, drive it to Conclave 2004, \$21,800.** Contact Jack McClanahan, Montgomery, TX, 936/447-4771, or email JackM@txucom.net (4.04)



SEEKING TO BUY

- **67 Light Blue or Black BJ8.** Call Nick at 203/912-2727 or e-mail nick@kiratsous.net (3.04)
- **Healey 3000** for total restoration. Any leads will be appreciated. Bill Edington 870-729-2361 (3.04)

NEXT MEETING:

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

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