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TEXAS HEALEY ROUNDUP 40

Sept. 17-19, 2021, Granbury, TX



Friday afternoon welcome -
Jim & Karen Richmond, Bonnie Ayer,
Chris Doig (Gulf Coast Healey Club),
David Ayer, Lera Borden



Sunday Brunch and Awards

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TEXAS HEALEY ROUNDUP 40 (continued)

THR-40 is now in the history books. The 40th Anniversary event was very well planned and executed by the North Texas AHC with Chairperson Karen Gilleland, assisted by Barbie Bucy, Patrick Yoas, and many others.

STAHC members attending were:

- Bonnie & David Ayer
- Julie & Brett Miller
- Lera & Ron Borden
- Karen & Jim Richmond
- Melinda & Larry Hester



The weather the whole weekend was close to perfect. The Saturday morning Popularity car show was held on the south side of the Hood County Courthouse, one of many stunning classic courthouses in Texas. Saturday afternoon's Anne Johnson Memorial Rally went from the hotel, through Granbury, then west through green hills and pastureland, and finally back to the hotel. The rally was a fitting tribute to a beautiful lady and wonderful friend of the Healey community!

And what would Roundup be without food and "beverages!" The hospitality suite was its usual "popularity" spot. Harbor Lakes Country Club was an excellent choice for the Saturday evening dinner and Sunday's Brunch and Awards presentations.

And, speaking of awards, your club members in attendance brought home a very respectable number of awards considering there were only 10 of us there.

- David Ayer - Grand Competitor (right)
- David & Bonnie - Recognition and Appreciation



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TEXAS HEALEY ROUNDUP 40 (continued)

Awards continued:

- Julie & Brett Miller (right!) - First Place, Two Tone Healey
- Julie & Brett Miller - Sixth Place, Anne Johnson Memorial Rally
- Lera & Ron Borden - Fourth Place, Anne Johnson Memorial Rally



Healeys and Healey Fans



David Ayer and Dick Solomon (NTAHC)



Larry & Melinda Hester



(More Roundup pictures on page 9)

SOUTH TEXAS ALL BRITISH CAR DAY

October 23, 2021, Boerne, TX



Steve Heitzke's race configured MG Midget w/ Sprite Grill, Sprite/Midget 2nd Place



Healey Hangout
Robert McKeeney's Bugeye (R)

STAHC Award Winners (L to R):

- Brett Miller, Big Healey 2nd Place
- Lynn McKinnie, Big Healey 3rd Place
- Jim Richmond, Big Healey 1st Place
- Ron Borden, Sprite/Midget 1st Place
- Robert McKenney (not pictured), Sprite/Midget 3rd Place



Simina & Jack Hawkins, MG/GT 3rd Place (and a future British Car fan!)



CLASSIC CARS ON COLORADO AVENUE

Saturday, September 25, 2021
Telluride, CO



38th ANNUAL COLORADO ENGLISH MOTORING CONCLAVE

Sunday, September 19, 2021, Arvada, CO

Comment and photos by Bob Chamberlain

Pam & I attended the 38th annual Colorado English Motoring Conclave, in Arvada, near Denver. We viewed about 500 cars, including 52 Healeys. This orange car is a one-of-a-kind hybrid AH/MG. The owner billed it a "Frankenstein car".



THE STAHC **CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY PARTY IS BACK!!**

And, as always, we will do the famous (infamous??) Gift Exchange (\$20 max.)!

After the unfortunate cancellation last year due to COVID we will party-on this year! Julie We will return to our frequent venue in New Braunfels from 1-5 PM on Sunday, December 5:

The Forke Store at Conservation Plaza, 1300 Church Hill Drive, 78130

- More details on the next page.
- This is our most popular, and *fun*, event of the year! Please plan to join us!

HEALEY HOLIDAY PARTY AND FUN GIFT EXCHANGE!! (\$20 max.)

WHEN – Dec. 5 1-5 pm

WHERE- Forke Store

Conservation Plaza 1300 Church Hill Dr, New Braunfels, 78130

Yes, it's that time of year again & this time we will gather!!
Gruene Christmas Market Days is the same day so.....
if you want to come early & do some shopping or.....
get your picture taken with Santa

COME ON DOWN!!!!

This is a pot luck affair so you can show off your cooking
Bob & Tina will be doing the meat again – Yeaaaay!!!!
Pat & DJ Stamp will provide a vegetarian meat loaf & sides

If you would please:

Members with last names starting with **A-M** please bring dessert

Members with last names starting with **N-Z** please bring a side dish

In the Spirit of the Season (the most important part of the party!),
we will be accepting donations for food bank & pet shelters

Questions – DJ & Pat: 512-288-5121(home phone)

PRESIDENT'S RAMBLIN'S*By David Ayer***Time to - fall back**

Yes the cursed daylight savings time switch is upon us. Always talk this time year about getting rid of it!! The farmers must have a strong lobby!



Serval club members participated in the 33rd ABCD in Boerne last weekend. Perfect show weather for a lot of pretty cars.

Lynn McKinney has been our organizer for several years. He has asked to step down and pass the torch!! Julie Miller and Bonnie Ayer have offered their services to organize next year. Four clubs rotate responsibility so there in no annual stress to host. But we will need folks to help on show day.

The National Delegates meeting is this weekend in Indianapolis. Bonnie goes as past National president and I go to find homemade corn beef hash and pork tenderloin sandwiches.

The annual holiday party will be at Forke Store in New Braunfels. This is the same location as many previous parties. It will be on December 5, 1-5 PM.

You won't want to miss the gift "exchange!" Always a hit as some gifts get exchanged a **lot!!** Please refer to the flyer on 7 for what you can bring to the party - besides your smiling faces!

First real cold front has arrived. Can't wait to turn off the A/C.

Thank you,
David Ayer
210-775-8168

EDITOR'S RAMBLIN'S*By Ron Borden***Time to - get the news flowing again**

Well . . . my self-imposed deadline of sending out the newsletter on the first of the month has really flown out the open Healey window this month. And last month.



OK - here are the excuses:

Oh, never mind. Family, new grandson, travel - you know the drill. So here we are, with a combined issue for October and November.

First, I want to give a big THANK YOU to Jim Richmond, Robert McKenney, Bob Chamberlain, and Jack Hawkins for sending pictures to supplement mine in this issue.

I just might get the December issue out on 12-1 since I am doing a trade-in. ABSOLUTELY NOT my Sprite. Don't **eeee-ven** go there! I'll be trading in my Mk. 1 Mod B (bone) knee joint for a Mk.2 Mod T (Titanium) joint. This will occur mid-November and I will have plenty of time at home to get the next issue put together. My attendance at the club Christmas/Holiday party is TBD. If Lera and I make it it won't be in the Sprite!

The annual Austin-Healey Club of America's Delegates meeting takes place this month in Indianapolis. Look for minutes from this meeting in the December issue of *Rumblin's*.

Several club members had the pleasure of meeting new STAHC member Patrick Christensen who lives in San Antonio. He is the second owner of a big Healey that is at Four-In-Tune for a complete restoration and will be back to him next May.

Drop your Healey's top and make our friends in colder climates envious!

Ron

TEXAS HEALEY ROUNDUP 41**April 8-10, 2022, Brenham, Texas**

Tally (right) sez, "I can't see (why you are waiting to register for Roundup)!"

A registration form can be found on page 10.

**70th ANNIVERSARY ENCLAVE 2022****September 18-23, 2022****Kalahari Resort Poconos****Pocono Manor, PA 18349**

Austin-Healey 70th Anniversary Celebration of the 1952 Earls Court Motor Show

- <http://www.enclave2022.org/>
- [Host hotel information](#)
- [Registration Form](#)

A CHRISTMAS SUGGESTION FROM STAHC MEMBER DJ STAMP

Our daughter, Audra has been active with pet shelters & rescues since she attended the University of North Texas. She was active & eventually President of APO - a service fraternity. She and her friends have formed an animal advocacy group called Friends of Toby that helps shelters & rescues find homes for pets that may be harder to adopt such as older animals or animals with 3 legs, etc.

She and her friend, Emily, have written a children's book to raise money to continue their work with animals. The story is about Toby, a Chihuahua Pat & I adopted from the Justin Animal Alliance when Audra was at UNT. Toby was partially cripple & eventually totally blind but we never told him he was handicapped. He always had a smile on his face & led the way when we went for a walk. We eventually lost Toby to a brain tumor. We miss him still.

If you want to support animal adoptions or have kids or grand kids who might enjoy the book please consider ordering some for Christmas. Sincere thanks for your support.

(More from Audra on page 9)



A CHRISTMAS SUGGESTION FROM STAHC MEMBER DJ STAMP (continued)

Emily and I are so excited to announce that we have officially published our first children's book, Toby's Terrific Tale! This is a triumphant story about a young rescue dog named Toby, who despite having back legs that were a little different, was still able to find an amazing family to adopt him! This story will show you and your children the importance of perseverance, determination and that being different is a wonderful thing!



For those who are local to DFW, we'll be having a launch party on November 21st! More details to come in a few days!

For those not local, the book is available on [Amazon!](https://www.amazon.com) Check out our website and order today!

<https://contactaepublishin5.wixsite.com/website>

This will make a great holiday present for those animal-loving children in your life! Plus, stay tuned for more books in the Friends of Toby Book Series coming in 2022!



MORE TEXAS HEALEY ROUNDUP 40 PICTURES (continued from page 2)



Enjoying Healeys in the shade are Jenni Borden, Karen Richmond, Lera & Tally Borden





Texas Healey Roundup 41
 will be held at the
Holiday Inn Express and Suites,
Brenham TX April 8-10, 2022

Name:	Address:
Spouse:	City-State-Zip:
Guest:	Phone:
Club Affiliation:	Email Address:

I/We will Enter: Popularity = Rally = Auto-X = Ladies =
 Auto-X =

REGISTRATION & MEALS	Cost	Qty	Total
Registration (Prior to 03/07/22) = Driver + Spouse/Guest (Includes patch, and magnetic car number)	\$100	X	=
Late Registration (After 03/07/22)	\$120	X	=
Additional Vehicle Registration (Includes patch, and magnetic car number)	\$30	X	=
Adult Saturday Dinner per Person	\$35	X	=
Child Saturday Dinner per Child 12 and under	\$15	X	=
Adult Sunday Brunch per Person	\$20	X	=
Child Sunday Brunch per Child 12 and under	\$11	X	=
REGALIA			
Shirt with logo Check Size <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> L <input type="checkbox"/> XL <input type="checkbox"/> XXL	\$28	X	=
Logo Ball Cap	\$26	X	=
Additional Logo Patch	\$7	X	=

Year & Model of Big Healey
Year & Model of Sprite
Year & Model of Additional Healey

TOTAL =

With questions or comments, please contact: Rick & Terry Doig, THR41 Coordinators 281-793-3002 doigterry@yahoo.com	Make check payable to Roundup 2022 and send this COMPLETED form and your payment to: Mike Vecellio, Registrar THR41 11747 Skene Way Houston, TX 77024
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NOTE: If paying by credit card please write down Card # _____
Expiration Date _____ CVV code _____

<p>Y'ALL COME. BRENHAM IS EXCITED TO WELCOME US!!</p>	<p>HOST HOTEL Holiday Inn Express & Suites 2685 Shulte Blvd. Brenham, TX 77833 979-830-5331 Per Night Rates: All rooms = \$116.99 +plus tax. CODE: AHG</p>	<p>ATTENTION ! There are 40 rooms reserved with this SPECIAL rate until 03/07/22, after which they will return to the regular rates...BOOK YOURS NOW USING BLOCK NAME: TEXAS/GULF COAST AUSTIN HEALEY GROUP*</p>	<p>Overflow Hotel next door: Hampton Inn and Suites 2605 Shulte Blvd. Brenham, TX 77833 979-337-9898 Per Night Rates: All rooms = \$109.00 +plus tax.</p>
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*** BE SURE TO MENTION THAT YOU ARE WITH THE HEALEY ROUNDUP TO GET THESE RATES !**

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@gvtc.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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