

The Resonator



A Word from Our President:

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Happy New Year and Welcome Back!

I'm glad 2018 is over as it was not a great year in the Doust household. We are looking forward to a great driving season in 2019 and in particular, our run in September 2019 to Conclave in Deadwood South Dakota.

AHCSO held our annual elections for office in November. Many Officers returned for another year, some members have joined the executive in new positions and we still have a couple of spots open. Thanks to those retiring from the executive for all their hard work. Please

see the back page for a full listing of our Executive as well as open positions.

Come the end of February the old web site www.ahcso.com will be shut down; please check out the new site that Steve Hall has been working at www.ahcso.ca. Steve or myself would be happy to receive feedback from our members as we move forward with this new website.

We would appreciate members help in putting together events for 2019. If you would like to simply volunteer to organize just one event, please contact me. If you would like to be part of the Events

Committee, please contact me.

If you would like to be part of the Flea Market Committee, member volunteers are always welcome. Please contact Mike McNeely. Flea Market funds help with our events.

The Dave Koch driving award went to Rick and Pauline Thomas for 2018. Read here first for a story about their amazing journey of 10,385 miles in their 1967 Austin Healey BJ8. YES you read the odometer correctly!

Cheers
Mark Doust

Club Visit to The Lift Super Store



Members of the AHCSO recently visited "The Lift Super Store" in Oakville with members of the Toronto Triumph Club.

An introduction was made giving details about the products at the Super Store and the factory located in Japan.

The members were given a tour of the facility as well as the showroom where the different types of lifts are on display.

These folks supply lifts for hobbyists right up to lifts that can accommodate tractor trailers or heavy duty vehicles like army trucks. They also

supply specialized lifts for motorcycles. Lifts are available for storage or repair. The members were treated to some great pizza and had time for some socializing of course!

Contact Info:
The Lift Super Store, 2300 Spears Rd W, Oakville, ON

***NEW** Website for Our Club*



**NEW CLUB
WEBSITE
ADDRESS**

Our new Webmaster, Steve Hall, has been very busy bringing our new website to life.

Please take a moment to ensure that your website preferences are changed to the new site as the 'old' site will not be accessible after February 28 of this year.

Make the change to .ca

Please also help contribute to the success of the new site by ensuring that you

visit the site often and send Steve any new links, articles, pictures or events that you think other members might be interested in! Did you know we also have a "For Sale" section on our club site?

If you happen to have any useful 'old' parts or Healey regalia perhaps that you're looking to re-home, be sure to send Steve all the details.

stevehall@cogeco.ca

**OLD WEBSITE
DE-COMMISSION
DATE:**

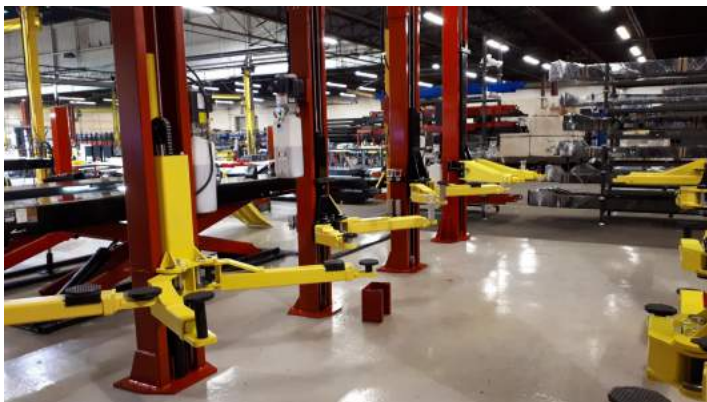
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2019

**UPDATE YOUR
SAVED LINKS
BEFORE THEN!!**

Club Visit to The Lift Superstore



The Dave Koch Driving Award

Each year in memory of long-time club member Dave Koch, the Dave Koch Driving Award is given to the member(s), who by vote, has driven their Healey the most during that driving season.

For the 2018 season, this award goes very deservedly to Rick & Pauline Thomas. The Thomas' drove, as Mark mentioned, a whopping 10,385 miles this year—in 1 trip!

Congrats to Rick & Pauline!



A Road-trip of A Lifetime: A Healey Adventure

By: Pauline Thomas

Part 1:

After a rough start to 2018, Rick & I decided to continue on with our plans of completing Route 66 as Rick had always dreamed of doing. We left home on May 10th for Smith Falls to first say our final good-byes to Rick's mother. From there we continued on to Ann Arbor Michigan for the first night of our journey.

Day #5 May 14th

The next morning we woke early and decided on taking the Historic Route 12 to Chicago, where we traveled through many small towns and enjoyed the big beautiful heritage homes. It was a picturesque drive, even in the rain. As we arrived in downtown Chicago to find our starting point, it rained so hard we had to pull over! Towels in hand, we sponged up the water that continued to pour in the car (as happens in most Healeys) until it let up. We then made our way to the

Day #6 May 15th

We departed Bolingbrook and the town of Joliet. We found quite a few great pic opportunities along the way! The Henry Mansion is a circa 1873 40-room manor that has been beautifully restored for events. We saw the Joliet Prison, which was undergoing major renovations to be opened as a tourist attraction and the famous Rialto Square Theatre. Going through Elwood & Wilmington - home to the Gemini Giant and a cool Octagonal home that was once a shelter for runaway slaves as part of the Underground Railroad. Next we spotted the Polka-A-Dot Drive-In in Braidwood and went on through Braceville & Dwight, visiting old gas stations and a wooden windmill dating back to 1896. We passed through Odell-Cayugo and stopped at the Old Log Cabin Restaurant in Pontiac. This cabin is known for not giving up, as when the highway was realigned and found the new route at their back door, the owners

picked up the building and rotated it so the front door now faces the new highway. Unfortunately we arrived to find the museum, which houses a collection of Pontiac memorabilia, closed. We carried along through the town of Chenoa and took a lovely drive down "Memory Lane" in Lexington, which has embraced a section of the original Route 667 that you can still drive along.

Continued on through Towanda and visited a few mores sites in the town of Normal before stopping in Bloomington for the night.

Day #7 May 16th

We travelled through Bloomington to Pontoon Beach marking some highlights along the way was the Famous Maple "Sirup" farm in Funk's Grove; Dixie Trucker's Home Circa 1928 in McLean; also home of the Bunyan Giant, Palms Café, a Grain Elevator Museum & the 1908 Octagonal Library & Clock Tower.

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Ancaster British Car Flea Market & Show

This once a year event is quickly approaching!! Whether you're a vendor, a volunteer or a spectator—DON'T MISS IT!!! Mark your calendars now!! Ancaster is a great event for our club in particular as it is our main source of income for other club events.

But as with anything, it takes

great people to make it happen! If you already volunteer, your time is certainly appreciated, but if you have yet to volunteer Mike is actively looking for new hands to lend some help!

They are currently short 15 people!! Please consider getting involved

This year we are celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the Austin Healey 3000! Let's hope the sun shines and the temps are warm so we can top last year's amazing attendance!

Get in touch with Mike if you can help:
mmcneely@gmail.com

Mark your calendars:

Sunday April 21, 2019

9-2:30

Ancaster Fairgrounds

\$7.00 admission

www.ancasterbritish.ca



Upcoming Events

**More to be added as dates
become available!
If you have any additions, please
let us know!**

- Feb 13: Pub
- Feb 14: Valentine's Day
(just in case!)
- March 13: Pub
- April 10: Pub
- April 21: Ancaster Flea Market & Show
- April 27: Brits on the Bay—Pensacola, FL
- May 4/5: AACA Automotive Flea Market—Lindsay
- May 8: Pub
- May 18: All British Field Meet—Vancouver, BC
- May 25-June 2: British Car Week
- May 31-June 2: FleetwoodCountry Cruize-In, London
- June 1: Brits In The Village—Blue Mountain
- June 2-6: Rendezvous, Lake Chelan, WA
- June 6-9: Southeastern Classic XXXIII, Little Switzerland, NC
- June 12: Pub
- June 23-27: Healey Summit, Lake Winnepesaukee, NH
- July 10: Pub
- July 12-14: British Motoring Festival, Windsor, Nova Scotia
- August 14: Pub
- Aug 18: Brits on the Lake—Port Perry
- September 6-11: Conclave 2019, Deadwood, SD
- September 11: Pub
- September 15: British Car Day—Bronte
- October 9: Pub
- November 13: Pub
- December 11: Pub



Healey Adventure...cont'd

We continued and decided to avoid the hustle & bustle of Springfield and stayed in the neighboring town of Pontoon Beach for the night.

Day #8 May 17th

From Pontoon Beach, IL to Cuba, Missouri, we stopped in Stauton, IL to visit Henry's Rabbit Ranch. From rescue rabbits to VW Rabbits upended in the ground (in homage to Cadillac Ranch in Texas) we photographed many signs, old buildings & motels along the way. Including a covered bridge in Glenarm, the Sky view Drive-in in Litchfield, the world's largest "Catsup" bottle in Collingsville (which serves as a water tower, standing 70' tall on top a 100' base). Also at the Chain of Rocks Bridge, (which is only open to bicycle & foot traffic now) we walked ½ way across, looking down at the Mississippi River. From there we crossed over to Missouri via the historic McKinley Bridge to St. Louis. We stopped at Ted Drewers for their world famous frozen custard (as a well

deserved break). Night #8 found us at the Wagon Wheel Motel in Cuba, a traditional stop along Route 66. We stayed in the "Marilyn Monroe" room.

Day #9 May 18th

From Cuba, MO to Lebanon... makes us sound like world travelers! Today we travelled 100 miles which took us 7 hours....Sightseeing!!! Our day started with breakfast at another popular Route 66 stop, Shelley's. We took several pictures of the beautiful murals on the buildings in downtown Cuba. Then stopped to see the World Guinness Rocking Chair in Fanning. Afterwards, we stopped at the famous bar Devil's Elbow for a cold drink before crossing the historic Iron Bridge, over the Big Piney River, to our final stop for the night at Munger Moss Motell in Lebanon, MO.

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At the start of their great adventure—May 14, 2018



The Gemini Giant—May 15, 2018



Wilmington IL, May 15,



May 16, 2018

Healey Adventure Continued...

Day #10 May 19th

From Lebanon to Carthage, MO

We started off in Camdenton, MO with a walk through Ha Ha Tonka State Park, where we visited the ruins of a 100 year old Castle. The owner died suddenly in 1906 part way through construction, so his son took over the project. It was a 3 story castle with an 80' water tower, stables and green houses all built on 2,500 acres. Tragedy struck in 1942 when hot sparks gutted the main house and stables. Next, in the town of Marshfield, hometown of Edwin Hubble, there is a 1/4 sized replica of the Hubble Telescope on the lawn of the

Court House. Just near the small hamlet of Holman, is a Wild Animal Safari. After a heavy rain & hail storm we took a leisurely 5 mile drive through the park. Many animals came right up to the car, even a donkey that was licking the rain off our roof and had a nibble at the edge. In Springfield, MO we found the Pythian Castle, which has 55 rooms and is 40,000 square feet in size. It was built by the King of Pythias in 1913 as an orphanage. It was later commandeered by the U.S. Army during World War II and is said to be haunted. Prior to entering the town of Plans, MO we spotted the remains of a masonry building that once belonged to the town casket

maker. Now vines grow on the exterior and trees have grown inside. In Paris Springs we found Gary Turner's Gay Parita Station. What a treat! Upon our arrival he gave us a cold bottle of water to enjoy. He is truly passionate about Old Route 66 as you can clearly see in his meticulous display of memorabilia. Day #10 came to a stop at Boots Court in Carthage, MO where we met Debbie Dee, owner operator. She is slowly restoring the place back to its original glory, with no TV's, fridge and so forth. With only a radio playing old time music, it was very peaceful.

[To be continued....](#)

Stay tuned for next month's newsletter to read more about Rick & Pauline's Route 66 adventure!



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Chain of Rocks Bridge—May 17 >



May 18, 2018 >>





<Fanning, MO—May 18



Holman, MO—May 19, 2018
Wild Animal Safari



Ha Ha Tonka
State Park >



Austin Healey Club of Southern Ontario

Monthly Club Meetings:

2nd Wednesday of each month

Social Hour: 7:00PM

Meeting: 8:00PM

Where: Ned Devine's Pub, 575 Ontario St S, Milton

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Healey of the Month:

BN1—all original, Ontario owner

Editor's Choice This Month!



*Send in your Healey pic to be the next
Healey of the Month!
smileygirl322@hotmail.com.*



We dedicate ourselves to the preservation of the marque through continued use, mutual enjoyment and sustained support.

The View From The Navigator's Seat

(In keeping with Anna's contributions to our club, I will continue sharing the view from the passenger side of the car....unless of course I'm driving!!)

Planning Your Own Healey Adventures

As noted on the page 4, there are some great opportunities coming up through the year to get out and actually DRIVE your Healey!!

If you're new to the Club or haven't really ventured too far from home before now, don't be afraid to speak with an experienced Club

member to get some advice on where to start!

Many members are already planning their trips to Conclave in Deadwood South Dakota this year.

And speaking from experience, it is much more enjoyable to travel with a few friends than on your own!

Reach out and ask if you can join the travel group, ask for advice on what routes to take...you never know what adventure you'll find yourself in!

Just get out there and enjoy your Healey (or other LBC)!

Amanda

Your Healey Back Page Funny...

Submissions gratefully received if you have a story, an event or anything Healey related to share with our members!

