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September '26

Note from the Editor

Hello AHCSO Members. Welcome to September. Time just will not slow down, will it? We had a good summer. Some nice events, drives. The heat in August was a bit much but September is starting nicely.

Breakfast on the Bay is always one of our signature events that had a good attendance. Not as many as in years past, but travel schedules and the weather likely kept people from attending. We do have British Car Day to look forward to this month. Sunday, September 13 at Tideland's Park Coronado. We hope to see you there.

I want to share an update regarding the Healey Hearsay. I have decided to go back to a once a month publication. Trying to go to a Bi-Monthly publication has proven to be more work for Laura and I. Since she and I are pretty much the sole



suppliers of content, (I know there have been some members that have contributed content, and I GREATLY appreciate that) it became too much to try to enter two months of content into one issue. So with this September issue, we are now back to monthly publication.

As I always ask: Please don't hesitate to send photos and descriptions of any drives you do. I would love to have a "Members Page" in each edition.

Till next time, Cheers!

Cover Photo: Some of the Healeys that were at Breakfast on the Bay

This is the September 2026 edition of **Healey Hearsay**; the monthly publication of the **Austin-Healey Club of San Diego**. Monthly AHCSO 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 [AHCSO 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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AHCSD September Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

Bill O'Connell	September 1
Steven Raskind	September 6
Robert Rast	September 10
John (JC) Mitchell	September 13
Howard Macken	September 14
Sandy Matheus	September 30

Anniversaries

None For September



August Meeting Minutes

AHCSD August 12 Meeting

President Laura Leyland called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

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

There were 20 members in attendance: John Lee & Susana Davis (H), Ed Matheus, Ron Richtmyer, Howard & Lynne Stark, Bob & Joan DeYoung (H), Rick & Allie Snover, Lou Galpers & Deb Durham (H), Don Benke (H), Lex Dunn (O), Jim Doornink, Steve Hamann, Terrey & Laura Leyland, Robert & Kathleen Reid

Laura Leyland opened the meeting and thanked members in attendance. She introduced Deb Durham who organized a fun car part game to begin the meeting. Members circulated 5 sealed bags that contained AH car parts. Members were asked to try and identify the parts contained inside. No prizes award; lots of fun guessing.

Laura gave a brief recap of last month's Healey drive through Pt. Loma. It was also mentioned that several members were able to attend the Secret Car Club and are encouraged to continue participation even on meet ups that aren't specifically highlighting British cars. AHCSD will soon be holding their annual Breakfast by the Bay and members should look for an email that will help organize participation and contributions.

July's Saturday meeting and get together at the Benke's home was very well received. Laura & Terrey Leyland are going to host a similar social event at their home in October on Halloween. Activities will include a pumpkin carving contest & cookout. Costumes not required. Laura is hoping that an 11 a.m. start time will encourage participation without interfering with any other planned Halloween activities members may have in the evening.

British Car Day is coming up on September 13th (registration closing on 8/16). There will be a group walking over to the Marriott for lunch during the day if anyone is interested in joining the group.

Club elections are coming up in November and Laura stated she will no longer be serving as the club's Activities Officer. Members are encouraged to volunteer for the position.

Terrey Leyland announced that he will be going back to a monthly publication of the Healey Hearsay. Publishing every other month created unanticipated complications.

Looking forward to the December Holiday Party, Laura proposed that AHCSD fund an additional \$20/person to hold member's cost to \$50 each. There was a discussion about the financial viability of doing this and whether it was a good use of club funds. The majority of members in attendance voted to approve this expenditure. On a related note, it was clarified that Don Benke should submit receipts for reimbursement from July's AHCSD party and was not limited to \$200.

Lynne Stark reminded members that it's not too early to be gathering items for the Silent Auction at the Holiday Party. Lynne also elaborated on recent difficulties getting print copies of the Healey Hearsay due to the print shop being closed unexpectedly.

John Lee recognized the month's birthdays and anniversaries. He clarified the current password for the members only portion of the sdhealey.org website. He updated the members on expectations for British Car Day (new arrival time is 7:30 a.m. No cars admitted after 10 a.m.) Voting during the event will be by hand, not electronically. He provided the following membership numbers: 48 families with a total of 86 members. 21 members also belong to the national club.

Robert Reid & Lou Galper both expressed great results using a local company, Carbulance Mobile Auto Body, to help with car paint issues. Robert reported to the club that he was reimbursed \$300 from California Healey Week to help with the damage caused when removing the event's roundel after the event.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

From The President

Hello Members,

Summer is heating up, literally. Hope your all staying cool out there. I think I say this every summer but it just seems to get hotter and hotter.

Septer 11th was the 25th anniversary of the twin towers coming down and the plane that landed in a field in Pennsylvania, and the one that crashed into the Pentagon. I hope you all took some time to those that lost their lives and all the first responders.

November is elections and I hope some of you are thinking about running for positions, it's always nice to get fresh blood as the saying goes.

We have some good events coming up, British Car Day, pumpkin carving contest. Hope you all join.

Hope to see you soon in a Healey!

Laura



2026 Club Activities

Virtual Tech Sessions

Last Thursday of each month. 6:00 PM Pacific.

The recurring Zoom log in is: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82390591723?pwd=WXSZltzJCP9m83N23S5Zvi0kiaAoT2.1>

September

9/9– Club Meeting at Anny’s Burgers, see meeting page for address

9/13– British Car Day at Glorietta Bay in Coronado

October

10/14– Club Meeting at Bully’s East, see meeting page for address

10/31– Lunch and pumpkin carving contest at the Leylands. 11AM– 3171 Willow Creek Pl. Escondido, 92027

November

11/11– Club Meeting at Hamburger Factory, see meetings page for address

11/21– Team event– TBD



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?
- Please contact us to tell us about your ideas!

Laura Leyland

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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 activity.

Breakfast on the Bay



Breakfast on the Bay took place on Saturday, August 22. We had a good turnout with 16 members coming out. We had French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Omelettes, Bacon, Sausage, Home Fried Potatoes and an assortment of muffins. Thanks to all who brought food and cooking supplies.

Attendees included; Bon Benke, John Lee, Lex Dunn, Steve Raskind, Steve Gerow, Lou Galper and Deb Durham, Rick and Allie Snover, Howard Macken, Bob and Joan DeYoung, Jim Doornick and Dolores Garcia, Laura and Terrey Leyland, and lastly, Terry Cowan got there just we were being kicked out of our area (someone had it reserved).

Thanks to all for attending! See you next year.



Breakfast on the Bay



Photos courtesy of Lou Galper.

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 5pts
- AHCSO Driving Events, Parties, etc. 6pts
- California Healey Week, Healey Rendezvous and Austin Healey Conclave 20 pts
- 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 (Cars & Coffee, etc) 1pt. 10 pt limit annually.
- Other non-Healey, British-built cars earn half points, but are not eligible to win the award.

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.

2026 COTY Standings — as of August 22, 2026

Member	Car	Pts	Member	Car	Pts
Lee, J. & Davis, S.	1967 3000 MK III BJ8	95	Dunn, Lex	1970 Triumph Spitfire	13½
Benke, D. & P.	1967 3000 Mk III BJ8	90	Arndt, C. & N.	1960 Sprite AN5	10
DeYoung, R. & J.	1967 3000 MK III BJ8	84	Stark, H. & L.	1960 3000 BT7	10
Leyland, L. & T.	1962 3000 Mk II BT7	54	Grundies, D. & Schneider, D.	1965 3000 Mk III BJ8	9
Galper, L.	1955 100 BN1	47	De Boer, A. & V.	1974½ Jensen Healey	6
Snover, R. & A.	1962 3000 Mk II BT7	44	Graves, E.	1962 3000 Mk II BT7	6
Reid, R. & K.	1960 3000 BN7	42	Macken, H.	1954 100-4 BN1	6
Gerow, S. & Fees, N.	1959 100-6 BN6	40	Matheus, E. & S.	1960 Sprite AN5	6
Luckie, T & C.	1967 3000 Mk III BJ8	36	Raskind, S.	1966 3000 MK III BJ8	6
Kirby, S. & C.	1974 Jensen Healey	20	Schumacher, K. & A.	1955 100 BN1	6
Tabachki, N. & N.	1957 100-6 BN4	20	Galper, L.	19xx Jaguar 3.8S	5½
Hardy, J.	1959 Sprite AN5	17	Putzke, U. & G.	1959 100-6 BN4	4
Linnard, T. & D.	1966 3000 MK III BJ8	14	Galper, L.	1964 MGB	2½

AHCSD Member Info

Monthly Meeting Schedule

September 2026 Meeting

Wednesday, September 9, 6:30 PM

Anny's Burgers

5375 Kearny Villa Rd

San Diego, CA 92123

October 2026 Meeting

Wednesday, October 14, 6:30 PM

Bully's East Prime Bistro

2401 Camino del Rio South

San Diego, CA 92108

November 2026 Meeting

Wednesday, November 11, 6:30 PM

Hamburger Factory

14122 Midland RD

Poway, CA 92064

Please Attend!

Membership Update—John Lee

AHCSD Membership Status by Year - John Lee

2025 vs 2026

Year	2025	2026
Memberships by Family or Couple	61	46
Total Combined Members	107	82
New Members	11	1
AHCA Members from Sub Group San Diego/	21	21

Please address any concerns regarding:

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

John Lee

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Lake Tahoe, CA USA**

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Austin Healey
75th Anniversary Meet

June 7-11, 2027
Lake Tahoe, CA USA

Pre-Registration Now Open

A \$100 deposit guarantees your place at the event.
We only need to collect contact information and
ask a few questions to better serve you.

Your deposit is fully refundable until June 1, 2026.
We will notify you as soon as Early Registration opens.

If registered and paid in full by June 3, 2026, you will
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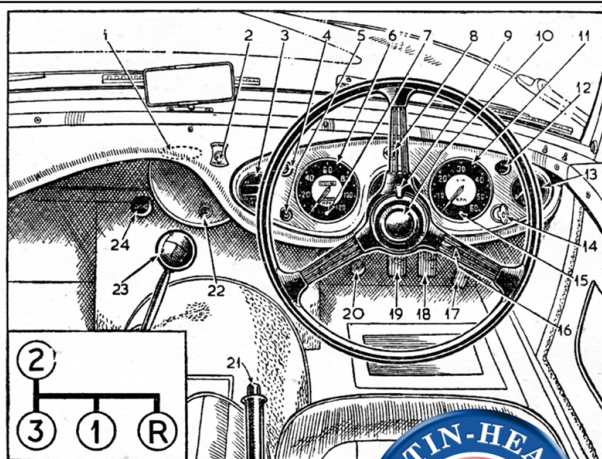
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