

# THE RESONATOR

Official Newsletter of the Austin-Healey Club of Southern Ontario



## "Prez Sez"

### ???? SPRING ????

My calendar says that it is well past the equinox, but my driveway is still covered with snow. How can this be?

No matter, hopefully when you read this Levina and I will be in sunny Florida. We are driving down in the Healey, come H... or High Water, for some R& R at the Southeastern Classic. Hopefully the weather co-operates.

After several years of our monthly pub night being at Ned Devine's we have decided to try a move to the Mohawk Inn & Chop House on Guelph Line and 401. The first meeting in the new facility will be our April 10th Pub night. It is one exit further west on the 401 after the Milton exit. The facility is under new management and they have undertaken extensive restorations, which were almost finished, when we visited in February. All done, that is, except for the parking lot, and it still has some craters in which to loose a Bug-Eye. We are assured, however that this lot will be repaved in April, so hopefully by our May meeting we will have a smooth area to leave our cars. Come on out and give our new meeting place a try, and be sure to give us some feedback as to your impressions and if you think this should be a permanent move.

Lots of events for you participate in this season, so make sure your car is safe and reliable and come join in some of the activities that take your fancy. Above all this year, determine that you will....

**Get into your Healey and see what you get out of it!!**

Bob Yule

## View From the Navigator's Seat

They say we live in the 'Banana Belt' here in Stoney Creek - but it sure didn't feel like it here this week! It has been downright 'freezing' since we got back from Florida the beginning of March - Al Gore is 'all wet' folks - there is no global warming in our neck of the woods!! The poor birds cannot figure out what is going on!

We all have been thinking about getting our LBC out of hibernation (except our Prez of course - he and the first lady started out on their trip to SouthEastern Classic - Amelia Island - on a cold and snowy Monday morning of this past week).

I am sure everyone is looking forward to our new meeting place on Pub night next week - the newly renovated 'Mohawk Inn' (Guelph Line & the 401). This new location hopes to be a better fit for our members and our cars. I am told the Parking Lot will be repaved very soon.

See everyone there!

**APRIL 2013**

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## TECH SESSION: GIL'S GARAGE TOUR

### HEALEY SILVERSTONE VISIT

100 cups of coffee and 7 doz. donuts were consumed at Gils garage tour. I am going to use this as the measuring stick for future events. We had at least 75 enthusiasts. My observation was that everyone seemed to enjoy the visit. Gil had the garage set up perfectly, the 1950 Healey Silverstone was centre attraction. At one point Gil backed the Silverstone out of his garage so we could all see and hear the car outside in the sun, Bert was copilot on this leg. This was its inaugural drive, and was followed by Bert driving the car back into the garage, so no additional miles were put on the odometer. Bert and Gil now have equal time in the Silverstone. The week before the tour Bert worked with Gil for most of his time awake, sleeping was scarce.

For those not familiar with the Healey Silverstone it is one of 104 cars built by Donald Healey and the only one left in Canada. it was built as a cheap dual purpose car, setup for the racer and yet drivable on the street. I think that is the last time it was ever called cheap. Gils car is chassis # E73, if you are interested google Silverstone registry.

From here we entered the Jag room, on display is a beautiful Jaguar collection, several perfect examples of E types, two of the cars I believe are 100 point cars. Also nestled in the middle is an XK 120. I could spend the day sitting on a chair looking at the perfect detail these cars displayed. After we left this room, we moved out to the big barn area and had a look at the XK 150, XK 140 and very rare 1961 XKE jaguar, again pristine cars.

Also out in this area was Gils TR4 which you can see is one of his favourites and is used frequently. One of the benefits Bert enjoys as the resident Healey Silverstone apprentice and long time friend is the extra storage hiding space he has and Mary Lou cannot see what he brings back to the barn. Bert had his newly acquired all original white barn find bug eye on display as well. Hope you noticed his licence plate and the welcome sign he made, he needs to be elected as our artistic director. Nice work Bert. On the walk to the Healey room you would have passed yours truly's slightly modified multi coloured white grey sprite, hope you stopped and enjoyed my hotrod.

At the front of the barn we entered the Healey room and had a look at Gils BN7 and what will always be known as Rich's 100-4, the newest addition to Gils collection. There was a triumph there as well, not sure where it came from, must be lost thinking it can room with Healey's. Great day and nice to see so many members come out and converse about what we all enjoy. I cannot thank Gil enough for allowing us to share his car collection. Special thanks to Bert for making sure the Silverstone was ready for viewing, as well as keeping Gils garage perfectly tidy for our event. Gils wife Maria also played a big part in getting things organized for us, thank you Maria. We are fortunate to have club members who share their cars with us, lets hope the new pub location will give us a chance too display our cars comfortably to each other. Maybe it will even bring the public out to see our cars.

Cheers Phil



Lyn Chrysler & Gil Melo



Ed with Gil's Silverstone (only one left in Canada)



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Gil's Jag Collection



Gil's Jag Collection

## **PUB NIGHT LOCATION MOVE**

### **\*ALL MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE**

As most of you are aware an ad hoc committee comprising Ed Kesik, Phil Jarret and myself have been looking into moving our monthly meetings away from Ned Devine's and into a facility with, amongst other things, better parking.

Ed was very active and most of the work was done by him and a short list drawn up. We visited a couple of spots and decided that the best candidate would be the Mohawk Inn at Guelph Line & 401. We had dinner there and checked out the facilities and the decision was made to move Pub Night there. Ed has hammered out a contract with them, which I have signed as President.

The parking lot, although large, has many pot holes(craters) which would not be good for a Healey. But we have been assured that the lot will be repaved in April, weather permitting.

Starting with our April meeting on April 10th we will be at the Mohawk Inn. There is a side room set aside for us and tables will be set up. There is a very extensive menu and we have full access to it. Hopefully this move will meet with the approval of the membership and we can look forward to some good meetings.

I am going to call Ned Devine's and tell them that we are moving for the summer months to try and attract more participation, so am not closing the door completely. The announcement will be on the web site shortly and in the next newsletter. I am also going to ask Phil to e-mail the membership in a few days time and again just before Pub.

Hope this meets with everyone's approval. Healey on!

Cheers.....Bob



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## CONCLAVE CHARLEVOIX 2013

### More than 150 Registrations to date!

Hi everyone,

Getting closer to the Conclave Charlevoix everything is getting tied up and looking very good indeed!

So here are my latest insights and updates on Conclave Charlevoix:  
Clothing requirement...

The dress code will be casual all week long as you would expect for such an event, and sport casual / jeans will be most appropriate for the Traditional Quebecois Dinner and totally suitable for a Casino stopover. As for the Conclave Awards Dinner, one should expect a more formal dress code, but neither jacket or tie are mandatory... after all we will be traveling for a week with limited Healey luggage space shared between clothing, mechanical spare parts and tools ;-)

And for those who plan to go whale watching, you should know that once at sea (not quite, yet tides are much noticeable at Baie-St-Paul) the temperature gets much cooler on the St-Lawrence river, but nothing to worry about because all necessary gear will be provided by the cruise operator.

Now be prepared for excitement at our Traditional Quebecois Dinner as you will not only discover some of our cultural culinary specialties but also some of our traditional Quebecois music with live entertainment.

Our Monday ice cream social will be held with plenty of parking space, shady area and a view on the magnificent St-Laurence River.

Conclave Charlevoix Early Bird Registration Promotion (a promotion you automatically will be entering). Here is the thing: our Club has just been awarded again this year the organisation of the " Pilot's Parade " for the Formula 1 Canadian Grand Prix held in Montréal on June 9th 2013, thus enabling us to share the wealth and offer participation to this very prestigious event to one lucky Conclave guest registered prior to May 1st. The prize includes two tickets (\$550) to the three day event, a Formula 1 polo that you will wear when parading in front of 100,000+ F-1 fans, and a glorious Circuit Gilles Villeneuve track tour in your Healey just minutes to the F1 race along with one of the F1 pilot sitting beside you. A once in a lifetime experience!

Note: in view of the Grand Prix du Canada dates (June 7-8-9) and the involved traveling arrangement to be made two weeks prior to Conclave Charlevoix, the winner from a draw amongst all eligible registered guests will be contacted during the first week of May to confirm his interest in coming to Montréal with his Healey for this event (NB: regrettably no Sprite, Bug Eye or Jensen Healey \_ a Grand-Prix prerogative). Should the invite be declined by the winner, we will right away proceed to a second draw in order to make the same offer to the new winner. This process will be repeated until a winner confirms his coming to Montréal for this event and the prize is awarded!

Looking forward to see you in Charlevoix,

Paul Hetu



# ANCASTER FLEA MARKET



## Ancaster British Car Flea Market

Hosted by the **Austin-Healey Club of Southern Ontario**  
And the **British Sports Car Club of Hamilton**

April 21, 2013 9:30am - 3:00pm      Ancaster Fairgrounds - 630 Trinity Road

Only 87 days until the Flea Market!



The **Ancaster British Car Flea Market and Car Show** is held on the second last Sunday in April at the Ancaster Fairgrounds, at the intersection of Hwy 2&53 (Wilson St) and Hwy 52 (Trinity Rd). This annual event is Southern Ontario's largest British car parts flea market featuring both used and new parts for all types of British cars. You will also find books, clothing, regalia, car club information and much more.

Open from 9:30 to 3:00, Admission is \$7.00 (Youth under 18 are free).

Come and browse the vendors tables inside Marritt Hall. More parts and cars for sale at the outside vendors area.

Refreshments available inside Marritt Hall

Reserved parking area for all British cars - Bring yours out for the first time this spring!

See all types of British cars in the car show area. Don't forget your camera to take pictures of your favourites.

## AHCSO VOLUNTEERS

The 2013 Ancaster British Car Flea Market is quickly approaching and the committee has been working the past months planning for this year's event.

For both the Austin Healey Club of Southern Ontario and the British Sports Car Club the flea market is an important fund raiser. It subsidises the membership dues and enables the clubs to put on the events that everyone enjoys

For the flea market to be successful your help is needed as volunteers on event day.

Ed Kesik  
Chairman, Ancaster British Car Flea Market

## NEWS & INFORMATION



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**\*2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH - 7:30 PM**  
**(SEE PAGE 4 FOR NEW LOCATION)**

- \* APRIL 9TH
- \* MAY 8TH
- \* JUNE 12TH
- \* JULY 10TH
- \* AUGUST 14TH
- \* SEPTEMBER 11TH
- \* OCTOBER 9TH
- \* NOVEMBER 13TH
- \* DECEMBER 11TH (CHRISTMAS PARTY)

### **1955 Austin Healey 100 BN1 For Sale**

This 100 is a rust free unrestored and modified automobile. In 1971 a Chevy 283, Powerglide and Ford 9 inch rear end were installed.

Recently a Dennis Welch front disk brake kit was purchased and installed (this includes new wire wheel splines). Along with the red polyurethane A-arm bushings and the offset black trunion bushings, as well as Dennis Welch Rally front anti-roll bar, which is a 7/8 diameter bar with heim joint connection links. A set of adjustable Konis was also installed and the lever arm damper valves removed. The spindles were crack checked at a machine shop and confirmed good. New Dayton 70 spoke 15x6 Cobra lace tubeless wire wheels and new Dunlop tires installed. I also installed a dual circuit Tilton master cylinder and pedal box, new hard brake lines, and new flexible stainless lines were installed as well.

The paint on the car looks decent in pictures, but it is showing its age in person. It is a ten footer, but still looks presentable from up close, just showing some cracks and such.

Healey is rust free other than minor surface rust underneath, but nothing heavy and no through rust. The floors are all original along with the outriggers and inner sills, and all are intact and solid. The carpet interior and trunk are all in nice shape, the door cards are decent as well.

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## **NEW MEMBERS**

**Ray & Dorothy Scott**  
of Plympton, Wyoming  
transferred from the  
Bluewater Sarnia Club.  
They add one more  
BT7 to our club.

**Michael & Judy Salter**  
of Dwight  
rejoined in January 2013.  
They add one more  
BN1 to our club.

**Tony & Denise Copland**  
of Mississauga  
joined January 2013.  
They add one more  
BJ8 to our club.

**Brad & Kathy Marsland**  
of Waterloo  
joined March 2013.  
They add one more  
BN7 and 1959 Bugeye.

## **HEALEY SMILE**

### **The Marriage Commandments:**

- #1 Marriages are made in heaven  
- but so are thunder and lightning.
- #2 If you want your wife to listen and  
pay attention to every word you say  
- talk in your sleep.
- #3 Marriage is grand - and divorce is at  
least 100 grand!
- #4 Married life is very frustrating. In the  
first year the man speaks and the  
woman listens. In the second year  
the woman speaks and the man  
listens. In the third year they both  
speak and the neighbours listen.
- #5 When the man opens the door of his  
car for his wife, you can be sure of  
the thing: either the car is new or  
the wife is.
- #7 Before marriage a man will lie  
awake all night thinking about  
something you say - after marriage  
he will fall asleep before you finish.
- #8 Every man wants a wife who is  
beautiful, understanding and  
economical and a good cook  
- but the law allows only one wife.
- #9 Marriage & love are purely a matter  
of chemistry - that is why the wife  
treats the husband like toxic waste.
- #10 A man is incomplete until he is  
married, after that, he is finished.



## EVENTS 2013

### **April 21, 2013 – Ancaster Flea Market**

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Members meet at a designated D.Q. at 1:00pm on the above Sunday for an ice cream lunch, allowing 1 hour. Then a 45 minute drive to the next designated D.Q. for coffee at 3:00pm. Then off for D.Q. supper at 5:00pm.

Members will know the locations of the DQ's and can join at any point. **Stay tuned for details**

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### **July 2013 TBA Ice Cream Socials – 'Queer Cow Tour'**

### **July 21, 2013 - Brits in the Park, Lindsay**

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### **August 2013 TBA Ice Cream Socials – 'Queer Cow Tour'**

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### **September TBA Salmon BBQ – Hosted by the Wilfords**

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