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# HEALEY HEARSAY

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**From The Editor:**



It's time for a dose of reality. When I brought Stella home I knew she had to be painted. My son and I decided on

Black with dark red interior. As I started



work on her with an eye to bringing her back to life I knew I would need to strip her of everything that was not to be painted, so I began to take stuff off, clean it and store it to be installed after the paint. That has been the guiding philosophy all summer. However, lately I have realized that the paint job is going to cost an arm AND a leg, and probably wont happen anytime soon. Therefore I have two options: leave all the stuff in storage and let Stella sit idle in the garage waiting for an infusion of cash, or

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**November Meeting**

Marie Callender's  
6950 Alvarado Rd,  
La Mesa 465-1910,  
*November 9th @ 6:30*



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**ON THE COVER:** Dick and Jan tearing up the track at Laguna Seca in their 100-6 BN6.

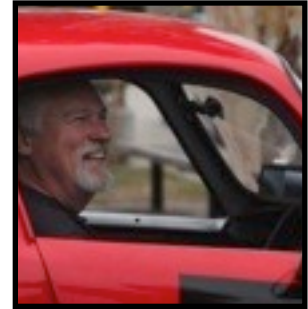
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**Dear Healey Friends**

**President's Message:**

I am sure by now most of you know or have heard of the loss of our good friend and **Charter & Founding member Dick Schmidt** on Friday, October 7; two days prior to his 81st birthday at home with family and friends. He had been battling a tumor for quite some time.



Our friendship spans almost 40 years with many, many good times spent together enjoying Healey trips, club & family adventures, including Dick & Jan letting Robin & I camp out with them at Snowmass for the 30th Anniversary of Healeys when we couldn't rub two sticks together to make fire, a memory that will last a lifetime for Robin & I!!

Dick was always Fixing, or Upgrading his Healey or his many other cars, recently the club had volunteered to help get the **DJS 100-6** running and Dick was there to give us insight as to his changes to the car and help us get her started, which we managed to do. That was cool because Dick was there to see her come to life after a very long slumber!!

Dick didn't want a funeral so Jan is planning a Celebration of Life for sometime after the first of the year; and would like to see DJS back together again so she can drive it. Perhaps she will share some of her great stories about their life together with Healey's, kids, etc etc. Our Thoughts and Prayers are with Jan and all her family and friends!!

Other news, the Desert Trip has been cancelled due to lack of participants. We tried to combine our efforts with the LA group, but neither club could agree on a weekend that would work. So, I guess we will have to wait until next year for a desert or other run for our Anniversary Party.

On a much lighter note, a few AHCSA members got to go out to Desert Run with a few of the AHA members and stay at Ed & Abbe Nuemeyers' house and watch three evenings of vintage music including Rolling Stones, Bob Dylan, Paul McCartney, Neil Young, Roger Waters & The Who. Ask Udo & Gisela for details; I only made the McCartney, Neil Young evening, but it was pretty amazing with 75K attending it!!

Even More fun was enjoyed at Oktoberfest celebrating the recent wedding of Bob & Carol which appeared to have a 200 plus crowd of friends and relatives. The newlyweds surprised us all with wonderful food, wine and music. It was a magical day for all who attended. A Big **CONGRATULATIONS** again to **Bob & Carol** and **THANK YOU** for inviting us to celebrate with you two and your family!!

Don't forget November is our voting month for officers, luckily for us we currently have people who are willing to stay on in their current positions or volunteered at our last meeting.

Pres **Terry Cowan**, VP **Don Benke**, Treasurer **Gary Stalker**, Newsletter **Sam Talbert**, COTY Recorder & Web Master, **Rick Snover** BCCC Rep, **Terry Cowan & Gary Stalker** AHCA Delegate **Mike Williams**

Nominated For Positions: Activities **Lou Galper**; Secretary **Lynne Stark**.

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**November 9th @ 6:30**

Hope to see you all there!!

**Cheers, Terry**



# SDAHC Minutes

*October 12, 2016*

**The Meeting Was Held At:**

Mainsteam Bar & Grill

**Members In Attendance:**

11 Members, Terry Cowan, Lisa Mandell, Alex Watt, Sandy Watt, Don Benke, Carol & Bob Farnsworth, Rick Snover, Sam Talbert, Gary Stalker, Lex Dunn

**Meeting Called To Order:**

7:20 By President Terry Cowan

**General Discussion, Comments**

Talked about Dick Schmidt, BCD...

**Membership:**

No Changes, Lex Dunn Paid His 2017 Membership

**Treasury:**

No Changes

**Secretary:**

No Comments

**Activities:**

Head Count for Oktoberfest, Don't Bring Anything, Call Lynne & Howard about no shopping.  
Alt date for Holiday party, Laurie quote for food, Cost 200.00 plus 25.00 per head.  
Cops & Rodder's This Weekend, SD Police Museum / Embarcadero  
Lu Quinta - Steve Kirby 10 cars, 11/18 to 11/22, No one from or club can make it.  
Holiday Party no date yet haven't heard back, Terry will call again.

**Other Business**

No old business, New Business Officer's & Volunteer's.

**Dinner Winner**

Lex Dunn ( Refused)

**Meeting Adjourned @ 7:45**





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put all the stuff back on and drive her around in the gaudy orange she wears now.

So, I have decided. Stella needs to get out and get on the road and stretch her legs in the San Diego sun. Knowing I will have to take everything off again for her new paint job, I have begun putting her back together to make her look her best despite her gaudy orange paint.

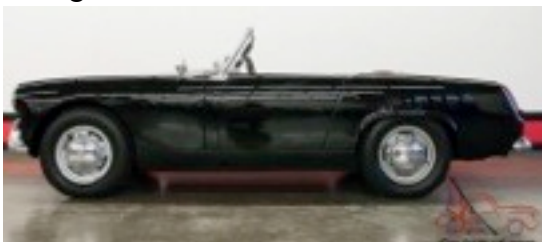
Here's the deal. If you happen to see Stella slinking



around San Diego don't look at her gaudy orange dress, look at her fancy headlights,



her leather bound steering wheel, her shiny wheels and her new wind screen. One day she will don her 'little black dress' and go dancing!



# Activities

December 10

# Annual

# Christmas Party!





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## MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

Dear Austin Healey Club of San Diego (AHCSD) and Club of America members, it will soon be time for each of us to renew our club memberships. Annual membership is \$30 for AHCSD and \$50 for Club of America. You may renew only AHCSD, or both clubs with one check (\$80), made payable to:

**AHCSD**  
**C/O Don Benke**  
**4775 Yerba Santa Drive**  
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AHCSD will forward all \$50 payments for Club of America to the C of A treasurer in February. In the past, we have received many renewal checks at our Christmas party in December, but we will be happy to accept your renewals now through February 1<sup>st</sup>.

If you have changes such as address, phone, email, member names, or cars you want listed in our member directory, you might consider sending in a fresh membership application with the updates along with your check.

Contact VP Don Benke [dgbenke@cox.net](mailto:dgbenke@cox.net) if you would like an application or need a copy of the 2016 directory. Or call Don (619 778-1680) if you have any membership questions.

See you in November!

VP Don





## Dick & Jan Schmidt

### *A Look Back*

By

Bob Carberry

Club President 1978 -1981

Over the years many of us have given our time, effort and money to support the club's organization, activities and capabilities. In some cases including mine, Life can divert our attention and resources such that our support to the club can waver or even cease. Children, divorce, marriage, job issues, self-employment, health concerns, etc all can drain us emotionally and/or financially. To those who have served in any office I commend you. It's a volunteer organization and no one forces us to do anything. Too often there are no thank you's. This is a thank you, particularly to Dick & Jan.

On 6/24/78 twenty Healey owners met to form what became the Austin Healey Club of San Diego. Among those still around now are Terry, myself and Dick & Jan Schmidt. On 7/30/78 ten members were present to approve and adopt the original club by laws. Dick & Jan were there.

When I look at my notes from those first 3 years, Dick & Jan show up all the time. Whether it's coordinating a tour, sponsoring a tech session, arranging for a speaker at the monthly meeting or attending a meeting they were always there. They supported me during those early years when I needed it. I believe they have served in every club office, probably more than once. No one has been more consistent over the past 38 years in supporting the club than Dick & Jan.

I use the term Dick & Jan, together. If you know Dick, you know Jan and vice versa.







# British Car Day

British Car Day took on a different feel this year. My back surgery put it in jeopardy. Sprites are not the most ideal seat for us invalids. However, the surgery was nothing short of a miracle and I was good-to-go. My son the fireman/paramedic decided it would be best if he went along. We arose at 0-dark-thirty and rolled Whooeee out onto the grass at the Embarcadero. My son drove and pulled us alongside four other Bugeyes. Healey participation was down this year with only twelve of the Queen's best on display (7 big Healeys and 5 Sprites).



The day was great with some really nice cars on display. As usual there was a large group of MGs and the TCs were featured marque this year. There was also a wad of Minis



(Understandable since the president of the Car Club Council drives one).

Mickey Pleasant was the big winner this year. He took first place with his Bugeye then sold it to a retired admiral. He wrote him a check on the spot!! One of our new members, Eric Graves took first place among the big Healeys

and Bob Carberry took second with his MK III BJ8.







# Octoberfest

Octoberfest was different this year. Normally it is a pot luck with everybody trying to impress Udo with their German cooking skills. This year Bob Farnsworth decided to cater the whole event. It had something to do with his and Carol's recent nuptials. Since

the wedding took place in Las Vegas, they were not able to invite many of their friends. Therefore, they decided to host their wedding reception in combination with the SDAHC Octoberfest.

The day was a typical San Diego day breaking bright and clear.

The drive up to Ramona in Whoeeee was a pleasing, if somewhat warm, drive. There were about 12 Healeys (2 Bugeyes, one Jensen and a variety of "big" Healeys). The crowd was larger because Bob and Carol made a point to invite as many of their friends and family as they could. Add in the Healey Club and you have a full backyard and kitchen.

The caterer created western style bar-b-q pit and turned out tri-tip steaks and brats along with potato salad, coleslaw and watermelon. Desserts was a table full of sweet breads that attracted a circle of sweet toothed protectors. One of the highlights of the afternoon was Howard Stark singing an Eric Clapton song with the deejay.





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- Please visit our website: [www.healeyclub.org](http://www.healeyclub.org)



## November Birthdays

NORM BREWER	4
GARY DOLMAGE	8
SAM TALBERT	11
MICHAEL WILLIAMS	11
LISA MANDELL	14
JILL DARLAND	22
DEBBIE LINNARD	25

## November Anniversaries

EDWIN & ABBE NEUMEYER	11/2/02
GARY & NANCY STALKER	11/2/91
RONALD & JILL DARLAND	11/21/87

### Healey Club Stuff

AHCSD Key Fobs	125 +
Healey Club Pins	27
Conclave Pins	67
50 Year Sprite Pins	17
50 Year Sprite Grill Badges	12
Square Window Stickers	57
Sew On Club Patches	39
Conclave Mens T Blue XL	2
Conclave Mens T Blue L	4

### Conclave Men's Collared

Blue L	14
Blue XL	4
White L	1
White XL	18
White 2XL	2
Wine XL	4
Wine 2XL	4

### Conclave Women Collared

Blue M	2
Blue L	5
Blue XL	1
White L	2
White XL	1

### 50 Year Sprite T-Shirts

White L	8
White XL	10
White 2XL	4
Wine L	2
Wine 2XL	4

There maybe more but this is what I have found so far !! Ter





## Random Photos of Dick & Jan from the Archives

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# Car of the Year Award

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CotY points currently approved by the Board are: AHCSO Meetings & Tech Sessions 4 pts; AHCSO driving Events, Parties etc. 6 pts; California Healey Week 16 pts; Healey Rendezvous 16 pts; Austin Healey Conclave 16 pts; S.D. British Car Day & Rolling B.C.D. 10 pts; Other non-AHCSO one day events 2 pts; Other non-AHCSO multi-day events 4pts. The Board on a case-by-case basis may award points for other events.

## 2016 CotY Standings (as of 10/22/2016)

<u>Members</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Farnsworth, B & C	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	92	Graves, Eric	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	14
Benke, D	AH 3000 Mk III	82	Brewer, N	Jensen Healey	14
Humphreys, B&B	AH 3000 BT7	70	Darland, R & J	AH Sprite AN5	10
Galper, L	AH 100 BN1	62	Linnard, Tom	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	10
Putzke, U&G	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	60	Banales, J	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	8
Stalker, G	AH 100	52	Sharp, C&D	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	6
Grundies, D&D	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	38	Williams, M&D	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	6
Talbert, S	AH Sprite AN5	38	Galper, L	Jaguar XJ6	6
Cowan, T & Lisa M	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	36	Wilhelmy, R&L	Jaguar XF 5.0	6
Carberry, B&J	AH 3000	32	Neumeyer, E&A	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	6
Mayer, B	AH Sprite AN5	26	Phillips, L & Art	1964 3000 Mk III BJ8	6
Snover, R&A	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	24	Humphreys, B&B	Jensen Interceptor	5
Pleasant, M	AH Sprite AN5	22	Turner, C&S	Jaguar XJ	5
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