



THE RESONATOR

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AUSTIN HEALEY CLUB OF SOUTHERN ONTARIO



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hi everyone, I hope you are enjoying the cooler temps and fine Healey driving weather.

There are still many events happening this fall - Sunday, September 21, 2025 for British Car Day and October 19, 2025 for Rockton Car Show and Flea Market, to name a couple!

If you wish to volunteer for the Rockton Car Show & Flea Market, please let Larry Moffatt know at lmoffatt@sympatico.ca. I am sure you will be receiving his email soon and we appreciate everyone responding to him.

We will have an in-person / Zoom meeting in November for the AGM. If you are interested in volunteering on the Executive Committee, please contact James Hartshorn at jhartshorn71@hotmail.com.

We will be having Winter Monthly Meetings via Zoom for the second Wednesday evening in January to March 2026. If you have the desire to make a presentation or suggest a topic for one of these sessions, please contact Peter LoRe at plore.hal@gmail.com.

Tata for now,
Heather Doust,
President AHCSO

2025

SEPTEMBER 10 - AHCSO WINERY LUNCH - RAVINE WINERY, ST. DAVID'S

SEPTEMBER 19 - CARS & COFFEE EAST

SEPTEMBER 19 - CARS & COFFEE WEST - CAMBRIDGE

SEPTEMBER 21 - BRITISH CAR DAY - BRONTE

SEPTEMBER 21 - VINTAGE WINGS & WHEELS -

WARPLANE MUSEUM, MOUNT HOPE

SEPTEMBER 11-14 - AHSTC ENCOUNTER - HEALEYS IN THE

MOUNTAINS-TANNERSVILLE, PA

SEPTEMBER 18-21 - SOUTHEAST CLASSIC - FRANKLIN, TN

SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 2 - SUMMIT 2025, FALMOUTH, MA

OCTOBER 1-3 - LEAF PEEPER EVENT - PRE-REGISTRATION REQ'D

OCTOBER 8 - CARS & COFFEE EAST

OCTOBER 17 - CARS & COFFEE WEST - WATERDOWN

OCTOBER 19 - ROCKTON BRITISH CAR FLEA MARKET & SHOW -

ROCKTON FAIRGROUNDS

NOVEMBER - AGM - DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED

SAVE THE DATE NOTICES

JUNE 19-21 2026 - AHCSO 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

JUNE 7-11 2027 - HEALEY 75TH ANNIVERSARY - INTERNATIONAL MEET - LAKE TAHOE, CA

JUNE 2027 - EUROPEAN HEALEY MEETING - THE NETHERLANDS

MORE THAN JUST AN ALPINE ROAD TRIP

Submitted by: Chris Stoa

We took our BJ8 from the French alpine village of St. Jean d'Aulps - perched at around 1,000 meters in the Portes du Soleil - on a late-August road trip through France, Switzerland, and Italy.

Using Microsoft's Copilot, we planned a three-night itinerary with no more than four hours of driving per day, scenic alpine roads, and a firm avoidance of tourist hotbeds. We asked it to recommend hotels and restaurants for lunch and dinner. With one exception, it delivered beautifully—though a word of caution: double-check its driving times. One leg was set at ten hours despite our four-hour limit, and we'd already booked a non-refundable hotel. Copilot apologized and revised the route, which, after cross-checking with Google Maps, met our criteria.



Day one took us to Gruyères, home of the famed cheese, and the only rain of the trip. The last 45 minutes sparked debate about putting the top up, but the roads stayed clear and we remained mostly dry—wipers working, top down.

There's nothing quite like carving through alpine switchbacks in an open-top Healey, the exhaust note echoing off the mountains. Second-gear hairpins are pure joy: you push the car to its handling limits without ever nearing the speed limit, which hovers around 80 km/h outside villages.

Gruyères itself is a medieval gem with cobbled streets, a pedestrian zone, and a chateau. Unsurprisingly, our fondue dinner was the best we've ever had.



The next day we tackled the Grand Saint Bernard Pass into Italy, climbing above 3,000 meters. With the Healey's idle set low, it stalled a few times when we stopped for photos, but power remained solid—though noticeably diminished at altitude.

We overnighted in Etroubles, nestled in the Aosta Valley, where French names meet Italian voices. Our hotel served an excellent dinner, and the town was filled with locals and Milanese escaping the city.

The descent offered glimpses of the Matterhorn and a satisfying mix of hairpins and serenity. One moment we were gripping the wheel through tight turns, the next sipping espresso in a quiet piazza under that uniquely Italian blue sky.





The drive to Lake Orta was mostly downhill, through more stunning scenery. Unlike Como, Garda, or Maggiore, Orta isn't swarmed by the jet set—but it's just as beautiful. Orta San Giulio is authentically historic, with Italian families strolling the lakeside and diving into the water. The vibe is playful, not pretentious. Our hotel had a spectacular lake view and a restaurant buzzing with locals. France may claim the culinary crown, but Italy rarely misses—I've yet to have a bad meal there.

Our return to St. Jean d'Aulps took us through the Simplon Pass, a legendary crossing with wide, sweeping curves and fewer tunnels than the Grand Saint Bernard. At 2,005 meters, the Healey purred along Switzerland's impeccably maintained roads. We passed near Lausanne, then through Morgins and Champéry, crossed into Châtel, and finally wound through the Corbier Pass—a final feast of hairpins on a route often used in the Alpine Rally.

This wasn't just a road trip. It was a celebration—of culture, of the open road, and of the timeless craftsmanship of the Austin Healey.

WELLINGTON COUNTY MUSEUM CAR SHOW

Submitted by: Laurie Wilford

A sunny day, 23 degree temperature, a mere 45 minute drive, with over 300 old cars registered made for a wonderful show in Fergus.

Unlike past years, there were only 2 Healeys in attendance, but we attracted lots of attention.



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1957 Austin Healey BN4 \$42,000.00 CDN ***NEW PRICE

Early production model with gallery/Longbridge cylinder head. Overdrive.
Fibreglass fenders. Older frame up restoration with custom paint.
Monochromatic grey interior from Heritage Upholstery.
Wilton Wool carpets with floor mats. Grey tonneau cover from Heritage
No convertible top. Side curtains provided.
Lucas Fog Ranger fog lights - 48 spoke Dayton wire wheels.
Side rear view mirrors - Petronix electronic ignition. Stainless steel gas tank -
Front disc brake conversion.
New braided brake lines. New rear wheel cylinders.
All fluids changed. j Additional engine block and cylinder head.
Always garaged and covered during its life.
Beautiful condition. A one of a kind vehicle.
Please contact Paul at: dylewski@sympatico.ca



1967 AUSTIN HEALEY BJ8 \$89,000 CDN

1967 AUSTIN HEALEY MARK III BJ8 WITH OVERDRIVE.
PURCHASED IN 1982. FRAME UP BODY OFF RESTORATION IN 2012 AT 56,165 MILES, 3,500 MILES SINCE
COMPLETED. COLORADO RED WITH TAN INTERIOR. NEW TOP, TONNEAU AND INTERIOR. ALL
MECHANICALS, CARBS, ENGINE, TRANSMISSION AND OVERDRIVE HAVE BEEN REBUILT. FEATURES 72
SPOKE CHROME WHEELS ON VREDESTEIN TIRES, ALUMINUM GAS TANK AND STAINLESS STEEL
EXHAUST. ALWAYS GARAGED.
CONSISTENT SHOW WINNER WHEN DISPLAYED.
HERITAGE CERTIFICATE AND ALL SHOP MANUALS INCLUDED.
A TRUE CLASSIC. MAINTAINED BY AUTOFARM LTD.
(INSURANCE VALUATION IN OCTOBER 2017 WAS \$113,850)

PLEASE CONTACT ROY AT: HEALEYREDBJ8@GMAIL.COM



NEW PRICE! 1967 Austin Healey BJ8 \$55,000.00 CDN

A great driver that looks great too!
Lots of fun to drive and well-maintained.
More info available
Contact for more info:
healeyparts@autofarm.net

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NEW PRICE!!!!

1963 AUSTIN HEALEY BJ7

Good running condition with 4-speed manual transmission with overdrive.

Stainless steel exhaust.

72 spoke wire wheels, painted rims.

New Vredestein tires and tubes also new top in 2021.

British Heritage Certificate. Located Springwater Ont.

Asking \$47,500 OBO.

CONTACT: Wayne

cwvarcoe@gmail.com

BN4 - BT7 HARDTOP FOR SALE

Asking \$2500.00

Needs some restoration, new rear screen included

Contact Amanda at: smileygirl322@hotmail.com



1959 Austin Healey Bugeye Sprite

This is essentially a complete car, and we have many other pictures of the parts available that will come with the project.

Included is a 948 engine and a smooth-case gearbox.

We have an older Heritage Certificate available.

Please contact for more info & pictures

Tom: healeyparts@autofarm.net

Asking: \$3500.00 OBO



1956 Austin Healey 100 BN2

Complete body off restoration by John Barron in Reno red with matching red interior and black convertible top. All gauges/instrument cluster work. Car driven less than 500 miles since completed restoration. Car comes with side curtains, tonneau cover, complete tool kit and correct jack assembly (rare), as well as the British Motor Industry Heritage Trust Certificate. Complete restoration parts/receipts available as well. Asking \$74,000 USD.

Contact Bob at foxfowl@hotmail.com with coordinates. Will reply within 24 hours.

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1954 Austin Healey BN1

\$125,000.00 CDN

This BN1 was built on July 13, 1954, and driven until 1965. The car underwent a comprehensive restoration starting in 2007 until its completion in 2011. The restoration, using all original number matching parts, was done by the late Richard Chrysler and his team. Meticulously restored including the original 3 speed transmission and factory O/D. A new roof, tonneau cover, and carpets were installed in the original factory colours. (Some of the original interior is included with the sale.)

Achieved Gold Level Certification in August 2011 from the Austin-Healey Concours Registry in Paradise, Pennsylvania.

Contact Eoin for more info:
iamfromdublin@gmail.com



1960 Austin Healey Bugeye Sprite

Asking: \$55,000.00

This is an unmatched opportunity to own a piece of Austin Healey history with all the bells and whistles, restored to exacting standards and carefully stored in a climate controlled garage since restoration.

With 53,243 miles on the odometer, there was less than 60 miles added since restoration completion in 2010. Complete restoration invoice documents can be provided upon request to help showcase the countless hours of craftsmanship put into the work that was done.

Please contact Reese at 519-550-6221 or
reesebattin@gmail.com for any inquiries



Austin Healey BT7

Asking: \$39,500.00

Catch the autumn colours and beautiful fall weather in this great Healey!

Here are the details:

- older restoration ('90's), paint and body excellent
- undercarriage solid
- chrome wire wheels, 72 spoke
- has centre shift transmission
- recent restoration of leather seats and interior trim panels
- has Pertronix ignition system, spin-on oil filter, tube shock upgrade
- overdrive needs attention; does not engage reliably

Please contact Scott for more details: murrayscott598@gmail.com