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Rumblings

Summer is here but we sure had a lot of rain. Mixed in were some beautiful driving days. The good news is my car does run.

The Wash Up Tune Up on April 16th was a big success! A very fine day and good turn out. See the pictures later in the document.

In the March edition Rumblings I talked about getting it started. A few days later I did and it runs beautifully. I took it for a spin around the block and it ran good but I could not downshift only upshift. It wanted to grind downshifting.

I took it to the Wash Up Tune Up (see pictures later in this document). All is good except the transmission is howling sometimes when it sits. I found out I have the wrong oil in it. I am going to change it and see if I averted damage. I have a feeling the transmission may have to come out to be rebuilt.

I do have to say I have stalled out on the project as other family things get in the way. I hope to get back to it later in the summer.

Phil Ellerbrock, GHA SCN Editor



**Events calendar in the
St. Louis Sports Car Council Gateway Relay
at
www.stlsc.org**



GHA Meeting: 4th Tuesday of the Month, 7 PM at Keith Bester's
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March Meeting Minutes—Ron Varley

Meeting was called to order by President Sean Dowell at 7:30pm.

Members attending: Phil Ellerbrock, Richard Etz, Keith Bester, Jim Reiter, Sean Dowell, Dennis Dowell, Dave Massey and Ron Varley

Cars & Coffee @ Westport dates for this year: April 16, May 21, June 18, July 16, August 20, September 17, October 15.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

May Meeting Minutes—Ron Varley

Meeting was called to order by President Sean Dowell at 7:30pm.

Members and guests in attendance. George Owen, Dave Massey, Dennis Dowell, Sean Dowell, Keith Bester, Lou Salini, Phil Ellerbrock, Jim Reiter, Chris Kresser and Ron Varley.

The meeting time was spent discussing whether GHA needs to remain incorporated as a nonprofit organization. GHA was approved by the IRS in 1998 as a nonprofit social organization and incorporated that same year as a Missouri nonprofit corporation. This action was taken because we were hosting Conclave 99 in St. Louis and wanted to have the limited liability protection of a corporation. GHA remained a Missouri nonprofit corporation after Conclave 99 because we continued to do events such as the Tri-Healey Meet every year for a number of years. We no longer do car events nor do we anticipate doing any in the foreseeable future.

This discussion was triggered by recent news that the IRS has revoked our exempt status due to our failure to file the required annual nonprofit organization report for three consecutive years. This is an automatic revocation and cannot be appealed. We can reapply for exemption. The cost for the filing is \$600. But there is no assurance we would be approved, especially given our club's low level of activity. Alternatively, we can just continue to operate without being an exempt organization, or as a corporation, as we did prior to 1998.

In any event, we will need to determine what penalties and back taxes we owe the IRS (not expected to be anything major) and settle up with the IRS.

GHA's by-laws state that upon dissolution of our exempt organization, our assets are to be given to a charitable organization. Our only asset is our bank account which has a balance of about \$5,000. This is approximately the amount we made on Conclave 99 which means essentially that every year since 1999 our income has been offset by our expenses.

The matter was tabled for further discussion at GHA's June 2022 meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

2022 GHA Annual Wash-Up, Tune-Up

Photos by Dennis Dowell



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Photos by Mark Morgan



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Photos by Jim Reiter





Registration is open for Enclave 2022, www.enclave2022.org to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Marque in the scenic Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania. The four-county region is famous for its resorts, natural scenic beauty, 150 lakes including Lake Wallenpaupack, and quaint, historic towns. We are fortunate to have a commitment from Blair Harber to bring not only the first production Austin-Healey (#138031) but also two pre-production cars: AHX12 and AHX14.

Your week's festivities will begin on Sunday afternoon registration followed by that evening Welcome Reception at the Kalahari Resorts Convention center and the kickoff of the weeklong Hot Wheels racing competition.

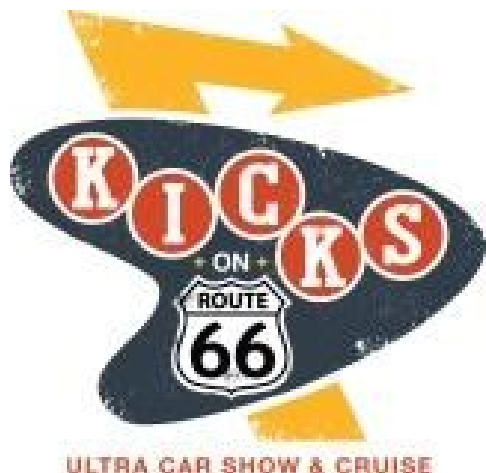
- Monday you will be experiencing the beauty of the Poconos with our Mountain Rally, followed by Tech Sessions and the ever-popular valve cover races in the evening.
- Tuesday will be another action-packed day at Enclave 2022 with the Funkhana, Concours Judging, Tech Sessions, English Tea, Barbeque dinner followed by the entertaining and rewarding Charity Auction festivities. Please consider bringing an item(s) to be auctioned off during the charity auction.

Wednesday we will kick-off the day at Pocono Raceway. You will have the opportunity to drive, ride, or watch NASCAR-type stockcars navigate the 2.5 mile "tricky triangle" with the StockCar Racing Experience, followed by parade laps in your Healey. We have negotiated discounted pricing if you purchase by January 30, 2022. The Stock Car Racing Experience and Ride Along's can be booked on-line at <https://877stockcar.com/austin/> Our popular Car Show will be held Wednesday afternoon on the streets of historic Stroudsburg. The vibrant downtown is home to museums and galleries, murals and music venues, wineries, and restaurants to please every palate for a casual late lunch, or early dinner.

Thursday will be the day for testing your driving skills with the Gymkhana, finals of the Hot Wheels competition, Tour of Pocono Organics - North America's Largest Regenerative Organic Farm. www.poconoorganics.com, and our annual Awards Banquet.

Our headquarters for the week will be the Kalahari Resorts www.kalahariresorts.com, a full-service vacation destination including meeting & convention facilities that combine America's largest indoor waterpark for all ages with the magic of Africa, family entertainment centers, luxury spas, adventurous restaurants and convention centers that deliver beyond expectations, and all under one roof. Whether you are 3, 93 or anything in-between, there is something for everyone!

Go online to register for Enclave 2022 at our website at www.enclave2022.org and to see the other events planned to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Austin-Healey Marque. See you in the Poconos the third week of September 2022! BE THERE!!



Saturday

September 10, 2022

Edwardsville, IL 62025

We want to let everyone know that we will be back for our 3rd year continuing with using the second weekend of September. There will be a lot more updates as we move forward, with some very interesting items we are trying to finalize.

Please set aside this date. We look forward to your participation.

The show continues to be open for cars, trucks, motorcycles of all eras and types.

CLUBS: We will again do show field grouping with clubs and, again, encourage all groups that they are welcome to have a tent adjacent to space. PLEASE add us to your 2022 event calendar.

SPONSORS & PROGRAM ADVERTISERS: We have yet to establish our offerings but you are welcome to express your interest in being on the potential supporter list.

SHOW FIELD COMMERCIAL DISPLAYS: We have yet to establish our offerings but you are welcome to express your interest in being on the potential supporter list.

Jeff Kennedy

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To AHCA Members:

Minutes from the 2021 AHCA Fall Delegates' meeting have been posted on the AHCA website (healeyclub.org). To access, follow the steps listed below.

Log in to the AHCA website

Select "Members"

Select "Documents" which takes you to the document library

Select "Delegates Meetings" (be sure the "folder" symbol is open)

Select "Minutes and Documents (13)"

Select / download the file labeled "2021 Fall Meeting Minutes" (the second entry in the list)

Please contact me if you have questions.

Edie Lowery

AHCA Secretary