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November 2024

Note from the Editor

Hello AHCS D members. November is upon us and soon we'll be fully in Holiday Mode! November is an important month for the AHCS D. November's Member's Meeting will bring elections for the Board positions. More on that later in this edition.

In October we had British Car Day in Coronado. Look for more details further on in this issue. Thanks to all AHCS D members who attended and assisted.

We don't have any Member Stories to feature this month, unfortunately.

The previously talked about Tech Session never materialized in October as planned. Any ideas for Tech Sessions would be welcomed.

We have the Highland Valley Wine Tour coming in November. More details on that later in this issue.

Our Holiday party is coming up on December 7th. Please RSVP ASAP (don't you love acronyms?).

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 November 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 November Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

Ross Miller	November 5
Kathleen Reid	November 7
Joan Wetter	November 9
James Doornink	November 10
Richard Stevens	November 17
Alejandra Schumacher	November 18
Alexandra McWilliams	November 20
Jill Darland	November 22

Anniversaries

Ron and Jill Darland	November 21, 1987
Robert and Kathleen Reid	November 13, 1999

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

AHCS D
P.O. Box 17101
San Diego, CA 92117



From The President

Hello Fellow Club Members,

Welcome to November, the holidays are now in full swing. Just a few short weeks until Thanksgiving and then Christmas.

I hope you all had a great Halloween and had a few tricks up your sleeves and got some great treats.

November is also election month, not only for our country but for our club. Get out there and vote!

We are very fortunate to live in such a climate that we can drive our cars through the “winter” months. I see posts on Facebook from other clubs where they have to store them for the winter. Get those cars out there, they need to stretch their legs, um wheels!!!

Have a great month everyone.

See you soon and hopefully in a Healey!

Laura



October Meeting Minutes



AHCSD October 9, 2024 Meeting

President Laura Leyland called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

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

There were 29 members in attendance: Sandy & Lily Leon, Rick & Allie Snover (O), Alex Watt, George Williams (H), Lex Dunn, Terry Cowan (H), Ed & Alexandra McWilliams (H), Howard & Lynne Stark (H), John Lee (H), Jim Doornink, Joan & Bob DeYoung (H), Don & Pat Benke (H), Ed & Sandy Matheus, Ron & Carolyn Richtmyer, Laura & Terrey Leyland, Robert & Kathleen Reid, Lou Galper & Deb Durham (H), and Warren Voth

Laura Leyland opened the meeting and recognized the large attendance for the meeting. A motion was made to amend the August meeting minutes to reflect a vote was taken and approved to allow club reimbursement of up to \$200 for purchases made for Breakfast on the Bay.

Updates were provided on the passing of club members Cass Cacciatore, Sharon Rogers (wife of Will Rogers) and Janiece Talbot (wife of Sam Talbot).

British Car Day was fairly well attended last Sunday. Howard Stark recognized our club volunteers for the event included Lex Dunn, Sandy Leon, and Don Benke. If you have feedback for the event, please contact Howard via email, phone call, or chat. There was some confusion about trophies and awards for Austin Healey cars. Howard presented these missed first place trophies to John Lee and Robert Reid. We gained a new member (in attendance tonight) from British Car Day and the club welcomed George Williams.

Suggestion was made to amend the way points are awarded for the Car of the Year award. It was suggested that more points should be awarded for participation in AHCSA sanctioned events for the upcoming year. (Sorry, I did not record whether a vote was taken and approved or if it was just a discussion). The AHCSA year runs from December to November.

John Lee recognized October birthdays and anniversaries. Sandy Leon reported that the treasury remains funded and solvent. Kathleen Reid requested volunteers for the Meet Our Members article for the newsletter.

Laura Leyland reminded club members of our next activity as a drive and winery tour to be held on November 23rd. More information to follow.

Lynne Stark updated the club on our Holiday Party on Saturday, December 7th. The price per member is \$70, \$140/ couple. If you would like to renew club membership at the same time, you may include the \$35 in the same check, sent to Lynne. The buffet menu will feature Mediterranean flavors. Please contact Lynne if you have items to donate for either the raffle or silent auction. She is also looking for volunteers to help at the check in desk and for the ending of the silent auction. RSVP for the Holiday Party should be made by 11/25/24. Members are also encouraged to participate in the Gift Exchange. If you wish to participate, bring a wrapped gift at a value of \$20-25.

A motion was made and approved for club funds of \$500 to purchase more AHCSA regalia items.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

2024 Club Activities

November Events

- 13– Club Meeting and Board Elections, 6:30pm
- 16– Winery Tour– See next page for more details
 - Principe di Tricase Winery– Meet at Noon
 - Sky Valley Cellars– about 2ish
 - Speckle Rock– about 4ish
- 18– Ladies Luncheon– Restaurant TBD

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

Wine Tour

The first stop is where we will have lunch. You can bring your own or they do sell pizza and toasted sandwiches. Second stop is Sky Valley Cellars, and the third will be Speckle Rock where we ended last year. It is such a great view and lots of wines to taste we decided to go there again.

Principe di Tricase Winery

www.pineandwine.com

18425 Highland Valley Rd, Ramona,
CA 92065

Sky Valley Cellars

www.skyvalleycellars.com

16729 Sky Valley Dr., Ramona,
California 92065

Speckle Rock

www.specklerockvineyards.com

16138 Highland Valley Rd,
Escondido, CA 92025

For those in the North County and
would like to drive together please

meet at the farm stand on the corner of San Pasqual Rd and 78 at 11:30

For those in the East County Grossmont Center might be a good place. It is a 25 mile drive so maybe about 11:00–11:15 meet up time.



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*



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

We will again enjoy a delicious Buffet Lunch of Salmon with Capers and Lemon Beurre Blanc, Skirt Steak with Tomatoes and Rosemary, Salad, Roasted Vegetables, Saffron Rice Pilaf, Coffee and Dessert.

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) \$20-25 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

**Don't Delay! Send your check made out to AHCSD
no later than Monday, November 25th**

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*

British Car Day

Another year and another British Car Day was here. It was a lovely day, unlike last year it was a bit cooler which was lovely.

Registration was done all on line this year and that was a problem for some. I also heard this was not received well from the SC Club too. Some of our own members had issues when they arrived as they weren't on the list and if you arrived late you could not get in at all.

It was a smaller turnout this year from the club but we did have some people come down from the Southern California Club. In attendance from our club was Terry C, The Leylands, Don, John, Steve, Howard, Tom Luckie, Eric, Lex, Sandy, and Robert.

Terrey and I stayed the night in Coronado Saturday night to have a nice night out and not to have to get up so early to drive down there from Escondido. This is the way to go every year. There is a Marriott right next to Tideland Park that is very nice and has a good atmosphere.

Robert Reed and John Lee both won awards for their cars and Steve Kirby, not the current member, but the one who used to be in the club, won an award for his MG which is a funny story in itself. When Steve Kirby's name was called for the award both Steve's went up to collect and they had to ask them which cars they had. I think the crowd got a chuckle out of this.

We had a nice lunch at the Marriott and by the time we got back they were handing out the awards and it was time to wrap it up. As you can't leave until 2 a lot of people were getting antsy as it makes for a very long day.

Thanks to Sandy, Don, and Lex who always arrive extra early to help with directing people where to park.

From Left: Tom Luckie's BJ8, a non-member's 100 with a Chevy V8, Howard's BT7 and the Leyland's BT7



British Car Day



Left: Laura, Sandy and Don enjoy the sunshine



The Coronado Bridge behind some of the Healeys in attendance.



Robert Reid's 1st Place winner in the "3000 Roadster" division

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 October 20, 2024

Member	Car	Pts	Member	Car	Pts
Matheus, E. & S.	1960 Sprite AN5	196	Snover, R. & A.	1962 3000 BT7	16
Lee, J. & Davis, S.	1966 3000 MK III BJ8	124	Tabachki, N. & N.	1957 100-6 BN4	16
Leyland, L. & T.	1962 3000 Mk II BT7	84	Williams, G. & V.	1967 3000 Mk III BJ8	14
Cowan, T.	1965 3000 Mk III BJ8	82	Williams, G. & V.	1967 3000 Mk III BJ8	14
DeYoung, R. & J.	1967 3000 MK III BJ8	78	Galper, L.	1985 Jaguar XJ6	12
Kirby, S. & C.	1967 3000 MK III BJ8	74	McWilliams, A. & E.	1966 3000 BJ8	12
Benke, D. & P.	1967 3000 Mk III BJ8	60	Reid, R. & K.	1960 3000 BN7	10
Luckie, T & Cathy	1967 3000 Mk III BJ8	58	Reid, R. & K.	1960 Sprite AN5	10
Stark, H. & L.	1960 3000 BT7	54	Greatbatch, P & Shulte, B	1953 100-4 BN1	6
Galper, L.	1955 100 BN1	44	Howard, J. & Hays, J.	1962 3000 BT7	6
Grundies, D & Schneider, D	1965 3000 Mk III BJ8	26	O'Connell, W. & D.	1958 100-6 BN4	6
Graves, E.	1962 3000 Mk II BT7	22	Watt, A. & S.	1961 Aston Martin DB4	5
Linnard, T. & D.	1966 3000 MK III BJ8	22	Banales, J. & S.T.	1962 3000 Mk II BT7	4
Putzke, U. & G.	1961 3000 Mk II BT7	18	Lee, J. & Davis, S.	1967 3000 MK III BJ8	4
Boysen, J. & D.	1962 3000 BT7	16	Voth, W.	1966 3000 MK III BJ8	4
Snover, R. & A.	1962 3000 BT7	16	Stark, H. & L.	1989 Jaguar XJS Conv.	3
Tabachki, N. & N.	1957 100-6 BN4	16	Snover, R. & A.	2009 Mini Cooper	2

Cover Photo

Some of the Healeys in attendance at British Car Day. John Lee's BJ8 (the fender anyway), Robert Reid's BN7, Eric Graves' BT8, The Leyland's BT7, Howard Stark's BT7

Monthly Meeting Schedule

November Meeting

And

Board Elections

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

November 1, 2024	
Membership Summary	
Memberships	61
Total Combined Members	111
Austin Healey Club America Members - San Diego	25
New Members for October & November 2024	
George & Virginia Williams	1967 Blue BJ8
Jerry Donadio	1963 Red BT7

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

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: _____

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AHCSD Logo 16 oz. Mugs

Quantity ___ @ \$12 Each = \$ _____

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Quantity ___ @ \$5 Each = \$ _____

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Quantity ___ @ \$3 Each = \$ _____

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Please contact Lynne at 619 579-7551 or 619 733-7785 or

redjag99@sbcglobal.net to order

Save The Date– CHW 2025

SAVE THE DATES, BUT BOOK YOUR CABIN NOW

THE REDWOODS IN YOSEMITE

Tuesday, October 7 to Friday, October 10, 2025

For *Healey Week 2025* we are returning to the **Redwoods in Yosemite** where we held a very successful event in 2016. For those of you who did not attend in 2016, the Redwoods is a private cabin community within Yosemite National Park, *the only private accommodations in the Park*. Located in Wawona, near the South Entrance, the Redwoods offers a variety of cabin options, many of which are multibedroom where you can share with your friends and save.

Those not into the “cabin” thing may book at the nearby **Wawona Inn** (2.0 miles) and still participate in all the CHW activities. Another option is the **Tenaya Lodge** (9.0 miles).

Next year’s event is being dubbed “**Healey Week Lite**”. It’s a three-day, three-night Meet with some new twists. There will be a *Virtual Car Show* (there really isn’t a good Car Show location within 25 miles), and no Gymkhana, but we will have our ever-popular **Poker Run through Yosemite Valley, a Glacier Point Tour, Funkhana, and several other Scenic Drives** available. Plus, we have some new and fun events planned for the **Social Center** during the afternoons and evenings. And **an optional Lunch and Tour at the magnificent Ahwahnee Hotel**.


For those of you wanting a longer stay, you may book in a day early or stay a day longer for the *same nightly rate*. Anyone looking for a longer Tour may wish to join David Nock for **a four-day “Pre-Tour”** (details to follow).

Note: If you are trailering, ask for a cabin with **trailer parking**. Otherwise trailer parking is very limited.

Visit redwoodsinyosemite.com to find cabins and call them to book and mention that you are booking for Austin Healey California Healey Week for the event rate. Check in is Tuesday and check out is Friday.

For more information please contact Steve Kirby. sackirby@pacbell.net

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