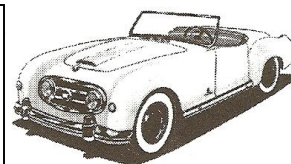


Nash Healey



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Newsletter

2013 Grand Nashional



The **2013 Grand Nashional** was hosted by the Niagara Frontier Region in Batavia, NY from July 24 – 28. This year's event boasted 79 old cars in attendance. Part of the show's charm was the club's open-mindedness about including other independent-brand automobiles. In addition to some really incredible Nashes, including two Nash Healeys there were several Hudsons plus a host of Ramblers and AMC cars of various vintage. There was a stunning 1904 Rambler and 1947 Fxible bus on hand giving free rides to all! Many great events, including a trip to the Pierce Arrow Museum and the Buffalo Naval Park as well as a boat trip up the Erie Canal were on the agenda. It certainly sounds like a good time was had by all.



Nash Healey Owner Reggie Nash is the owner of this very lovely 1904 Rambler which was at the Grand Nashional.

Nash Healey Owner Paul Supan reported as follows:

While there were only two Healeys at the show -- our 53 Roadster and Joe Conlon's 53 Coupe, Healey owners were numerous -- Gene Mosteller, Al Ruckey, Reggie Nash, Skip Volmer, Charlie Wilson, and Gordon McGregor are the ones that come to mind. Joe's car was the winner of the Hemming's Sports and Exotic Car Day in 2011 and then was the subject of a feature article in Hemming's Sports and Exotic magazine. Having both a coupe and roadster in the same show provided a lot of talking points.

For us, it was about 270 miles each way -- showers on the way up and heavy rain on the way home. A few things were learned about the Healey in the rain -- the windshield sheds water pretty good on its own, and while the wipers soldiered on without missing a beat, they are very "slow" -- not only is each pass made slowly, there is a long pause with each direction reversal. Additionally, the seal above my windshield needs replacing -- after about an hour in the rain each corner would result in large drips either landing on my left leg or my wife's right leg. With the radials, the car was solid in the rain at 70 MPH while in the mountains.

All the superlatives that were written about the Niagara Frontier Region for hosting the show are well deserved - we had a genuine good time.

Photographic competition 2012

Section A - Own Healey not at a Healey Meeting
 Section B - Healey(s) at a Healey Meeting
 Section C - Healey Rebuild in progress
 Section D - Artistic with some Healey connection

Section E - Open with some Healey connection
 Section F - Contemporary photos of Healeys in '40/50's
 Section G - Me and my Healey
 Section H - Healeys on Holiday



Winner A - Al Ruckey, On the shores of Lake Michigan.



Runner up A - Bernd Sgraja, Sportsmobile and Silverstone in Bernd's very tidy garage.

I am a member of the Association of Healey Owners in the England. I joined some years ago because their parts program had aluminum casting for my Trailing Link Suspension. Last year I submitted a photo I took of my 1952 Nash Healey sitting on the shore of Lake Michigan. To my surprise a recent copy of their magazine (Gazette 50) showed me as the winner of the Section
 Al Ruckey Detroit



Healey Rendezvous 2013



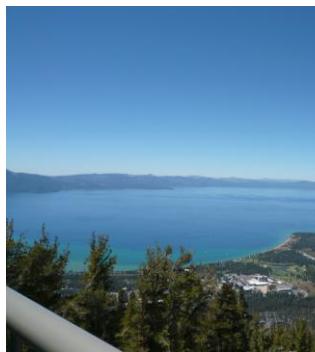
The **2013 AHCA Healey Rendezvous** took place in beautiful South Tahoe at the Montbleu Resort from June 24 – 27, 2013. The event featured 133 Healeys – one Silverstone, 2 Nash Healeys, one Jensen Healey, even a Healey Fiesta and 128 Austin Healeys. Quite an impressive lineup of Healeys. It was a well organized event and kudos to the Golden Gate Austin Healey Club for all of their efforts.



The weather almost cooperated for the featured car show in the fabulous setting of Heavenly Village. Bob Segui's 1953 Le Mans Coupe and Ron Brookes 1954 Coupe were two of the featured Healey's



The car show was followed by a lovely cruise around Lake Tahoe complete with dinner and 60's style music and great entertainment. A wonderful time was had by all.



The next day the sun was back and we embarked on a fantastic drive around Lake Tahoe. We chose the route to Truckee, as it offered more lake touring. It was a great day, the scenery was spectacular as was a lovely lunch in the charming historic town of Truckee. The trip back over Donner Pass was a little heartstopping but everyone arrived back safely.



The four day Rendezvous finished off Thursday evening with a Live Auction and the AHCA Awards. Much to our surprise, our 1954 Nash Healey was awarded Best of Show. Quite an honor amongst all those lovely cars. Our journey took us from our home near Jasper National Park in Alberta through Salt Lake City with a short stop at the Bonneville Salt Flats to Reno and Lake Tahoe. The round trip was about 3500 miles.



"Like a Crow on a June Bug" (1973) is the story of a young country girl who is tempted by the big city life. A few Georgia names crop up in the film's credits, such as Jewell Futch, a former Lowndes County sheriff, playing a used-car salesman. But the film also starred a young Richard Thomas before he became famous as John Boy Walton. It also starred Mercedes McCambridge, Not only did she get to play Ma Erdley while being filmed in Valdosta, she provided the demonic voice that cursed and growled from Linda Blair in "The Exorcist."

The movie also featured The Late Richard Kauffmans 1952 Nash Healey



My Little Margie is an American situation comedy that alternated between [CBS](#) and [NBC](#) from 1952 to 1955. "My Little Margie" was a summer replacement for "I Love Lucy" and was such a hit with the public, the network picked it up and gave it its own time slot.

The premise was simple, but effective. Vern Albright (Charles Farrell) was a widower of about 50ish. He has this 21 year old girl, Margie (Miss Gale Storm), whom he has had to raise all by his self for some years. They live in a luxury Apartment Building, one with elevators and all. Both felt that they had problems, one with the other. For while Vern worried about raising his little girl, Margie had apprehensions about her Pop's being an attractive, youthful and very eligible Male. Margie dreamed of owning a Nash Healey and one episode apparently takes them to a dealership.



Newly Restored 1952 Roadster owned by Tom Edwards of California.



1951 Roadster owned by Shawn Till of Potomac, MD



Jim Skotidas of North Carolina recently registered his 1953 coupe



Phil Auldridge of Dripping Springs, Texas owns this 1953 Coupe

Owners Gallery

Please send me your photos for inclusion in the Owners Gallery.
Send to nashhealeyregistry@gmail.com. Thanks Judy



Paddy Greenwood of Finchampstead, Berks is our first registration from England with his 1954 Coupe



Jim Williams of Salt Lake City recently sold his 1953 Roadster

Registry Update

The Nash Healey Registry has grown from an initial 11 when it began in 2009 to a present total of 154 registered vehicles. Our list of vehicles believed to still exist is at currently 380. Three of our latest registrations were for 1951s which brings the total of registered 1951s to 22. I am always delighted when we add cars that we did not know were still in existence. Please keep sending me info when you come across someone not aware of the Registry.

We welcome our latest registered owner from Elgin, IL with a 1953 roadster that was customized in 1955 for the late Archie Moore.

Please send your stories and photos to nashhealeyregistry@gmail.com or jbrookes@moradnet.ca. We need your input to continue producing the Nash Healey Newsletter.

Items for sale

1952-54 Nash Healey Roadster Windshields \$695.00
1953 Nash Healey Coupe back Windshields \$695.00
1953 & 1954 Nash Healey Coupe Windshields \$695.00
1954 Nash Healey Coupe back windshield weatherstrip.
\$450.00
All Nash Healeys extended front suspension caster adjuster
\$350.00
Contact Jim Walton nshjw@yahoo.com or

Items for sale

Nash Healey Drive Stabilizer Trunnions are in stock. Restore straight safe driving. Prevent sloppy steering, wandering and certain drive line noises. Exact factory replacement for all 51-54. Nash never made spares so we did. \$219 Heavy Duty, lifetime warranty. Order by email from Bob Walker ambo49@gmail.com or call 714 991 7070 For details go to our website NashRamblerRubber.com

Items for sale

Nash Healey Deck Lid Script



available from Dennis Collins, Wylie, TX. Phone number **972.442.6189**. This script looks like the original. The attaching studs are in the same original location. The thickness of the lettering is as original as is the size and font of the lettering. Their price is \$150.00 for the two pieces plus shipping

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