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Christmas in February at La Baguette

Christmas in February? That's just the way it worked out with the schedule and the winter storms. A good time was had by all and the food was excellent as always! Present were Chuck (not pictured) and Dana Anderson, Don Ethridge and Tis, Judith and Dane Marable, Gary and Molly Emery.

Next meeting details on the last page.

Editor's Ramblings—The dream is becoming real.

Ever since I left the nest and struck out on my own, I've dreamed of a proper garage to house and work on Healeys. After 8 months, it's finally becoming a reality. The garage is done! I'm just building my workbench and hanging Healey posters on the walls. It worked out perfectly that even with the most snow we've seen in 30 years, I didn't have to scrape or brush any cars! I'll have a grand opening in about 2 months with lots of BEvERages and food.

This year is shaping up to be a good one. We are hosting Tri-Healey. Richard, Phil, Bob, and Bob are getting things started. More to come in the next newsletter.

Our racers, Gary Emery and Mike Glass will have full schedules this year.

There is a Norman Classic Car club that meets every Saturday morning at 9AM. Rocke Amonette and Dane Marable attended a couple of weeks ago in the cold and can be seen warming up next to the Healey. If you feel like getting out some Saturday morning, email me and I'll let you know where they are meeting.

Website! It should be up and running this month! I registered with GoDaddy so you can all feel like you contributed to the Superbowl commercials. (\$10.95 a year). My wife, Dana, was concerned when I received a message on our answering machine from Go Daddy. Of course my only question to her was whether it was Danica Patrick's voice or not. Our web address is OKAustinHealey.com. Nothing is on it yet. I would like everyone to send me a picture of their Healey and themselves.



Dane and Rocke warm up on a cold winter day. Who says that a hot Healey is always a bad thing? This winter was labeled a '30year winter" by meteorologist Gary England.

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Marriages and Cars

I have figured out a little known fact about marriages and cars. It's taken me 10 years to connect the dots. It all started with Harrison Ford. There was an article in People magazine. Someone pointed out there was a Healey in the magazine. Apparently his wife bought him a Healey. A year or too later I noticed they were divorced. Now don't get ahead of yourself, it was not the Healey's fault!

Recently there was a rerun of a show called "Overhaulin" where they pretend your car is stolen and in a week's time they do a complete frame off restoration. This recent episode involved Lance Armstrong's convertible GTO. His girlfriend Sheryl Crow set him up for the show. The car came out extraordinarily nice (as Chip Foose himself was involved) and it even had a custom bike rack on the back.

As you may know or can guess, Sheryl and Lance have broken up since then. So what do these cars have to do with it? Actually probably nothing, but they do point to a bigger issue. I think the fact that these two women thought they needed to get involved in their significant other's car, points to the fact that there were probably problems with the relationship. The action of the woman shows she was reaching out to her man to try and save the relationship. So the moral of the story is...if your spouse gets too involved in your car, it is a sign that something is wrong in your relationship. It is a cry for help. So guys, take some advice and find out what's going on. (Before she gets the car in the divorce settlement).

Warning. Adult material.

Do not let any Future 50 members read this (Future 50 is devoted to those future owners of Austin Healeys). (This was forwarded to me by Frank Chambers from an MG member. I changed it to Austin-Healey.)

IN HER DIARY: Tonight, I thought he was acting weird. We had made plans to meet at a bar to have a drink. I was shopping with my friends all day long, so I thought he was upset at the fact that I was a bit late, but he made no comment of it. Conversation wasn't flowing, so I suggested that we go somewhere quiet so we could talk.. He agreed, but he didn't say much. I asked him what was wrong; He said, 'Nothing.' I asked him if it was my fault that he was upset.. He said he wasn't upset, that it had nothing to do with me, and not to worry about it. On the way home, I told him that I loved him. He smiled slightly, and kept driving. I can't explain his behavior I don't know why he didn't say, 'I love you, too'. When we got home, I felt as if I had lost him completely, as if he wanted nothing to do with me anymore. He just sat there quietly, watching TV. He just seemed so distant and absent. Finally, with silence all around us, I decided to go to bed.. About 15 minutes later, he came to bed. To my surprise, he responded to my caress, and we made love. But I still felt that he was distracted, and his thoughts were somewhere else. He fell asleep - I cried. I don't know what to do. I'm almost sure that his thoughts are with someone else. My life is a disaster! IN HIS DIARY: My Austin-Healey wouldn't start today. I can't figure it out and it's driving me nuts... but at least I got laid tonight.

(Editor-Reminds me of an old saying: Austin-Healeys will get you through times of no sex better than sex will get you through times of no Austin-Healeys).

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As seen on Ebay or the Internet



Yes, that's a 100.



Looks like an Ashley front bonnet, but the rear is unexplainable. Looks like something would slide in there like a coffin or something. A Bugeye Hearse?



I can honestly say I've never seen a paint job like this before. I think there is a reason they didn't come from the factory like this.



This paint job is very unique and well done.

Next event Saturday, April 3rd. 6pm. Get together at the York's.

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Bring your car. We will have beverages and snacks.



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