

ASTON MARTIN 848 HYL

Model: DB4 Series 5

Year of Manufacture: 1963

Ice Blue with Red Leather

Chassis No: DB4/1035/R, Engine No: 370/544/SS

3,670cc Special Series Vantage engine with 3 SU carburettors giving 270 bhp on unleaded petrol.

Thought to be one of only fifteen (RHD) DB4 Series 5 cars, originally factory built*, with upright Le Mans headlights and fitted with a Special Series Vantage engine and the only one ordered in Ice Blue with red leather interior.

The specification includes: 15" chrome wire wheels, 3:31 back axle, electric windows, Selectaride adjustable shock absorbers and Dunlop disc brakes.

Sold originally 1st March 1963 to JR Stopford by HWM.

Three owners from new - the Barclay family since April 1971. It has never had a body-off strip, restoration or rebuild.

The car featured in the BBC Radio 4 programme "YOU & YOURS" 30th March and on BBC Radio Oxford 24th April 2007. It has appeared in a number of calendars including the Aston Martin Works calendar 2000, magazine features including Classic Cars March 1995 and the books Aston Martin – the Compleat Car and 'On Aston Martin'. It appears on the website www.astonmartins.com

It has participated in sprints, rallies and road events including Aston Martin Owners Club, BEN, CSMA, Norwich Union and the New Year's Day London Parade 2002. It has taken part in club Concours d'Etat and Elegance since 1971 and has appeared in club and company displays.

It has come second in Class C for 6 cylinder Newport Pagnell cars at AMOC autumn Concours 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 and fourth in 2009; third in the 2007, 4th in 2008 and 5th in 2009 spring concours; at the spring concours at Waddesdon in 2005 it won Class J, and, in Sept 2012 at the Boughton House autumn concours, the Portman Challenge Trophy.

In 2009 it participated in the celebration of the 50th anniversary of Aston Martin winning Le Mans and the World Sports Car Championship Aston Martin Gathering at Le Mans and the Hotel de France, La Chartre sur le Loir.

In 2012 it participated in the AMOC Club's tour to Normandy and was one of 60 cars in the Aston Martin Timeline display in Long Walk at Windsor Castle.

In May 2013 it won the 'Entry on the Day' class at the AMOC concours at Greenwich.

On 21st July it was car number 41 in the Kensington Gardens Aston Martin Centenary TimeLine display, outside Kensington Palace, and in August in the Aston Martin Centenary Parade at Shelsley Walsh Speed Hill Climb. It was 5th in the Elite Class at the Broughton Castle Autumn concours.

In 2013 the AMOC awarded it the John Wyer Trophy for 'the Best Kept Post-war car' – 50 years after it left the factory in March 1963.

In 2014 HYL won the 'Entry on the Day' class at the AMOC Spring concours at Greenwich, participated in the BEN garden party, Brooklands Double Twelve Concours, the AMOC tour to Versailles, the tenth anniversary Wings & Wheels at Dunsfold (Top Gear) aerodrome, the Concours of Elegance at Hampton Court Palace and the AMOC display at the Kop Hillclimb.

In 2015 the car has appeared in the Channel 4 programme 'For the Love of Cars', came second in the AMOC 'Entry on the Day' class at Woburn Abbey - described as 'probably the most original car in the Club' and was displayed at Wilton House.

* See AM Spring 1971 Vol 12 N0.41/2, pages 201 - 237 – Jubilee Judgement "Would the 'real' DB4 stand up?" by LJK Setright; confirmed by Kent Monk, Aston Martin Works Service, Newport Pagnell (1971). See Page 5, Volume 3 AMOC Register 2001; and correspondence with AMOC Registrar, Tim Cottingham, March 2015.

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