

# HEALEY HIGH ROADS

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CAPITAL AREA AUSTIN-HEALEY CLUB

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## ***CAPITAL DRIVING CLUB ANNOUNCES FIRST BRITISH CAR INVITATIONAL AUTOCROSS AT BOWIE BAYSOX STADIUM APRIL 26TH***

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Due to the record high price of text we are unable to list the many upcoming events.**

**For a complete schedule visit the club's website:**

**[www.capitalhealeys.org](http://www.capitalhealeys.org)**

**and view dates, links to websites, names of Event Coordinators, contacts, etc.**

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The Capital Driving Club will be holding an autocross on Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup> (the day before Britain on the Green/Collingwood), at the Bowie Baysox Stadium in Bowie, MD. This



event will be the first British Car Invitational. All participants driving vintage British Cars will only be charged \$25 (normally \$35 for non-members). In addition, CDC will also hold a basic autocross clinic for \$10.

Autocross events are a great fun, safe, and expose the abilities of you and the car. You might find that after you attend one event, you'll want to attend another!

Participants at the autocross will be placed in one of four heats. Each heat will run in the morning and again in the afternoon. This short clinic will be held while the participants in heats 1, 2, and 3 are running and will be finished in time for the participants in the clinic to participant in heat 4.

The clinic will have instructors and will give an opportunity for beginners to learn skills in navigating gates, driving skid pads, and slaloms. Instructors are also present to help you driving the autocross course at no charge.

The autocross starts with registration at tech

inspection at 8:30 am and typically ends around 4:30 pm. CDC also grills hotdogs, sausages, chicken sandwiches, etouffee and offers with free sodas, Gator-Aid, and water.

Space is limited. So reserve your spot early. Participants driving a British car will be allowed to reserve as a CDC member.

CDC also has a Vintage Small Bore (1600 cc and less) Series, which Sprite, Midgets, MGA's, original Minis, and Spitfires are included. First place in the series will get a season pass at the end of the year for the 2009 autocross season.

For any questions, contact Ed Chan at [capitaldriving@yahoo.com](mailto:capitaldriving@yahoo.com) or feel free to place any comments or questions on the CDC forum at [www.capitaldrivingclub.com](http://www.capitaldrivingclub.com).

For those that haven't had enough, CDC will be holding a track day at Summit Point on Monday April 28<sup>th</sup> on the Shenandoah Track.



***Editor's Note—Last year I ran my 100 with these guys and had a blast—this year I may bring the Elva with the 4.88 "Granny Gear" installed and blow away the rice burners!***

# SPRITE JUBILEE 2008 EVENT & REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Submitted by: Rick Moses (*and quoted verbatim with apologies to James Joyce—Editor!*)

To those of you who have registered for Sprite Jubilee 2008. THANK YOU ! Our Golden Jubilee Sprite extravaganza is shaping up to be the grandest of all the past every five year SPRITE Newsletter parties honoring the Austin-Healey Sprite. Early registration numbers are surpassing Sprite Fest'88, Sprite Bash'93, Sprite Rush'98 and Sprite Spree '03, the other four past SPRITE events. There are going to be more participants, enthusiasts are bringing more sports cars and the vendors/flea marketers are bringing their best wares. In a word Sprite Jubilee will be, FANTASTIC! In a very short time we will be making Sprite history and having a fantastic time visiting with friends and enjoying our British cars! Meet updates will be placed on the SPRITE website [www.austinhealeysprite.org](http://www.austinhealeysprite.org) and emailed to all Sprite enthusiasts as we unveil the exciting show we have planned for your enjoyment. Our website is being updated with breaking news almost daily. Kindly email photos of you all and your cars to us at your earliest convenience. Send photos of EVERY PERSON WHO PLANS TO ATTEND Sprite Jubilee and EACH CAR. Include any stories about your Sprite, our past SPRITE Newsletters shows and anything you would like to share. The photos and stories you send will be placed on our website. If possible, we would like to use some of them during our SJ08 gathering for special effects.

If you need to make any changes with your SJ08 registration form just let us know. SPRITE elves are standing by. We are trying to have all registrations finalized, completed and up to date one month before the start of the show. That deadline is April 16th, 2008. Late registrations may not be able to be honored due to space and preparation limitations. Tell your friends if they think they want to come to SJ08 best to do it right now. If you have any questions or suggestions concerning SJ08 as you look over all the information on the website and our SPRITE Newsletter & Update emails, kindly telephone at worldwide # 717-534-2525 or USA Toll Free # 877-748-3165 (Best time to call is Mon-Thurs. 9-12 1-5 eastern time) or email [dr.moses@verizon.net](mailto:dr.moses@verizon.net) You may telephone Rick Moses by cell phone 717-379-5752 for any other times. Cindy's cell is 717-379-5572. If you haven't already, there are three ways you can remit your Sprite Jubilee 2008 registration fee. 1) By check made out in US funds to Sprite Jubilee 2008/Richard Moses and send it to Rick Moses/Sprite Jubilee 2008, 1421 E. Chocolate Ave., Hershey, PA 17033 USA. OR... 2) With a Visa/Master card by telephoning us at SPRITE, worldwide # 717-534-2525 & USA toll free # 877-748-3165, Mon. – Thurs. 9am-12pm and 1pm-5pm eastern USA time. AND... 3) By PayPal at the SJ08 registration area at our website [www.austinhealeysprite.org](http://www.austinhealeysprite.org) . You do not have to have an account with PayPal to pay by PayPal on our website. Goodie bags of the usual stuff and Raffle tickets purchased for lots of the neat stuff we will be raffling will be given to you upon getting to the SJ08. They can be picked up at the Sprite Regalia sales room, the Dickinson Room, at the Hotel Carlisle & Embers Convention Center. Once you see what is to be given away you may want to purchase additional tickets and you will be given ample opportunity to purchase them at SJ08 if you wish before the drawings. Ladies, you will definitely like what is in store exclusively for all the women attending SJ08. Men you must tell your wives about this unique opportunity!!! You will get to meet the wives of our honored guests up close and personal and spend some time with them without the men around. Don't worry we can keep them occupied with technical sessions. We call this time for women only "Sprite Women/Healey Girls." Cindy SPRITE Elf is going ALL OUT for this new feature of our SPRITE gatherings. It is sure to be very memorable and the ladies will take home a great keepsake. Don't be left

out! Once everybody learns about this special event getting tickets will be like trying to find hen's teeth. Only a limited amount of tickets are going to be available. It is better to save your place early now so you can be included as space will be limited and preparations must be made before this happening. The Maze event will be a new for this show too. Here is some explanation about what to expect. Go to <http://www.hotelcarlisle.com/gallery.htm> and take the Virtual Tour called the EXPANSIVE GROUNDS We have acres of manicured flat, non-bumpy grass land to enjoy. Can you picture in your mind's eye a very big Maze covering perhaps the size of one to two football fields? Four foot high white plastic posts and colored cord connecting them will provide a humungous maze. Numerous cars, Spridget size to Big Healeys will enter the maze at one time from different directions. They will try to find their way to the prize in the center. Don't worry nobody will memorizing the maze because it will change numerous times during the event providing a new challenge each time for each heat of participants. Each group will have a certain amount of time for one car to reach the prize. There will be enough space in the lanes to pass other participants. The speed will be VERY SLOW and deliberate because if you spin your wheels in the grass or slide and mess up the lane you will be disqualified and you must stop in your tracks plus repair the divot you have made. When time is up you will or a winner finds the prize you will be escorted out of the maze. A different and unique event but then you must take into account who has thought it up ... Moses. If you think this is interesting there are lots more surprises. Our banquet, the 50th anniversary extravaganza party, will not be a great meal with a dull give a bunch of awards out ending. Unique prizes will be given out but daily, just after each event. We have planned our banquet to be somewhat of a dinner theater. We will put on as many SPRITE skits as time allows. Numerous "acts" have been prepared to put you into the 50th anniversary mood and to honor the Sprite. You haven't seen it all until the "fat lady sings." You will dine, wine and be entertained! I phoned in my hotel reservations early in October and everything went smoothly with the hotel's toll free 800 telephone operator. Then I filled out my registration form online, paid the registration fee and submitted it to myself. I guess this all sounds kind of unusual but I want you all to be encouraged that the registration process went smoothly! I was the first to register and pay for SJ08 but not the first to get my room at the Hotel Carlisle. A few others beat me to that distinction. If you haven't registered with the Hotel Carlisle & Embers Convention Center the easiest way is to telephone them using their 800-692-7315 number during the day eastern USA time. You may obtain a PDF Hotel Carlisle Group Reservation Form on our SPRITE website [www.austinhealeysprite.org](http://www.austinhealeysprite.org) that address is [http://www.austin-healeysprite.org/registration\\_form/Hotel\\_Carlisle\\_Group\\_Reservation.pdf](http://www.austin-healeysprite.org/registration_form/Hotel_Carlisle_Group_Reservation.pdf) Don't forget to register now for the Carlisle Import-Kit/Replicar Nationals at their website [www.carsatcarlisle.com](http://www.carsatcarlisle.com) Preregister now and you will get admission for all three days, one sports car and two people all for \$20 bucks. Tell them you are registering under the CLUB NAME Sprite Jubilee 2008, or SPRITE Newsletters, or 50th anniversary of the Sprite or Austin-Healey Sprite. Register for the 2008 Carlisle Import-Kit/Replicar Nationals NON-JUDGED Show Field where the SPRITE tent is located. You can see us from last year in their picture at <http://www.carsatcarlisle.com/import/index.asp> our red Midget and Green Mk4 Sprite are just to the right of the yellow/white AHSTC tent with a Brit flag waving in front. Keep smiling & keep in touch, Rick Moses

# ***PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS***

**By Allen Feldman, CAAHC President**

Dear Members:

Springtime is fast approaching and our club has many activities scheduled for you to participate in.

A couple of standouts are our Capital Classic that this year will be in Cumberland Maryland. Our Classic will be in conjunction with Cumberland's Heritage Days Festival. Elsewhere in this issue are particulars of this event but the highlight to me is a steam engine train ride and lunch that will be served to us while we are on board the train.

At the end of the activities year, October 26 will be another great rally put on by Ralf Berthiez. If you participated last year, you know how much fun this was traveling through some very quaint roads and countryside. As was the case last year, this event will be open to other marques. Last year among other cars, we did have some Ferraris and Ford GT's ride along with us. And of course, we have British Car Day scheduled for June 1 at Lilypons. And something that only happens once every 5 years, the Sprite Jubilee at Carlisle. This event is open to all Healeys, not just Sprites.

I recently received a call from John Tokar of Vintage Restorations Limited which used to be in Mt. Airy Maryland but have moved to Union Bridge, Maryland. In the past, John and his crew have hosted a couple of tech sessions for us. Apparently, the Village of Union Bridge is having a festival on May 18 and John has asked us if we would like to participate in a car show as part of the festival. I told him that I am sure we will have some participants there. The 18th is the last day of the Sprite Jubilee but for those not going to the Sprite event, or are not staying the whole time, this might be a nice refreshing event to attend and show off your car. This Union Bridge event is so new that we have not had time to add it to our calendar of events on our home page. Please go to our web page to see all of the other events listed.

One last reminder, if you have not renewed yet, you need to get your renewal in to Ralf Berthiez immediately if you want to be included in the membership directory for 2008. Soon we will be purging names from our email club list that are no longer members.

So far this winter we have had plenty of mild days. You have no excuse for not taking your pride and joy out, whether top up or down, and drive it.

Allen Feldman  
President, Capital Area Austin Healey Club

## **BRITAIN ON THE GREEN AT COLLINGWOOD**

**Mike Goldman, CAAHC (Goldman007@aol.com)**

I'll be serving as the Event Coordinator for the "Britain On The Green" car show which will be put on by the Capital Triumph Register at Collingwood Mansion in Alexandria, Va. on April 27th.

This is the premier show in our area and a fine time for us to get our Healeys out of the garage and back on the road. Judging by past experience we can expect perfect top down weather and a lot of fun and nice cars, and I hope to see a lot of Healey's show up.

The registration form is not posted on the CTR website yet ([www.capitaltriumphregister.com](http://www.capitaltriumphregister.com)), but please check it often and register early. I understand they closed the field last year, so it might be a good idea to get the forms in ASAP.

I look forward to seeing you at Collingwood and let me know if I can answer any questions. *MG*

# MEMBER PROFILE: *Linwood Rose*

*Editor's Note—Many of you have probably met Lin and Judith who have been frequent attendees at various car shows, etc. Lin was often seen taking lots of pictures of Healeys and asking focused questions on details, etc. As we'll see Lin was quietly gathering ideas to include into his ongoing BT7 restoration.*

*I'll let Lin tell his story—be sure to visit his great website at: <http://homepage.mac.com/linwoodrose/PhotoAlbums65.html>*

My son, John and I have been club members from afar. I am in Harrisonburg, VA and John is in his second year of graduate school at the University of North Carolina, Wilmington. The distance prevents us from participating in the monthly meetings of the club but we try to get to a few shows attended by club members each year. Michael Oritt requested that I put together a piece for our newsletter and I am pleased to contribute.

The subject of this article is “personalizations” of our Healeys. Before getting into the detail of my list of Healey modifications, let me give you a little background about my association with one of Donald Healey’s creations.

My passion for Healeys began in 1970. I was in college and a friend acquired a 1962 BN7. Upon seeing it (it didn’t even take a drive) I was smitten and knew at that moment that I had to own one myself. It’s a long story, but the end result was that in the spring of 1971, at the age of nineteen, I had my Healey. A 1960 MK I 3000, BT7 L4422. I drove my Healey while in college, but like many other Healey enthusiasts, I got married right after college and purchased more practical transportation. Unlike many Healey owners, I kept my Healey. It was stored in barns, poultry houses, and damp garages over the years.

Fast forward to 1997. My family began to attend British car shows. My boys were 14 and 10 and the oldest, John, showed a real enthusiasm for what had been my earlier interest. We spotted a 59 Bugeye at the Bowie, MD car show. The owner was actually walking around the show with a sign taped to his shirt that said, “Bugeye For Sale: Enquire Within.” We followed the owner home and a few hours later we were headed back to Harrisonburg, VA driving a very under-powered-for-the-beltway Bugeye Sprite. We have done quite a bit of work on the Bugeye and CAAHC members have seen John’s car at a few car shows. I will just say that it is much quicker now! The Bugeye is a separate story, but I mention it here because it turned out to be the inspiration for undertaking the Big Healey restoration.

In December 2001 (with my wife, Judith’s, somewhat uninformed blessing) I made the decision to get BT7 L4422 out of storage and begin a complete restoration. Yes, it has been six years since I began this project! I knew then that I was going to do a “last nut-and-bolt” restoration, but the first decision to be made was whether to go concours or driver. I have great respect for the concours car owner, and I love “original” cars,

but I decided that I wanted to drive my car rather than have it be a museum piece. Who knows, my next project (don’t tell Judith) might be a concours car if I can find the right vehicle with which to start.

My body work and painting was done by Jeremy Turner at Maple Hill Restoration in Broadway, VA. The engine rebuild was managed by Jack Harper from Coach Works in Singer’s Glen, VA. Healeys were new to Jeremy but Jack knew them well having been an owner himself. I did all of the assembly which explains the elapsed time from beginning to end.

I call my modifications “personalizations,” because as I have observed other Healeys at car shows over the years, I have developed a real appreciation for what others have done to their cars to suit their individual needs or tastes. My attitude is that none are right or wrong. The point is to enjoy the car and the hobby. With a few exceptions, most of my “personalizations” are bolt-ons and again with only a very few exceptions I have gone to great pains to avoid drilling additional holes anywhere in the car. Before I began my restoration I did a considerable amount of research and photographed many cars at shows to develop a “personalizations” plan. The plan was important because in the assembly process many of these personal accommodations need to be factored in early.

So I present a list of my “personalizations” for your review, not to advocate for any, but to present them as options for another Healey owner undertaking a major restoration or just adding an incremental “improvement.” I am happy to be available to any who might have questions about the items I describe. I know that I could not have accomplished what I have without the guidance of many in the Healey community. Mike Oritt and Inan and Bruce at Healey Surgeons are great examples of people who go out of their way to be helpful. By the way, Bruce did my rear differential assembly, brake calipers and steering idler and steering box rebuilds.

Since I am not quite finished with my restoration I cannot comment on how some of these modifications will function on the road. I suppose that can be the subject of a future article. As I write this, adjusting the doors, installing the bonnet and wind-



## Engine

Spin on oil filter with K&N filter - HP2009  
Cast Aluminum Capesport rocker cover  
Cast aluminum oil sump  
Denis Welch aluminum head with valves, springs, seals, guides  
BJ8 grind camshaft  
Denis Welch crankshaft rear seal set  
PCV valve

## Fuel System

Aluminum fuel tank  
Burlen's Solid state SU fuel pump, with redundant in-line Master E8016S electric pump from Autozone  
Denis Welch's "itg" competition dual air cleaner  
BJ8 2" HD8 carburetters and intake manifold  
Denis Welch/custom design throttle cable Aston quick release aluminum fuel cap

## Ignition System

123 Ignition Electronic distributor  
Pertronix "Flamethrower" Coil  
Pertronix Ignition Wiring  
NGK Spark Plugs - BP6ES

## Exhaust System

Phoenix *Big Bore 2"* stainless steel exhaust pipe, silencer and longbranch headers  
Jet-Hot Thermal Coating on Headers

## Clutch and Gearbox

Smitty's 5-speed conversion kit  
Toyota W57 5-speed gearbox  
BJ8 9 1/2" diaphragm clutch  
Doug Reid "Mr. Finespanner" slave cylinder bleeder pipe extension  
Custom made balanced propshaft  
24 lb. lightened and balanced flywheel

## Front & Rear Suspension and Axle

Putzke's Fahrspass Bilstein tubular shocks front and rear  
Capesport heavy duty 7/8" anti-sway bar  
Putzke's polyurethane bushings  
BJ8 front coil springs  
Denis Welch front lowering kit  
Lempert 3.55 rear differential  
Hyundai rubber ball joint dust covers, part # 56828-21010  
Custom made rear springs for Jule frame (Martin Jansen)

## Brake System

Arequip braided stainless steel hoses  
Cape International rear disc brake conversion  
Drilled front brake rotors  
Jaguar handbrake rear mini-calipers  
Speed Bleeders bleeder valves  
Watson's Street Works mechanical brake light switch  
HELP # 42072 Brake Reservoir canister gasket



## Electrical System

Negative earth conversion  
Lucas SLR 570-5" driving lights  
Halogen Headlamps  
Rear reflector conversion to taillights  
Supplementary fuse block  
Numerous in-line fused circuits  
Accessory power supply for interior  
Alternator conversion - Don Lenschow  
Remote-controlled (clicker) courtesy lamps in interior and boot  
Intermittent windscreen wiper control  
Electric windscreen washer  
I-pod based amplified sound system  
Gear reduction starter  
Optima gel battery - Part Number: 34 (8002-002) RedTop®;  
Battery; Group 34  
"Modern" battery master switch in boot  
Audible turn signal "beeper"

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## Heating & Cooling System

Cape International's aluminum radiator  
Cape International's coolant recovery system  
British Car Specialist's six blade stainless steel fan with spacer  
Custom-made aluminum air deflectors to radiator  
Dynamat Extreme heat reflective and sound insulation material applied with aluminum duct insulation under the carpet and throughout the interior  
Cape International's 2 speed "modern" heater to replace Smith's unit  
Fresh air supplied to passenger seating through 4" and 3" pa per/metal hose routed through the original Smith's blower. Control assembly mounted in the tube.

## Chassis & Frame

Martin Jansen's Jule Enterprises frame replacement

## Body & Interior

1997 Ferrari Rosso Corsa paint  
Aluminum alloy wings (fenders)  
Carburettor access panel in front shroud  
Twin oil cooler vents in front shroud  
Capesport windscreen post mounted mirrors  
Heritage upholstery and carpet  
Fiberglass gearbox cover  
Dynamat Extreme sound and heat insulation  
Derrington-style moto-lita mahogany rim steering wheel

Denis Welch aluminum competition pedal covers  
Tilted driver's seat (spacers)  
Cape International's combination driving light brackets and tow hooks  
Rear rally bumpers  
Stainless steel bonnet and boot support rods  
Volkswagon Jetta cup holder  
BJ8 license plate bracket  
Arm rest console

## Wheels & Tires

Dayton 72 spoke chrome/stainless wire wheels  
Michelin 175 x 15" ZX tires



On Sunday, February 17th approximately two dozen CAAHC members and guests met at the Collector's Car Corral in Owing Mills, MD for our winter field trip. The Corral, owned by Randy Moss, is a high-end vehicle storage facility that provides secure garaging as well as detailing—plus club amenities. For details go to: [www.collectorscarcorral.com](http://www.collectorscarcorral.com).



rived, and shortly we all enjoyed some outstanding eats compliments of a local deli that Randy recommended.

Following our meal we had a short meeting presided over by President Feldman, who briefly reviewed upcoming events.

From there we adjourned to the game



sen so as not to attract unwanted attention. But you can't judge this book by its cover: Richly furnished with leather couches and theatre TV, and with walls covered by car-motif art, this is the *ultimate* car clubhouse!

Randy welcomed us and gave us a tour of the facilities where about 75 "toys" of differing genres were stored. The



A number of us arrived by van, departing Solomons, MD with yours truly at the wheel and members Bill and Nancy Favor and guests Bob Tourville and Doug Merch aboard. We then proceeded to the Montgomery Mall near Bethesda where Dan Healey, Marian and Allen Feldman, Jack and Pam White, Dean and Sue Turner, Don and Kathi Margeson, and Ralf Bertheiz joined us. From there

## **COLLECTOR'S CAR CORRAL FIELD TRIP**

*By Michael Oritt*

room where folks got down to some serious driving on the four racing simulators provides for Corral members. In particular, Pam White, Sue Turner and Nancy Favor were seriously focused and competitive drivers and not once did they talk on their cell-phones or file their nails!

About 3:00 PM we pried everyone out of the simulator seats, said our



premises were spotless and you could tell that Randy, a Ferrari owner and self-confessed car nut himself, has chosen the perfect vocation. His enthusiasm for auto collecting—on all different levels—was apparent, and he is definitely one of those guys who is happy being with others that are happy! Thanks, Randy, for having us.



As our tour concluded the caterer ar-

goodbyes and loaded back aboard the van for the ride back to DC and then back to Southern Maryland.

we drove to the Corral near Owing Mills where Baltimore-area members Anil and Shanthi Fatterpaker, Tom Brennan, Mike and Adrienne Goldman, John Hummer (who brought his stunning yellow Healey), Pete Groh and Joe Lapicki and guests joined us for what was to be a great event.



For those who came—thanks for participating and for being a part of a great event. We'll definitely have to do this again.

The Corral is located in a neat but unassuming warehouse in an industrial section, its low outward profile cho-

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*ALL ABOARD FOR A GREAT TIME!!*

The Capital Area Austin-Healey Club presents

# **CAPITAL CLASSIC 2008**

**Cumberland, Maryland—June 13th-15th**

Make plans to join the Capital Area Austin-Healey Club for CAPITAL CLASSIC 2008 in Cumberland, MD. Our event coincides with the “Heritage Days Festival” and there will be so much to do it just won’t fit on one page!

**FRIDAY:** We’ll gather late afternoon at the host hotel, the *Best Western Braddock* ([www.bestwesternbraddock.com](http://www.bestwesternbraddock.com)) in LaVale, MD, 5 miles west of Cumberland on I-68. That evening we’ll have our reception and banquet on premises followed by an historic media presentation by noted local author Al Feldstein.



**SATURDAY:** Following breakfast we’ll drive our Healeys into town and park in a secure location. First we’ll take a walking tour of the downtown historic section guided by Margaret Romero, local artisan and authority on Cumberland’s restoration. Then we’ll stroll over to Station Place, eastern terminus of the Western Maryland Scenic Railroad ([www.wmsr.com](http://www.wmsr.com))

and climb aboard the 11:30 AM steam train for a round-trip excursion to Frostburg, MD. We’ll eat lunch in the First-Class dining car and while the engine is turned around at the Frostburg station on the old-fashioned turntable we’ll explore the unique Thrasher Carriage Museum ([www.thrashercarraige.com](http://www.thrashercarraige.com)). Then it’s back to Cumberland where we can enjoy the Heritage Days Festival ([www.heritagedaysfestival.com](http://www.heritagedaysfestival.com)).

Dinner Saturday is “on your own” and downtown abounds with many fine dining choices.

Alternatively, you may choose to return to the hotel and sample the fare at Gehauf’s Restaurant/Henny’s Grille on the grounds. Either way you won’t go wrong!

**SUNDAY:** Following breakfast we’ll check out and saddle up for a scenic 60 mile tour through the Maryland and West Virginia countryside. Our route will take us southeast on MD route 51 which runs along the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal National Historic Park ([www.nps.gov/choh](http://www.nps.gov/choh)). Then we cross the Potomac into West Virginia and at Paw Paw get on WV route 9 which climbs dramatically along the river to Great Cacapon and then descends into the resort town of Berkely Springs. From there we shoot northeast on US 522 and go back across the Potomac into Maryland to arrive at the charming old canal town of Hancock by midday.

In Hancock you will have the option of heading back home or joining others for lunch (not included in registration fee) at Weaver's Restaurant ([www.weaversrestaurant.com](http://www.weaversrestaurant.com)) where good food and delicious home-made pies are the order of the day.

Following lunch we'll say our goodbyes and head from whence we came. Wherever you are bound you'll have nice driving from Hancock, whether it's via interstates on I-70 and/or I-83, which intersects at nearby Hagerstown, or on one of the many scenic two-lane roads that run in all directions.

Western Maryland and Cumberland has much to offer: Natural beauty, lots of historic sites, plus plenty of shopping in local stores and galleries. And because our visit coincides with the Heritage Days Festival there will be oodles of things to do and see on downtown Cumberland's streets, many of them for free.

We have been able to secure a block of rooms at the hotel for the reasonable rate of \$89.99 plus tax per night, double occupancy. This includes Continental breakfast and all hotel amenities including a beautiful indoor pool, exercise center, wireless internet, etc. We've also reserved a block of seats on the First-Class car for Saturday's train ride and luncheon and museum tour.

***Arrangements must be finalized by May 10th and space is limited.*** So don't be left on the platform when the train leaves the station—ACT TODAY! Download and print the Registration Form on the next page, fill it out and mail it, then call the Best Western Braddock to make your hotel reservations and we'll do the rest. This promises to be a great time and we hope you'll join us.

The Event Registration Form is on the next page of this newsletter. Print out, fill it out and mail it out now or you may miss out on what is sure to be the best Capital Classic ever. And visit the websites shown above for further information on events, etc.



If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Event Coordinator Michael Oritt at: [awgertoo@aol.com](mailto:awgertoo@aol.com).

***ALL ABOARD!!!***

**CAPITAL AREA AUSTIN-HEALEY CLUB**  
**CAPITAL CLASSIC 2008**  
**CUMBERLAND, MD, JUNE 13-15**  
**Registration Form must be received by May 10, 2008**  
 (All attendees, including children, must be registered)

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Each registration covers one person for the following events:

- Friday reception/banquet and historic media presentation
- Saturday morning Historic Building Walking Tour
- Saturday afternoon Train ride—lunch in Dining Car served enroute
- Sunday morning scenic driving tour—***luncheon at end NOT included***

Hotel: Best Western Braddock, La Valle (Cumberland) MD.—800/296-6006.  
 Make your reservation directly (*Mention "Capital Area Austin-Healey Club"*) by May 12, 2008. Two-bedded non-smoking rooms—\$89.99 plus tax per night, double occupancy including a continental breakfast and all hotel amenities.

Banquet menu includes soup, salad, entrée, side, fresh vegetable and dessert.

***Select Entrée and indicate number:***                      ***Select side and indicate number***

Stuffed Chicken Breast _____	Baked Potato _____
Sliced Roast Beef _____	Scalloped Potato _____
Pasta Primavera _____	Wild Rice _____

Registration fees:	Number	x	Amount	=	Subtotal
Adults:	_____	x	\$ 95.00	=	\$ _____
Children under 13	_____	x	\$ 75.00	=	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL PAYMENT</b>					<b>= \$ _____</b>

Registration & payment must be received by May 10—No refunds after this date.  
 Make check payable to "Capital Area Austin-Healey Club"  
 Mail to: Michael Oritt, PO Box 1261, Solomons, MD 20688  
 For full brochure go to: [www.capitalhealeys.com](http://www.capitalhealeys.com) and click "Capital Classic" link



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**Our club meets at various locations around the DC Metropolitan area and has functions at various venues in the area we serve.**

**For further information on our club and its members please visit our website at:**

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