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up and down and in and out – that’s off the assembly line. We get it down to perfect. Everything is adjustable. You can do it. You gap your points to 15,000 of an inch, so there is no reason you can’t get the wheel perfect.”

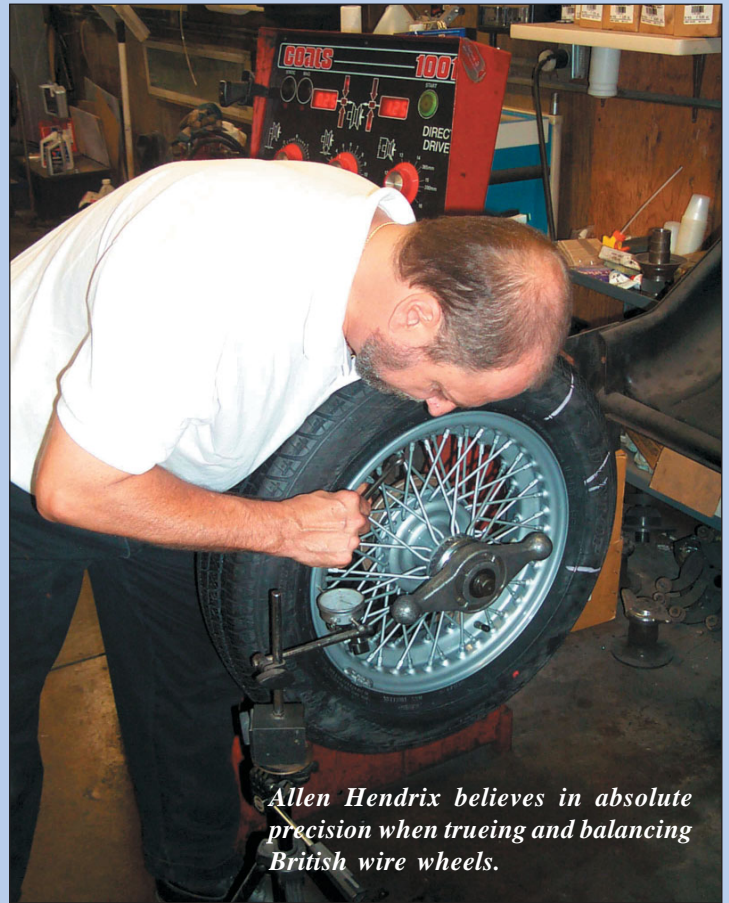
The spinning razor blade that is affixed to the tire shaver is one of the most important tools in Hendrix’s shop. It is used to take the high and spots off tires, whether they are used or new, and the difference is amazing on the highway.

“You will feel the highs and lows in a tire,” said Hendrix. “If things aren’t right, you’ll feel a leaf if you run over it going down the road. Most people think there is something wrong with the suspension, but it’s usually because everything is so out of balance.”

Things are going so well at Hendrix Wire Wheel that Allen has expanded the business during the past two years to include service and restoration of Austin-Healeys. Although, his emphasis is on quick service, “just as if you were taking your car back to the original dealer,” he said.

“We saw the need for repairs that needed to be done quickly to get people back on the road. Many shops that work on British cars are backed up for weeks or months and can only do work for you when they can get to it. But we take appointments and try to get minor repairs or service done in a day so our customers can get back on the road.”

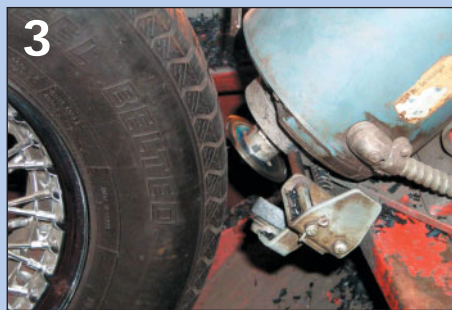
His longtime friend and fellow Healey enthusiast Jerry Anderson, 68, who has been working on Healeys for 40 years, joined the company to help with the workload. More recently, Hendrix’s son, Chance, 25, joined the family business to follow in his father’s footsteps.



*Allen Hendrix believes in absolute precision when trueing and balancing British wire wheels.*

“With him coming in, I know this won’t die,” said Hendrix, of the “black art” of getting the shake out of Healeys. “We think we’ve found everything that makes a Healey shake, and our job is to true it out, balance it out or shave it out.”

For more information, visit them at [hendrixwirewheel.com](http://hendrixwirewheel.com).



1. Hendrix Wire Wheel has adapters for virtually any type of British wire wheel. 2. Wheels or drums can be mounted to the balancer using lug nuts to perfectly mimic how they will behave on the car. 3. Shaving the high points off tires is key to getting the shake out. 4. Hendrix Wire Wheel has a European-style tire mounter that won’t bend the spokes on a wire wheel.