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# CONCLAVE 2021 IS LOADED WITH FUN!

### JAM PACKED SCHEDULE WILL KEEP YOU HOPPING AT CONCLAVE

### Plenty to Pick From Every Day!

With months yet to go, Conclave 2021 has already exceeded all registration expectations. While the host hotel is sold out (with a waiting list open), alternative lodging arrangements have been made nearby. And our guests will not lack for fun and entertainment.

The week will kick off with our ever-popular **Poker Run** around Big Bear Lake, through the mountains to Green Valley Lake and eventually to Lake Arrowhead Village, a great spot for lunch and some shopping. That evening we will hold the final three card draw during cocktail hour and determine the cash prize winners. It should be a great drive.

On Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, you can enjoy **Rocker Cover Racing** under the Hotel Portico. If you have never seen RCR, you are in for a treat as the competitors strive for both style and speed (prizes in both categories). Invented in Australia, Rocker Cover Racing was "imported" into the US by our own Healey Club member, Ed Neumeyer. Since then it has become a fixture at



Lake Arrowhead Village

all West Coast Healey Meets and is spreading across the country.

During the week we will also hold several **Tech Sessions**. Currently scheduled are a "Drive Through Tech Session" hosted by Steve Day. Drive your car under the tent, describe your problem, and Steve will attempt to resolve it on the spot, perhaps with some hands-on intervention. Also, an "Ask the Experts" panel discussion will be held featuring four premier Healey restoration and repair experts. Bring your toughest questions and see if you can stump the experts.

Not to be left out, while the (mostly) guys are "teching out",

the gals will be enjoying a more cultured diversion, "Paint and Sip". Participants will be invited to create their own painting (some Healey inspired) while wine tasting their way through some of California's finest vintages. A combination sure to inspire creativity!

Don't wait any longer, register now!

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# Conclave Regalia Store Now Open

If you are attending Conclave, or even if you are not, you have to look the part. That should present no problem now that the Conclave 2021 Regalia Store is open for business! With all items featuring the distinctive Conclave "Healey Flash" logo, you are sure to find plenty to please.

Special attention was paid this year to the Ladies Offerings. Regalia Chairwomen Kathy Scroggie noted, "someone finally figured out that a man's T-shirt does not constitute a unisex garment!" Of course, there are plenty of items for the guys as well.



Folding picnic blanket doubles as a knee warmer in your car



One of several fashionable items for the Ladies

Due to a special arrangement with the garment supplier, all items are being offered in a variety of colors and a full range of sizes. While the official event gray-black-red color scheme is evident, you are sure to find some additional colors that suit your fancy. Be sure to click around on the website to view all the options.

In addition to clothing, other Conclave themed items are on sale, including grille badges, adhesive backed commemorative tokens, event pins, picnic blankets and even extra copies of the cute Conclave mascot teddy bear (one will be provided free to each registered party).



Two different men's jackets are offered

The store is open to everyone, attendee or not. Those attending the event will pick up their purchases at registration, while those not attending will receive their orders by mail at the conclusion of the event. Please note that there will be a VERY limited quantity of regalia available for sale at the Conclave, so don't be disappointed, order in advance.

COVID 19 Policy: In case the event is cancelled due to travel restrictions, or you must cancel, all regalia orders will be fulfilled by mail at no additional cost. No orders can be cancelled and there are no returns.

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### Gymkhana and Funkhana to **Highlight Conclave Thursday**

Thursday during Conclave will see the Gymkhana and Funkhana events hosted at the nearby Big Bear Airport. Both events will be held on a huge patch of wide-open tarmac that normally provides a staging area for the California Fire Agency.

The Gymkhana track is nearly 900 feet in length and 175 feet wide, which will provide for a challenging and fast layout. While the Funkhana area will be a bit smaller, there will be plenty of room for all manner of fun and games.

New requirements are in effect for all AHCA motorsports events, the most important of which has to do with helmets. Helmets older than ten years cannot be worn. So, if you are bringing your helmet to Gymkhana, please check the manufacture date. At this time, we do not think that Funkhana participants will need helmets.

The Gymkhana requires advance reservation (but no charge), while the Funkhana is strictly "drop in and enjoy". Spectators are welcome at both events and there is an excellent restaurant at the airport.



Beautiful Big Bear Airport



Top Down Fun at Conclave Funkhana

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## Conclave 2021 – Day by Day

Conclave 2021 will offer all the traditional events and much more, with plenty of time to socialize with old friends and make new acquaintances. The week will unfold as follows:

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#### SUNDAY, MAY 16

Hotel and Event
Check-in, time for a
Car Wash (on site) or
to relax in the Social
Center. No host evening
Cocktail Party with
appetizers and a special
Guest Speaker. Silent
Auction, Arts and Crafts



Rocker Cover Racers at the Ready

and Photo Contest displays open. Dinner on your own at the hotel or one of the numerous nearby establishments.

### MONDAY, MAY 17

After breakfast we will head out on our **Poker Run and Tour** around the Lake and into the mountains. **Concours Judging** all

day. Cocktails and final Poker Card draw in the evening, followed by the optional Santa Maria BBQ Dinner by the pool.

#### TUESDAY, MAY 18

Today is our big drive, your choice of participating in the TSD Rally or just enjoying the scenery. We will head down the mountain on scenic Highway 38 to visit **Joshua Tree National Park**, a truly unique landscape and habitat. After lunch, we will return to Big

Bear via another mountain route. Tonight will feature the preliminary and practice rounds of **Rocker** 

Cover Racing followed by a no-host Cocktail Party in the Social Center. Many have decided to partake of the optional Paddlewheel Boat Tour on the Lake.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

Car Show Day is here! After your commemorative photo is taken you will be directed to your parking spot on Pine Knot Avenue, the main drag in Big Bear where we will wow the tourists with our dazzling cars. Late afternoon will see the



Don't Be Blue, Come to Conclave

finals of Rocker Cover Racing followed by a no-host Cocktail Party in the Social Center and more Paddlewheel Boat Touring.

### THURSDAY, MAY 20

Gymkhana and Funkhana Day at the Big Bear Airport. For those not participating there will be several optional self-driving opportunities including a Lake Arrowhead drive, Morongo/Las Vegas style casino visit, Palm Spring Aerial Tramway ride, Idyllwild and Palms to Pines Highway tour and many other options. Late afternoon will include Tech Sessions and a Ladies Only Event. A final Cocktail Party with appetizers

will precede the
Grand Banquet,
Awards
Ceremony,
conclusion
of the Silent
Auction and

a very special Healey guest.

### FRIDAY, MAY 21

Start your morning with an included **Farewell Breakfast**. We will have some special fun awards and the event signage will be auctioned off.



### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Registration is now open. You may register online or by mail. Visit www.conclave2021.com for full event and hotel information and to start registration. Please note the money back COVID-19 Guarantee. Please answer all the questions carefully, we are collecting a lot of information to make your visit as personalized and enjoyable as possible. Once we have received your paid registration, you will receive an email containing the code required to book your room.