1950's Healey Speedboat at Auction

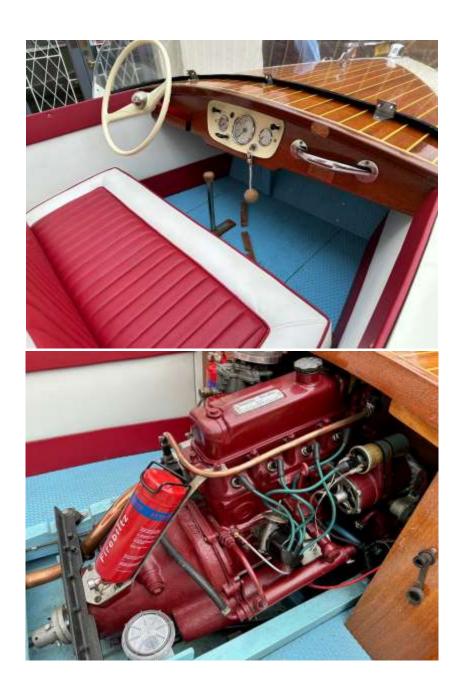
A 1950's Healey 55 Sport Boat is one of the more unusual lots in the Charterhouse auction of Automobilia & Memorabilia on **Tuesday 4**th **April.**

Whilst Healey are mostly known for making their sports cars, they also made speedboats in low numbers.

"Donald Healey had a lifelong love of water and speed and during his many trips to America he acquired an enthusiasm for water skiing," commented Richard Bromell. "It was therefore quite natural for him to form Healey Marine with the early hulls for his boats being made in Bridport."

The Healey Sport Boat 55 being sold by Charterhouse was bought as a project by its Dorset owner. It was stripped back with all panels, deck and engine removed to be fully restored.





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Named 'Rattler – the Healey family make Rattler cider in Cornwall - this boat has yet to take to the water. The project took years to complete and although finished, the owner is sadly now unable to use his beloved boat.

Restored to a high standard, the deck is laid with mahogany strips and not faced ply, Rattler is estimated to sell for £12,000 -15,000. Complete with its trailer, made to

measure all weather cover, Rattler meets to the approval of the Classic Motor Boat Club and would be a perfect addition to the owner a classic Healey motor car.

Viewing for the auction, being held at Charterhouse, The Long Street Salerooms, Sherborne, Dorset, is on **Monday 3rd April** and the day of the auction.

For further information regarding this auction contact **Richard Bromell** at Charterhouse Auctioneers on **01935 812277**, email rb@charterhouse-auction.com or via www.charterhouse-auction.com where live internet bidding is available.