



From the Editor

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The 2008 Sports car season is shaping up in a grand manner, with several newcomers' meets and a couple of car shows behind us. Much more to come June through October.

I believe the Caravan for Kids will prove to be a highlight of the year. Please plan to make a contribution to this worthy cause even if you can't participate directly.

I always look forward to the British-by-the-Sea car show at Harkness park in Waterford, CT (June 1). It's a perfect venue for a huge car show, and the Healeys always make a big hit. If you like British cars at all, this is one not to miss.

.....And, one of these years I'll have to get to that Carlisle swap meet. I have two garages full of parts to unload, and someone has to show those go-cart racers the quickest way 'round the racetrack!



New England News

*The Newsletter for members in the New England Region of the
 Austin-Healey Club of America
 NY, CT, MA, RI, VT, NH, ME & Northern NJ*

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

By now all of you should have experienced the sounds and aroma of another Healey season. My trip to work is too short to allow the Healey to warm up properly so I have been forced (poor me) to create a longer path to work. That also means I am always late to work when I drive the Healey. As many of you know, we live on the west edge of the metropolis of Bennington, VT (14,000 if you count cat and dogs) so within a ½ mile I am out of town and into the twisty country back roads. I have created a 10 mile loop that takes me through some fun Healey roads including one covered bridge and my own personal hill climb (Buck Hill Rd.). It is a time for the senses when I click on the ignition switch and hear the fuel pump clicking away filling the bowls in all three SU's; then pull out the choke and pushing the starter button hearing it whirl (yep my new one whirls) turning over the dormant engine until it rumbles to life breaking the early morning quiet. I move the car into the driveway in an aroma of un-burnt hydrocarbons letting the engine warm-up. By the time I have gathered my jacket and briefcase, the engine has had time to warm enough so it will not stumble too badly. I shove the briefcase into the passenger foot well and head out for work (very indirectly). By the time I roll into the parking lot at work, everything is warmed nicely, and I just spent the best two and a half bucks of the day. (It use to be a dollar)

In this month's newsletter you will find more information on the June 14th celebration sendoff for the Make A Wish Caravan for Kids. We would like to have the sendoff around 10:30 to give Gary some time to get some of the first day's miles behind him before midday. We will start gathering at Hemmings Motor News at 9 AM. We would like to have as many people there as possible for the send off. Please consider making the trip for this worthy cause. We would like an approximate head count so the Hemmings staff can plan accordingly so please RSVP to me or Bob Bender. There are several additional activities happening in the region that weekend as well. There is the Manchester Car Show at Dorr Farms, the start of a gathering for a steam car tour, and Bennington is hosting 15 bronze statue works of J. Seward Johnson through the summer <http://www.betterbennington.com/seward/index.htm> so come for the morning and stay for the weekend!

I would be amiss if I did not remind everyone of the wonderful Summit our friends north of the border have planned for late summer. Please consider joining Deb and I for a trip north to Mont Tremblant for what looks to be a fun filled weekend of activities. I know a lot of you are concerned about gas prices. I did a little conservative estimating and I think the total trip will cost me \$60 more this year than it would have last year and the marshmallows at the bonfire are FREE (I think). An extra 5 psi in the tires and some other hypermilage techniques will help balance the added cost of fuel. Just to add to the confusion, they sell gas in different units, both monetarily and by volume, in Canada so you will have no idea whether it is costing you more or less so why worry. Do they still use Imperial gallons?

Safe journey,

Bill Berg

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You are invited to attend the Austin-Healey Sports & Touring Club's annual event, ENCOUNTER 2008, August 6-9, in Carlisle, PA. Meet special guest Janet Guthrie, the first woman to compete in the Indianapolis 500 and the Daytona 500!

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2008 CALENDER OF EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
June 1, 2008	British by the Sea Harkness State Park, Waterford CT
June 14, 2008	Make a Wish Cross Country Fund Drive Send off Celebration Hemmings Motor News Bennington VT
June 29 - July 4	Conclave 2008 San Diego
July 13	Benefit Car Show, , Scalla Breakfast Simsbury, CT
July 19-20	<i>Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix</i>
August 2, 2008	Day at the Lake, Hinsdale, MA- Jeanne and Tom Andrews
August 6—9	Encounter AHSTC, Carlisle, PA
August 16, 2008	Beckley Furnace River Walk, East Canaan, CT
August 21-24	Summit 2008 Mont Tremblant Quebec
Aug 29 - Sep 1	Vintage Fall Festival Lime Rock Park CT
September 13, 2008	Nature Rallye and Funkhana Belchertown MA (<u>cancelled</u>)
September 18 - 21	British Invasion Stowe VT
October 11, 2008	Rowe MA Hillclimb - Paul Dunnell

BRITISH BY THE SEA CAR SHOW

June 1, 2008

The Connecticut MG Club's 21st annual British by the Sea gathering will be held at the Harkness Memorial State Park in Waterford, Ct. Walk the beach, tour the mansion and enjoy the gardens on the north shore of Long Island Sound. British cars, trucks and motorcycles, will be displayed in 33 classes on the front lawn of the mansion "Eolia" on the North shore of Long Island Sound.

Directions: Use MAPQUEST for 275 Great Neck Road, Waterford, CT 06385



The Largest One Day All British
Car Show in New England

BRITISH

by the SEA XXI

Sunday, June 1, 2008
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Harkness Memorial State Park
Waterford, Connecticut

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Come join Tom and Jeanne Andrews for a day at the lake in the Berkshires on August 2, 2008. Breakfast will be served around 9:30 a.m., we'll sit and relax for a bit, then take a leisurely cruise around the hills ending with lunch at Ozzie's Restaurant in Hinsdale, MA. For those of you who can stay, we'll head back to the lake house for Marguerita's and a boat ride around the lake. Hope you can join us! Details to follow.

FOR SALE

Healey Parts For Sale

- 1 Alloy Valve Cover Moss #852-100 \$160
- 2 48 spoke wire wheels with Dunlop Gold Seal 7:35-15 \$5
- 2 48 spoke wire wheels with Gulf Crown 7:35-15 \$5
- 1 48 spoke wire wheel with US Royal 6:00-15 \$5
- 2 Hex head knock-offs L&R \$10
- 1 Hex head knock-off wrench \$5
- 2 Headlight rims \$15 pair
- 1 Steering Wheel \$5
- 1 set Healey Flash L & R New Moss # 601-260 & 601-270 \$20
- 3 Band hose clamp 4" New Moss #326-360 All 3 clamps \$5
- 1 Fuel Pump Moprod Neg ground \$15

BJ8 Parts

- 2 SU fuel pumps 1 works neg ground \$50 both
- 1 Rear floor carpet black \$10

Roadster Parts

- 2 sets Side curtain frames \$5 set
- 1 Muffler and tailpipe \$15
- 1 set Bow socket finishers New MOSS #021-786 \$15

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FOR SALE

1960 Austin-Healey 100-6/3000BN7. #HBN7L01773 I am the second owner, Partially Restored 1984 used only on sunny days and housed in heated garage since. Original owner started restoration using Fiberglass fenders and painting all body (sheet metal) & fiberglass parts Porsche "Guards red". Interior was nonexistent and redone by me. Original bumpers re-chromed, Engine overhauled, wood steering wheel, but all else original including top and side curtains. **\$16,000.00**. William Allen, Waterford CT (860)-439-0158.
Pdg84@ct.metrocast.net



FOR SALE

1961, 4 seat, tri carb, 68,000 original miles, soft top included
\$25,000.

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WANTED:

Front bumper for Healey 100 BN1 or BN2. NOS or excellent used, or quality repro. Will consider restorable core.

Jim Smith
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WANTED:

Minilite 15"x 6" mag wheel, with center spline. Need only one.

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DRIVERS WANTED

To Help Make Children's Wishes Come True!

Members of several Austin-Healey Club of America regional clubs across North America are holding fundraisers this summer with the theme "Cross Country Caravan for Kids" to benefit Make-A-Wish® chapters that help fulfill wishes of children facing life-threatening medical conditions.

Many Healey owners also will caravan together to the AHCA Conclave gathering in San Diego this June and you're invited to join them.

To sign up for the drive, get ideas for local fundraisers or get information about joining AHCA and its regional clubs, go online at www.healeyclub.org and click on Caravan or call Greg Lauser at 715-262-9813.



Austin Healey
Club of America

VCW Car Club Benefit Car Show, Simsbury, CT / Scalla Breakfast, July 13th

Valley Classic Wheels has invited AHCA to attend their car show. Last year over 400 cars attended plus thousands of spectators.

Donna and I invite Club Members to our house for a Breakfast before the Car Show, on Sunday July 13. We will be serving full breakfast from 8:30 to 9:45.

At 9:50am we will take a very short group drive to Iron Horse Blvd, in order to join the Show, which runs from 10:00am to 3pm. We will park together in our own car display area. Those who arrive later can go directly to the show and can park with or near our group, no problem.

Their annual Car Show is in my opinion one of the best, partly because of the location. Behind town we have a series of small parking lots which are surrounded with trees. It is like a lot of small shows at which we Healeys can hang together and with other foreign types.

This year, [The Connecticut Valley Diecast Club](#) will be at the show with their 40 foot racetrack. Bring your "Hotwheels" Healey cars to race. Also the [Double A Transportation](#) will be bringing a 1950 era GMC bus to the show painted up in a special Pepsi Theme. The basic color scheme for the bus is the old CT Transit Blue/White theme. The bus will be open to the public to board and walk thru during show hours, so get ready for a trip down memory lane.

I usually attend and am about the only Healey. Won't you join me? I take a lawn chair and also enjoy looking at a huge assortment of vehicles aside from our regular British types. You can stay or leave whenever you like. They sell dogs and burgers, you may want to bring a picnic lunch. Be sure to bring chairs and a hat for shade.

Scalla Location: 60 Riverside Road, Simsbury, CT, just across the River from the center of town and the Show.

Show Location: Iron Horse Blvd, Simsbury, CT. Directions: Route 10 aka Hopmeadow Street. Nearest cross street for mapquest is WILCOX...FOLLOW SIGNS once you get to Simsbury's center (N of 309)

Let us know if you are coming for breakfast so we can plan. 860-658-0072

Robert Scalla



Hi Healey fans,

We at the Quebec Austin Healey Club want to make sure you don't miss the opportunity to join us at the **Summit 2008** in Mont-Tremblant, taking advantage of the exceptional hotel rate we have negotiated at **Le Grand Lodge Mont-Tremblant**. However the deadline to benefit from this \$140/night rate on all of the 50 suites we have secured for this event is **June 30th**.

You must nonetheless register to the Summit first to make your hotel reservation (all details on our website at the following address: <http://www.austinhealeyquebec.com/summitEN.html>).

Looking forward to see you at Mont-Tremblant,


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Registr # _____



**Summit 2008
in Mont-Tremblant
Québec, August 21-23**

REGISTRATION FORM

Arrival Date: _____

First Name: _____

Spouse/Guest First Name: _____

Children Name/Age: _____

Address: _____

State/Province: _____

Telephone Day: _____ Evenings: _____

AHCA Chapter: _____

Last Name: _____

Last Name: _____

City: _____

Zip/Postal code: _____

Email: _____

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Registration Fees *Registration includes one car, two adults/children under 18. YOU MUST BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN EVENTS*

Registration fee (includes one car, two adults):	\$88.00 / unit	X _____ = _____
Gondola tour to the top of Mt. Tremblant:	\$17.00 PP	X _____ = _____
Tea party and art demonstration	\$ 8.00 PP	X _____ = _____
Bonfire, marshmallows, and blues guitarist	FREE	X _____ = \$ 0.00
Cruise on Lake Tremblant	\$18.00 PP	X _____ = _____
Saturday night Banquet (taxes and service incl.)	\$40.00 PP	X _____ = _____

Registration Total _____


Helicopter rides will be available at 18:00hrs Friday, at the hotel site for \$80.00 PP. You must pay on site.

Reserve for: 1 2 3 4 (adults) persons.

**Mail Registration Form with
money order or bank draft to:**

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Cancellation policy: full refund up to July 18th, 75% thereafter. \$ US = \$ CDN
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MEET REVIEW**The Import & Kit Car Show at Carlisle, Pa**

If you are my age and have some knowledge of 50-60s rock and roll trivia, you will remember that the "night was clear, the moon was yellow and the rain came tumbling down" when Staggerlee and Billy got together. Having said that you know we are talking rain. Fortunately It only rained and rained and rained on Friday .

We all left our homes in different areas of new England and one outsider from New York, and arrived in Carlisle on Wednesday afternoon and evening at the Motel 6. Thursday morning bright and early we went for breakfast and then on to the fair grounds to set up our tent and display our used parts and one welder for sale. Our band of caravanning gypsies included Paul Dannel, Bob Bender, Steve Bell, Don Paye, Jerry Pauquette, Dick Minor, Patrick O'Sullivan, Jon Kastberg and yours truly.



After setting up our tent and displaying our wares, we all milled around other venders to check out their used parts and assorted "clean out your side of the garage, honey", stuff. Myself, I can attest to some beautiful finds. We normally close up shop at about 5:00PM to go back to the hotel to clean up, possibly have an adult beverage and get a bite to eat. After dinner we went to the go cart track, only to keep our racing skills tuned and in no way is this considered a fun task although we do it every night.

Friday was a day of rain but fortunately we anticipate a considerable amount of precipitation in the Carlisle area every year and dress appropriately. Saturday was a wonderful

bright semi blustery day where people seemed to continually fill the parking lot all day. I think it was by far the most crowded Carlisle day I had seen in the 6 years I have been going. Late Saturday afternoon we start the packing and closing up shop for the 2008 Carlisle season.

This short get away with like minded friends is good for the mind and good for the soul. If in the course of the next 11 months you come across some old spares, or even if you don't have any old spares, take some time out of your busy schedule to relax and heal yourself. And by the way did I mention the go cart track

Denny Broughel

MEET REVIEW

Eastern MA / Southern NH New Member Meet
Saturday, May 10, 2008
Gloucester, MA
Hosts: Larry & Marilyn Swift

It was a dark and stormy night . . . the night before the New Member Meet . . . and the forecast was for more of the same on Saturday morning. But the Healey gods were smiling and a big H in the sky moved in and the day turned out cool and mostly sunny.

Fourteen Healeys, a Healey kit car and a Morris Minor Traveller filled the yard which, along with a few BJ9's, brought 46 members and guests to the home of hosts Larry and Marilyn Swift in Gloucester, MA. The first 'official' club event of the season in this neck of the woods brought smiles to the faces of veterans renewing friendships and welcomes to several new members attending. Larry's garage and Marilyn's artist studio were laden with all sorts of hot & cold libations and delicious comestibles.

After a period of greetings, catching up on news, tire kicking, etc., we embarked on what turned out to be a special treat of the meet. Just up the street one of the Swift's neighbors -- Frank McCracken -- houses about 15 of his eclectic collection of FINE vehicles in a circa late 1800's restored fire station. Included are several new and vintage Rolls Royces, a Bentley, Ferrari, Aston Martin, 2 Jaguar E-type coupes, a 30's Packard, a '20's Buick Depot Hack, a Dodge Power Wagon, etc. Can't name 'em all, but you get the idea. He also has boats, airplane parts, a literature collection and other petrolania. Just the building itself was worth the exploration.

We headed back to our cars and local member Tom Webster led us on a 45 minute tour of the nooks and crannies of Cape Ann -- spectacular ocean scenes, beaches, beautiful old homes, etc. -- on our way to Woodman's (self-proclaimed inventors of fried clams) in Essex. Everyone loaded up and then we said our good-byes on what turned out to be a most enjoyable event. For most of us, this was the first of the season -- and there's nothing like that first sound of the distinctive Healey exhaust note to get the juices flowing again.

Thanks to the Swift's, Altman's, Abbott's & Webster's for this special Healey treat.

Len Cannizzaro

Cross Country Caravan for Kids

On June 14th, as you no doubt have been reading, there will be a gathering at the Hemming's Garage in Bennington, VT to wish Gary Brierton a safe journey to San Diego. He is traveling all the way up to Vermont from North Carolina to start the trek, called the Cross Country Caravan for Kids, across the United States. The purpose of this endeavor is to promote awareness of the Make-A-Wish® Foundation and to raise money for this worthy cause. Any money that is collected locally will be kept by the local chapter of the organization and used to fulfill the dreams of children locally. Please join us around 9:00 on June 14th, at the Hemming's Garage to get Gary on his way. We will be sending him off at about 10:30. There will be coffee and donuts (for a small contribution) offered to those who show up.

I know many of you will be joining us for this event just as a rest stop on your way to the Manchester car show, but if you want to make a day of it, we will be gathering at Bill and Debbie Berg's home (just around the corner) for a cookout at about 2:00. If you do decide to join us, **PLEASE RSVP** to Bill by phone: (802)442-2777 or by email: bill.berg@vtcomposites.com. We look forward to seeing you all there. Don't forget to bring any donations you've collected!

Cub Reporter: Bob Bender