

THE RESONATOR

Official Newsletter of the Austin-Healey Club of Southern Ontario



"Prez Sez"

KEEP IT GOING!

Summer may be officially over, but there will still be days when taking a drive in your Healey will be just perfect. We have the 'Run for the leaves' still to look forward to and that will happen when the weather cooperates, so watch your e-mail. There are still some driving events to take in but they are mostly below the 49th, so try and get the most driving out of this summer before we have to get ready for our winter season.

Ontario is in the midst of an election campaign at present and we should look on it as a rehearsal for November, when the really important election takes place. That is the election of officers for your Club. If you have always wanted to hold office, or feel that you would like to take part in the running of your Club, then please make your wishes known to Mark Doust our VP in charge of the nominations and elections and get involved.

So before the good driving weather disappears for the remainder of the year.....

GET INTO YOUR HEALEY AND SEE WHAT YOU GET OUT OF IT!

Bob Yule

View From the Navigator's Seat

Well this summer - we waited sooo long to arrive turned out to be a great summer for us! We started off with a freezing experience at Ancaster Flea Market but it was all 'uphill' from there! A wonderful new event at David Underhills 'Ice Cream Social' - a fun Wine Tour and a memorable celebration of our "35th" with a great group of people. As usual a delicious Salmon BBQ hosted by the Wilfords, a very pleasurable trip to 'Paradise' in Pennsylvania, I could go on and on - but I do have to add, this is such a great Club with AONE members that we are so glad to be a part of - and an Executive, second to none who keep it that way.

"HAPPY THANKSGIVING" TO ALL - WE HAVE SO MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR!

Happy Healeying!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Anna'.

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SALMON BBQ AT THE WILFORDS

Saturday August 27th was like a day in paradise. The afternoon temperature was 26 degrees with a clear sunny sky, it was ideal for a Healey drive and a BBQ.

Only 8 Healeys met at Tim Horton's in Milton for the two hour drive put together by Martyn Ridley. Rafe and Thalia Loosigian drove up from Boston just for the BBQ and they used our BJ8 for the tour. Rafe has almost exactly the same car, but he said he was surprised at the differences between the two cars, A few people went off route and came early, but most arrived for the BBQ with the non-drivers around 5:00.

There were 19 Healeys parked in front of the house for dinner as 50 Healey friends gathered for a pot luck dinner. Lenard and Martha Thomas were on their way back to Atlanta, so we even had a Georgia Healey on a trailer. With 25 pounds of salmon to cook we had three BBQs going at the same time. Rafe and Thalia brought wine and beer plus Ed and Anna Orr brought more wine and beer from the 35th anniversary party. With lots of appetizers, salads, and deserts supplied by the guests we all had a great time bulking up and talking Healey.

We are having a difficult time deciding if this was the 9th or 10th Salmon BBQ. Either way we hope to be able to do this again.

Laurie and Diane



After Dinner



Before Dinner Social



Cars in the Yard



Dining in the Gazebo



Dinner is ready



Good friends on a beautiful day



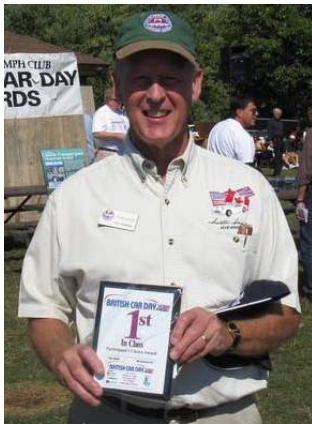
The Queen watching over us



Tim Horton's before the drive

BRONTE BRITISH CAR DAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2011

Sunday, September 18th, one of the favourite events for many British Car enthusiasts once again drew record attendance for show cars but also for all those who came to see them. AHCSO once again came up with a number of winners in the popularity vote as you will see, and we are very proud of the fact so many of our members attended this popular event. Over 1200 British Marques in 52 categories were here making for a most interesting show. What added to this great show were the many vendors offering great bargains for the visitors. As for AHCSO who took a number of awards - and the Winners are:



Ron Redshaw



Eoin Galvin & Rich Chrysler



Ed Kesik



Ed Orr

P.S. a note of apology to member, Carl Jadeski, who won took third place. Sorry Carl, Ed was busy accepted his 'surprise' win for 'Misty Blue' and didn't hear your name called!



Eoin Galvin



Dave Simpson & Liz Sylvans

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BOB YULE'S "BUCKET LIST"

I recently had the good fortune to be able to check two items off my personal 'Bucket List'. These being Beaulieu Autojumble and The Goodwood Revival Meeting.

If your wife doesn't think you have enough junk in the garage, then Beaulieu is for you. To get some idea of the scale of Beaulieu, just imagine putting most of the old car stuff on e-bay into a massive field, distribute it between more than 2000 vendors and you start to get the idea. Add an auction of classic cars by Bonhams, a classic car show, the Auto museum, a Top Gear Exhibit and a stately home and maybe you get some notion of what this is like. The logistics are very well handled with virtually no lineups and your admission ticket pays entrance to everything on the site including parking. Be prepared for lots of walking and although it was dryish when we were there, I imagine it could get muddy if the weather was really wet. There was very little strictly Healey stuff, but with luggage restricted to 25kg it is difficult to buy that transmission that you need. However, we did find a few small items that I couldn't live without, and had an enjoyable two days. One vendor summed it up very well, with a sign right across the front of his stall that read: Classic Recycled Automobile Parts.

The following weekend we headed to the Goodwood Revival. This was nostalgia overload in a big way. If there is any kind of recession in Europe, nobody told the 150,000 that were at Goodwood. Most of the attendees had dressed in clothes from the 40's 50's & 60's and this just added to the event. All the cars taking part in the races were pre 1970 and a classic parking lot was designated for cars of the same era. We spent an entire morning in this parking lot, just stunned by the number and variety of cars there, which easily rivaled or even surpassed Bronte. There was a mid-way from the 60's with all the usual 'fun of the fair' and a large selection of vendors. A replica of the Earls Court Motor Show building was full of the 'most beautiful cars in the world' which were judged by the public and the winner was an early Bugatti sedan.

This event also has an aeronautic side to it, since Goodwood racetrack started life as a WWII aerodrome, and this was the 75th anniversary of the maiden flight of the Spitfire. They had managed to assemble 15 of these gorgeous planes and 10 of them were involved in a flying display on Sunday afternoon. This was in addition to the daily Dawn Patrol, the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight of the Lancaster bomber and two Spitfires and several impromptu flights and displays held throughout the weekend. The sight and sound of two Spitfires chasing each other all over the sky just above the show ground can only be described as breathtaking.

There was a tribute to Fangio, the five time world F1 champion on the 100th anniversary of his birth involving all the cars with which he was associated, driven around the track by the likes of Stirling Moss, Derek Bell, Gerhard Berger and John Surtees, to name just a few. Another driver who was celebrated this weekend was Phil Hill who 50years ago became the only driver to win both the F1 title and LeMans in the same year.

The 100th anniversary of Ford in Britain was celebrated with 100 Ford vehicles from GT40's through trucks, vans, saloons and tractors taking a tour of the track. This was also the 50th anniversary of the E-Type Jag and there were certainly plenty of them in attendance. One of the races was for closed E-Types of all kinds and they certainly put on quite a show.

The racing was nothing short of spectacular, running the gamut from a motor cycle race to single seater Formula Fords, through F1 cars of the 50's and 60's, to saloon cars where Ford Galaxies were being harassed by Mini Coopers and to sports cars, GT cars and Formula Libre. Just wonderful! It was commented that the grid for the RAC TT race for closed GT cars populated with Ferrari 250GTO, Shelby Daytona Cobra, AC Cobra, Maserati Tipo, Aston Martin Zagato, LeMans Sunbeam Tiger etc. was valued in excess of two-hundred-million-pounds.

This is an event that I wouldn't have missed. We both had a great time and would not only recommend it to anyone at all interested but would be there again in a flash.

Bob Yule

GOODWOOD CAR SHOW IN ENGLAND



ICE CREAM SOCIAL PORT PERRY

In an effort to have a event on the east side of Toronto Andrew volunteered to hold the first every Ice Cream Run in the east. We all had a great day, the weather was not the greatest but we all had an enjoyable drive from Musselman's Lake to the town of Port Perry. A great drive with some delicious ice cream. Hopefully Andrew is going to continue to volunteer to organize this event for next year. A great day was had by all. Another fat-free Healey event!



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