



REGIONAL RUMBLIN'S



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- TEXAS HEALEY ROUNDUP POSTPONED UNTIL SEPT. 18-20, 2020
- CLUB ACTIVITIES & EVENTS ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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SPRING HIGHWAY PICKUP

It was the perfect storm of trash pick-up, or perhaps the perfect eye-of-the-storm... There was trash, but not too much; there were pickers, a large group in fact and; there was weather, nearly perfect cool and a bit over-cast. The result? Rapid trash sequestration leading quickly to good food and conversation in Blanco at the Redbud Cafe. We had guest appearances from a Morgan and a Stamp-kin (cousin) to round things out for an enjoyable few hours. Thanks pickers for helping to keep Texas beautiful.

Jeff Whitmore, STAHC Highway Cleanup Coordinator



From left: DJ Stamp, DJ's cousin Mike Van Horn, Bob Chamberlain with his navigator Flat Stanley, Jeff & Denene Whitmore, Lera Borden, Hannah Whitmore (kneeling), Tina Adkins, Pat Stamp, Bob Adkins, David Ayer, Jim Richmond, and Ron Borden

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PRESIDENT'S RAMBLIN'S

By David Ayer

Bonnie and I ventured out for a picture!!



No? No, I obtained this off the internet.

Until further notice all club events are postponed, canceled or re-scheduled. Conclave has been canceled. Roundup has at this time been rescheduled.

This is a curious time in world history. A worldwide pandemic has started and has no end in sight. We see the tragedy in China, and South Korean, Italy and Europe and the hot spots in the US. What we haven't seen and could see is the tragedy in those countries less prepared than we were/are.

Our church went to streaming services 3 weeks ago.

Healey posts on Facebook show optimism in the pictures and discussions by members.

We are following our city's advice to shelter in place rules. Severely limiting my trips to H-E-B has me a bit frustrated. I have always been a one or two day ahead shopper. We are low on TP and coffee so I'm getting geared up to venture out . Maybe I'll try this before I go:

<https://www.ksat.com/news/local/2020/03/26/check-stores-inventories-from-home-with-new-website-launched-by-ut-students/>

I hope everyone is well!! Follow the rules. Listen to the health professionals!! The times they are a changing!!

David



EDITOR'S RAMBLIN'S

By Ron Borden



Boy, oh boy, oh boy! Ladies, too, of course! We ***will*** get through this. Nobody knows when, but we ***will!*** We are going through a time none of us has ever experienced in our lifetime. When it is resolved lets hope we, our children and grandchildren never ever experience anything like this again.

In the mean time . . . lets drive our Healeys, do some more work toward getting them back on the road, or finishing upgrades, etc.

As President David mentioned in his column above "all club events are postponed, canceled or rescheduled." With that in mind I've not included any calendars in this issue. You will be notified via email

when the various events are rescheduled. It will also be posted on the club's website: <http://stahc.org/>

I got a text from Bob Adkins this evening (March 30) that he and Tina had arrived home last weekend from their vacation in New Zealand. They had planned to stay longer missing RoundUp, but now they will have another chance, come September. That's a rare silver lining to this very dark cloud that has us "socked in."

Ron

PATE SWAP MEET

By DJ Stamp

Hi Healey friends,

I sent Ron this article on the Pate Swap Meet (appearing on the next two pages - Ed.) to give you an idea of some activities other clubs have that you just might be interested in. I'm a 40+ year life member of the Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) & I've been a member of the Central Texas Region since a month after it's inception in 1987. I'm currently in charge of programs for our monthly meetings & the Pate Director. John Anderson, the President of the Pate Swap Meet Association, is also a member of the Central Texas Region, a.k.a. Road Relics. The Swap Meet Association is made up of 16 automobile clubs in Texas & Arkansas. The current location of the meet is the Texas Motor Speedway just north of Ft. Worth. With over 9,000 spaces, it's one of the largest automotive swap meets in the world. Each club has it's own job to make the meet a success. The Road Relics & the TexArk clubs offer free parts hauling using golf carts with trailers. The meet is usually scheduled around the end of April but has been rescheduled for Oct 1-3 which is Thursday – Saturday. I will arrive on Monday to unload & assemble the trailers from our storage unit on the

speedway grounds & also assemble all of our carts & trailers to our camping area on the North end of the swap meet. Vendors begin arriving on Tuesday & there are quite a few set up by Wednesday. Admission to the swap meet is free. The speedway is in charge of parking & they have a fee but I'm not sure what it is. Quite a few motorhomes set up next to the meet in the parking area. We have visitors from around the world. There is also a large car corral with generally a couple hundred cars for sale & there is a charity car show on Saturday. If you have any questions feel free to contact me at:

designstamp@sbcglobal.net or 512-288-5121.

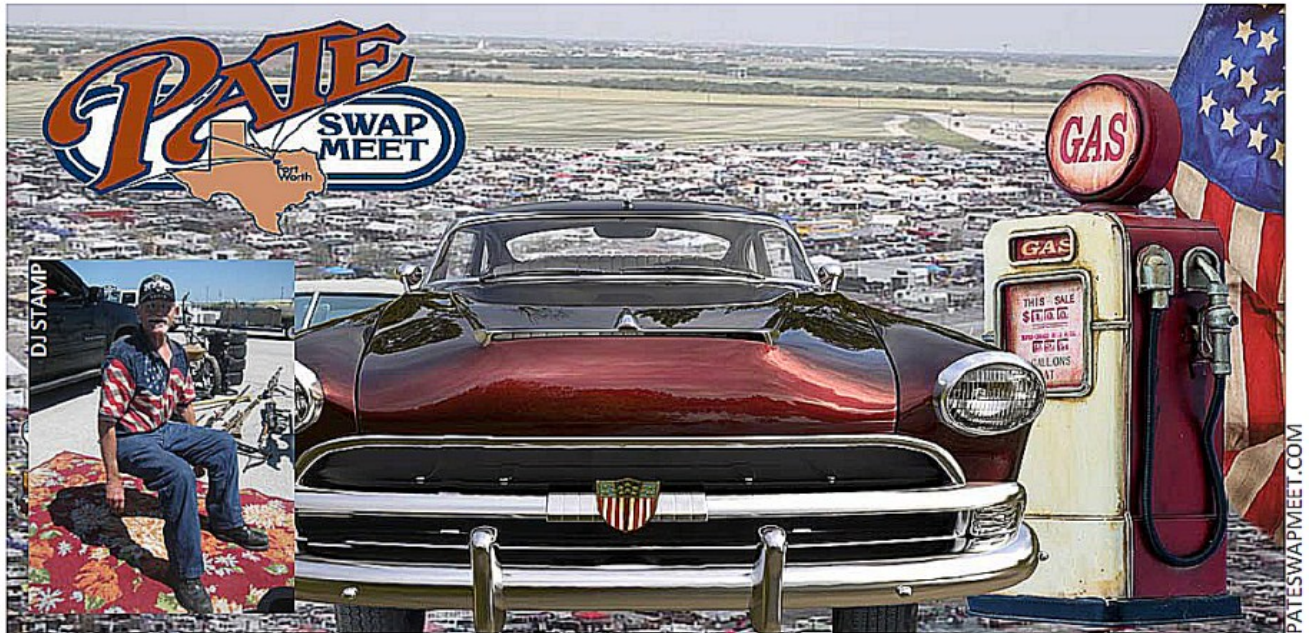
Here's a link to a Youtube video of a drone flyover of the meet to give you an idea of size:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xpeUcgfzfp0>

There are also videos of the meet on the Pate Swap Meet website & all over Youtube Enjoy!

DJ

Pate Swap Meet



Part II: Pate 2020

By DJ Stamp

Please come join the fun with your friends at the 48th annual Pate Swap Meet at the Texas Motor Speedway just north of Ft. Worth right on I-35. Jointly sponsored by 16 car clubs, this is one of the largest automotive swap meets in the world with over 9,000 spaces. If you walk up and down each aisle once you've done a half marathon so you won't feel guilty about missing Pilates classes at the YMCA – not one bit!

This is the largest fundraiser for our club and allows us to fund events such as our Free Father's Day Antique Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show, the Texas Tour and many other club activities. Officially, the meet runs from Thursday through Saturday but you can volunteer anytime Monday to Sunday. If you have an RV or tent, please bring it since we have a fenced area for RV parking adjacent to the North end of the Swap Meet. Some of us will be there for the entire run but, if you can spare a few hours to help, please join us.

Our main duty is driving golf carts for the free parts hauling service offered by the swap meet. It's fun and a great way to investigate what's available for when you're off duty. We also have volunteer opportunities available in sales and hospitality in our club area – where master chef John Anderson (who doubles as Pate President) fixes us gourmet lunch every day. Next door is our club sales booth where club members bring items to sell for their own benefit. We've sold everything from antique furniture to sporting goods such as water skis and fishing gear, vintage toys, stop lights, cool clothing and, yes, even some car, truck and motorcycle parts. No item is too big or small – we've even sold a Model T delivery body!


Got a car you want to sell? Rent a swap meet space or take it up to the car corral where it's viewed by folks from all over the world. We get visitors from Europe, Canada, Mexico, Australia and more. Everyone from private collectors to museum representatives with cash in hand will be there. →

Pate Swap Meet

(Continued from page 9) On Friday, we have a potluck dinner (which is always a good time) with good eats. This is where you can let your talents shine if you bring your RV to cook or pick up prepared food to share. Some folks explore the local restaurants in Roanoke and Denton in the evenings. Since Audra attended UNT, Pat and I can tell you where to eat in Denton!

When off duty, I like to shop and, while most folks are searching for auto parts, I look for other items and have scored deals on everything from HAM radios to an autoclave to a piece of airplane radio test gear that I purchased for \$5 and sold on eBay for \$980. You never know what you will find. We have some fantastic metal sculptures we purchased from a Native American artist who sets up sometimes. There's a guy who always sells out of the chairs he makes from water skis and wakeboards. I've seen engines from military tanks and jet engines. There's so much it's hard to categorize.

Make plans to attend the Wheels for Wellness Car Show on Saturday from 8am-2pm. It will happen next to the car corral which is a good show by itself! The car show is free to attend. The \$25 entry fee to show a car benefits cancer research. There are free PSA cancer screenings on site!!

New this year is a go-kart race track at the south end of the swap meet so bring the kids and grandkids!!!! 



The Carousel Truck Feeding Frenzy – Pate 2019



Grill Art – Pate 2019



“Oklahoma” in Car Corral – Pate 2018





***** 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 7](#)

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!

210.213.4177 cell

bonnieayer@icloud.com

“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 March 15th, 2020)	\$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 (Starting March 15th, 2020)	\$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
 2611 CR 531
 Burleson, TX 76028

Have any questions or need assistance? Contact: Barbie Bucy
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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.

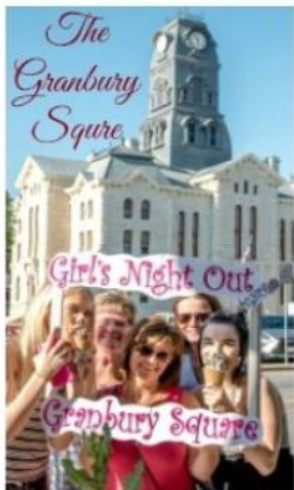
Adios,

Karen Gilleland
RoundUp 40 Chairperson
NTAHC



SEPT. 18-20, 2020!

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



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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