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**2008 promises to be our busiest year yet in our workshops here at Cape. You'll know by now that we're building a full series of CapeSport specials from the 100 to a number of 3000s. What you may not know about is the work we're undertaking to accurately restore a very real, historic Austin Healey – AHX11.**

AHX11 was the sixth pre-production Austin Healey 100 completed and it was displayed on the Austin Healey stand at the Turin Motor Show in 1953.

Here we are 55 years later, with this unique car in our workshops undergoing a professional, ground-up restoration, quite possibly the first since it was assembled at Healey's Warwick factory.

This has been a fantastic opportunity for Cape to work on a traditional and correct original. Being one of the 19 'Warwick' Healeys, it was essential that

the car was restored accurately and sympathetically and we're extremely grateful for the advice and photographs supplied by other Warwick car owners which have proved invaluable.

Stage one of our work concentrated on stripping off the poor / incorrect work undertaken prior to its arrival at Cape and reconstructing the chassis, the rear bulk head and boot area where most of the damage had been done. The inner body assembly has now been reconstructed with all the

detailing unique to this car. And as our picture shows, the original aluminium outer panels have been repaired and all the external body fittings and brightwork have been trialed and fitted.

Work continues apace on this historic car which we are hoping to display at Goodwood in May along with our very own CapeSport 100. For full details of all our restoration projects, keep an eye on the Case Studies at [www.cape-international.com](http://www.cape-international.com) which is updated regularly. And if you've got a project to discuss just give us a call.

Cheers,

Steve Norton

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