

### From The Editor:

February's Healey Hearsay is a light issue as there were no events other than the board meetings, in January.

It is a nice gesture that I was awardwd this Year's COTY award. In fact, Udo & Gisela Putzke are the real winners. They remind me of the copper top battery. They just keep running.

The big news for '06 is **Dana's Driving Club**, which I think is a great idea. It is one more opportunity for us to exercise our cars and ourselves, and have a little fun. As a matter of fact, on a Sunday two weeks ago, I hopped in my Healey, with the top down no less and drove to Julian for a toasted chicken sandwich and a beer at Romano's. It was a beautiful short sleeve day with little or no traffic. I will be the first to admit that I have not taken advantage as much of San Diego's back country as I could. And I live right at the front door of Cleveland National Forest. The next weekend, Mike Williams and I did another back country loop after a late breakfast at the Alpine Bread Basket. We could loose this nice weather any day now.

The tech session for an emergency flasher switch installation is a simple one that will be more talk and probably not too much work. I plan to have mine installed so you can see how it works. I will have the diagram on page 6 with a parts list, so you may bring the stuff to install your own, if you wish. It is a great safety idea that I hope I never have to use. I have a good soldering gun, drills, tools and the space to do it so it should be a fun day. The most difficult part will be where you want to put the switch. You should give some thought to this and some kind of switch mount prior to the tech session. The basic switch installation should be the same for all Healey models as near as I can tell. Mike's idea for a flasher rain coat is an interesting one, but I don't know to what you (or he) would attach the switch to. Speaking of raincoats, if it's raining the tech session will probably be cancelled.

If you plan to attend the tech session, please let me know (619-445-3156). I will furnish the fixings for burgers, chips, etc and soft drinks. I think we can get started about 10:30AM and have some fun.

Regards, Warren



**Wednesday February 8th General Meeting**- 6:30 PM. at La Pinata Restaurant (upstairs room) 2836 Juan Street in Old Town. (TB 1268-F5) EV HEARSAY is the official monthly pul

The HEALEY HEARSAY is the official monthly publication of the AUSTIN HEALEY CLUB of SAN DIEGO. General membership meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month at 6:30 P.M. The location is announced in the newsletter and on our website; sdhealey.org.

### **Membership Information**

Membership in the AUSTIN HEALEY CLUB of SAN DIEGO is open to all owners of Austin & Jensen Healey's and to all others who profess an interest in the cars or the purpose of the club. Yearly dues to the AUSTIN HEALEY CLUB of SAN DIEGO are \$30 per household.

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**Cover:** Car Of The Year Award presented to Warren Voth by Uddo Putzke, last year's winner and Tom Luckie Sr., who made the gold plated badge.

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### By Rick Snover, AHCSD President

I'm baaaaaaack. I'd like to first thank Bob Farnsworth for his two years of outstanding service as our President. I was pretty burned-out by the time my previous two years were up, and it was nice to relax as V.P. again. Now I'm recharged, and I even have a Healey to drive for a change! Thanks also go to Udo Putzke for putting together so many fun activities last year, to the other members of last year's Board who decided to stay on (Susan Virden-Kwiat as Secretary, Lou Galper as Treasurer, and Warren Voth as Editor), and to Dana McPeek and Sandy Leon for stepping forward as Activities and V.P., respectively. Special thanks go to Mike Williams, Gisela Putzke and Dick & Jan Schmidt, without whom this club wouldn't run anywhere near as smoothly nor be anywhere near as much fun.

It looks like another great year coming up for our club in 2006, starting with the Super Bowl Party at the Schmidt's on the 5th. The Board is going to pursue getting some speakers for more of our monthly meetings this year. Bob re-started that with the guys from Coast Car Covers last fall, and it was such a hit that we'll try to make it at least a quarterly feature. I think Sandy's trying to get a brakes expert to come give a talk at our March meeting. If anybody wants to help arrange a speaker for a subsequent meeting, let us know.

Also new this year will be "Dana's Driving Club", suggested by the new Chairman of our Activities Committee, Dana McPeek. Each Saturday after our monthly meeting on Wednesday there will be an informal drive from somewhere to somewhere, probably with lunch somewhere. The first event is on February 11th (see the Activities column for details), and we'll be looking for interesting rides and destinations each month. If you have an idea for one of these drives bring it up at a meeting, or contact Dana: JensenHealey@earthlink.net.

We've already received 67 membership renewals (out of our 95 members at the end of 2005), as of our Board meeting on the 18th, plus a few "the check's in the mail" emails today. That may be somewhat ahead of the usual pace, so Iím looking forward to a year of strong participation.

Now that Warren's preparing a full-color PDF version of each month's Healey Hearsay for the web site, we're again talking about saving the Club some postage expense by making that our primary delivery method. We'll discuss this at the February meeting.

Congratz to Warren Voth for winning our Car of the Year (COTY) award for 2005! Be advised that my Sprite and I have a commanding early lead for the this year's award and we fully intend to win it, so if you want to have any chance at all you better get your cars out and drive them!

TTFN, Rick

#### **January Meeting Minutes 2006**

The January 11th meeting was held at the Convoy Boll Weevil in Kearney Mesa

Stand-in secretary did not end up with the membership sign in book. 20 plus members however were in attendance. Guest Gerry Schaeffer (sp?) from earlier times renewed.

Meeting was called to order by President Bob Farnsworth at 7.05 p.m..

November minutes were approved. No minutes are taken at the Dec. Christmas party.

Call for reports from the board:

Vice President/Membership: Rick Snover reported that we have 65 renewals. Admonition to get renewals in the mail.

Treasurer: Treasurer not yet arrived and Mike Williams reported that the balance on Dec. 30th was \$7358.

Activities: The Feb. 5th activity will be the annual mens! Chili Cookoff/Superbowl party at Dick and Jans. Start time is anytime after 1.00 p.m. 2866 Gobat Ave, 858-453-3864.

Randy Zoller has moveed into a different shop, with an opening around March 12th. Possible opening party. Other activities as noted on the calandar page.

Newsletter: Warren indicated that the Feb. news letter would probably be shorter than usual.

**BCCC:** No information yet.

**Regalia:** Jan reported that she has ordered more denim long sleeved shirts with the Austin Healey wings done in silver. These were to fill existing orders and she needs to know if anyone else wishes one.

**Museum:** Gerry Kwiat presented information on a large number of upcoming events happening around the city involving various clubs. See the activities calandar for specifics.

**Misc:** Rick passed out the coty point award vouchers. Udo and Gisela were the points winners – again– and the rule for Car of the Year is that it can't be won two years in a row. Warren Voth was second and therefore the new winner. Udo thusly presented the Car of the Year badge to Warren. Tom Luckie who had originally made the badge was on hand and Warren, Tom and Udo all posed for a commemorative picture.

Bob Farnsworth gave us a product test report on 'Clay Magic' which is carried by the Coast car cover folks that presented Novembers? Car talk. The product does seem to be worth your look

**New Officers:** In our club leadership change, Bob passed the gavel to Rick Snover our 2006 president and welcomed Danna McPeek as activities. Vice President is the only other position changing this year and Sandy Leon will fill that. Bob left us a parting thanks for supporting his presidency.

Meeting adjourned 7.55 p.m.

Dinner entree winner was Roland Wilhelmy.

Respectfully submitted Dick Schmidt, stand-in Secretary

### Activities by Mike Williams

### Superbowl Party/Men's Chili Cook-off

Sunday, Feb. 5, at the home of Dick & Jan Schmidt. The party will start at 1:30 P.M. Guys, that'll give you enough time to prepare your favorite chili recipe for the annual cook-off contest. As usual, we'll have prizes for the following categories: "Hottest", "Coolest", "Most Unique", and "Best Tasting". The club will provide sodas, so you bring anything you'd like with a bit more kick. Ladies, please bring a side dish/dessert to share. See you all at the Schmidt's!

### Dana's Driving Club

Saturday, Feb. 11th Our new Activities Chair, Dana McPeek, is a Jensen Healey driving fool and he wants to convert all you into driving fools as well. Starting this month, Dana will be leading a monthly impromptu drive somewhere around San Diego County. This month, he'll be leaving from the Mira Mesa Park-n-Ride at the northwest corner of Mira Mesa Blvd. & I-15. (TB 1209-E3) at 10:00 A.M. sharp and head-off for a 2-hour drive to a yummy lunch spot eatery. This will be a regular activity, taking place on the 1st Saturday after the monthly membership meeting, which is always held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, makes sense? Good, gas 'em up and we'll see you there!

### **"Flasher" Tech Session**

Sunday, Feb. 26th Warren Voth requested this tech session and I hope it's to help him install Emergency Flashers on his BJ8 and not the "other" kind of flashers showing off their new trench coats. We'll plan a short scenic drive to Warren's starting at the world famous Bilstein Shock facility at 14102 Stowe Drive & Scripps Poway Parkway in Poway (TB 1190-G7). We'll be leaving there at 9:30 A.M. If you just want to meet us at Warren's, he's located at 5554 Riggs Road, El Cajon (TB 1253-D5) and we should be arriving around 10:30 A.M.

### **Dana's Driving Club**

Saturday, Mar. 11, for starting point location details, see next month's newsletter.

### **Desert Wild Flower Tour**

Sunday, Mar. 26th Scenic drive out to Anza Borrego Desert to view the colorful flowers. Lunch is at the Rams Hill Country Club. Details to follow.

### **Rolling British Car Day**

Saturday, Apr. 15, see flyer on page 7 for more details.

### FEBRUARY 2006

- **5** AHCSD SUPERBOWL PARTY & MEN'S CHILI COOK-OFF 1:30PM to 7PM at the Schmidt's, 2866 Gobat Ave. in University City (TB 1229-B6)
- 8 AHCSD GENERAL MEETING 6:30 PM at La Piata Restaurant (upstairs room) 2836 Juan Street in Old Town (TB 1268-F5)
- 11 "Dana's" Driving Club" Monthly Drive- (see activities).
- **15** AHCSD Board Meeting- (to be announced)
- 26 "Flasher Tech Session" at Warren Voth"s- (see activities) Page 6 and Editors column.
- 26 All Euro Swap Meet at Veteran's Stadium-5000 Lew Davis St. Long Beach- Bob Campbell 661-296-0431

### <u>March</u>

- 8 AHCSD General Meeting
- **10-12** "Brits At The Bridge" All British Marque Event at the London Bridge in Lake Havasu City AZ. Info & Registration: http://people.qualcom.com/rsnover/sdhealey/ Havasu2006html
- 11 "Dana's Driving Club" monthly drive.
- 12 Heritage Motorsports Open House, 10:00AM-2:00PM at the new facility, 1437 Pioneer Way in El Cajon (TB 1251-E2). Beverages and munchies will be provided.
- 15 AHCSD Board Meeting.
- **17-19** VARA "Route 66 Classic" vintage races at California Speedway in Fontana. http://www.vararacing.com/
- **19** San Diego Auto Swap & Sale, 6:00AM-2:00PM at Grossmont College.
- 26 AHCSD Desert Wildflower Tour- (see Activities)

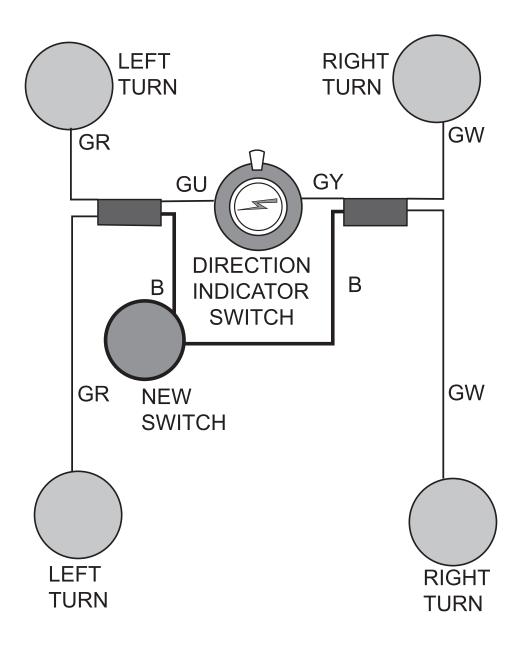
### **APRIL 2006**

- **7-9** Texas Healey Roundup 26 at Inn of the Hills in Kernville, Texas. Hosted by Gulf Coast Healey Club, gulfcoasthealeyclub.com.
- 12 AHCSD general meeting 6:30 PM...
- **15** 11th Annual Rolling British Car Day- contact sandiegobritishcarday.org
- **19** AHCSD Board Meeting.
- **29-30** VARA British Extravaganza" vintage races and car show at Buttonwillow Raceway Park (near Bakersfield). http://www.vararacing.com/
- **30** San Diego Auto Swap & Sale 6:00AM-2:00PM at Grossmont College in El Cajon, sandiegoautoswap.com.

### <u>May</u>

- 4-7 California Healey Week at Big Bear Chateau at Big Bear Lake. Austin Healey Association of Southern California: http www.austin-healey.org/
- **10** AHCSD General Meeting
- 13 AHCSD "Dana's Driving Club" Monthly Drive.
- **17** AHCSD Board Meeting.
- **29** San Diego Auto Swap & Sale. 6:00AM-2:00PM at Grossmpnt College

#### Full year Calendar may be seen at: sdhealey.org



To install a safety flasher switch, you will need:

• A toggle type switch (and an idea of where and how you are going to mount it).

• Two Lucas bullet type terminals for attachment to wiring harness.

- Two connectors to attach wire to switch.
- About 20 feet of automotive electric wire.

A soldering gun and misc. hand tools will be available



## Claim Jumper (in the Costco parking lot) at 12384 Carmel Mountain Rd Meet at 8:30, first cars out at 9:30

• If you haven't attended our "Rolling British Car Day" yet ... you've really, really missed a unique event! Last year, we exceeded all expectations .... and our wildest dreams, when over 225 English cars showed up for a backcountry tour of San Diego, ending at Buca de Beppo for a great lunch. That didn't even count a couple of Italian sports cars that snuck in, and a few modern irons!

• The purpose of Rolling British Car Day is simple—to get as many folks and clubs together as possible, and to put their wonderfully different British cars on the road!! We seek to foster camaraderie and have you meet new friends and see old ones! It's quite a sight to see British cars as far as you can see ahead of you, and even more in your rear view mirror!!!

• **Rolling British Car Day is a non-competitive**, no stress, only-fun-allowed event. There are no fees, no applications, no judging and no trophies . . . but we will have FREE raffle prizes at the end! WHAT A DEAL, EH???

This year's event will be a little different in that we've just become too dog gone big for any restaurant to handle us! So, bring your picnic basket—a great chance to show off that picnic basket and all the goodies you've been collecting all these years!

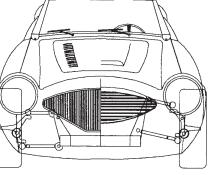
To reach the starting point--From I-15 near Poway, take Camino Del Norte EAST, turn right on Carmel Mountain Rd

We will travel through Poway, out the East and go North through the country and around Ramona, then West to Escondido arriving around Noon at Felicita Park for a picnic. Route will include short cuts for those who like to (or need to!) drive less.

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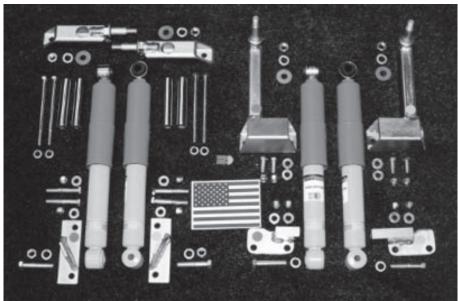




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• Shipping " Ground" only. Overseas please allow 4-6 essks for delivery.

Ask about club discount on order of three or more shock sets. 15% discount for poly shocks ordered with shock kit.

## Car Of The Year Award

## CAR OF THE YEAR AWARD



In an effort to recognize club members who participate in events with their Healeys, the Club awards Car of the Year (COTY) points for various activities. The opportunity to collect 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) where you participate with your Healey. These events may or may not be listed in the newsletter. The participant is responsible for providing proof (entrance fee receipt, photo, corroboration from other club members, etc.) to the recorder, Gisela Putzke (putzkes@cox.net) within 30 days of the event (

meetings, drives, etc.) AHCSD events will have a sign in sheet that will be forwarded to the recorder. For Multi-Healey families, be sure to indicate which car(s) you drove.

Points currently approved by the Board are: AHCSD meetings, 4-pts, AHCSD tech sessions, 4-pts, AHCSD driving events, 6-pts, Healeys on the Green, 16-points, Calif. Healey Week, 16-pts, Healey Rendezvous, 16-pts. Conclave, 16-pts, Rolling British Car Day, 10-pts, S.D. British Car Day 10-pts, non-AHCSD one day events, 2-pts, multi-day events, 4-pts, Points for other events listed in Healey Hearsay will be awarded on a case by case basis.

The total points leader at the end of the year will receive the coveted "Car of the Year" grille badge for display on their Healey for the following year. Additionally, all points received during the year by all members will be worth a discount towards the purchase of AHCSD regalia. Good luck, and get out there and drive those Healeys.

Rick Snover AN8......12 Dana McPeek Jensen.....6 Klaus Kind BJ8......6 Pendleton BJ8......6 Warren Voth BJ8......6 Mike Williams TR6......3 Randy Zoller Morgan.....3

## California Healey Week, May 4 - 7

By Bob Barron

California Healey Week, as noted in the December Healey Motor News, is scheduled for May 4-7 at the Big Bear Château, Big Bear Lake California. The hotel has a very interesting past, being built by a Greek industrialist who's vision was to build a mountain chateau that would offer the amenities of a European retreat. I recall when the hotel first opened 16 years ago at the base of Moonridge Road that leads up to the Bear Mountain ski area, at that time known as Goldmine. The hotel was and still is exceptionally elegant decorated in "European" scheme, the Chateau has 80 deluxe guest rooms and suites offering luxurious amenities, including;pillow top beds, oversized bathrooms, many with Jacuzzi baths, heated towel racks and a fireplace in every

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room. The bath and hand towels are so soft and so fluffy, I didn't know if I was going to be able to fit them into my suitcase! The award winning restaurant presents delectable menus of fresh seasonal cuisine, graciously served in a European setting. Within the Chateau, Healeyphytes can unwind and relax at the outdoor pool, under the towering pines. Really folks, the Chateau conveys a dramatic sense of seclusion, yet is an easy 2 hour drive from almost any area in Southern California. Our lodging rates are less than last year and those registration details will be forthcoming in the February HMN. Should you care to make advanced reservations, identify yourself as a participant of California Healey Week when you call (909) 866-6666 or bbchateau@verizon.

## **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Ms. Winslow Mike MacLean	02/03 02/04
Christy Anderson	02/05
Bridget McGee	02/09
Diane Kirby	02/10
Jeanne Deringer	02/10
Staley Banales	02/12
Ron Martin	02/13
Jerry Schaffer	02/14
Gil Daab	02/19
Arthur Quillo	02/20
Marianne Turlington	02/21
Scott Tisdale	02/25
Jason Armstrong	02/25





## **CARS FOR SALE**

**1961 Bugeye Sprite.** "Daily driver" runs well and looks good. Red with black interior; 1275 cc engine; front disk brakes; newer SU carbs. No rust. Extra set of wheels with autocross tires. \$10,000 obo. Contact Christy (7600 436-5912 or AHfrog@cox.net. (9-05)

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**Automotive Artwork-** If you are interested in Healey artwork, we received a notice from artist Pete Gowers, who has a website with some of his work. Check it out at: http: www.automotiveartuk.net (4-04)

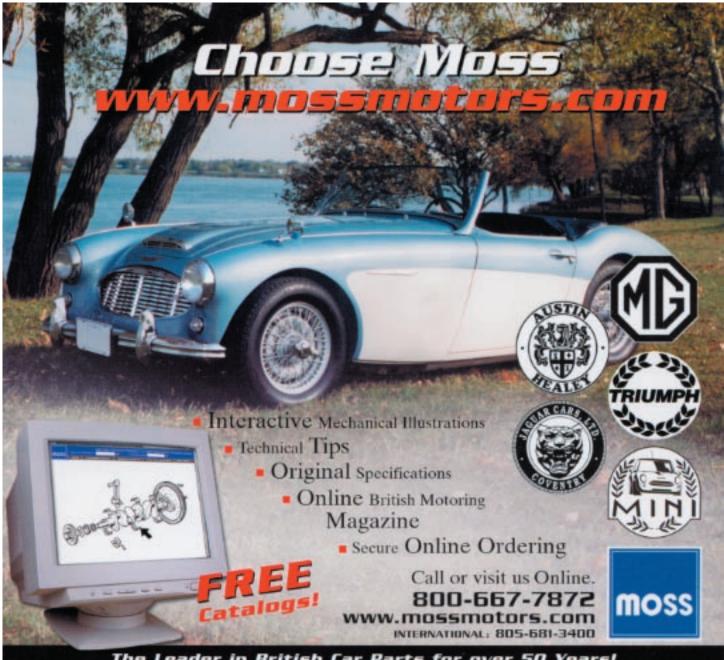
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