

THE RESONATOR

Official Newsletter of the Austin-Healey Club of Southern Ontario



“Prez Sez”

GET READY.....IT'S COMING!!

Winter, that is. Just seems like we get the Healey on the road and get it running nicely and we have to put it back into winter storage. Well I think there will still be a few nice days left this driving season, so get out and enjoy them.

British Car Day is behind us for another year and by all accounts it was a blockbuster event. Some of our Club came away with well earned trophies...again.

Talking about trophies, one of our members who shall remain anonymous, for his own protection, (Bill McN) recently attended Southeastern Classic and cleaned up on prizes, so much so that it got embarrassing. In fact the small Canadian contingent had the largest share of trophies at the event. WAY TO GO US!!

Last weekend saw the BCC toy run out of Milton and our Club was once again well represented.

Next month I will be attending the Delegates meeting on your behalf and that will be closely followed next pub by the annual officer elections.

And to repeat....

Over the years, many of our Club members have taken their turn at serving on the executive. In a small volunteer organization such as ours, everyone has to carry their share of the load, to keep it running. That means periodically taking on an office – we can't always hide behind “somebody else will do it”. Right now there are people competing to lead political parties and countries, for the fame and fortune, but we are not quite the same as that. It's safe to say that almost everyone who has led the Club in the past hasn't really wanted the job, but they took it anyway to make their contribution. You may not really want to either, but we all have a responsibility. Speaking from experience, it's actually not that difficult. If you have never held an office, it is important that you step up this November and take your turn. Even if you have, but it's been a while, the time has come to help again. Ask yourself, what is the future for the Club if everyone refuses to raise their hand. I am putting this out now to give you time to think what you could do for the Club. So if you are approached, resolve to say yes this time. Better yet, call me or any member of the executive now.

And remember.....

You will get more out of the Club if you put more into it!!

Bob Yule

View From the Navigator's Seat

The reason our AHCSO is such a great club is mainly due to the members who contribute their time and talents by joining the executive. At next months Pub night (November) – please put your hand up and do your part for YOUR club – speaking for myself – it is a rewarding experience!!

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SALMON BBQ





SOUTHERN ONTARIO HEALEYS TO SOUTHEASTERN CLASSIC 2015

Southeastern Classic was in Sevierville, Tennessee this year and on Wednesday September 23rd eight Southern Ontario members (Bob and Levina Yule, Graham and Lucille Secord, Laure and Diane Wilford, Bill McNaughton, and John McLain) met at Duty Free in Sarnia to drive together. Ian and Sue Allison had decided to leave the day before to drive through Buffalo.

We had two top down days of driving mainly along highway 23, although by necessity there was more freeway travel than we liked. Driving in a group like this is always more fun than driving alone. Not only is there back-up in case of a mechanical problem (there were none), but breakfasts, lunches, dinners, and even gas stops are part of the experience.

We arrived at the host hotel, Wilderness of the Smokies, in late afternoon. There were 88 registrations this year and we had most of one wing of the hotel. Hotel check-in was very slow, but the event registration more than made up for this. This event has been running for over 20 years and the way things run is a reflection of this.

We all went to a small Hospitality room with lots of wine, beer, and snacks and met many friends from past events. Most of our group then drove out to have dinner together in town.

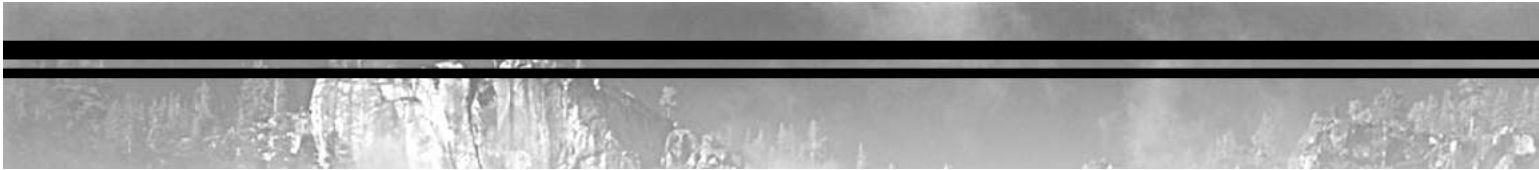
Friday morning was raining and dark for the timed rallye/tour planned before driving "Tail of the Dragon". Because of this many Healeys did not go on this tour. What a mistake that was. Apparently it rained all day in Sevierville, but while we had an occasional sprinkle on the tour, it was dry while we drove The Tail. We stopped for lunch at historic Tapoco Lodge just in time to have the skies open up! After lunch the sun came out and we took the tops down until Fontana Dam (from The Fugitive). At that time it had begun to drizzle again so we went back under cover. Friday afternoon was another Hospitality get together and then dinner on our own. The tops stayed up but it was just an occasional mist.

Saturday morning was Popularity just down the street from the hotel. The sun shone and the Healeys gleamed. Apparently there were eighty cars in attendance. Saturday afternoon was the autocross and speed run. The Yules and Wilfords decided that we would rather enjoy the hills and curves around the Great Smoky Mountains. We had a wonderful carefree drive with lots of twisty roads to keep us occupied. This is beautiful country for Healey driving!

Saturday night was the awards banquet and auction. Southern Ontario had a good showing with Bill McNaughton coming home with four trophies (Long distance, Best other Healey, speed run, and times tour), while the Yules took first place in the tour, Allisons had honourable mention in BJ8 class and the Wilfords, and Secords received trophies for the tour as well. Quite a haul!

The drive back for some of us in our BJ8s was again two days top down. I understand that others were not as fortunate.

Next Southeastern Classic is Ocala, Florida next May. We would love to have you join us!





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4TH ANNUAL TOY DRIVE



FALL COLOUR DRIVE

Mark the calendar for October 17th
(note: date changed from last notice).

The AHCSO Fall Colour Tour will start at
Tim Hortons, 80 Market Drive, Milton.

Please arrive by 11:00. Tour departs at 11:15.

The tour will run up toward the Forks of the Credit and
along the Hockley Valley ending at the Shepard's Pub in Elora.

Run time is about two hours. Events goes rain or shine.

EVENTS

October:

- 13 Meeting & Pub Night : BLACK BULL, Guelph Line BURLINGTON
17 Last drive of the year - Fall Colours Drive
Meet at Tim Hortons, 80 Market Drive, Milton @ 11:00 a.m.

November:

- 10 Meeting & Pub Night :
BLACK BULL, Guelph Line BURLINGTON
Election night
TBA Nostalgia Night, Host: John McLaine

December:

- 8 Xmas Meeting & Pub Night:
BLACK BULL, Guelph Line BURLINGTON

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HEALEY SMILE



MY girlfriend does not like my beagle molly. SO i have to rehome her. She is a purebred from a wealthy area and I have had her 4 years. She likes to play games. Not totally trained. Has long hair so she's a little high maintenance, especially the nails, but she loves having them done. Stays up all night yapping but sleeps while I work. Only eats the best, most expensive food. Will NEVER greet you at the door after a long day or give you unconditional love when you're down. Does not bite but she can be mean as hell!

So. . . . anyone interested in my 30 year old, selfish, wicked, gold-digging girlfriend? Come and get her! Me and my dog want her rehomed ASAP!!