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Hello everyone.

Well we're mid-season already! That also means that our plan of doing lots more driving events this year is well underway with 3 of the 'Drive My Healey' Sundays already done. Despite these events being run at your behest, support for them has been mixed with – by and large – just the 'usual crowd' turning out!

With this in mind the first piece of news is that **next Sunday's DMH will be postponed**. Several regulars are away on holiday and it seems wise therefore to save the route for a later date. This DMH is due to head south (west, north and east already completed) and we have a really nice route heading down in Somerset countryside. No point in wasting it, so we'll plan for a later date!

In September the DMH Sunday will be doubly so as the plan is for a convoy to head across to the Kop Hillclimb near Princes Risborough, so not only do you drive there and back but it is a driving event itself! Details to follow overleaf.

Several of you have asked about the 'Breakfast at Twyning' (BAT) that we have held in the past and whilst there is no regular BAT this season there will be a meeting on the Twyning Village Green on the August BH Sunday – 27th. This is a charity fundraiser and there should be a good mix of classic and sports cars on the Green from breakfast onwards. The Sunday prior is the Tewkesbury show and the day following Twyning, BH Monday, is of course Pershore Plum Festival – August is a busy month!

Finally, we have been invited to, and asked to publicise, a Friends of Prescott event on 15th September, the Gold Cup Race Meeting; see flyer attached.

Keep dodging the showers..!

Mark Knight
Editor

Don't forget! AHC National facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/austinhealeyclub/>

Our nominated charity: supporting fly2help recently



Veterans Day: gentleman with dementia, living in a home in Cheltenham, and his wife; they rarely see each other never mind have a day out together. Very sadly, he passed away only a fortnight later.

Please donate, we can all make a difference!

www.fly2help.org

News & Diary Dates

Sunday 17th September: Kop Hill Climb

We plan to link with the Thames Valley Centre for a joint AHC stand at this event. Kop Hill has had very good reports in the motoring press and is an event commemorating the old hillclimb. Jay Kay (Jamiroquai) lives close by and usually supports the event in person with some cars from his classic and sports car collection.

To book you each need to go onto the Kop Hill website: www.kophillclimb.org.uk Then on the home page go to Entrants then to Paddock Display – NEW TO KOP HILL.

Accept the Display Regulations then complete your details as asked. Under Parking Location scroll to Austin Healey Club.

Pay at the end as requested. You will receive a confirmation email when your booking has been completed.

Finally, please email me to say that you have booked so that we can plan the drive over!

E: Mark Knight - Info@ahc-southwestern.co.uk

Sunday 20th August: Tewkesbury Classic Vehicle Festival

One of the biggest local shows with close-on 1,000 vehicles now and plenty of stalls and live music too. If there's sufficient interest we'll rendezvous for breakfast and convoy in to the show.

Tony Alden: tony.alden@btinternet.com

Sunday 27th August: Breakfast at Twyning/Twyning Motor Show

Cars on the Village Green between 10.00 – 16.00. Start with breakfast and stay for the day. Walk down to the river or chill out on the Village Green or at the Village Inn!

Help us to cater please, tell us you're coming:

Mark Knight - Info@ahc-southwestern.co.uk

BH Monday (28th Aug): Pershore Plum Festival

A great classic car show in the lovely setting of Pershore Abbey. Last year saw 1400 vehicles attend! Great food stalls and the town centre is closed off too with lots to see and do!

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Look ahead:

September 3rd – Tetbury Classic Car Show, Jim Hutson: hutson77@btinternet.com

September 17th – Prescott Gold Cup Race Evening (dinner and racing); see attached flyer

Sept 30th/October 1st – Prescott Autumn Classic

October 7th – Castle Combe Autumn Classic (AHC parking)

October 14th – AGM and End of Season Dinner (Cirencester)

Don't forget, Tony Alden is still selling oil!