

• Club Returns to the Great Antique Collection Show as Sandy & Alex Watt Host The Club With Beer and Brats.

• Breakfast On The Bay, At Crown Point, Is Saturday August 27th

July-August 2022

From The Editor:



hanks for your understanding not receiving a separate July issue of Healey Hearsay. This has been a trying time for me confronting multiple challenges along with what I must do to maintain and improve my country

home heading into fire season, as well as my business and staff, coming out of the great pandemic which is now seemingly becoming endemic. Life has become some kind of weird stew that tastes... *of life*.

I want to thank Terry Cowan and Lou Galper for pictures for this issue. Don't be discouraged if your pictures are not in the issue to which you contributed. When adding pictures to monthly columns or featured stories, I try to select the pictures that best visualize, can be sized, and enhance the story or column. To Club members who may be uploading to Dropbox or Shutterfly, please send them to my attention at **vothstir@aol.com** as well. Photos in **thumbnail** format can be difficult to impossible to use in the newsletter. They may be too small and are not dense enough for a clear picture when enlarged, even on the Internet, and become pixelated for print.

Reading in the Healey Blogtrotter that many Healey owners are disappointed with their new stainless steel exhaust systems (*that are not cheep*) because they produce an annoying ringing sound that may have been part of the reason they purchased a new exhaust system in the first place. I Purchased my Moss s.s. exhaust system in about 1999. It did ring when first installed. As the stainless steel pipes became carboned up from driving, the ringing went away and the good Healey sound returned...

With the increasing climate change hysteria, even our Healeys can become shamed. My answer to this is smell my exhaust. By any standard, America, with the size of our economy, has the best air in the world...

Love life...We only go around once...Warren

August Meeting

Wed. August 10 th, 6:30 PM J & M Family Restaurant 1215 E Valley Parkway in Escondido



HEALEY HEARSAY is the official monthly publication of the **AUSTIN HEALEY CLUB OF SAN DIEGO**. Monthly members' meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm. The location varies, and is announced by email, in this newsletter, and on our web site, www.sdhealey.org.

Membership Information

Membership in the Austin Healey Club of San Diego is open to all owners of Austin Healey, Jensen Healey, or any other Healey vehicles, and to anyone else who is interested in the Healey marque. Annual dues for the Austin Healey Club of San Diego are \$30 per household. Visit our web site, www.sdhealey.org, or contact our Membership Coordinator, Don Benke 619-778-1680 dgbenke@ cox.net for details and an application.

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On The Cover: *The Watts 1961 Aston Martin at their home during The Club invitation for Beer & Brats and to view their collections.*

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Hello and Happy Independence day!

It appears there are many plans for fireworks in celebration of the 4th of July all over the county. I hope everyone has a great 4th of July Holiday. I'm looking forward to watching fireworks with family and friends in Santee this year. We plan on setting our DVR recorder to capture Macy's celebration in New York and the Big Bay Boom in S.D. as well.



The Watt's invited us on a tour of their antique autos and mo-



torcycles, vintage clothing, and memorabilia. They have an expansive collection. I always see something new and interesting each time I visit. I had a nice time with everyone and enjoyed the beer brats, hot dogs, and all the great food everyone brought to the gathering. The weather was perfect and it was a beautiful day in Pt Loma. Thank you all for attending and making it a great event and thanks to Alex and Sandy for inviting us to their home and for their hospitality.

I have been working with the British Car Club Council to keep British Car Day (BCD) on October 8th, but Spanish Landing is

not available on that date. Either the date or the venue will have to change. Spanish Landing is available on September 25th. I will let everyone know when and where BCD will be once I know.

We have been experiencing difficulty each year with accounts receivable from AHCA. Their systemic issues continue making extra work for our membership VP, board and treasurer. Please pay future AHCSD membership dues directly to AHCSD. Thank you.

We are planning Breakfast on the Bay in August and will discuss this further at the meeting at Mimi's Café in Mission Valley at 6:30PM on July 13th.

We will combine July and August Healey Hearsay publications, which will arrive late July. Thank you for your understanding.

August 10th meeting will be at J & M Family Restaurant 1215 E. Valley Parkway in Escondido.

See you there.

AHCSD July 8th Meeting Minutes

• President Howard Stark called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm

(H) = Drove Healey, (O) = Drove Other British

There were 23 members in attendance: Robert & Kathleen Reid, Lex Dunn, Ron Richtmyer, Ed Matheus, Warren Voth, Howard & Lynne Stark, Bob "Doc" McAllister, Laura & Terry Leyland, John Lee & Susana Davis (H), Richard & Ada Stevens, Steve Suppa (H), Lou Galper & Deborah Durham (H), Terry Cowan, Don & Pat Benke (H), and Alex & Sandy Watt

• Howard Stark reported and brought forth the following:

Welcomed members to the meeting and recognized the 23 members in attendance. Newsletter minutes were approved from last meeting. Announcements: Steve Kirby, Southern California Healey president has ended his term with the election of Mike Biss as the new leader. There has been a recent date change to British Car Day at Spanish Landing. The new date is September 25th. Our local club sent off payment to the National Club as required for local members. There remains a struggle in the reimbursement our local club is expecting from the National club.

• Lynne Stark has AHCSD coffee mugs for sale at \$12 each. Name badges have been ordered and should be received soon. There was a general discussion regarding the planned holiday party for 2023. General consensus was that we should try to book a date at the same location as last year, Casa Machado near Montgomery Field. Vote passed to use club funds to place a deposit.

• There was also a general discussion on how we will proceed to coordinate a Club Calendar for 2022. She will set up a Zoom meeting with committee members to determine parameters for the calendar. It was suggested that we have a link to Shutterfly in the newsletter that would allow members to upload photos for placement in the calendar. Don Benke will be submitting a photo of his Austin Healey on the field of the brand-new Snapdragon Stadium in Mission Valley.

• Lou Galpers: Activity report

- 8/27 Breakfast by the Bay; Crown Point; 8:00 a.m.
- Please sign up to help with materials, equipment or volunteer time for this fun event.
- 9/25 British Car Day; Spanish Landing
- 10/15-16 Healey Rendezvous; Arcata, California

Club members are encouraged to organize and/or host future club get togethers at either open space/park areas or their homes. Please check in with Lou for assistance in sending out information. Member Ed Matheus invited members to join in the SD Parrot Head party (\$35 entry; pre-paid) on 9/24. This includes the beer garden. Announced possible tailgate party for the first ever concert at Snapdragon Stadium with Jimmy Buffet on 10/22.

• Don Benke: Membership report

Please pay our membership dues directly to our local club. There are continuing financial reimbursement issues with AHCUSA.

• Sandy Leon: Treasure's report:

Club will be sending out invoices to our newsletter advertisers. Payments: badges \$113; laser cut vinyl \$115; PO Box \$ is due to be paid. Club remains solvent.

Please submit any articles or photos for the newsletter to Warren Voth by the 20th of each month. Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 pm.

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• what the future brings •

• 2022 AHCSD ACTIVTIES •

July

• 17 SD Auto Museum Cars & Coffee 7:30 to 9:30 am

August

- 10 Monthly Meeting at J & M Family Restaurant Escondido
- 27 Breakfast on the Bay- Saturday at Crown Point Shores, 8am

September

- 14 Monthly Meeting
- 18-23 Enclave, International Healey Meet, Poconos, PA
- 23 Parrotheads at Campland on the Bay
- 25 British Car Day

October

- 8 SD Auto Museum evening event
- 12 Monthly Meeting
- 15-16 Healey Rendezvous, Arcata, CA

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weekly Wednesday, El Cajon Classic Cruise 5pm weekly Thursdays, La Mesa Classic Car Show 5-8pm weekly Fridays, Escondido Cruisin' Grand 4-8pm weekly Saturdays, cars & coffee Liberty Station 8am weekly Saturdays, Rancho Sta Fe, Cielo, 18021 Calle Ambiente, 9am

weekly Saturdays, Cbad, 7130 Avenida Encinas, Carlsbad, 7am

monthly SD Auto Museum, third Sunday

Participation at club events, tech sessions, drives and gatherings are understood to be voluntary and at your own risk. AHCSD Board members, AHCA and affiliate clubs representatives or members are not liable for outcomes resulting from your participation at any club activity or event.

We're All Members of the Activities Committee

- Do you enjoy the club's events and drives?
- Do you know of a great place that SDAHC Members might enjoy?
- Do you want to share a favorite drive you've made in your Healey?
- Do you have a favorite luncheon or dinner place that would make a good venue for a SDAHC gathering?
- Think about sponsoring one of our monthly events.
- Please contact me to find out what's involved or just to talk about it.

Lou Galper • 619-287-0626 LGalper1@cox.net

AHCSD AUGUST BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES BIRTHDAYS

Heidi Farkash	1	Curt Arndt	16
George Mantor	2	Doug Schmidt	16
Rick Snover	5	Roland Wilhelmy	17
Howard Stark	9	Eric Graves	21
Gene Swiech	13	Virginia de Boer	27
Udo Putzke	14	Richard Thrift	27

ANNIVERSARIES

John Banales and Sylvia Torres	8/23/2003
Robert and Joan DeYoung	8/6/1965
Laura and Terrey Leyland	8/10/2007
Dawn Moore and Larry Alldredge	8/16/2005
Bryan and Ann Johnson	8/18/1984
Ron and Carolyn Richtmyer	8/21/1967
Gene and Dawn Swiech	8/31/2013

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AHCSD JULY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

John Lee III Sylvia Torres Sharon Burton Bryan Johnson Steve Suppa	6 6 10 11 13	Jo-Ann Carberry Allie Snover John Farkash Carol Farnsworth Alice Hurley	14 16 17 17 17			
John Banales	14	Neil Tabachki Loreen Wilhelmy	28 30			
ANNIVERSARIES						
Udo and Gisela Putzke 7/17/92						
Will and Sharon Rogers 7/12/64						
Scott Jones and Tim Spivey 7/23/95						





CLUB MEMBER-NAME BADGES

Members asked, the Board voted and name badges will be ordered for any member who wants one at a cost to club members of only \$5.00 per badge, (the club will pay the balance). Please text, email or contact me with your name as you want it to appear and the year and model of your car. See Example. Badges will look just like example shown and have a magnetic fastener. Please note, if you have more than one Healey and want them both on badge, list each car year and model. Don't delay, contact me ASAP for prompt ordering.

It will take 2 - 4 weeks for delivery. As always call me with any questions or concerns...Lynne

Beer And Brats With The Watts...



blowing collection of a lifetime of seemingly almost everything. The first was the November 2018 Oktoberfest. I recall asking the Watts if I could return on another day as the photos I took didn't do justice to their collections. An unformed question sparked in the back of my mind...How do they do that? I thought to myself, as they happily sat at a side table by themselves at this months Club meeting...I've GOT IT!... They're bots of some sort. I gave them several side eye glances looking for antennas and power cords. Couldn't see any...Then it dawned... It's what Amber Heard and Jonny Depp don't have. So, what is it? Ockham's Raisor or Ocham's razor sheds light. Ochams razor: Latin: lex parsimoniae "law of parsimony" is the problem-solving principle that the simplest solution tends to be the correct one. When presented with competing hypotheses to solve a problem, one should select the solution with the fewest assumptions. The idea is attributed to William of Ockham (c. 1287-1347), who was an English Franciscan friar, scholastic philosopher and theologian.

We leave William and head to the future at the Watts with the club before beer and brats...Left to right, Laura & Terrey Leyland, Terry Cowan, Deborah Durham, Lou is somewhere, Robert Reid, Don & Patricia Benke, Howard Stark conversing with Richard Stevens, Curt & Nancy Arndt with Ada Stevens. In the far upper left Sandy Watts.

The beer and brats, salads and more chips and stuff, furnished by the club, followed chips and dips. As the English would certainly say, it was a lovely day. Wished more of you were here to enjoy it with us... After lunch we split up and enjoyed the Watts collections of a lifetime. Follow us and enjoy some of the amazing variety.

Auto Woodwork & Good Times





Lou and Deborah check out the Phoenix tourer. The Phoenix was an adventurous way to explore the countryside for those who had the time and wherewithal to do this, at the turn of the century...The early day romance of theopen road, for a lucky few...

Woodwork displayed in the Aston Martin above and the Riley below reminds me that these cars took many skills, including carpentry to build. These were low volume production vehicles for people who could afford them and existed along side much simpler, and common mass produced cars, such as assembly line Fords that most new automobileists could afFord for every day life. This charm and romance forms much of the foundation of clubs like ours. Our cars are no longer transport us to shops or work, (*if they ever did*) instead, once again, whisk us with friends, to good times...maybe more new friends and sites...



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More Of The Usual Suspects



The crew from a different angle. The canopy, tables, snacks and beer were ready upon arrival. The brats were soon on the grille. At the table, center-Richard & Ada Stevens, Nancy & Curt Arndt, Patricia & Don Benke, Robert Reid, Deborah Durham & Lou Galper, Terry Cowan, Terrey & Laura Leyland, Alexandra McWilliams, and the lady in blue, a friend of the Arndt's.

The second floor features a 1936 Riley Lynx. The Lynx is on a lift which may be lowered and taken on a drive to a special event. Behind is a 1913 Phoenix 11.9 HP 1500cc engine with its radiator behind the engine. Phoenix motors were founded in London



Sharon & Will Rogers enjoy the day with Will saluting with a glass of something...Right- Alex explaining perhaps some arcane point at the front of the elegant Aston Martin...





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The Watts Endless Collections



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ny. This was followed in 1905 by a single seat four wheeler the Quadcar with 6/7hp twin cylinder Fafnir engine.

Phoenix 8/10 of 1912

A proper four wheel car was introduced in 1908 as the 8/10 with 8hp engine and chain drive to a three speed transmission with further chain to the rear axle.

The Watt's collections comprise so many groups of items, It can be difficult to know where to look. Above right is one of a number of grille badges displayed on grille frames. Above left is the Riley engine, which was Donald Healey's first choice for the Austin Healey. Left behind the bright yellow English wheel, is their 1962 3000 MKII BT7 patiently waiting Alex's attention for full restoration. Directly above is an early 1911 11.9 HP Phoenix five passenger touring car. In its heyday, The first product was a motor tricycle called the Trimo with an engine imported from the Belgian Minerva compa-

After the move to Letchworth, a larger 11.9hp model with 1496 cc 4 cylinder engine, three speed transmission and worm final drive. It had the radiator behind the engine, Approximately seven cars a week were being made by a workforce of 150 at the outbreak of World War I.[2]

The 11.9 was re-introduced in 1919 still with the scuttle radiator but changing to a more conventional front radiator in 1921. For 1922 the 11.9 was replaced by the 12/25 with Meadows 1795 cc and four speed transmission...



"Sandy's" Model T Roadster

The Watt's Model T racer looks ready for road or track. What a great way to spend a Sunday afternoon.

Below is their 1959 Triumph 10 sedan. By 1957 the success of the TR3 in the United States prompted an attempt to broaden Standard-Triumph's market. With little more than a change of badging and a few lamps, the Standard 10 became the Triumph 10 for export to America.



Sandy & Alex in their kitchen. The walls are covered with bygone wooden spoons, rolling pins, garden seed packets, crocks, all displayed in period cabinets. Off the kitchen is their collection of songbirds in period cages, much like an aviary with plenty of natural light.



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I'll end this story with endless displays of almost everything. A mind expanding and enlightening, lovely day...

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CAR OF THE YEAR (COTY) AWARD



To recognize Club members who participate with their Healeys, the Austin Healey Club of San Diego awards CAR OF THE YEAR (COTY) points for various activities. Opportunities to collect COTY points include any car-related events (shows, drives, rallies, etc.) sponsored by an official organization (other car clubs, auto museum, city chambers of commerce, charities, etc.) where you participate with your Healey. Events need not be listed in the Club's newsletter to earn points.

The participant is responsible for providing proof of participation (entrance fee receipt, photo, corroboration from other club members etc.) to the COTY Recorder, Rick Snover (619-980-4194 ricksnover@earthlink.net) within 30 days after the event. AHCSD events will have a sign-in sheet that will be forwarded to the recorder. For members with multiple eligible vehicles, be sure to indicate which one(s) you drove.

COTY points currently approved by the Board are: AHCSD Meetings & Tech Sessions 4pts; AHCSD Driving Events, Parties, etc. 6pts; AHCSD Healeys on the Green 8pts; California Healey Week, Healey Rendezvous and Austin Healey Conclave 16pts; S.D. British Car Day and Rolling B.C.D. 10pts; other multi-day British-themed events 8pts; other multi-day events 4pts; other one-day British-themed events 4pts; other one-day events 2pts. Other non-Healey British-built cars earn half points, but are not eligible to win the award.

All points received during the year by all members will be worth a discount towards the purchase of AHCSD regalia during the subsequent year. The total point leader at the end of the year will receive the coveted CAR OF THE YEAR badge for display on their Healey for the following year.

2022CotY Standings (as of June 20)

Member	Car	Pts	Member	Car	Pts
Matheus, E. & S.	1960 Sprite AN5	90	Burton, R. &S.	1964 3000 MkIII BJ8 (4X4))	18
Benke, D. & P.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	66	Boysen, J. & D.	1962 3000 BN7	16
Reid, R. & K.	3000 BN7	66	Newman, D. & C.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	16
Galper, L.	1955 100 BN1	50	Putzke, U. & G.	1959 100-6 BN4	16
Stark, H. & L.	1960 3000 BT7	46	Suppa, S.	1968 Sprite MkIV AN9	16
Lee, J. & Susana D.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	44	Richtmyer, R. & C.	1958 100-6 BN4	16
DeYoung, R. & J.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	30	Arndt, C. & N.	Range Rover	13
Grundies, D. & D.S.	1965 3000 MkIII BJ8	30	Galper, L.	Jaguar 3.8s	7
Cowan, T. & L.M.	1965 3000 MkIII BJ8	24	Graves, E.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	6
McWilliams, A. & E	. 1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	22	Linnard, T. & D.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	6
Putzke, U. & G.	1961 3000 MkII BT7	20	Schumacher, K. & A	. 1955 100 BN1	6
Voth, W.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	20	Snover, R. & A.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	6
Leyland, L. & T.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	20	Polger, L. & A.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	4
			Johnson, B. & A.	1967 3000 Mk III BJ8	2

*2021 Car of the Year, not eligible to win in 2022

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August Monthly Meeting

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