



HEALEY HAPPENINGS

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FIRST, AN APOLOGY

After the fiasco of last month monthly meeting, I wish to apologize to all the members that showed up for the meeting. What I had been promised on a visit to the restaurant/bar just five days prior to our meeting there was not what was delivered. I had been told that there would be no band and that there would be no problem having an area to ourselves for the meeting. Sadly, this was not the case. When I first arrived on the evening of the meeting, the hostess did not even know we were coming and she advised me that there would be a local band setting up to play at 8:30 pm. Thus the decision was made to start the meeting promptly at 7:30 pm. so we would be done by the time the band would start playing. We were then confined to a small area with an inadequate number of tables and chairs and the background noise was definitely not conducive to a meeting.

I could have expected this sort of thing as it happened before when we had meetings at local drinking establishments and this I apologize for. I have been in touch with other members of our executive to formulate minor changes to our monthly meetings and will elaborate on those in this newsletter.



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HEALEY NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Former Austin-Healey rallye driver Pat Moss-Carlsson passed away on October 14/2008 at the age of 73 after a long illness. Pat first major victory was the Liege-Rome-Liege in 1961 at the wheel of an Austin-Healey 3000. She was married to Erik Carlsson, also a famous rallye driver from Sweden and was the younger sister of former F1 driver ,Sir Stirling Moss



CLUB NEWSLETTER EDITOR SOUGHT

Our Club is still looking for someone to take over the newsletter. As indicated in the September 2008 newsletter, starting in January 2009 we will publish bi-monthly until May and then monthly until September and then return to bi-monthly until year-end. This format should facilitate the job of the new editor. Should no one come forward, this publication will cease at the end of this year. I am willing to give a hand to whoever will take over but will not continue to do this in 2009.

MONTHLY MEETINGS AT MEMBER'S RESIDENCE

In the last few months, we have had difficulty getting volunteers to hold the monthly meetings culminating with last month being held at Le Garage Café, a facility that was less than perfect as outlined elsewhere in this newsletter. As a result, I canvassed our executives to come up with ideas so we could return to our proven format which has been successful since former Club President Ted Moorby implemented it. I had already been approached by a few members that felt it was getting difficult to host a meeting and that the cost had escalated as well in view of the large regular attendance. So, commencing in January 2009, volunteer members that will host a Club meeting are encouraged to serve only dessert or munchies such as chips, nuts & bolts or the likes and that alcoholic beverage served will now be subject to a \$2.00 collection in order to minimize the financial impact of hosting a meeting.

We hope these steps will encourage volunteers to come forward for the coming year. Already, January, February, June and July are spoken for, so if you are interested in hosting a meeting, call me (254-1132) or send me a message (vintage_roadster_restoration@hotmail.com) prior to December 15th as the Event Calendar will be published at that time.

ANYONE WITH INFORMATION

Anyone with information where I could find the correct Club logo would be greatly appreciated. The logo at the top of the newsletter is NOT correct as the name of the Club originally was placed in a ribbon on the lower portion of the logo. If you have a copy of it please send it to me so we can use it in the future.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Helmut Friedrich is organizing a dinner and a movie night. Interested parties should take a look at the event portion of our Club Website and respond to Helmut as soon as possible.

The Annual Christmas Dinner is on December 12th, 2008 at The Round Table. Roger Morcilla is in charge of organizing the event, so if you plan to attend and have not confirm with Roger yet, please do so as soon as possible.

See you next month, make sure your LBC is well tucked in for the winter or start on those planned projects.

Jean

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