

HEALEY HEARSAY

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October 2024

Note from the Editor

Hello AHCS D members. Welcome to October. Seems like was just New Years Day! This year has certainly flown by quickly. This month brings British Car Day at Tidelands Park, Coronado for the second year in a row. Sunday, October 6th. A great venue. Those who are bringing their Healeys, we look forward to seeing you.

In September we did a drive through Coronado, down the Silver Strand and had lunch in Imperial Beach. More about the event later in this issue.

Ed and Alexandra wrote a “Member Story” about their adventure on Steve Kirby’s Best of British Columbia Tour that followed California Healey Week. The story and some photos are in this issue.

I don’t have an update on the Tech Session that was talked about for October. I will post an update when there is more information. As I mentioned previously, we’d love to hear what topics you’d like to see covered.

We don’t have any events scheduled other than BCD on October 6th. If anyone plans on any drives, let us know and we’ll send a blast email to the membership. We have the Highland Valley Wine Tour coming in November. More details on that at a later date.

As always, I will close with: Please let us know of your Healey outings. A photo and caption is what I’d be looking for to create a “Members Page” on a regular basis.

Cheers—Terrey

Welcome to the October 2024 edition of **Healey Hearsay**; the monthly publication of the **Austin-Healey Club of San Diego**. Monthly AHCS D members’ meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM. The location varies and is listed in this newsletter, on the [AHCS D website](#), and by e-mail to all club members.

Membership Information

Membership in the Austin Healey Club of San Diego is open to all owners of an Austin Healey, Jensen Healey, or any other Healey vehicles, and to anyone else who has an interest in the Healey marque. Annual dues for the Austin Healey Club of San Diego are \$35.00 per household. [Visit our website](#), www.sdhealey.org, or contact our Membership Coordinator, John Lee, 661-714-6899, leebmba@hotmail.com

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All advertising and articles for publication must be submitted to the editor no later than the 20th of the month for publication in the next month’s issue. terreyl@cox.net



AHCS D October Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

Nancy Tabachki	October 1
Brenda Schulte	October 18
Susana Davis	October 22
Kevin Schumacher	October ??
Alejandra Schumacher	October ??

Anniversaries

Dave Grundies & Diane Schneider	October 11, 1997
Rick & Allie Snover	October 10, 2010

All membership renewals and written correspondence, unless "otherwise specified" should be sent to:

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From The President

Hello Fellow Club Members,

Hope you all had a great September, hard to believe we are in fall now. Although it is going to be a very tasty beginning to October but that is typical of San Diego. Nothing like pumpkins that are rotting on Halloween, so if you are going to carve any wait till the last minute. :-)

We are very lucky to live in a climate that lets us drive our cars mostly year round. Growing up in Oregon I cannot say the same but we did have many trips when it would begin to rain and we would have to stop on the side of the road to put the top up, still didn't keep it all out since my car has side curtains for windows and not roll up ones.

We had another great turnout for last months meeting, I love all the great conversations we have and hearing input from everyone who attends.

It was brought up about having an overnight stay somewhere for an event in 2025. I'm all ears if you have any ideas. We don't have an event planned for December except for the Holiday Party so it was also brought up about having a drive somewhere so stay tuned for that.

Have a great month and see you all in a Healey and get those RSVP's and dues checks sent in!



September Meeting Minutes



AHCSD September 11, 2024 Meeting

President Laura Leyland called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

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

There were 22 members in attendance: Sandy & Lily Leon, Alex Watt, Eric Graves, Terry Cowan (H), Ed & Alexandra McWilliams (H), Howard Stark, John Lee & Susana Davis (H), Jim Doornink, Joan & Bob DeYoung (H), Don Benke (H), Ed & Sandy Matheus, Laura Leyland, Robert & Kathleen Reid (H), Lou Galper & Deb Durham (O), and Warren Voth

Laura Leyland opened the meeting and thanked John Lee for facilitating the previous meeting, and for also working hard at making arrangements for our meeting locations in advance. She apologized for the late arrival of this month's Healey Hearsay

British Car is quickly approaching, as is the deadline to register your cars. Electronic registration is going better this year. Deadline to register is 9/15. The cars will be onsite until 2 p.m. It was suggested that members read up on where pop-up tents are allowed to be stationed. It was suggested that members bring a picnic lunch, or as an alternative, walk to the Marriott Hotel to grab lunch.

Members are reminded to RSVP for the upcoming Holiday Party. Look for more information in the newsletter. It is suggested that members may send one check for \$175 that will cover both the holiday party for 2 people as well as pay club dues for the next year. Again, Club of America dues are to be sent directly to the national club by individual members if they would like to participate in both clubs.

Be on the lookout for an email detailing our next club drive through the south bay to Coronado on 9/21. The rescheduled Winery Tour/Drive is now planned for 11/23.

Club members were informed of the passing of Sharon Rogers (Will's wife). Lynne will send condolences from the club.

The conversion to a new club website has continued to experience issues. Kathleen Reid would like to get a small group of people to assist in gathering information to keep the project moving forward. She is behind in her efforts to do so.

There was a question about whether or not the national website has the correct information about our current AHCSD club officers.

Sandy Leon reported that the club's expenses are small and we are funded. He indicated that the treasury was due for an audit. John Lee reminded members that elections are coming up for club officers in November. He would like members to be thinking for which positions would you like to volunteer?

John Lee recognized members with September birthdays. He informed us of the following meeting locations: October at Marie Calendar's on Alvarado; November at Bully's in Mission Valley, and December's meeting is the Holiday Party on Harbor Island.

Terrey Cowan gave an update on what would be required for a tech session at Doc McAllister's house. He believes it to be more of a restoration project. John Lee mentioned great cars that are currently listed on the Bring-A-Trailer website.

Howard Stark mentioned that member John McCoy has relocated to Kingman, Arizona. He is interested in selling some of his Healey cars. Anyone interested in what he might have available is welcome to call John @928-681-0214. Morning or late afternoons are best.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

2024 Club Activities

October Events

6– *British Car Day, Tidelands Park, Coronado*

9– *Club Meeting, 6:30pm*

November Events

13– *Club Meeting and Board Elections, 6:30pm*

18– *Ladies Luncheon– Restaurant TBD*

23– *Winery Tour– more details to come*

December Event

HOLIDAY PARTY! HOLIDAY PARTY!

SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY DECEMBER 7th

BEST WESTERN ISLAND PALMS

SUNSET ROOM

Cost: \$70 per person

(More info next page)



We Are All Members of the Activities Committee

- Do you enjoy the club’s events and drives?
- Do you know of a great place that AHCS D Members might enjoy visiting?
- Do you want to share a favorite drive you’ve made in your Healey?
- Do you have a favorite lunch or dinner place that would make a good venue for an AHCS D gathering?
- Think about sponsoring one of our monthly events.
- Please contact us to tell us about your ideas!

Laura Leyland

Laura.leyland@cox.net

Participation at Club Events, Tech Sessions, Drives and Gatherings are understood to be voluntary and at your own risk. AHCS D, its Board Members, AHCA and Affiliate Clubs, Representatives and/or Members are not liable for outcomes resulting from your participation at any club

2024 Holiday Party

AHCSD HOLIDAY PARTY

The Austin Healey Club of San Diego

Invites you to our 2024 Holiday Party

*Saturday December 7 2024
11am to 3pm*



*Best Western Plus
Island Palms Hotel & Marina
Sunset Room
2051 Shelter Island Drive
San Diego, CA 92106*



*We will again enjoy a delicious Buffet Lunch to be decided
at the October 9th Meeting!*

The party is open to all Club Members, Family, and Friends!

*Gift Exchange - If you would like to participate, bring a wrapped gift of approx.
(Optional) \$20.00 value. No gag gifts please.
There will also be a Silent Auction and Raffle!*

*The Sunset Room has lots of space to mingle & socialize as well as
an outdoor patio overlooking the Marina on Shelter Island.*

Parking is free on site for our event or across the street in the public lot.

Cost for the party is \$70.00/person or \$140.00 per couple

**This year we invite you to also pay your club dues of \$35.00 and the party with one check*
(optional)*

**Don't Delay! Send your check made out to AHCSD*

*Mail to:
Lynne Stark*

*1164 Benjamin Place
El Cajon, CA 92020*

*Questions? Call or email Lynne at (619)579-7551 Home
or redjag99@sbcglobal.net (619)733-7785 Cell*

Car of the Year Award Standings

To recognize Club members who participate with their Healey's, 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 smokey.snover@gmail.com within 30 days after the event. AHCSO 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:

- AHCSO Meetings & Tech Sessions 4pts
- AHCSO Driving Events, Parties, etc. 6pts
- AHCSO Healey's 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 AHCSO 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.

COTY Standings as of September 20, 2024

Member	Car	Pts	Member	Car	Pts
Matheus, E. & S.	1960 Sprite AN5	176	Boysen, J. & D.	1962 3000 BT7	16
Lee, J. & Davis, S.	1966 3000 MK III BJ8	106	Snover, R. & A.	1962 3000 BT7	16
Cowan, T.	1965 3000 Mk III BJ8	74	Tabachki, N. & N.	1957 100-6 BN4	16
DeYoung, R. & J.	1967 3000 MK III BJ8	74	Galper, L.	1985 Jaguar XJ6	12
Leyland, L. & T.	1962 3000 Mk II BT7	74	Graves, E.	1962 3000 Mk II BT7	12
Luckie, T & Cathy	1967 3000 Mk III BJ8	48	Reid, R. & K.	1960 3000 BN7	10
Benke, D. & P.	1967 3000 Mk III BJ8	46	McWilliams, A. & E.	1966 3000 BJ8	8
Galper, L.	1955 100 BN1	40	Howard, J. & Hays, J.	1962 3000 BT7	6
Stark, H. & L.	1960 3000 BT7	40	O'Connell, W. & D.	1958 100-6 BN4	6
Grundies, D. & Schneider, D.	1965 3000 Mk III BJ8	26	Banales, J. & S.T.	1962 3000 Mk II BT7	4
Linnard, T. & D.	1966 3000 MK III BJ8	22	Lee, J. & Davis, S.	1967 3000 MK III BJ8	4
Putzke, U. & G.	1961 3000 Mk II BT7	18	Stark, H. & L.	1989 Jaguar XJS Conv.	3

Cover Photo

The Healeys passing through Coronado on the way to the Silver Strand and Imperial Beach

Monthly Meeting Schedule

October Meeting

Wednesday, October 9 6:30 PM

Marie Calendar's
6950 Alvarado Rd
San Diego, CA 92120

November Meeting

Wednesday, November 13 6:30 PM

Bully's East Prime Bistro
2401 Camino Del Rio South
San Diego, CA 92108

No December Meeting

Holiday Party

Please Attend!

Membership Update—John Lee

October 1, 2024	
Membership Summary	
Memberships	60
Total Combined Members	109
Austin Healey Club America Mem- bers - San Diego	25
New Members for September & October 2024	
None	

Please address any concerns regarding:

- Club Membership
- Healey Hearsay Distribution
- Monthly Meeting Venues
- Other Ideas or Recommendations

John Lee
Phone or Text 661-714-6899

Coronado—Silver Strand Drive



Above: Looking West from atop the Coronado Bay Bridge. Coronado in the foreground, Pt Loma/Cabrillo in the background.

Below: Part of the group at the starting point, Tuna Harbor Park, next to the USS Midway.



It was perfect driving weather. Overcast when we got to the USS Midway which is perfection in a Healey. We hung out in the parking lot for a little while waiting for others to join and we had quite the lookie loos coming over and talking to us about the cars and taking photos. There was a group of Korean visitors that just loved all the cars, they took lots of photos of just the cars and themselves standing next to them, at one point I was slightly worried that they were just going to get in them. :-)

We finally headed out with Terrey and I leading the pack and 7 cars behind us. One of them was Howard and Lynne's Jag. We of courses got lots of looks and waives as we headed down towards the convention center on our way to cross over the Coronado Bridge. Only managed to make one driving mistake this time, had to pull a Uturn to get to the right street that took us to the bridge. Oh well, all part of the adventure right?

We made it into Coronado and drove down Orange Ave next to the Del and I have not been here in a while and the Hotel Del was covered in scaffolding and netting to I assume keep the dust in. There must be some major renovation going on there. Might have to go take another look when we are in Coronado for British Car Day.

We made it through the strand and had a lovely lunch at the Brigantine in Imperial Beach. We arrived early as the drive was much shorter than I anticipated. After lunch some of walked down the IB Pier.

It was a wonderful drive and great lunch with good food and great friends.

We headed back through Coronado and back over the bridge to the freeway, this was better than taking the 5 from Imperial Beach back home.

Looking forward to our next event, the winery tour in Highland Valley.

Coronado—Silver Strand Drive



The group at lunch at the Brigantine restaurant. In Imperial Beach. From lower left, going around the table: Rick Snover, Howard Stark, Terrey & Laura Leyland, Don Benke, John Lee, Bob & Joan DeYoung, Deb Durham, Lou Galper, Lynne Stark, Tom Linnard

Member Story

On May 15th, 2024 We drove our 1966 Austin Healey BJ8 to Seattle where we met up with 23 other Austin Healey's at the Seattle Airport Marriott Hotel. It took three days at 9 hours per day to reach Seattle.

We left the hotel on the Morning of Sunday, May 19th and drove to Port Angeles where we boarded a Ferry to Victoria, BC, Canada. After arriving in Victoria, we then drove an hour West to Sooke, BC, where the Canadians were having their Annual Rendezvous 2024. It was amazing to see and hear 200 Austin Healey's coming and going for 4 days!

We left Sooke, BC and drove to Victoria where we stayed at the Empress Hotel right on the harbor for two nights. Yes, we did drink the Blue Gin martinis.

It started to rain.



Member Story

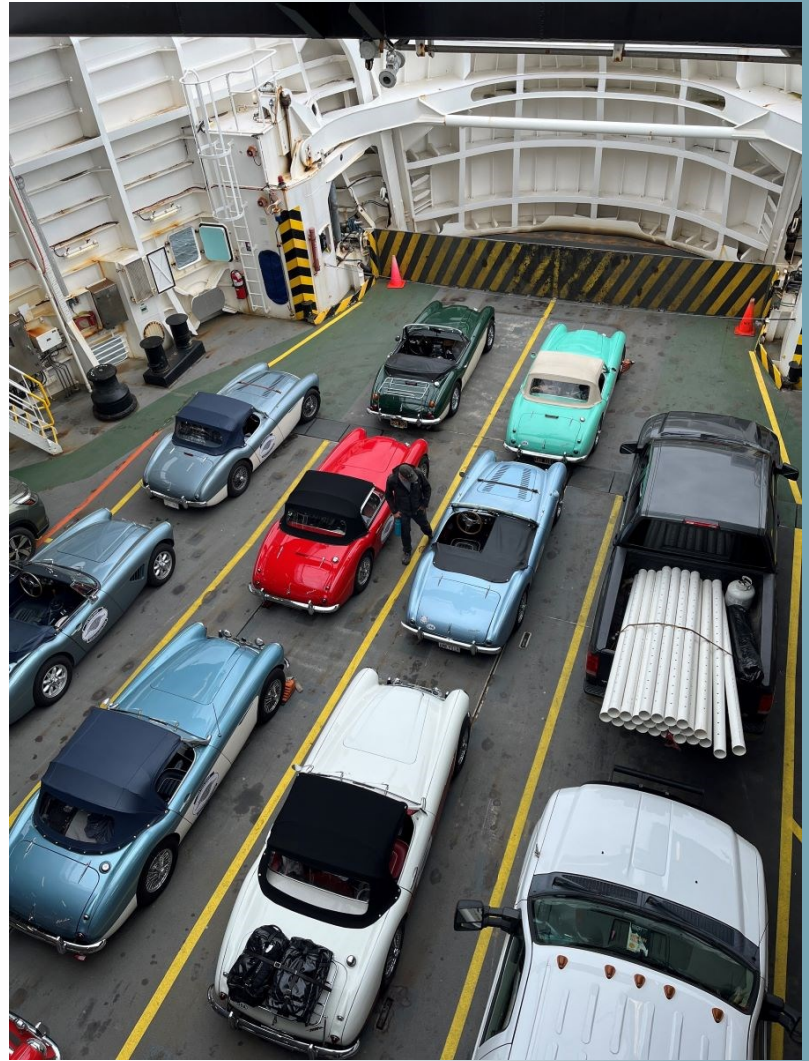
We then drove North to Comox and boarded another Ferry to spend the night in Powell River.

It is still raining.

Our next destination was Whistler, BC where we spent two nights at a beautiful hotel and ate some amazing food.

Yes, it is still raining.

By now it is May 29th and we left Whistler for Vancouver for two nights and then on to Seattle to return our cars to the big orange transport trucks.



Regalia

AHCSD Coffee Mugs, Key Fobs, Patches and Name Tags

Austin Healey Club of San Diego Coffee Mugs are still available. They are white outside with cobalt blue inside. They hold up to 16 ounces of coffee, tea, or your favorite beverage. A large cup setting on your Keurig fits perfectly with space for creamer! The club logo is printed in color, front and back, with the AHCSD name in script on the side. They come individually boxed, perfect for gift giving. Club Member cost is \$12.00 each.



Name Badges are still available to any club member who would like one. Cost to members is \$5.00 per badge. Get one for yourself, your spouse, family member or any significant other. Badges will show your name(s) as you want them to appear with the year and model of your car. Badges have a magnetic fastener so there will be no pins or holes in you clothes. Please note, if you have more than one Healey, (what a problem to have!) include that info and we'll get them listed, unless you have 10. Allow 2—4 weeks for delivery.



Reserve yours today by calling Lynne at 619-579-7551

Regalia

AHCSD Coffee Mugs, Key Fobs, Patches and Name Tags

Austin Healey Club of San Diego Key Fobs, Logo Pins and Patches are available.

Information on shirts will be forth coming.



Austin Healey Club of San Diego

Regalia Order Form

*Name: _____

*Address: _____

*Phone: _____

*E-Mail: _____

*Required

AHCSD Logo 16 oz. Mugs

Quantity ___ @ \$12 Each = \$ _____

AHCSD Key Fobs

Quantity ___ @ \$5 Each = \$ _____

AHCSD Logo Stickers

Quantity ___ @ \$3 Each = \$ _____

AHCSD Logo Pins

Quantity ___ @ \$5 Each = \$ _____

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