



REGIONAL RUMBLIN'S



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Deepest sympathies are extended to Jeff Whitmore
and his family after the recent passing of Jeff's Mother.

JULY 18 & 25 TECH SESSIONS POSTPONED

Reschedule Date T.B.D.

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This has just been received from Lynn McKinnie:

Larry Rogers with the MG Club called today to discuss whether or not to have the **South Texas All British Car Day** (STABCD) in October or not. The MG Club is host this year. Larry said the City of Boerne was putting a number of restrictions on how the event will be conducted and could even be cancel it at the last minute, if necessary. Larry has talked to the responsible members of the Jaguar and Triumph clubs and they wanted to cancel the show for this year. I agree with this decision because I don't think we would have enough participants to cover the cost of putting on the event.

It is official, the 2020 STABCD will not be held. The MG Club will hold on to the funds set aside to cover expenses of putting on the show and use them next year.

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and Appointed Positions**

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PRESIDENT'S RAMBLIN'S

By David Ayer

Time to lock down again

First off, we lead with an email from Jeff Whitmore stating that his Mom passed away a couple of weeks ago. It is always tough losing a loved one. Let me pass sincere condolences on behalf of the club to you, Jeff.

Hope all our members are staying healthy.

So now we take a giant step back in our attempt to control the corona virus. I had to cancel our round the world cruise and our month long vacation to Greece!! (Just kidding about the travel plans!!)

But we are grateful to be able to stay home and only venture out to forage for food!!

See the included info for next year's Conclave. We are excited!!

Did I tell you how great the picnic and tour were last month!

Might take a day drive up towards Fredericksburg for peaches. Our HEB peaches are advertised as being from Texas. But the quality is not there to be from Fredericksburg. *David*

HIGHWAY TRASH PICKUP & (no) LUNCH

Saturday, June 13, 2020

Eight club members met at or close to 9 A.M. to rid FM 1623 west of Blanco of the trash items that had accumulated since our last visit to the roadway back in early March. After rounding up the usual debris we realized that the Red Bud Café in Blanco wouldn't open for another hour, so we decided to just head on home.



This month's Trash-Picker-Uppers practicing "social distancing" are from left: DJ Stamp, Denene & Hanna Whitmore, Tina & Bob Adkins, Jeff Whitmore, and Jim Richmond. (Ron Borden also participated and took the picture.)

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STAHC Adopt-a-Highway 30 Year Anniversary (a bit late)

By Bob Adkins

Texas began the original Adopt-a-Highway litter prevention program in 1985. Since then the idea has spread both nationally and internationally. In late 1986 Tina Adkins proposed that the South Texas Austin-Healey club adopt two miles of highway as a way of giving back to the community and to help beautify the roads we love to drive. The club readily agreed but given the large area served by our club the question was where to adopt. After much discussion we decided to adopt a section of Highway 281 south of Blanco around the historic Twin Sister Dance Hall. We applied for this area in early 1987 but the Texas Highway department was so overloaded with applications that we were put on hold for a few months.

We held our first highway clean up in September of 1987. We had a great Healey turn out for the day as the accompanying photo shows. Held three or four times per year the highway clean up has been one of our most consistently attended events including not just members but their families and friends. Tina and I coordinated the Highway clean up for the first couple of years, then it was picked up by Ed and Rosalie Cromwell, then Brett and Julie Miller, then DJ and Pat Stamp, and finally it seems to have found a permanent home with Jeff and Denene Whitmore. Highway 281 became busier and busier and after speed limits increased we moved our adoption to FM1623 just west of Blanco. A bit quieter road.



It's been interesting to see how the road side trash has changed through the years. Discarded cigarette packs and butts were common in the early years but now make up very little of the trash. We still find lots of cans and bottles, fast food containers, and drink cups. Occasionally some one will find a cash reward. With the advent of recycling programs we have managed to keep a fair amount of what we collect out of the landfill.

After clean up activities have varied but usually involve food and libations. Originally we went to the Little Blanco Inn, now nothing more than a patch of cement on the side of the road. We alternated that with cooks outs, games, and boating at Jim and Julie Meyers lake-house, and bowling at the Blanco Bowling Club where we had to arrange in advance for a local student to come set the pins. Nine pin bowling is an old German style of bowling that only exists in Texas. Later we migrated to the Red Bud Cafe, cook outs at Rick and Kathy Borth's lake-house, or the occasional visits to Real Ale Brewing and Luckenbach.

Thanks to all who have helped keep our Texas highways beautiful.





***** TEXAS HEALEY ROUNDUP 40 *****
SEPTEMBER 18-20, 2020



North Texas Austin Healey Club is proud to be the host of this event. This is the **“40th Anniversary” Round-Up**. Please join us in celebrating this milestone. We are in Granbury, Texas for a weekend of Healey Friendships, Family and Fun!

Friday Afternoon starts off with a “Welcome Tea” for those who need a cuppa, and of course Hospitality will be open, cold beverages for the people who need to wet their whistle after a long Healey drive. Registration will also be open and ready. We will have raffle tickets for sale for a beautiful “40th Anniversary Texas Healey RoundUp” Quilt. Raffle tickets will also be available to buy a handsome “Leather Jacket with Healey Wings” so bring your money, honey! Friday evening we will have a Complimentary Fiesta Buffet, no need to go out.

Saturday begins early with a spectacular Car Show on the square at the Hood County Courthouse in downtown Granbury. Then there will be a Car Rally, not to be missed, that takes you thru the “Heart of Texas”. Saturday evening we are at Harbor Lakes Golf Club with our Healey friends for a delicious prime rib dinner along with car show awards. Afterwards hospitality will be open for those who would like to catch up on what’s been going on!

Sunday begins early with the annual Gymkhana event. Then we will gather back at Harbor Lakes Golf Club for Brunch with our Healey friends. The Gymkhana and Rally awards as well as the Raffle Winners will be united with their Prize! Then we will say “Bye Ya’ll see you next year somewhere in Texas with a Healey!”

Karen Gilleland,
Chairperson

Registration form available on page 8

Hotel Reservations:

Best Western Granbury Inn & Suites
1517 North Plaza Drive
Granbury, Texas 76048
Hotel Phone: (817) 573-4239

*****VERY IMPORTANT*****

You must use the Link below to book your Hotel Room:
https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.44579.html?groupId=7E2EW0L1

- Hotel Room Rate \$85.00 per night plus taxes
- Includes Complimentary Full Breakfast Buffet
- Free WiFi

For assistance or inquiry regarding Texas Healey RoundUp 40, please contact Barbie Bucy at:
(817) 480-4831 or stuckonbarbie@gmail.com

A special 40th Anniversary quilt is being constructed and will be raffled off at RoundUp! Old T-shirts, polos, and patches from the following years are needed.

- 1980-1984 • 1986-1993 • 1995 • 2000-2002 • 2006-2019

Contact Bonnie Ayer if you have any of these items from these years to donate. Thank you!

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“40th Anniversary Celebration” Texas Healey RoundUp

September 18-20, 2020

Hosted by the North Texas Austin-Healey Club

www.txhealeyroundup.org

Name: _____ Address: _____
 Spouse/Guest: _____ City, State Zip: _____
 Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____
 Club Affiliation: _____ AHCA: Y / N Will you have a Trailer: Y / N
 I/We will enter: (quantity) Car Show: _____ Rally: _____ Gymkhana: _____
 >>>Year/Model of Big Healey(s): _____
 >>>Year/Model of Spite(s): _____

<u>Registration, Meals and Events</u>	Cost		Quantity	Total
Early Registration(Before TBD)	\$100.00	x		
<i>*Includes 2 people and children < 10 y/o, 1 Patch, and 1 Car Magnet</i>				
Additional Car Registration	\$25.00	x		
<i>*Includes 1 Patch and 1 Car Magnet</i>				
Late Registration	\$125.00	x		
Late Registration: Additional Adult(s) or Children < 10 y/o	\$25.00	x		
Friday Afternoon: Complimentary “Welcome Tea”	N/C	x		
Friday Evening: Complimentary “Fiesta Buffet” (specify Quantity)	N/C	x		
Saturday Morning: Car Show	N/C	x		
Saturday Afternoon: Car Rally	N/C	x		
Saturday Evening: Prime Rib Dinner & Awards - Adult	\$38.00	x		
Saturday Evening: Prime Rib Dinner & Awards - Children < 10 y/o	\$20.00	x		
Sunday Morning: Gymkhana	N/C	x		
Sunday Afternoon: Farewell Brunch & Awards, Raffle Prizes	\$20.00	x		
Regalia				
Mens Dress Shirt w/Pocket (Navy, White, Red) S, M, L, XL, XXL	\$40.00	x		
Ladies Shirt (Navy, White, Red) S, M, L, XL, XXL	\$40.00	x		
Custom Distressed Hat (Navy w/Red Front)	\$25.00	x		
40th Anniversary Logo Patch	\$10.00	x		
Registration Total:				



Return this form w/check to:

North Texas AHC c/o Barbie Bucy
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 Burleson, TX 76028

Have any questions or need assistance? Contact: Barbie Bucy
 +1 (817) 480-4831 or stuckonbarbie@gmail.com

40th Anniversary Celebration Chairperson:

Karen Gilleland

Additional RoundUp Information can be found at:

txhealeyroundup.org

ROUNDUP 2020 - Granbury, Texas



Hello RoundUp Fans

This year marks the 40th Anniversary of Texas' premiere event "Texas Healey RoundUp", this year's location will be in the historic lakeside community of **Granbury, Sept. 18-20, 2020!** For those interested you can come in on Thursday and leave Monday...

The first RoundUp occurred when I was 16! Mom and Dad, aka Bob & Stella Gilleland, were part of the original organizational committee for the event held in Kerrville, and it was a "joint" effort between all three Texas' Austin-Healey Clubs. After the first RoundUp, the attendees decided to make it an annual event that passes between the Gulf Coast Healey Club, South Texas AHC and North Texas AHC alternately giving each club the opportunity to host in a Texas town of their choosing. This year North Texas has the great honor to host the "**40th Anniversary Celebration**" in Granbury.

NOTE: * Registration forms will be available next month, but you can always call the **Best Western** at **(817)573-4239** to reserve your room for the "Texas Healey RoundUp" now to hold our spot! Room rate **\$85.00** plus taxes.

We are kicking off the event on Friday night at the best Western with a "**Fajita Fiesta**", which will be free for all to attend. This will give everyone time to relax and catch up with "Old and New" friends.

Saturday will be a busy day, starting early in the town square at the steps of the Hood County Courthouse with the **Carshow**. We have also secured the beautifully restored "**Celebration Hall**" on the square for attendees to enjoy fellowship and of course coffee and donuts during the Carshow.

Saturday afternoon will be the scenic **Rally** through the surrounding countryside of North Texas, it is not to be missed! After the Rally feel free to stop by for "**Afternoon Tea**" hosted by Stella and The North Texas ladies. It's a great pick me for the afternoon dull drums.

Saturday night we will return to "**Celebration Hall**" for the **Carshow Awards** and a catered **dinner and special private show** following in the restored 1886 Opera House, now Granbury Live Theatre adjoining Celebration Hall.

Sunday starts early again with the fast and furious "**Gymkhana**" at the nearby school district complex. Our weekend concludes at Celebration Hall with **Sunday Brunch**. **The Rally and Gymkhana Awards** will be presented during this time.

For those who want to relax an extra day ask for a Monday checkout. We hope everyone can make the journey to Granbury and join in on the Celebration of this Texas Tradition!!

There will be some unique items up for auction too. The first is a custom tri logo blanket with the "Healey wings" embroidered. There will also be a handsome men's bomber jacket with the embroidered "Healey wings" across the back. The number of raffle tickets sold will be limited for both items. Tickets will be \$10 each. The winners will be announced during Sunday brunch.

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ROUNDUP 2020 - Granbury, Texas (cont)

As a special incentive the *first 15 registrants to the 40th Texas Healey RoundUp will receive a limited edition locally bottled wine with a customized 40th Anniversary label*, donated by my company Shield Awards & Promotions.

Finally, as with any event it is only as good as the people who are involved. If you haven't done so, please volunteer with planning or to help the weekend of the event....either way please *reserve your room now* and we all look forward to seeing in Granbury next April.

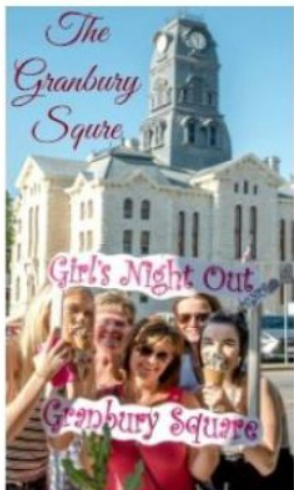
Adios,

Karen Gilleland
RoundUp 40 Chairperson
NTAHC



SEPT. 18-20, 2020!

Forty years gone by and still going strong...
Texas Healey RoundUp.



AHCA Conclave, 2021

THE LODGE AT BIG BEAR LAKE

BIG BEAR LAKE, CALIFORNIA

Sunday, May 16 - Friday, May 21, 2021

REGISTRATION OPENS NOVEMBER 2020!



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THE LODGE AT BIG BEAR LAKE

BIG BEAR LAKE, CALIFORNIA

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (Revised 2/20/20)

Saturday, May 15:

-Early arrivals, \$130 group room rate to be in effect, no events or guarantees

Sunday, May 16:

-Designated secure parking area for all five days. The Event will have use of the entire parking lot. Trailer parking to be in designated area at the back and on the north side of the hotel.

-Car wash area open, Sunday through Thursday. Location in back parking lot.

-Social Center Lounge Area (2nd floor) open, Sunday through Thursday, all day

-2:00pm – 6:00pm Registration open – Social Center (2nd floor conference area)

-5:00pm – 7:00pm, no host cocktail reception, appetizers provided, opening statements.

-Silent Auction open (Metcalf Room adjacent to Social Center)

-Photography and Arts and Crafts Contest display open (Boulder Room adjacent to Social Center)

-Dinner on your own at the hotel or in town (15% discount at Stillwell's Restaurant at the hotel)

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CONCLAVE 2021 TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (continued)

Monday, May 17th:

- Breakfast Buffet available at Stillwell's (\$12.75 including omelet bar) or Continental Breakfast items available for purchase in the Social Center.
- 9:45am - Poker Run Driver's Meeting, parking lot
- 10:00 – 1:00pm – Poker Run Drive Around Big Bear Lake (\$5 / car ante)
- Lunch on your own (local restaurant coupons to be offered)
- Explore Big Bear shops (coupon book to be offered)
- Concours Judging all day, organized by AHCA
- 5:00pm – 6:00pm - Outdoor Cocktail party with music (no host) – Pool Patio Area
 - Final Poker Card Draw and Cash Prizes
- 6:00pm – 9:00pm – Themed BBQ buffet dinner (optional) – Pool Patio Area

Tuesday, May 18th

- Breakfast Buffet available at Stillwell's (\$12.75 including omelet bar) or Continental Breakfast items available for purchase in the Social Center.
- 10:00am – 3:00pm - Scenic Driving Tour and TD Rally - to be organized by the AHASC - Joshua Tree National Park and CA Scenic Hwy 38, including lunch stop.
- 3:00 – 4:00pm – Tech Session. Timbers Room
- 4:00pm – 5:00pm – Rocker Cover Racing, Preliminaries. Stillwell's Patio
- 5:30pm – 7:00pm, no host cocktail reception. Social Center
 - Silent Auction open (Metcalf Room adjacent to Social Center)
 - Photography and Arts and Crafts Contest display open (Boulder Room adjacent to Social Center)
- Optional Big Bear Queen Paddlewheel Sunset Lake Tour
- Dinner on your own at the hotel or in town (15% discount at Stillwell's Restaurant at the hotel)

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CONCLAVE 2021 TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (continued)

Wednesday, May 19th

-Breakfast Buffet available at Stillwell's (\$12.75 including omelet bar) or Continental Breakfast items available for purchase in the Social Center.

10:00am – 11:00am Cars dispatched to Car Show and for Commemorative Photos

-11:00am – 2:00pm Car Show, Pine Knot Avenue (closed to traffic) with possible overflow onto Village Center Drive

-4:00pm – 5:00pm – Rocker Cover Racing, Finals. Stillwell's Patio

-5:30pm – 7:00pm, no host cocktail reception. Social Center

-Silent Auction open (Metcalf Room adjacent to Social Center)

-Photography and Arts and Crafts Contest display open (Boulder Room adjacent to Social Center)

-Optional Big Bear Queen Paddlewheel Sunset Lake Tour

-Dinner on your own at the hotel or in town (15% discount at Stillwell's Restaurant at the hotel)

Thursday, May 20th

-Breakfast Buffet available at Stillwell's (\$12.75 including omelet bar) or Continental Breakfast items available for purchase in the Social Center.

-10:00am – 2:00pm – Gymkhana – Big Bear Airport. To be organized by AHCSA

- 2:00pm – 4:00pm - Funkhana - Big Bear Airport. To be organized by GGAHC.

-Free Day: Optional Tours to be offered. Morongo Casino, Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, Idyllwild/Palms to Pines Highway, Lake Arrowhead Tour, Kimberly Crest House and Garden Tour, Big Bear Lake Tour, Hiking, Biking, Golf, Fishing, Discovery Center, Shopping, etc.

-Afternoon: Ladies Event TBD

-3:30pm – 5:00pm – AHCA Board and Delegates Meeting. Timbers Room

6:00pm – 7:00pm: No host cocktails with furnished appetizers. Social Center

-Photography and Arts and Crafts Winners on display. Boulder Room.

7:00pm – 10:00pm: Grand Banquet, Awards, Silent Auction. Plated three course dinner. Banquet Room. Note: Silent Auction Items will have been moved to the Banquet Room for final bids and awards.

Friday, May 21:

-8:00am - 10:00am: Farewell Breakfast Buffet (included). Banquet Room.

-Special Awards and Auction of Event Signage

-Late departures, group rate in effect through Sunday

- Please note that in addition to the South Texas All British Car Day being canceled, the **Texas All British Car Days** scheduled in **Round Rock on Sept. 25-27** has also been **canceled**.
- An invitation has just been received from the South Texas Triumph Association for STAHC to join them on their **3rd Annual "Ain't for the Faint" Drive** on **July 18**. This will start at **Mary's Tacos, 518 E. Blanco Rd., Boerne**, and depart at **9:30 A.M.**

STAHC 2020 EVENTS CALENDAR

<u>WHAT</u>	<u>WHERE</u>	<u>WHEN</u>	<u>HOSTS</u>
Fuel Pump Cutout Switch Installation Tech Session	950 Stagecoach Ranch Road, Dripping Springs 78620	Postponed - TBD	Bob Adkins
Fuel Pump Cutout Switch Installation Tech Session	331 Wild Turkey Blvd., Boerne, 78006	Postponed - TBD	Jim Richmond
3rd Annual "Ain't for the Faint" Drive	Mary's Tacos, 518 E. Blanco Rd., Boerne, 78006	Sat. July 18, 9:30 A.M.	So. Tx. Triumph Assoc.
Ice Cream Social	New Braunfels, TX , Zenzero Artisan Gelato	Sat., Aug. 22, 2:30 P.M.	TBD
Texas Healey Roundup 40	Best Western Granbury Inn & Suites, 1517 N. Plaza Dr. Granbury, 76048	September 18-20	North Texas AHC
Highway Pickup & Lunch	FM1623 at McKinney Loop, 2.6 mi. west of Blanco	Sat., October 3, 9:30 A.M.	Whitmores
S. Tx. All British Car Day	CANCELLED	Sat., October 24	Alamo MG Association
Club Elections Meeting	TBD	October 24	
AHCA Delegates' Meeting	Indianapolis, Indiana	November 6-8	AHCA
STAHC Camp Out	Leakey	Sat. - Sun.,	TBD
Christmas/Holiday Party at the Forke Store	Conservation Plaza, 1300 Church Hill Dr., New Braunfels, 78130	Sunday, Dec. 6, 1 P.M. - 4 P.M.	Stamps

JULY AREA EVENTS CALENDAR

Due the uncertainty of schedules for non-club events in our area during July please refer to the following websites for the latest information:

- <http://www.motortexas.com/Events/>
- Southtexascc.com

SOUTH TEXAS AUSTIN-HEALEY

CLUB (STAHC) is an area club of the Austin-Healey Club of America, the largest Austin-Healey club in the world. STAHC is one of 47 independent area clubs and was sanctioned by AHCA in 1979. STAHC covers the Austin, San Antonio and surrounding areas of South Texas.

Membership is open to owners and enthusiasts of all cars bearing the name HEALEY. Ownership of a Healey is not required. For membership information please contact Bob or Tina Adkins at:

(512) 264-2042.

Membership information is also available at:

stahcmembeship@icloud.com

You can join online at:

www.healeyclub.org

Current and past issues of *Rumblins*, as well as other information about our club, can be found at the STAHC web site:

www.STAHC.org

STAHC is on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/southtexasaustinhealeyclub>

TECH SESSIONS

(Tech sessions can be a get-together of members to help a fellow club member with a specific problem or a task that requires, or is easier, with one or more helpers. A Tech session can also be a meeting where a member, or non-member, with some particular skill or expertise demonstrates how to accomplish a particular task. Tech Session attendees may be helpers, teachers, learners, tool suppliers or any combination of the above. Tech session hosts usually supply light refreshments. Beer is recommended.

If you would like to host a tech session please send notification to Ron Borden at rborden@gvvc.com as far in advance as possible, but no less than one week ahead of the session date. Your request will be forwarded to all members on the *Rumblin's* e-mail list.)

TOOL BOX

The purpose of the Tool Box is to assemble, and make available for use by STAHC members, specialty tools that are used in the restoration and/or maintenance of Healeys. In general, such tools will be those that are too expensive for an individual member to acquire for one time, or infrequent use.

Currently, the STAHC Tool Box contains the following:

- Lift-the-Dot Hand Punch. (Punches center hole and prong holes for installation of Lift-the-Dot fasteners for tops and tonneau covers. Moss Motors No. 226-105.)
- Texas Fastening Tool
- Snap Fastening tool
- Valve Guide Reamer size .281 for intake and exhaust standard size valve guides used on all Sprite and Midget A series engines 1958 - 1974
- Engine leveler (for removing or installing an engine)
- Carb Synchronizer
- Colourtune Carb Synchronizer
- Wire Wheel Spoke tool
- 1/8" OD pipe bending tool
- Panel & Trim Removal Tool Set
- CD Workshop Manual for Sprite MK 2, 3 & 4.

If you would like to borrow any of these tools, please contact **David Ayer** at:

dbayer@swbell.net or 210-775-8168.

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