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NEWSLEAK

SEPTEMBER MEETING Oct 2024



Twenty-six members attended the monthly meeting on Saturday, September 7 at the Duffey home in Middletown, OH on a pleasant sunny afternoon. Tim & Bobbi's daughter stopped by. President Scott Brown called the meeting to order about 2 PM and thanked Pat and Bob for hosting. (applause) August minutes were approved as published.

President Scott reported on a recent meeting with himself, Rosalee Campbell, Lauren Wallace, and reps from the Healey clubs of Columbus, Dayton, Louisville, and Indianapolis in Lawrenceburg, IN. The topic was the future of September Roundup and Springthing. They decided

the name for our rotating car show will be: The Mid-America Classic. Scott asked John Parrott to help with a new logo. The next event will be Mid Ohio AHC and the new Hocking Hills Lodge will be the hotel. Mike Foster is looking for a Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday in early September to allow for better rates for everyone. For promotion we will ask Steve Bell to write an article about the M.A.C. and/or ask Greg Lauser to put it in the Healey Marque.

Secretary Dale, Newsleak Editor Mary Ann, Business Manager/Delegate Jake, Vice Presidents Wallace, and Historian John Parrott had no reports. Web Administrator Don said we are alive on the web.

Membership Rosalee said our OVAHC membership grew when Mike and Carole Evans recently joined. Look for them at the Parrott bonfire. Skip said he will be Meriwether Lewis at the bonfire if it all works out.

Treasurer Cindy reported that since the Wolfer meeting on 8/18/24: credit for split the pot \$45, local only Evans dues of \$20 for a total of \$65. Debit for September meeting hosts Duffey \$75. Current balance is good. Opening tech team balance \$1627.52. Credits for \$40 for a clutch bleeder kit and a top trunnion kit for \$45. Closing balance is \$1712.52.

Activity Activator Skip said we had a really good time at the hill climb weekend beginning last Friday. Sunday, September 15 is the BCCGC British car show in Fairfield, OH. Wisconsin Conclave is nearing. Sunday, October 13 is the annual (free with canned goods) car show at Spring Grove Cemetery. Tim Ross reported the details of the OVAHC 10/16-19 trip to Zanesville, OH. He and Bobbi need to know who is going and we need at least 4 couples or cars to make it worthwhile. So, check your calendar, make reservations, and tell the Ross duo.

Skip said he will be Meriwether Lewis at the Salt Festival at Big Bone Lick State Park in Union, KY over the 10/18-20/24 weekend with native Americans, ax throwers, archery demonstrations, and more. Contact Skip for any activity questions or suggestions.

Tech Director Tim reported no recent sessions to report. In October they plan to go out Wednesday the ninth to John Parrott's home to work on his 3 Healeys, and then cut down and round up the logs for the bonfire. Tim said JLOFOTO.net has many professional hill climb photos for sale. Skip wants the TT over to help start (and finish) his white MGA next week. Contact Tim to join in, or to schedule a tech session.



<http://OhioValleyAHC.com>

MINUTES CONTINUED

Standing Committee: Rosalee Campbell gave a report on the planning for the 2026 OVAHC Conclave based in Lexington, KY. The Campbells and Wallace's are volunteering as co-chairs. They visited several venues and have two proposals for the event. One is Embassy Suites, but they recommend Griffin Gate Hotel and Resort by Marriott. Rosalee said we need to discuss time, talent, and treasure. She said we have talent in our group. The co-chairs asked for the club to sign up in writing for Event Committee Coordinators for the show. We need the names for planning our Conclave.

Lauren said in discussion with Neil at AHCA, she discovered we have two challenges in front of us. First is the OVAHC commitment required to host. We did one in 2016, we are older now, and it is still two years in the future. Are we committed? Second is the financial commitment to make a \$6,000 deposit to hold the dates and venue. If we sign a contract, we must make a bigger deposit than we have in our treasury presently. AHCA is not ready to contribute this much currently.

Rosalee passed around a breakdown of possible income areas. All are 50/50 splits with AHCA except regalia which is 100 % for us to keep the profits. We will need to invest a lot of our time, and not expect a lot of money.

Scott said the endeavor will be much like the 2016 Conclave in that, if you sign up to handle a certain part of the Conclave, then you must organize it, plan it, run it, and manage it to completion. If you sign up, you will need helpers along the way and you won't be alone. You can solicit help from OVAHC and other AHCA club members as well. As it stands now, we want the chair heads to be OVAHC members, so we keep control. So, before we ask AHCA or other clubs for financial support, we need to decide if we are willing to do this. He opened the floor for discussion. Jake said he thinks (if asked) that he could call AHCA and get more funds earlier than normal. Dale said he would (if asked) write a personal check to help cover some of the initial deposit.

The sheet was passed around and members signed up to volunteer. Rosalee offered to let Jake see the proposals. More discussion followed. The co-chairs will send a letter to OVAHC via email to ask for volunteers to fill the required Conclave 2026 positions by Friday, 9/14.

Old business: Skip received an email from the Ohio Concours committee regarding our OVAHC parking corral by the show entrance at Ault Park. The proposal was to team up with the British Car Club of Cincinnati to use the site for classic British cars only and buy 20 tickets in advance. It was seconded, discussed, and passed.

New business: Janet Parrott passed around a sheet for the bonfire to tell her what appetizer, salad, side dish, or dessert you will be bringing. John Wallace said the ROMEO lunch on 9/18 will be at Padrino in Milford at 1:00 PM. Lauren said the Juliettes will meet at SwingLine in Maderia at 12:30 PM on 9/25.

The \$80 split-the-pot was won by Mary Ann for \$40. The next meeting will be for the bonfire at the Parrott home near Bethel, OH on Saturday, October 12. Arrive any time after 1:00 PM and we will enjoy fireworks by Tim after it gets dark. More details to follow.

President Scott thanked Pat and Bob for hosting (applause), adjourned the meeting, and then we went back to snacking and socializing.

Submitted by Secretary Dale



PRESIDENTS REPORT

Rebranding September Roundup

On September 5th, delegates from Ohio Valley, Central Indiana, Mid-Ohio, Miami Valley, and Bluegrass met for a lunch meeting in Lawrenceburg, IN to discuss how to re-brand September Roundup now that Bluegrass is part of the event rotation.

In attendance were Rosalee Campbell, Lauren Wallace, and Scott Brown from Ohio Valley; Jim Bush, Jim and Jo Switzer from Central Indiana, Dave and Vicki Roberts from Miami Valley, Mike Foster from Mid-Ohio, and Steve Slaughter from Bluegrass. Mike Foster announced that 2025 location will be Hocking Hills, OH and he is talking with people at the brand new lodge at Hocking Hills State Park for the event location. He is looking at Sunday through Tuesday for the event to keep costs to a minimum as the area is very popular for weekends.

Discussions started with new names for the event which would allow for holding the event at different times of the year to avoid conflicts with other events. The new name should also geographically locate the event but also allow for possibly adding other clubs to the rotation in the future. After quite a few names were brought up, Dave Roberts came up with Mid-America Classic which everyone liked as it had a classic car ring to it, defined where it was, and avoided a time of year reference.

Next up were new logo ideas with everyone settling in on an outline of Kentucky, Indiana, and Ohio with a circle around them, Healey wings logo in the center, and major interstates shown lightly to portray our area as an important crossroads. Particular event details could be placed around the outside of the circle. Ohio Valley volunteered to supply logo concept for approval as we had members that were graphic artists. A discussion followed about how to promote the rebranded event with suggestions of having it mentioned in Steve Bell's Marque article and also in Greg Lauser's club article in the Marque. Event rotation rounded out the lunch discussion with 2025 hosted by Mid-Ohio, 2026 and 2027 are interchangeable between Ohio Valley and Central Indiana if 2026 Conclave is hosted by Ohio Valley, and 2028 is hosted by Bluegrass.

Scott Brown



ROMEOS & JULIETS FOR NOVEMBER

Scott reserved a private dining room at no cost or food minimums with ordering off the menu at 1pm, 11/20/24 for 30 people at O'Charleys Restaurant, 4531 Eastgate Blvd., Cincinnati, 45245 - (513) 753-6266. As a courtesy, we need to let them know how many to expect so they can set up properly (room can handle 45 people).

This is Nov meeting.

40th Annual Salt Festival (come to see Skip Jackson as Meriwether Lewis)

Union, KY

Friday, Oct 18, 2024 - Sunday, Oct 20, 2024

Purchase tickets online here: <https://secure.kentucky.gov/formservices/BigBoneLick/SaltFestival> Journey back in time as Big Bone Lick returns to days long past. The festival features demonstrations of European settler living and skills, frontier ingenuity, traditions, and life-ways. Browse the crafter's corner to see the many unique and hand-crafted items for sale and find lots of good eats at the food court. Enjoy folk and bluegrass music, listen to a storyteller, view prehistoric artifacts, and watch traditional Native American drumming and dancing. See how salt was extracted from the springs of Big Bone, explore environmental education, and watch a flintknapper make a stone point. School Day is back for 2024! On Friday, October 18th, schools may enjoy the festival at a reduced rate with preregistration and prepayment of tickets. School day is open to the public. Contact claire.kolkmeyer@ky.gov to preregister your school! The children's area is returning for the 40th annual Salt Festival*! Activities include a petting zoo, haybale climbing, pumpkin painting, games, and more! (Free pumpkin included with admission for children's ticket). *Children's area limited on School Day (10/18), pumpkin painting only offered on Saturday and Sunday. While visiting the park, be sure to drop by the park's museum and visitor center to see some of the "big bones"; a shuttle service will transport event-goers to and from the festival field, the visitor center, and the campground at regular intervals. Don't miss seeing the bison herd, the park's living link to the Ice Age. Admission rates: Ages 5 and under - FREE Ages 6 to 12 - \$5.00 Ages 13 and up - \$10.00 Reduced booth rates for vendors! Now accepting vendor applications for food, craft, local businesses, and community organizations. Contact claire.kolkmeyer@ky.gov to receive an application. For questions or to learn more contact claire.kolkmeyer@ky.gov

CALENDAR 2024

October 5- Fall Classic Driving Tour

October 12—Bonfire at Parrotts

October 13—Spring Grove [https://](https://www.springgrove.org/event/cruise-in-car-show-2024/)

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October 18-20—Salt Festival (see Newsleak)

October 31 - November 3; Southeastern Classic Dobson, NC

(SEC37@triadhealey.org)

November 20—Romeo & Juliettes + **meeting**

December 19—OVAHC Christmas gathering at Grove Park Grille no meeting just social.

MEETINGS 2024

October 12—Parrott

November 20—ROMEOs & Juliettes meeting together at O'Charlies in Eastgate. 1:00 (more info on page 4)

Located in: Eastgate Mall out lot

4531 Eastgate Blvd, Cincinnati, OH 45245

get off of I-275 on exit # 63-A

Phone: (513) 753-6266

December 19 -Grove Park Grille for Christmas gathering

BELLEFONTAINE HILL CLIMB 2024



The greater Cincinnati British Car community BCCGC & OVAHC was well represented at the Revival VI.

On Friday (8/16) 9 LBCs rendezvoused at Home Depot on Tylersville Rd. at 10AM for the drive up to Bellefontaine. Skip Jackson (Bugeye), Don Klein (BT7 Tri Carb), Dan and Anthony Klein in Hazel's Bugeye, Tim Ross (BJ7), Bob and Spence Duffey (BJ7), Jake Jacobs in John's Green Bugeye, Arron Kuertz (TR6), Julian and David Lucas (TR6), Brad Lucas (TR6) and Ron Ramer towing his beautiful red MGB. The group met up in Bellefontaine with John Ketchum (TR6) and Nelson Wittstock coming down from Cleveland with Little Mo his spirited 62 Sprite MKII he purchased from Donald Healey's dealership in London in 1962. All in all we accounted for 12LBCs.

We traveled the back roads through Mason, Lebanon, Waynesville, Xenia while stopping for lunch and Ice Cream at Young's Jersey Dairy in Yellow Springs. Then it was on to Urbana and then Bellefontaine. After checking in at the hotel, Don went to help Jim Clarke set up the course and most of the rest went to the Historical Society to check in and help teching cars. Tim used his SCCA grand PUPA skills/status to pass judgment on safety issues. Nelson's Little Mo was acting up and a quick side street health check by SU Zen master Don K. was performed while his disciples watched. There was various dinner destinations had by all. Nelson and I ate with the BCCGC at the Iron City Bar & Grill.

On Saturday at O dark 30, the OVAHC group met for breakfast at the nearby Waffle House to be at the Goshen Friend's Church (staging point for the hill) by 7:30. All in all we helped tech 70 cars. The field was an eclectic mix of cars, very high-end Ferraris, Porsches Mercedes to a Smart Car and a couple of Midgets that barely escaping the crusher... Just a lot of cool cars having fun.

Everyone got 4 run's up the hill and Kurt's team engineered the groups to the point that there was hardly zero waiting between runs. By the time you made the back roads between the farms and field trip back to the starting point, it was your time to go up the hill again. Since Little Mo was still being finicky after Don's valve and SU adjustments (the fancy 22 curve distributor is now scheduled to be replaced by the original Lucas), Nelson rode the Hill with Loki and Jake.

Once all the hill activity was over around 5 ish, we met at the Movie theater located across from the town square for the Pizza Dinner, Libations and awards. Kurt is amazing in that he remembers and acknowledges everyone in some positive manner. He grouped the cars mostly by displacement.

Those coming home with trophies in addition to smiles were:

Stock 100: Skip Jackson in his "wantabe" Big Healey Bugeye
Modified 1275: 1st Anthony Klein in Hazel's Purple Haze 2nd Jake Jacobs in John's Loki

I think there was only 2, but don't tell anyone

Modified TR6: 1st Brad Lucas; 2nd Arron Kuertz

Stock TR6: 1st John Ketchum

We won't tell but John's TR6 is a work of modified art TR6 with estimated 170 hp.

It looks like a TR6 tri-carb... not sure if there was such a thing but it looks and goes good....

It is fast.. but Kurt was on a roll and all the TR6 were from our group



On Sunday, the gang split up into various groups for the trip home. My group slept in and went to Bob Evan's for breakfast. Everyone reported into the group text upon arriving home, with no reported issues.

OCTOBER MEETING/BONFIRE

3016 Goodwin Schoolhouse Rd., Bethel, OH 45106
October 12 beginning at 1:00 pm
Meeting at 4:00
Potluck dinner at 6:00
Bonfire to follow



Fish in the pond, shoot the potato gun or your real gun, hike to the creek, or put your feet up and relax. Meat, beer and soft drinks provided by the club.

Please call Janet or John if you have not already signed up to bring an appetizer, side dish, or dessert.

phone: 513 876 8093 email: janetparrott3016@gmail.com

If you didn't attend the last meeting where a signup sheet was circulated, please email or call the Parrott's to RSVP and tell them what you will bring for the potluck. Meat and beer, soft drinks and water will be provided, but bring any special preferences."

Coming from north via I-275:

Take the SR 32 Batavia Exit #63B (about 8 miles to Batavia)

Take the first Batavia exit and proceed to turn right on SR132 (second traffic light)

Follow SR132 to SR125 junction and turn left

Proceed on SR125 (about 5 miles) to SR 222 and turn right

Follow SR222 carefully watch route signs, there is a hard left at Pt. Isabel, after making that turn go straight for about ¼ mile and keep going straight. (Do not follow SR222 which goes to the right)

Continue straight and the road name changes to Mt. Olive/Pt. Isabel Road.

Go about ¼ mile to right on Goodwin Schoolhouse Road. Proceed to 3016 Goodwin Schoolhouse Road which is about 1 mile on the left with a black mailbox and concrete drive just after the bridge.

Coming from south via I-275:

Take the SR125 Exit #65 east toward Bethel (about 8 miles to Bethel) proceed on SR125

(About 5 miles) to SR 222 and turn right. Follow SR222 carefully watch route signs, there is a hard left at Pt. Isabel, after making that turn go straight and keep going straight. (Do not follow SR222 which goes to the right).

Continue straight and the road name changes to Mt. Olive/Pt. Isabel Road. Go about ¼ mile to right on Goodwin Schoolhouse Road. Proceed to 3016 Goodwin Schoolhouse Road which is about one mile on the left with a black mailbox and concrete drive just after the bridge.

Alternate route coming from south or west via I-275:

After crossing the Ohio River take the second SR52 East exit to New Richmond and continue on SR52 past New Richmond. After it becomes two lanes, go about 4 miles to Pt. Pleasant (35 mile zone).

Turn left on SR232 past Grant's birthplace, and continue about 2 miles to right on SR756. At

the first stop sign turn left which is SR743 and continue for 3 miles to Pt. Isabel. At the stop sign

turn left and go about one block, then turn right on SR222. After making that turn go straight and keep going straight. (Do not follow SR222 which goes to the right). Continue straight and the road name

ROMEIO LUNCHs



CABANA on the river. Beautiful day good turn out and lots of patrons.



Those guys like to get together—last month was late in the month, this month on 9/18. ROMEOS went to Padrinos in Milford.



Tim sharing his thoughts with the guys. New Member Mike Evans sharing his beautiful car with the guys (John Wallace, Denny Lindauer and Mike Evans pictured)

JULIETTE LUNCHEON



The ladies went to Padrino's in Milford for August. Looks like our picture taker didn't do too well, but you can see Pat, Mary Ann, Sandy, Cindy and Bobby in the blurry section

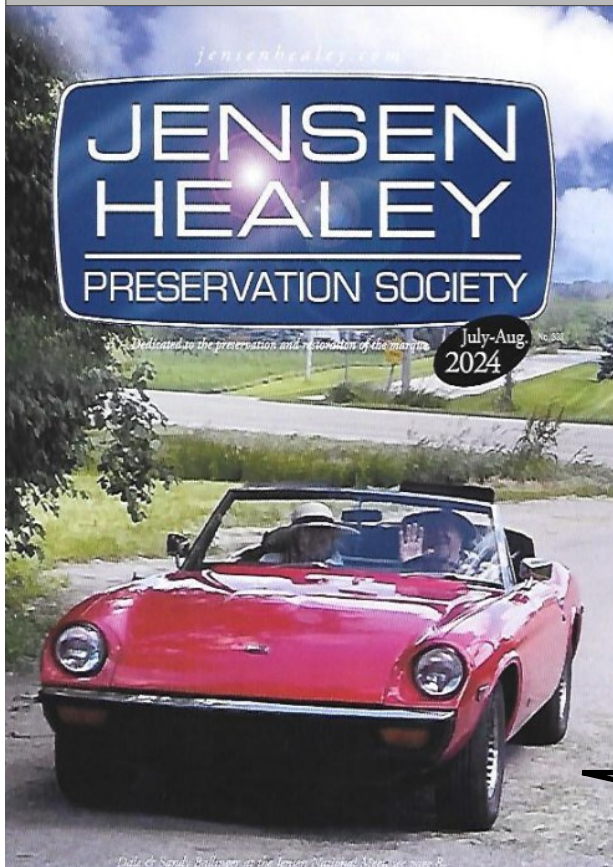
CAUGHT IN THE ACT



Saturday 8/31 five cars from The Ohio Valley Austin - Healey Club were featured at the Rabbit Hash General Store for Old Timers Day 2024. We were amazed to see the Fancy Free Cloggers kick up their heels right there in the street. Thanks to Terrie Markesbery for inviting us again.



MORE CAUGHT IN THE ACT



Dale and Sandy made the cover of the Jensen Healey magazine!



BRITISH CAR DAY 2024



Ben Grabow's Healey—minus the guy checking the engine. Was in Premier class since he won last year.

See more
next page



McLaren won best British Sport



Jag E type coupe—won Premier



Really nice mini engine



Nice McLaren

Also seen attending the event was Scott Brown, Dale and Sandy Ballinger, & Jerry Cox

MEETINGS 2025

January— no mtg
February-Jacobs
March-Wallace
April –Lindauer
May-Grabow

June-Campbell
July-**OPEN**
August-Wolfer
September-Cox
October-Parrott
November-**OPEN**

Contact News-leak editor, President or Secretary if you would like to host one of the OPEN meetings