



HEALEY NEWS SOUTH-WESTERN

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Hello everyone,

A little shorter HNSW this month, but rather than delay it I wanted to get out a reminder of the events coming up in the coming weeks, especially so as you are given a gentle nudge and so that we can plan for numbers.

Some of you will be aware that the Committee, following serious study of various met forecasts, decided to postpone the SW'ern BBQ and Road Run due to be held on 23rd September. Weather forecasting is a bit of a 'black art' and seems to be wrong more than it is right, so this decision was not taken lightly. Just for once we were proven to have taken the correct decision as it was raining by 1100 that day. One of our customers called in a few days later and bemoaned the several inches of water in the footwells of his MGB having been caught out in it!!

So, the BBQ and road run is still to be held but at present we are struggling to find a convenient date so please bear with us - I'll let you know as soon as we do!

The remainder of the month is looking pretty busy in any case. This weekend sees the Austin Healeys on the circuit at Castle Combe near Chippenham. This is quite a special event as Combe was very much associated with the Healeys in period and now rarely sees them as a consequence of noise legislation. This event is on the 6th October and, as I hope you will have noted in Revcounter, there is a special discount for those applying beforehand. It should be a great day out with several special cars in competition – DD300, for example, so don't miss out and do go along to support our racers.

Later in the month will see the final Breakfast at Twyning – the BAT – for the season. This one is planned to be a big end-of-season fund-raiser with the usual breakfast rendezvous on the Twyning village green, a raffle and then a short scenic drive to NT Croome Park for lunch and an autumn walk. It should be a lovely day out and supports our charity – fly2help, so put the 28th October in your diary now! I am told that the mid-summer 'BBQ at Twyning' was reported in Practical Classics recently, so it is nice to hear that it is picking up some national publicity.

Finally, I mentioned the AGM and end of season dinner in the last HNSW but I have to say I haven't had much of a response so far! The combined events will be held on the 20th October at the Royal George Hotel in Birdlip. It was a great evening out last year with our own private dinner room in the hotel, so do come along. The AGM only lasts an hour and is very much your opportunity to hear what the Club has been up to over the past year and to air your views so as to help shape the Club and the forthcoming season.

That's it for now, hope to see some of you at an event in the next few weeks.

Mark Knight, eNewsletter Editor, AHC South Western Centre

Forthcoming Diary Dates

New – please note!

Cotswolds Noggin & Natter – Change of Venue!

The N&N has moved to:

The Kilkeney Inn south-east of Cheltenham.

The first N&N to be held here will be the October Noggin

Details of the Puesdown: <http://www.kilkeneycheltenham.co.uk/>

The Puesdown has closed for refurbishment following a buy-out and we have had to look for another suitable venue. A ‘recce’ after last week’s Committee meeting revealed that the Kilkeney appears to be just what we’re after with a nice bar, decent beer/wine and food, log fires, friendly staff and a warm welcome to car clubs!

Last week for bookings!

Castle Combe – 6th October

The Healey racers in action on this famous Wiltshire circuit and their only UK appearance this year - do not miss it!

Come along to support them from the Club stand and enjoy 4 hours of classic racing!

Make the most of the 2-for-1 ticket deal and enjoy an atmospheric day of action!

Please register ASAP: Details on p29 of September Revcounter

Kemble Gymkhana - October 14th

Start time is 11:00 and it is the best fun you'll have in a classic for the bargain rate of £15!

Please contact Mes Edwards for details:

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Reminder!

SW'ern BBQ and Road Run – Sunday 23rd September

Postponed – standby for a ‘special’ email for news of a rescheduled event within the next few weeks.

Entries to: Mark Info@ahc-southwestern.co.uk

Mobile 07791 417256

NEW!

AGM and End of Season Dinner

20th October at 18:00

Just an hour for the AGM before heading to the bar and dinner!

Hear what we’re doing and meet the Committee and other members

Remember, this is your chance to tell us what you think and what you want from the Club (yes, really!)

Reminder!

Breakfast at Twyning – The BAT – Sunday

28th October @ 1000

The next and final ‘BAT’ for 2012. Come and join us for bacon rolls & coffee

on the Village Green at Twyning (GL20 6DF), supporting our nominated charity

“fly2help” – all classics welcome!

Prize raffle, scenic drive and then lunch and an autumn walk at NT Croome Park

Please pre-book with:

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All articles, pictures and feedback gratefully received.

September’s score – 0..!