

Warton Willie is still  
looking for an  
early Spring!  
Let's hope he's right!



# The Resonator



## A Word (or 2) from Our President:

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Do you feel it? The snow can't stop it! The cold can't stop it! It's just a tingle right now but, just about 20 feet away from me is an Austin Healey BJ8 that is purring. We are both looking forward to that first run in April. Ah well, it won't be long.

So what's been happening? At our February meeting we talked a lot about our meeting format - should we meet for Saturday lunch instead, where to meet, tech sessions and more. No decisions were made except we are going to

try a few of the suggestions and see what's popular. We'll keep you informed so just stay tuned. And, if you come up with a genius idea for club fun etc., give us a call.

One thing we have done is to start using stick-on name tags at the meeting. This was suggested by several members as a way to help people know each other, especially those who don't come very often. Frankly, there have been some names and faces I could not match up so I really like this idea and hope you do too.

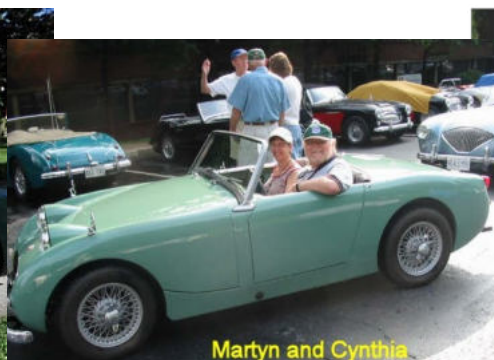
Quite a few of you responded to my letter asking for club direction and feedback. Your replies were great and so very helpful. Again, stay tuned as we go forward. Oh, here is a BIG REMINDER- you should come out for our next meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup> at Ned Devine's Irish Pub. Feb. attendance was 25 people. Super, what are the chances we can hit 35 in March?

See you there!  
**Mike McNeely**  
*President*  
**AHCSO**

Conclave 2009-Kingston



Bert & Mary-Lou Raposo



Martyn and Cynthia



Ed & Jane Kesik

Conclave 2009-Kingston

## Events & Activities—AHCSO & Of Interest



- March 11: PUB
- March 25: Wednesday Lunch, Queen's Head Pub, Oakville 1:00
- April 8: PUB
- April 19: Ancaster British Car Show & Flea Market
- April 29: Wednesday Lunch, The Cookhouse, Rockton
- May 13: PUB
- May 17-21: Healey Rendezvous, South Lake Tahoe, California
- May 17-21: Conclave, Crystal River, Florida
- May 27: Wednesday Lunch, Trail's Edge, Plattsville
- May 29-31: Can-Am, Vermont—attend Pub for more info
- June 6: London British Car Show, London, ON

- June 10: PUB

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- June 11: Vintage Sportscar Rendezvous, Kenora  
<http://rendezvous2020.com/>
- June 19-21: VARAC weekend, Mosport
- June 24: Wednesday Lunch, Jester's Court, Port Perry
- July 8: PUB
- July 15-19: Encounter, Newark, Delaware
- July 19: Brits in the Park, Lindsay
- July 29: Wednesday Lunch, Union Market Square, Arkell
- August 12: PUB
- August 26: Wednesday Lunch, Ravine Winery, St. David's
- September 9: PUB
- September 20: British Car Day, Bronte

- September 20-24: Summit, Healey's @ Newport, Rhode Island



- September 30: Wednesday Lunch, Schofields, Port Dover
- October 1-4: Southeast Classic, Georgia
- October 14: PUB
- October 18: Rockton Flea Market
- October 28: Wednesday Lunch, Wundeba, Burlington
- November 11: PUB
- December 9: PUB

The Doust Family circa 2007...Mark, Heather, Colin & Ashley



## Something New!

*Submitted by Mike McNeely*

### DID YOU KNOW?

We now have a business card sized club promo card!

When you are out in your car and someone asks about your car, or Austin Healey's, or our club, you can give them one of these promo cards to invite them to a meeting.

Members don't have to own a Healey, just enjoy British Cars.

All are welcome.

You can get some of these for your use at any club meeting, the club desk at the Ancaster Car Show & Flea Market or a member of the club executive.



## Mike's Word of the Month Game

### BLANDISHMENT (Bland-ish-ment)

Noun

-flattering or pleasing statement or action used to persuade someone gently to do something.

"the blandishments of the travel brochure"

-something, as an action or speech, that tends to flatter, coax, entice, etc.: Our *blandishments* left him unmoved. ... flattery, cajolery, wheedling, ingratiation, fawning, blarney. ... At first he used his arts of *blandishment* and honeyed words in order to lure our members to the monthly Austin Healey Club meetings.

WORDPLAY- you figure it out!

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## Congrats to Club Member Dave Cressman

### Shared by Dave Cressman

*Dave recently sent me a note about his luck in winning a Before & After contest with Moss Motors. See below for more details on the story he submitted to Moss. Taken from [mossmotors.com](http://mossmotors.com)*

In the summer of 1967 I was 17 years old, and for \$125 I became the owner of a 1956 Austin Healey 100 BN2. It needed a front right fender and new tires and brakes but otherwise was in pretty rough shape.

However, the engine ran fine after a new timing chain and tune up. So with my limited knowledge, hard work and my dad's help I began to get it roadworthy. I didn't have a lot of experience but did the best I could to get legally drivable.

I drove for years without any major problems, though blinded by youth to the car's poor condition. I didn't realize until later that the frame was badly corroded. Fast forward 45 years later. I still had the car.

Restoring the Healey to its original glory became part of my retirement bucket list. I planned for a full ground-up restoration. I didn't need to do a

Concours job, just wanted to give the car it's due and get it on the road again.

I joined the Austin Healey Club of Southern Ontario and was fortunate to make connections with two club members in particular who were invaluable and assisted me with the complete restoration process.

With a lot of work, new ignition parts, spark plugs, fresh oil and gas, we got the car started even after all those years of storage.

The restoration journey began. A total tear down, new frame, rebuilt engine and transmission, body work, painting, electrical wiring and numerous other parts—many supplied by Moss Motors.

The Moss catalog is invaluable with its schematics, diagrams and tech tips. Although the investment has been a lot more than the initial purchase price, it's been worth it and a dream come true.



## *An Ancaster Update*

*Submitted by Mike McNeely*

Get ready everyone!

Sunday April 19th is the BIG day!

And—we have BIG news for you. This year we are expanding to a second building (10,000 square feet) for more vendors and indoor events. We are planning for special displays, vendor tech talks and much more. Don't miss it! This will be the best ever and as you have heard before - the weather will be fantastic - I promise!

Plus, bring your British car to the show. Be a promoter. Tell everyone you know to bring their British car too.

Tell everyone you know to come to the Car Show. We have room for at least 2000 more visitors and 300 more show cars.

Help us "Fill 'er up"!

And that's not all; there's more news! This year we have officially taken over the 'Ole Guys Rockton Car Show & Flea Market that happens in October. You will hear more news on that later but rest assured we will add our special touches to enhance this event too. Stay tuned!

Ancaster 2019



Ancaster 2012



## *March Wednesday Lunch*

*Shared by Martyn Ridley*

We have decided to start early this year, perhaps too early but let's hope the weather is with us for a change.

Join us March 25 at 1pm in The Queen's Head Pub in downtown Oakville.

Parking is in the municipal lot to the west of the pub.

If the Healey is still in its winter bed, bring the BJ9. Wear your badge or regalia.

**WEDNESDAY LUNCH DETAILS:**

**WHEN: WEDNESDAY MARCH 25, 2020**

**WHERE: THE QUEEN'S HEAD PUB—OAKVILLE**



Ravine Winery, 2017, Lunch Get Together



## Backup Fuel Pump

Written By: Peter Lore



A SU fuel pump

I'm finally doing it. Instead of carrying a spare fuel pump in the trunk, this Spring I plan to install a two-pump system controlled by a three-way, on-off-on SPDT (single pole, double throw) switch. It's true that carrying a spare pump is better than none, but swapping a fuel pump by the side of a road, possibly at night, would not be pleasant.

There's a lot written on

this subject – parallel or series connections (?), SU or aftermarket pumps (?), two SU pumps or twin pump (?), using MG T series braided fuel lines or soldered copper pipe connections (?), two way or three way switching (?) – you get the picture.

All the ideas and methods work. And all have advantages and disadvantages. You can simply Google the subject and find articles

about how and why a particular method was, or should be used to install a backup fuel pump.

All that considered, here is yet another article on the subject and a diagram of what I plan to do.

I like the idea of using SU pumps for the following reasons:

- 1) They can be repaired and rebuilt and parts are available
- 2) They employ backflow valves allowing for simple parallel connections
- 3) I like the sound of the pump ticking to tell me it's working
- 4) I want the installation to easily fit the existing pump and fuel line locations
- 5) I want the installation to be simple, serviceable and look correct (to me at least)

I also like the idea of using a SPDT (ON-OFF-ON) switch as it can be concealed and act as an additional security measure. You can switch between pumps from time to time to ensure they are working properly.

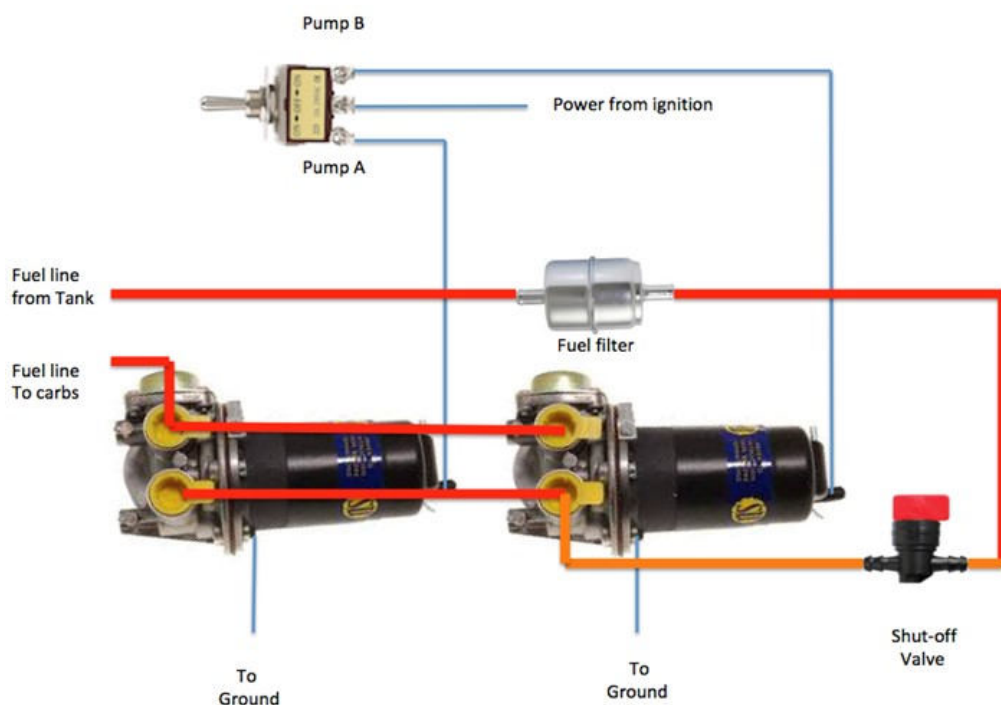


Diagram #1 The planned layout

Two years ago, after over 31 years of dependable service, my original SU pump began to act up so I replaced it with my spare SU pump.

The following spring, I purchased a FuelFlow ECCO diaphragm pump at the Ancaster Flea market as a spare. The ECCO pump was touted as a direct replacement for the SU. It uses solid-state electronics (no points), it has the same proverbial ticking, has BSPP (British Standard Pipe Parallel) ports to accommodate standard SU banjo unions and fits the original SU fuel pump brackets. The pump body is also made of high-grade plastic similar to that used in gun stocks.

If interested, you can read more about the FuelFlow ECCO pump at <http://www.mossmotoring.com/ecco-mgb-fuel-pump-review/>.

Since I haven't yet repaired the original SU pump, I will incorporate the Ecco pump in this installation. I plan to rebuild my original SU pump and retain it as a spare.

If you look online, the ECCO fuel pump outlets have been reported to crack or split. When I investigated the claims, it seems that the source of the problem was that people were using NPT (National Pipe Thread) fittings, which have tapered thread, instead of parallel or straight threads. This would spread the

straight threaded plastic outlets to the breaking point.

I want to use standard SU banjo unions and bolts. I also want to connect the pumps together using standard rubber fuel line so that I could service/swap pumps easily. I have already installed an inline fuel shut-off

Conferring with Tom Yule at Autofarm, I tested the outlets of the ECCO pump using banjo unions, banjo bolts (straight thread) and fibre washers and they worked perfectly. I was cautious not to cross-thread the plastic housing. *Note: you need to have the fibre washers 'in place' for everything to tighten down properly.*

Finding the necessary fittings to attach to the banjo unions was a nuisance. To connect the pumps together via banjo unions, I need two 1/4" female British Standard Pipe Parallel (FBSP) fittings with a 5/16" barb at the other end, similar to Photo #6.

I would also need two FBSP fittings with a 90° 5/16" barbs as in Photo #7.

All this was doable by using multiple bits and connections, but not practical. The fewer joins, the better.

*Note: neither of the barbed fittings illustrated here are suitable and are included for illustration only.*

*FuelFlow ECCO fuel pump*

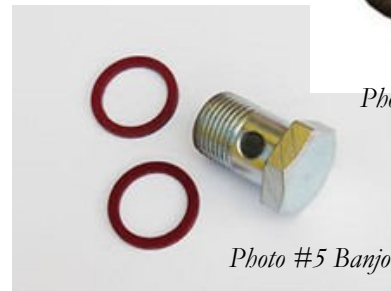


Diagram #2 Tapered vs. straight thread

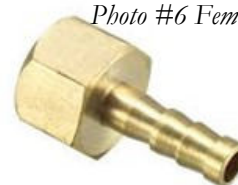
*Photo #3 Single Banjo union*



*Photo #4 Double banjo union*



*Photo #5 Banjo bolt and washers*



*Photo #6 Female barbed fitting example*



*Photo #7 90° Female barbed fitting example*

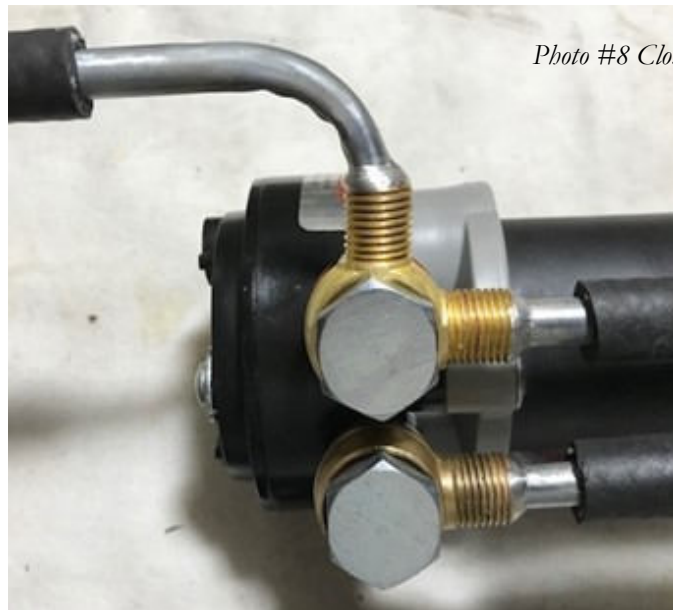
## *Backup Fuel Pump...continued*

Instead, I purchased some 5/16" steel gas line and made up the fittings I needed.

I drilled out the banjo unions in order to match the gas line diameter and soldered them in.

I'm all set to install everything when the weather warms up and I will follow-up with an update. For now, on to another project.

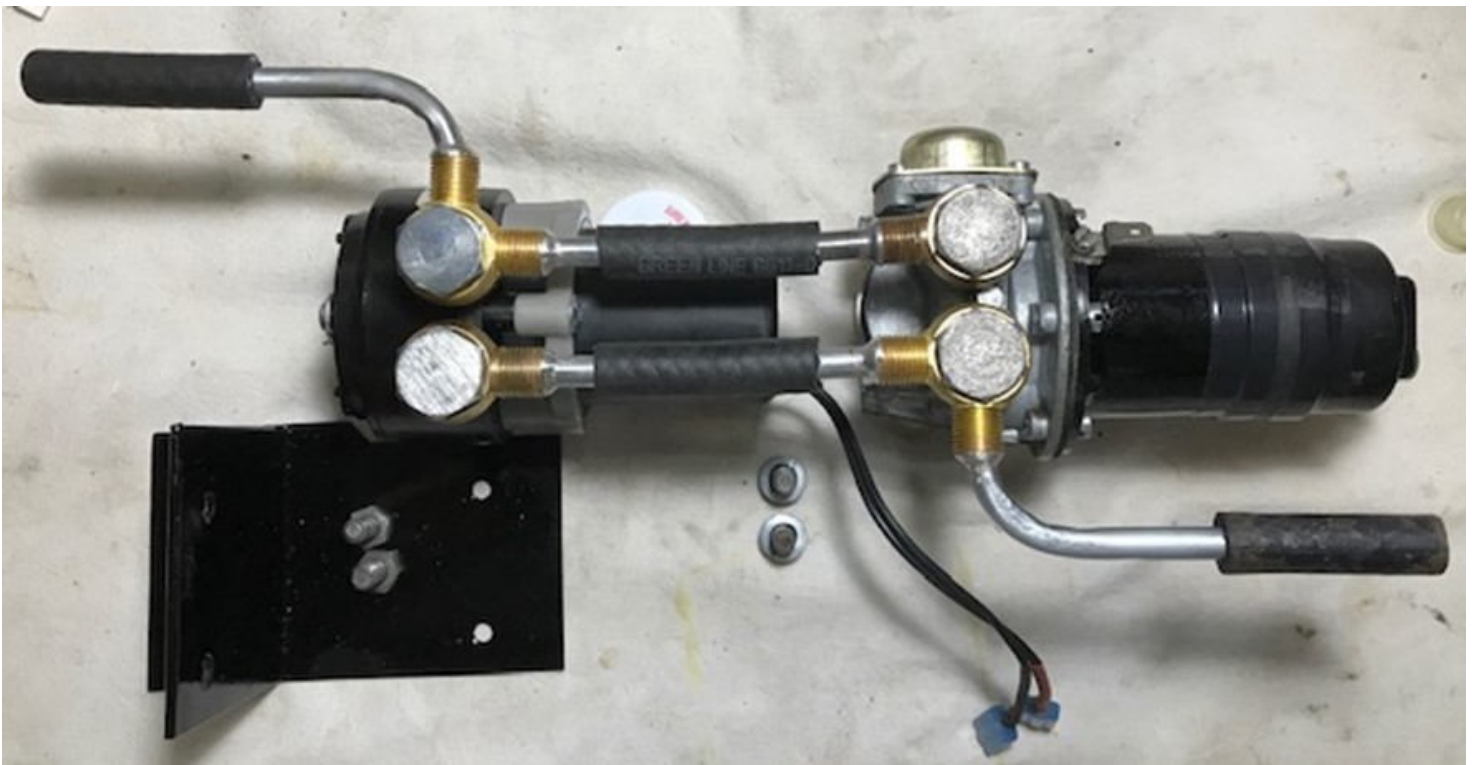
Best to all,  
Peter



*Photo #8 Close-up of soldered fittings*

*Dual pump mockup on the workbench.  
Hose connections will be made using spring  
clamps.*

*Lower left is the new pump bracket*





# Club Longevity Awards

*From the Healey Marque—April, May, June, July, August, September 2019*

*Please note: These awards are the most current and represent as of 2018  
Once 2019's recognition is printed, I will update monthly.  
Just catching up here!*

## 10 Years

Jim & Marilyn Lesher  
John & Mary Campbell  
Robert & Susan Snyder  
James McKenrick  
Robert & Meloy Morici  
Fred Trier  
John & Karen Bitting  
Roger & Pat Hasselman

## 15 Years

Noel & Pamela Folkard  
Gordon & Diane Johns  
Ron & Rosemary Redshaw  
Emerich Soos  
Bill & Joyce Wallace

## 25 Years

Robert & Valli Chapple

## 20 Years

Scott & Karen Mingie  
Peter & Donna May

## 35 Years

Gerry Maguire

## 30 Years

Henry Bos  
Roger Bywater  
Roger Cotton & Marcia Matsui  
Louis Donolo  
Peter Humphrey  
Bruce & Maureen McGauley  
Charles & Jane Pattillo  
Graham Secord

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



## *Congratulations To All*

*& Thank You For Your Continued Support Of Our Club*

## Items For Sale

Be sure to keep an eye on the "For Sale" page at [www.ahcso.ca](http://www.ahcso.ca) too!

### Pair of HD6 Carbs for a 59 Healey (AUC935)

Nice set of HD6's for a 59 Healey (AUC935). The rear carb had a thermostatic starting device which has been removed and the bottom capped. Comes with the heat shield. Carbs have been disassembled and cleaned. All parts appear to work, although nothing was replaced. Asking price: \$200. Contact Michael Price at : [mikeprice1948@yahoo.ca](mailto:mikeprice1948@yahoo.ca)



### BN4-BJ8 Parts

BOOT LID- aluminium BN4-BJ8

Doors-complete, aluminium left and right BN4-BT7

Please contact Richard Taylor at: [jen.rick@sympatico.ca](mailto:jen.rick@sympatico.ca)

### 1962 Austin Healey BN7 MkII



This is a rare and beautiful Austin Healey. Perfect for the enthusiast or collector. Only 1 of 355 built and sporting a highly desired triple SU carb set-up. This is an original, numbers matching California car. The original 1962 black & yellow license plates are available with the car. This Healey was imported to Canada and received a documented rotisserie restoration by Richard Chrysler. The car was

restored on it's original frame and body panels to California specs. It was judged at Concours and received Gold. Only 2500 miles driven since restoration. Asking price: \$90,000 USD

Please contact Autofarm to set-up a viewing appointment. 519-356-2427 Located in Beaumaris ON

### 1959 Austin Healey Bugeye Sprite



This one-of-a-kind Bugeye has gone through a no-expense spared, nut & bolt restoration. Completed in 2013 and only driven 800 miles since completion.

Several upgrades were done during the process. This Bugeye now sports a 1275cc engine and a 5-speed Datsun gearbox. It comes with a new tonneau, soft-top and hard-top.

Please contact Autofarm Ltd to set up a viewing appointment and learn more about this exceptional Bugeye.

519-356-2427  
[healeyparts@autofarm.net](mailto:healeyparts@autofarm.net)

Asking Price: \$59,000.00



*Austin Healey*

**Club of Southern Ontario**

**MARCH 11, 2020**

**MEETING AGENDA**

<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Social Hour &amp; Dining</b>	
<b>8:00 pm</b>	<b>Open Formal meeting</b>	<b>Mike M</b>
	<b>Review and approve minutes from Feb.</b>	<b>Laurie or alternate</b>
	<b>Quick Financial Report</b>	<b>Laurie or alternate</b>
	<b>Event Update</b>	<b>Martyn or Mal B</b>
	<b>Ancaster/Rockton- update</b>	<b>Mike</b>
	<b>Membership Update intro's?</b>	<b>Eoin</b>
	<b>Cars- New, for sale, buy? Other</b>	<b>Eoin</b>
	<b>Birthdays</b>	<b>Eoin</b>
	<b>Club-Think</b>	<b>All members</b>
	<b>Tech Talk- Any issues/problems/ideas</b>	<b>All Members</b>
	<b>Door Prize Draw</b>	<b>Eoin</b>
	<b>Close Meeting</b>	

***PAY YOUR BILLS!***

**[Next Meeting April 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm @ Ned Devine's](#)**



## 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:

**Greg Grant's BJ8 Sleeping Peacefully at Autofarm Until Spring!**



*Send in your Healey pic to be the next  
Healey of the Month!  
[smileygirl322@hotmail.com](mailto: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!!)*

Winter took one more kick at the can here last week...2 days of complete white-out's, snow, wind, ice...we had it all! I, for one, am glad to see the thermometer finally creeping on to the positive side of 0!

I hope you're starting to think about wrapping up any winter repairs, checking the tire pressures and getting ready to cruise in your Healey soon! Ancaster will be upon us before we know it and is usually our un-official start to the driving season! Be sure to come out and support the Ancaster committee and show your

appreciation by bringing your British car - and encouraging any other folks you know to come as well!

Take a minute to look over the Events Page—there are a lot of great things happening. Near & far. I know a few folks are already planning a trip to Summit, so if you want to get involved—speak up! I'd like to take a minute to thank the many different contributors we have in this month's newsletter. Without others stepping in and sharing their Healey stories, suggestions on repairs or any Healey

related info, you're all going to get quite bored of listening to me! So many thanks to Dave Cressman, Pete Lore and Mike McNeely for getting in touch with me.

Another great tool for communication and sharing is our club's Facebook page. Feel free to post on the page or send me suggestions and I will take care of it for you. And—if you have something to contribute to the newsletter, send me an email or a quick call.

Happy Healey Dreams 'til Spring!  
Amanda



*Healey Parking...  
Don't try this at  
home folks!*

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