

# THE RESONATOR

Official Newsletter of the Austin-Healey Club of Southern Ontario



## “Prez Sez”

### Check the Calendar

I know it's difficult to keep a sunny disposition, when the calendar is telling us it's spring and we are still freezing our assets off.

But the groundhog said it will happen, so keep the faith!

We have a couple of successful tech sessions behind us, the first at Russ Bamsey's where he told us all about shocks, their repair and operation and the second this last weekend at Autofarm Ltd. when we learnt what it takes to recommission a car that has been parked for many years, combined with a tour of their almost completed new facility. Thanks to Martyn for getting these sessions put together. Keep checking our website, as he has more events to come throughout the year. The next of which is the “Big One” –Ancaster British Car Flea Market—Bill McNaughton is the organiser of this event on April 19th so if you haven't volunteered to help yet, do so immediately. Bill needs all the help he can get!(lol). No need for me to remind you, that this is the main Club fundraiser of the year, so we need all hands on deck.

Our March Pub Night was almost a non starter as the Mohawk was not expecting us, in spite of a written contract. We have been told that our contract is no longer valid since they now have a new manager and they want to renegotiate which would include them charging for the use of the room. We are not happy with this so are busy looking for an alternative. April pub will still be in The Mohawk on April 08. If you have any suggestions as to a suitable location, in preferably the Milton area, please contact me or any member of the executive.

In the meantime, get ready for some spring weather and make sure your Healey is in top condition for safety and reliability and as soon as possible.....

**Drive your Healey. They like it and you will too!**

Bob Yule

## View From the Navigator's Seat

### NEWS FLASH!!

**WE WILL BE MOVING TO A NEW LOCATION  
FOR OUR NEXT CLUB MEETING IN MAY!!!  
WE ARE JUST FINALIZING THIS MOVE AND  
EVERYONE WILL BE NOTIFIED VIA EMAIL  
ALL THE DETAILS FOR OUR MAY 13TH  
MEETING AT OUR NEW LOCATION.  
STAY TUNED!!**

## APRIL 2015

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## TECH SESSION AT AUTOFARM SATURDAY MARCH 28, 2015

Healey people sure like to drive in sunshine. March 28 was a bright sunny day (even if a bit too chilly at -1 degree to have most bring their Healeys) and that helped bring 36 members to the Autofarm tech session. Bruce MaGauley from Denfield, outside London, was the sole Healey driver in his BT7. It was so cold that the hood was up!

Bob, Tom, and Amanda had both buildings in Autofarm set up for the crowd. We were welcomed with coffee and donuts that Bob assured us had no calories. In the old building we had the opportunity to look at a late model BJ8 on a hoist that a Kitchener owner had literally driven into his garage 20 years ago; shut off the key, and walked away.

Bob went through the items that had to be replaced. The braking naturally had to be mostly replaced. Not only were the rear shoes rusted to the drums, but also master cylinders, wheel cylinders, flex hoses, brake discs and every other brake part through to the booster. The battery was neither shut off nor removed and that ended up ruining the voltage regulator. Gas had been left in the tank and carbs and while the fairly new tank was saved, the carbs were seized and required a complete re-build. Surprisingly the king-pins had seized so badly that while one had to be replaced the other could not be disassembled. It had to be ground off and even then the upper trunion was still rusted in place. Surprisingly the front wheel bearings had also rusted and both sides had to be renewed.

It is amazing how much damage can be done to a car by letting it sit. All the more reason we should get out and drive our Healeys!

The group then went over to the large new building where Amanda and Tom had set out a pot of chili for lunch. While we re-gained our strength with the chili, there was an interesting array of seven additional Healeys to be viewed; from a totally rusted out BT7 with a new frame beside it (and it needed that new frame and virtually everything else) to the Concours quality BN4 and BN1. The restoration progression lead to much discussion among members, including a question whether there is a Healey in bad enough shape not to be restorable! Probably not.

The new Autofarm building allows a great deal of storage for complete cars and parts as well as lots of space to work on many projects. Complete restorations can take extended time and the new building means these can be stored while small repairs on other Healeys are completed.

It was a very interesting session. Thanks Autofarm.







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## Healeys on Hallowed Ground **ENCLAVE 2015**

[www.enclave2015.com](http://www.enclave2015.com)

July 19 – 24, 2015 Gettysburg, PA

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ Apt.# \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone – Primary(\_\_\_\_)(\_\_\_\_) Alternate(\_\_\_\_)(\_\_\_\_) Is this your 1<sup>st</sup> Event? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

Attending Children's Names & Ages \_\_\_\_\_

Region/Club Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Little British Car(s) (LBCs) You Are Bringing to the Event:

Trailer Space Needed? Yes ☐ No ☐

1. Model \_\_\_\_\_ Yr \_\_\_\_\_ VIN(optional) \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Model \_\_\_\_\_ Yr \_\_\_\_\_ VIN(optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival date	Sat 7/18	Sun 7/19	Mon 7/20	Tue 7/21	Wed 7/22	Thu 7/23
✓ check one						

✓ Will you need flea market space?	Yes	No
✓ Will you need Regalia Room space?	Yes	No
✓ Participation in rally? # cars _____?	Yes	No
✓ Participation in Gymkhana? # cars _____?	Yes	No
✓ Participation in Funkhane? # cars _____?	Yes	No
✓ Valve cover races? # cars _____?	Yes	No
✓ Popular car show? # cars _____?	Yes	No
✓ Arts/crafts/photo submission?	Yes	No

### Registration Instructions

- Complete the registration form
- Make check payable to: **"ENCLAVE 2015"**
- Enclose both in an envelope and mail to:

Enclave 2015 Registration  
Trish Woglom  
212 Lower Valley Road  
North Wales, PA. 19454  
610-310-2037  
[pwoglom@comcast.net](mailto:pwoglom@comcast.net)

### Registration Fee Includes:

- One show car, 2 adults, and children (under 21)  
(Additional cars/adults on a single registration are extra)
- Free access to our Hospitality Room
- Free admission to the Charity Auction Reception
- Free outside flea market space
- Free admission to all tech sessions and driving events
- Free ENCLAVE 2015 door magnet with your registration number on it.

### Hotel Registration

Contact the Wyndham Gettysburg 717-339-0020 or the Marriott Courtyard 717-334-5600 and mention "ENCLAVE 2015" to get the \$129 (excluding taxes) per night room rate. **Deadline for assured room availability is June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015.**

### Registration Fees

-----	\$ _____
\$130 if postmarked after April 1, 2015	
Extra LBC cars: _____ @ \$30 per car	\$ _____
Extra adults (over 21) _____ @ \$30 per person	\$ _____
Sunday Opening Night Reception at Gettysburg Museum & Visitor Center _____ @ \$10 per person	\$ _____
Monday End of Rally Wine Tasting and Tour _____ @ \$15 per person	\$ _____
Tuesday Fields of Freedom Film & Guided Gettysburg Battlefield	
Bus Tour _____ @ \$29 per person	\$ _____
Tuesday Evening BBQ _____ @ \$36 per person	\$ _____
Children: less than 4 yrs old: free	
: 4-11 yrs _____ @ \$18 per person	\$ _____
Wednesday Ice Cream Social, Go-Kart & Miniature Golf Competition _____ @ \$15 per person	\$ _____
Thursday Ladies Event _____ @ \$20 per person	\$ _____
Thursday Awards Banquet _____ \$46 per person	
Enter number of entrées:	
Fish <input type="checkbox"/> Pork <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____
Thursday Night Pizza Party & Movie (for kids)	
Children (3-12) _____ @ \$12	\$ _____
"Chinese Auction" Tickets _____ @ 7 for \$5	\$ _____
Concours Judging/Awards _____ @ \$60 per car	\$ _____
Regalia Total, from page 2	\$ _____
<b>Total Remittance (\$US)</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>





# **34th Annual ANCASTER**

## **British Car Flea Market and Car Show**

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# **Sunday April 19, 2015**

**Location: Ancaster Fair Grounds  
630 Trinity Road, Ancaster, ON., L0R 1R0**

DIRECTIONS: EXIT 55 OFF 403 AT HWY 52/TRINITY ROAD TO HWY 2/53/WILSON

ADMISSION: ADULTS: \$7.00      UNDER 18: FREE

PUBLIC HOURS: 9:30AM-2:30PM

GENERAL INFORMATION: [ANCASTER.FLEA.MARKET@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ANCASTER.FLEA.MARKET@GMAIL.COM)

VENDOR INFORMATION: [FLEA-MARKET-LADY@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:FLEA-MARKET-LADY@HOTMAIL.COM)

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## MARK DOUST'S NEW CARS



### 1967 INNOCENTI C

I went on a worldwide shopping fling to replace my Maserati Khamsin, which I sold in November. After much searching, I wanted British beef and Italian sauce, so I picked an Innocenti C / Austin Healey Sprite. My search took me to the far ends of the earth. I wanted something I could take to both British and Italian car meets.

Innocenti improved on the Spridget's fundamentals and made something better.

Innocenti Cs first appeared in September 1966 in Italy and manufactured until 1968.

It is 6 inches longer and 4 inches wider with a fixed coupe designed by Ghia and made at OSI – Officine Stampaggi Industriali (Industrial Pressworks). Sprite bulk heads were moved forward to allow for longer doors and an integral windscreen.

Austin Healey supplied engines, transmissions, front and rear suspensions to OSI

Lucas instruments were thrown away and Smith gauges were abandoned being replaced with VEG-LIA instruments and Marelli electrics so no Prince of darkness.

There was only 800 manufactured and about 80 left in the world and I now own the second coupe in North America.

Innocenti Cs only came in three colours – green, red and white – the colours of the Italian Flag.

Since I was moving this car from the UK to Canada in a container it was kind of cheaper to find another car in the same part of the world to slide into a 48 foot container.

My second car purchase was a 1967 Lancia Fulvia 1.3 rallye coupe.

My 1967 Lancia Fulvia coupe is a 1.3 Rallye model of the Series One generation which spanned from 1965 to 1969 and considered the last true Lancia and was designed before Fiat swept in to rescue the brand in 1969.

My Fulvia is powered by a 1.3 litre narrow angle V4 with 87 horsepower at 6000 rpm and 84 pound-feet of torque at 4500 rpm through the front wheels.

Lancia Fulvia pushed its way into the rally world and soon dominated with their front wheel drive.

I am looking forward to a great summer with these cars and my family.



# NEWS & INFORMATION



## THE ALL BRITISH CAR CLUB'S 14<sup>th</sup> Annual **AUTOJUMBLE**

Featured cars will be those manufactured BEFORE 1965. Members are asked to register interest in showing a car (that is more than 50 years old) with Lois Logan before April 1<sup>st</sup>. At that time, a committee (to be constituted) will decide which cars will invited to the INDOOR SHOW. There will be plenty of space outdoors for everyone.

As VENDORS confirm, information will be distributed (probably via e-mail).

Mark your calendar and invite family and friends to join us.

**Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
10:00 – 2:00  
Portsmouth Olympic Harbour  
Kingston, Ontario.**

**Info: [llogan10@cogeco.ca](mailto:llogan10@cogeco.ca)**

**Admission: \$3.00**

**Tables: Members \$10 / Non Members \$25**

## 10 THINGS ABOUT SPRITES YOU DON'T REALLY NEED TO KNOW

1. The last Sprites were badged as "Austin Sprites" because they were made after the agreement to pay Healeys had expired.
2. The front bumper and heater were optional extras on the Frogeye
3. The disc brakes offered by Healeys for the Frogeye was made by Gurling, not Lockheed.
4. The 1962 "Sebring" Sprites were re-badged and ran as "MG"s in 1963
5. Black was never a factory Sprite colour, "Salmon" (unfortunatly) was.
6. 39 Frogeye Sprites were built in 1961.
7. 489 Sprites were built at Cowley.
8. The 1275cc Sprite was announced in October 1969, 7421 were built
9. The last Austin-Healey Sprite was #86802, but BL's record keeping leaves this in doubt.
10. Driving a Sprite is the most fun you can have with your clothes on.

There, now wasn't that a waste of your time? No; you must be a Sprite owner!



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# SPRING THING - TENNESSEE STYLE

The Bluegrass Austin-Healey Club is proud to partner with our Volunteer State members to the south to present the 2015 SpringThing. The fun, laid back and hospitality-filled SpringThing you've come to expect is taking a Tennessee-style vacation and we invite you to join in on the festivities.

Each year we strive to find the very best VIP experiences for our guests and 2015 won't disappoint. We've lined up special behind-the-scenes access to the Lane Motor Museum in Nashville, complete with a tour of the basement. But this isn't your grandmothers dusty old basement. This one is filled with hundreds of cars, many of which you've probably never seen or heard of. If tours are your fancy, enjoy the beautiful roads and experience the countryside with your Healey friends all on your schedule.

Our famous hospitality suite will be specially catered this year with deli-style selections to keep your stomach full, and of course our bottomless kegs and wine boxes will be on hand to keep you watered, as usual.

Come enjoy new territory for SpringThing as we celebrate the family reunion that is SpringThing. The Bluegrass Club look forward to seeing you in May!

See Flyer below or visit [bluegrassclub.com](http://bluegrassclub.com)



Hosted by the Bluegrass Austin Healey Club

**May 14 ~ 17**

**Goodlettsville, TN**

*Twenty miles north of Nashville on I-65*



## EVENTS 2015 APRIL UPDATE

NB: Events not organized by the AHCSO as bracketed <>.  
Members are encouraged to support these events.

### April:

- 8 Meeting & Pub Night : Mohawk Inn Milton 6:30pm  
19 Ancaster Flea Market. Ancaster Fairgrounds

### May:

- 3 <Autojumble - Kingston>  
9 Road Tour "Get out and Drive" - Depart from Burlington Tim Horton's  
Plains Road & Waterdown Road. 11:15 start Tour Master: Mike McNeely  
13 Meeting & Pub Night : CHECK THE WEBSITE

### June:

- 6 <London British Car Show, London>  
10 Meeting & Pub Night : TBA  
27 Wine Tour: POSPONED TILL AUGUST

### July:

- 8 Meeting & Pub Night : TBA  
19-24 Enclave: Yes, the 'Travelling Wrinkles' strike out again with the "Roundheads  
and Royalists" Civil War Tour Wrinkled-Roundhead-Royalist Leader: Laurie Wilford  
19 <"Brits-in-the-Park", Lindsay>

## HEALEY SMILE

BE CAREFUL!

TWO POLICEMEN CALL THE STATION ON THE RADIO:

"HELLO, IS THAT THE SARGE?"

"YES?"

"WE HAVE A CASE HERE.

A WOMAN HAS SHOT HER HUSBAND FOR STEPPING  
ON THE FLOOR SHE HAD JUST MOPPED CLEAN"

"HAVE YOU ARRESTED THE WOMAN?"

"NO SIR – THE FLOOR IS STILL WET"