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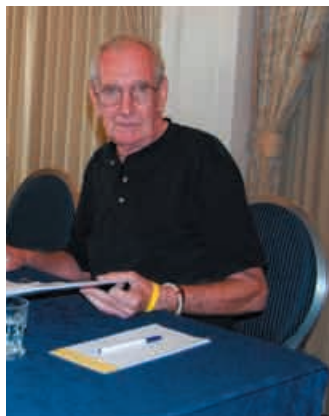
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September '08

From The Editor:

For some, our Healeys can be a serious business, maybe a little too serious at times... One of the most humorous comments of Conclave was made by John Sprenzel during the Thursday Gerry Coker/ John Sprenzel Talk and Autograph Session.

Both honored guests were answering questions they no doubt answered many times before in similar sessions, with good nature. John was asked what the most significant event was in his racing career. The person asking was no doubt expecting a profound recant based



on a lifetime in the fast lane. John's answer was, "when a Playboy Bunny let me drive her Ferrari Dino". At first I was as taken aback as I'm sure the questioner was. Then I dimly remembered something about Carol, his wife, having been a Playboy Bunny. I had to laugh to myself and out loud.

What a great comment about life and how we should look at it. As important as our toys may seem, they shouldn't be first on the list.

I purchased a set of Bristleflex door seals for my BJ8 from Martin MacGregor after attending his tech session on Healey interiors during Conclave. These are, by far, the best of three makes of seals I have had on my car. They install easily and fit perfectly. Bristleflex fuzzy door seals really stay in place. I didn't need to use the suggested #4 stainless steel screws at the opening corners to secure the Bristleflex. Great stuff.

Regards,
Warren

September Meetings

• **Wednesday, September 10th AHCSO Monthly Meeting:** 6:30 PM on Orange Ave south of Main St in El Cajon (TG 1251-5/6), during the "British Invasion" of the Cajon Classic Cruise. See the "Activities" column for details.

• **Wednesday, September 17th AHCSO Board Meeting:** If needed, location will be announced.



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President's August Message

Hey there Healey Folks,

Unfortunately, I have more bad news to report this month. Both Brian Archer and Ian Walker of Sebring Sprite fame have passed away. Brian was instrumental in the revival and interest in the Sebring Sprite and his business, *Archers Garage*, made Sebring replicas. Many of which re raced extensively in England & Europe. I only met Ian briefly but I had the opportunity to spend quite a bit of time with Brian and his partner and good friend Andrew at his shop and then at a large Healey meeting we attended while Scott Tisdale and I were traveling in England. They will be sorely missed by family and friends as well as the Healey community, our thoughts and prayers go out to all who knew them.

On a lighter note, our club meeting this month will take place during the El Cajon car show night. It will be a brief meeting at the cars and dinner on your own, or whatever we wish to do after that.

I have secured a date for Christmas party at the Automotive Museum. Look for details in the upcoming events, page's

Also, plans for a 30th Anniversary Party are in the works. We have settled on having a brunch with location to be announced.

Please keep in mind we need people for officers for next year, more people makes our job easier.

Cheers, Terry

Vice-President's Message

It's That Time Of Year, Again

by Rick Snover, AHCS D Vice President

Well, now's the time when being the Vice President stops being the easiest job on the Board, at least for a couple months. We'll be electing our new officers for 2009 at the November meeting. As V.P., I'm supposed to chair the Election Committee, which we need to form this month or next, to find nominees for all six elected positions and then run the election in November. If you'd like to serve on the Election Committee, please let me know.

I know for a fact that at least half of the current Board members are suffering various degrees of burn-out, so we'll be needing to find several new nominees this year. The six positions to be elected are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and Activities Committee Chairman. See the Club's By Laws at <http://www.sdhealey.org/by-laws.html> for descriptions of each officer's duties. Any AHCS D member is eligible to run for any of these offices. If you're interested in being nominated (i.e., if you'd like to volunteer), please don't hesitate to let the Election Committee know.

It's also almost time to begin our annual membership renewal campaign, too. I'll probably be generating the renewal forms and sending them out sometime next month. Like last year, we'll start with email notices to most members, and snail-mail to those we don't have an email address for. When you get your renewal notice, however it arrives, please go ahead and send your renewal in right away, to save us having to keep sending out reminders.

August Meeting Minutes

HAPPY SUMMER GO CHARGERS

Note: There was no meeting for the month of July due to Conclave 08 held in San Diego.

Attendance for the Aug 13th Meeting (held at Boll Weevil Restaurant, Clairemont Mesa) 29 members and guests were in attendance. Drove Healeys*, other British ~. Attending were: Steve & Diane Kirby, Rick Snover*, Gerry & Susan Kwiat'*, Bob Kitterer, Dick & Jan Schmidt, Gisela Putzke, Jim & Barbara Widgery, Bob Humphries*, David Coyote*, Terry Cowan, Jim Leaverton & granddaughter, Bob & Sue Farnsworth, Gary Stalker, Sam Talbert, Chuck Sharp, Jim & Libby Pendleton, Howard & Lynne Stark, John Banales, Roland & Loreen Wilhelmy, Jason Whitton, Mike Williams.

Meeting was called to order by President, Terry Cowan at 7:30pm.

Call for reports from the board.

- **Secretary:** June meeting minutes were approved.
- **Vice President/Membership:** Membership is at 101 members.
- **Treasurer:** See Treasurer for treasury balance.
- **Newsletter:** Info to Warren by 20th of this month. Requests for stories and pictures. Happenings with your cars and related info to David Coyote or Lou Galper for What's New article. Blast to the Past articles, remembrances and pictures from the early days of the Club to be included in the newsletter for our 30th anniversary year.
- **Activities:** Various activities to participate in include: Aug 23rd Ice Cream Social and Drive-In movie in Santee; Sept 27&28 Coronado Speed Festival; Oktoberfest at Farnsworth's on Oct 18th. Other activities to be planned possible Breakfast By the Bay in Sept; Sept 10th meeting to be held at the El Cajon Car Show; Suggestions elicited for 30th anniversary party for the Club (i.e. October meeting). Board meeting to decide future activities/dates. Various car shows are held during the summer months. See newsletter and website for these and other listed activities.
- **Regalia:** Sprite Anniversary Grill Badges for sale. Conclave regalia.
- **Museum/Greater SD Car Club Council:** Gerry reported on various events and activities. Various flyers available. Set up for Club to participate as a Club event at the Sept 10th British Invasion Car Show in El Cajon. Asked for at least 10-12 reserved spaces.
- **SD British Car Club Council:** Steve Kirby reported that Lou Galper won the Ball Bearing Breaker with his Jaguar. British Car Day October 5th, get pre-registration forms in by Sept 12th. Location to be held at Admiral Baker Field. No food vendors. Going back to original format of bringing own picnics, no glass, no alcohol. Needing 3 members for parking cars and making signs.
- **Conclave 08:** Mike reported on the success of Conclave and positive responses from attendees. Read a Thank You note from Andersons' about their 50th anniversary celebration/Sprite Anniversary Party. Mike thanked everyone involved in Conclave for their participation and hard work, particularly various event committee members (i.e. Chuck Sharp for set-up/running of Gymkana at Qual Com stadium). Asked for all receipts/monies to be turned in to Sandy Leon to finish up accounting and payment of all bills.
- **Old Business:** None.
- **New Business:** Discussion of the untimely passing of Ron Phillips (AH Association member) and Club sending of card and plant for LeRae and donation to charitable organization. Club approved \$200 and Board to decide on which charity to send to. Jan Schmidt asked for agreement to have Club's AH shirts that were not selling to be given to Rachel's House charitable organization via Barbara Humphries; Club approved. Board Meeting to be held August 20th. Nominations for new officers to be coming up in October. Will be definitely needing a newsletter editor and Activities Chairperson.

Rick Snover was the lucky dinner entrée winner. Meeting adjourned 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Virden-Kwiat', Secretary

WHAT'S COMING UP

by Rick Snover, Activities Committee Chairman

We'll be having our monthly meeting during the Cajon Classic Cruise in El Cajon on Wednesday the 10th. It's the first ever British Invasion of the weekly cruise, and we've got 10-12+ spaces reserved for Healeys on S. Orange Ave between W. Main St and W. Douglas Ave (TG 1251-F5). You're on your own for dinner. We'll hold our meeting from 6:30-7:00 at our Healeys on S. Orange. The best time to setup for the car show would be from 3:30PM to 4:30PM, but late arrivals are OK, too. From I-8 Eastbound, exit at Main St. and go east, turn right (south) on Magnolia, turn right (west) on W. Douglas, and turn right (north) on S. Orange. There may be a barricade at Orange, but it's OK to move it while you bring your Healey through. We will be sharing the street with Minis - one side of the street for us and the other for them. Non-Healey British cars should be able to park with their marque, and other pre-1980 show cars may be able to park within the show area, too. Post-1979 non-British cars will have to park outside the reserved show area.

Be sure to get your pre-registration for British Car Day mailed in immediately. They have to be postmarked on or before the 12th to qualify for the \$5 discount and be counted for trophy distribution.

I put-off contacting Cass Cacciatore about Breakfast On the Bay until it was almost too late. My bad, no excuse, sorry 'bout that. I just talked to him though, and we might be able to do it on Sunday September 21st, if he's not out of town. We'll see what we can work out, and I'll let everyone know the results via email, the web site, and at the meeting on the 10th. We have several other events to keep us busy in the upcoming weeks, too:

The annual Coronado Speed Festival at NAS North Island is September 27th & 28th. We should have car club corale passes available at our meeting on the 10th, or at least know where to get them by then. We may organize a drive to the event, too, if anybody's interested.

We missed our Oktoberfest last year, due to the wildfires, but this year we get to celebrate the rebuilding of the Farnsworths' home! Whether or not it's 100% completed, we'll gather there on October 18th to grill-up some brats, imbibe

in a few beverages, and all the other usual festivities. The Club will provide the soft drinks, ice, bratwursts, buns & fixings. Bring your own other beverages, and a side dish or dessert to share. There may be a group drive organized to or from the party, too. See next month's Healey Hearsay for further details, address, directions, etc.

The Committee has started to investigate options for a 30th Anniversary Brunch, to be at least partially subsidized with Club funds, probably in early November. We've also begun planning our annual Christmas Party, tentatively scheduled for Saturday December 13th at the S.D. Auto Museum in Balboa Park. Stay tuned for details.

We'd still like to squeeze in a couple more drives, and maybe a tech session or two, before the end of the year, so keep those ideas coming!

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

- **September 6 & 7:** S.F. Bay Area British Car Meet at Sierra Point Marina in Brisbane, CA. Call for information: 310-392-6605. E-mail: Sierra Point Marina BritMeet rfeibusch1@earthlink.net.
- **September 7, 9AM-3PM:** 3rd Annual Beach 'n 101 Cruise - Cruise Hwy 101 between La Jolla & Oceanside - Registration, Awards & Raffle at Del Mar Racetrack. Sponsored by the Highway 101 Association. <http://drivethe101.com/>
- **Wednesday, September 10, 5PM-8PM:** First Ever "British Invasion" at the Cajon Classic Cruise in downtown El Cajon. [See "What's Coming Up" for details.] http://www.downtownelcajon.com/event_ccc.shtml
- **Wednesday, September 10, 6:30PM:** AHCS Monthly Meeting, during the Cajon Classic Cruise - Dinner on your own, meet at our Healeys on S. Orange Ave from 6:30-7:00. [See "What's Coming Up" for details.]
- **Friday, September 12:** Pre-registration Deadline for S.D. British Car Day 2008 - Your pre-registrations must be postmarked no later than the 12th to qualify for the \$5 discount and be counted for trophy distribution. <http://www.sandiegobritishcarday.org/form08.pdf>
- **Wednesday, September 17, 7:00PM:** AHCS Board Meeting, if needed. (Location will be announced.)

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Popular Car Show at the Embarcadero

by Dave Grundies & Mike Williams

About 160 fabulously wonderful Healeys, a picturesque venue and beautiful weather that San Diego is so famous for, gave rise to the (almost) perfect car show. Okay, so a couple of our beauties didn't quite make it in under their own power, a few had to be manhandled onto the grassy expanse of Embarcadero North Park, but all had a great time once in place.

Setting out from the hotel at pre-arranged times allowed for each Marque to arrive at the park in an orderly fashion. Upon arrival, special driving skills were required to navigate the curb climb, follow the maze of sidewalks, rounding the restroom facilities ("Hey, I didn't sign up for the Gymkhana!"), before stopping for photos against the spectacular San Diego marina and skyline (thanks to photographer Bob Segui). Fur-

ther direction was needed to the "Reserved" areas where the cars were parked exactly 1 metre (it was a British show after all) away from each other. Once in place, all the cars on the show-grounds looked great with the park's gently rolling knolls and wide open grassy areas surrounded by the Bay. Every one seemed up for the day, and attitudes were extremely positive. One conversation went like this;



Show attendant to male driver, "Is this a nasty boy?" Female passenger's reply, "Sometimes he is!"

Folks got to enjoy a lovely day of socializing while wandering the grounds and voting on their favorite cars in each class. Even the Future 50 kids took some time to vote on their favorite cars...by color! Another feature that you don't see at every car show was fantastic Healey boat, brought down to be displayed by John & Debbie Hunt. Since we were celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Sprite, the little bug-

Above- Best of Show (to Nash-Healey) #20 Debbie & John Hunt. Left- a line of 3000 MK II BJ7's



John Sprinzel were on-hand to assist with the trophy presentations for the 100's and the Sprites. Another "special award", the Iron Bottom Award, was presented by Ron Phillips of the Austin-Healey Association to a Bugeye Sprite owner who drove the longest distance to the show. Ian & Wendy Gibbs of Australia took home this honor. Okay, so you can't drive a Bugeye from Australia you say. Well, the Gibbs' flew into Chicago and borrowed their friends, Bob & Pat Brown's Bugeye for the drive out to San Diego. An absolutely stunning, bright red 1953 Nash Healey owned by Debbie & John Hunt took home the "Best of Show" honors.

gers received the best location in the show, center stage and over-looking the Bay with the rest of the cars looking in at them with envy. I believe I counted 26 Bugeye's and 3 Square Bodies. A pretty good turnout and as you'll read in the Gymkhana article, they kicked butt on the track. At lunchtime, most folks wandered over to nearby Seaport Village to partake in one of their many restaurants or sandwich shops...I heard some of the ladies even went shopping.

Around 1:30 PM, we kicked off the afternoon festivities with a very special presentation. The "Three-Amigos", Gary Brierton, Carl Brown and Greg Lauser, who drove their Austin-Healey BJ8's in a cross-country effort to raise money for the Make-a-Wish Foundation (MAW), presented a giant check for \$16,001 to a representative from the local chapter of MAW. Greg pointed out that this was just the beginning the fund raising trail. Local AHCA clubs that haven't already participated are encouraged to continue fund raising efforts throughout the year and contribute to MAW before the end of the year to add on to that \$16K total. Shortly thereafter, the car show awards ceremony was held. Taking a hint from last year's show in Vermont, we also had an on-site parade of all the first place winners. Gerry Coker and

We dispersed promptly at 3:00 PM to make our way back to the Sheraton. I understand on the way out of the park and through some of San Diego's downtown area, an impromptu parade was welcome by many street-side spectators. Many thanks to the Popular Car Show Committee consisting of Dave Grundies, Bob Kitterer and Steve Kirby for getting all the volunteers lined-up and making sure that everything ran so smooth. The list of all car class winners follows.



Top- Nasty Boy First Place #124 Martin Jansen. Above-3000 MKII Tri Carb First Place #36 Ron Phillips.

The Popular Choice Winners

BJ8 1 Light

FIRST PLACE #189 Nelson Tharp

SECOND PLACE #13 David Grundies

BJ8 2 Light

FIRST PLACE #162 Danny DeSanto

SECOND PLACE #70 Don & Cathy Newman

THIRD PLACE #20 Lisa Kinney

FOURTH PLACE #74 Debby & Chuck Sharp

FIFTH PLACE #155 Robert Carberry

SIXTH PLACE #29 Len Hartnett

SEVENTH PLACE #133 Jackie Erwin

EIGHTH PLACE #23 Gale & Martha Hess

3000 MKII BJ7

FIRST PLACE #108 Duane Leis & Linda Foster

SECOND PLACE #134 Dan Serarao

& Michelle DeLa Freniere

BN4-BT7 4 Seater

FIRST PLACE #156 Neil & Nancy Tabachki

SECOND PLACE #184 Jim & Dora Winn

THIRD PLACE #60 Robert Lee

3000 MKII Tri Carb

FIRST PLACE #36 Ron Phillips

SECOND PLACE #21 Derek & Carrie Allen

BN6-BN7 2 Seater

FIRST PLACE #107 Lois Buhman

SECOND PLACE #84 Peter & Alexandra Roses

THIRD PLACE #35 Rick & Kathy Shoemaker

Nasty Boy

FIRST PLACE #124 Martin Jansen

SECOND PLACE #99 Ken & Jeanne Deringer

Modified

FIRST PLACE #135 Bill Barnett

Other Healey

FIRST PLACE #26 Bob Sequi

100S

FIRST PLACE #139 William Story

Jensen Healey

FIRST PLACE #5 Bob & Barbara Humphreys

Healey Boat

FIRST PLACE #20 John & Debbie Hunt

100M

FIRST PLACE #51 Judy Wrobe

100-4

FIRST PLACE #145 Don Southworth

SECOND PLACE #149 Lou & Carol Boido

THIRD PLACE #132 Mal & Ruth Doherty

Diamond-in-the-Rough

FIRST PLACE #148 Mary & Kay James

Square Body Sprite

FIRST PLACE #58 Bill Meade

SECOND PLACE #31 Susan Motander

Bugeye Sprite

FIRST PLACE #40 Dominic

& Davana Valentino

SECOND PLACE #46 Roger & Edie Lowry

THIRD PLACE #88 Steve MacHarris

FOURTH PLACE #159 Mustafa Soylemez

FIFTH PLACE #7 Sandy & Lily Leon

Best of Show

(to Nash-Healey) #20 Debbie & John Hunt

"Iron Bottom" Award

#69 Ian & Wendy Gibbs

Concours Judging And Awards

By Curt Arndt – Co-Chairman, Austin Healey Concours Committee & Chief Judge Conclave 2008



This year's Concours judging at Conclave was an absolute success in that we were able to judge four cars, with two receiving Gold Level Certification and two receiving a Bronze Level Certification. The Gold recipients were Zim Udovich and his Old English White with Blue trim BN2/Factory 100M, and Don Voake with his Primrose BN6. The Bronze awards went to Sarah Frost and her OEW over Black BN2/Factory 100M, and Akram Awad and his Healey Blue over White BT7. It was quite a treat to be able to judge two rare Factory 100Ms at the same event.

As with many of our Concours events in years past we were not certain of the exact number of cars that we needed to judge until just days prior to the event. We were hoping to be able to judge a BJ8, whose owner was on and off again with the last minute potential sale of the car. The car never did arrive for Concours but we did get a last minute entry with Akram Awad and his BT7.

On the Monday prior to the judging we held a Concours meeting with all of the volunteer judges and two of the four entrant owners. Afterwards, we adjourned to the parking

lot where Don Southworth graciously allowed our judging teams to do a practice judging on his lovely BN1 in preparation for Tuesday's event. A special Thanks to Don and his wife for allowing use to use their car for this purpose.

To those folks who may have taken time out from the car show on Tuesday and wandered over to the area set up for Concours judging, they would have seen two teams diligently judging the four cars. To anyone in attendance it was a perfect weather day even by San Diego standards, and of course the venue was absolutely beautiful at the Embarcadero Park on the Bay. Our judging started early at 8:00 AM and concluded at 2:00 PM with the presentation of the car show awards. All of the Concours entrants received a participant's award for just having their cars participate in Concours, which was a first in my knowledge.



Our judging teams consisted of Roger Moment, Reid Trummel, Dave Koch and scribe Pat Harris on the 100s and Jim Slostad, John Wilson, Don Fisher and Mike (scribe) on the 6 cylinder roadsters. I was assisted by none other than Gary Anderson as the assistant chief judge who was a great help in keeping everything organized. My

thanks to all these volunteers who gave up their day at the car show to judge four wonderful cars. Last but not least was my good friend Roland Wilhelmy, who did the lions share of the work with organizing and setting up the venue for us to judge in as well as providing a great lunch and refreshments throughout the day. This would not have been the success that it was without his efforts.

Finally, my personal thanks to the four entrants for allowing us to judge and evaluate all of their hard work and efforts in trying to preserve how our cars were when they left the factory so many years ago.

Top- Admiring a Coucours entrant. Above- Curt Arndt, Co-Ccairman, Austin Healey Concours Committee & Chief Judge Conclave 2008.

San Diego Harbor Dinner Cruise

By Gary Stalker & Mike Williams

Wednesday night's dinner cruise was one of the highlights of "Healeys on the Bay". This was an enjoyable and relaxing evening for the 158 Conclave guests attending and a welcome break from the fast-action events of the week. The evening began with the guests socializing in front of the hotel while waiting for the air-conditioned motor coaches to arrive, which they did, right on time. The boarding and transportation was so seamless, we arrived at the boat dock ten minutes before we could even board the ship!

When boarding began, each guest was given a glass of champagne and pictures were taken by the ship's photographer. Guests quickly chose their dining seats and started mingling and exploring. Conclave guests had the main deck and bar all to themselves, however they could also go on the second deck which housed another bar and a hoppin' DJ and dance floor. There were about 40 non-Conclave guests dining on that deck, but they all seemed to join-in on our fun and festivities. Up top, we were treated to an open view deck that became more popular as the evening progressed with views of the panoramic downtown San Diego skyline, Coronado Bay Bridge and the ships docked at the 32nd Street Naval Station.

Everyone was having such a good time, that many hadn't even noticed when the ship disembarked the pier! Shortly thereafter, a wonderful sit-down dinner was served by an attentive crew that provided excellent service all night. One member of the crew, a retired EMT, even got to practice his "Heimlich

Maneuver" training. Apparently, Bob Segui thought he'd entertain the crowd by doing his infamous impression of a man choking on a roll and trying to wash it down with water! Not a good idea. While the crewman was busy grappling with Bob, a couple of Golden Gate club members rushed over

to assist. Alas, the roll was dislodged and Bob went on to enjoy the rest of the evening with the upright folks. As a side note, Bob was not allowed to eat a meal by himself for the rest of Conclave. After a delicious meal, many continued enjoying the 25 mile trip

around San Diego Bay by heading up to the top deck for the scenic tour. There was much to see for those who ventured outside, including the Navy carriers at Coronado Island, our host hotel (the Sheraton), lights of the San Diego Skyline, the Coronado Bay Bridge, the USS Midway and some early fireworks from SeaWorld. Still others chose to just stay inside and enjoy the camaraderie of their fellow Healeys and take the opportunity to sit down and talk to Gerry & Marion Coker. A few of the young and young-at-heart enjoyed letting it loose on the dance floor.

One only had to listen to all the rave reviews being said on the way back to the hotel to know that a great time was had by all! Thanks to the Gary Stalker for setting-up this fantastic evening and to Dick

& Jan Schmidt, Steve & Diane Kirby and Mike Williams for helping to organize the group that night.

Above- Diners included, left to right, Bill Williams, Alan & Treasure Teague, Carl & Linda Brown, Rick Snover & Allie Casarda, Waren Voth, and Frank Matthias with Mike Williams snapping the picture.



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• **September 19 - 21:** Jensen 2008 National (West) at The Pines Resort in Bass Lake, California (near Yosemite National Park). All the British cars that Jensen had something to do with (e.g., Sunbeam Tiger, Austin Healey, Volvo P-1800), as well as the “true” Jensens (i.e., the Interceptor and the Jensen-Healey) are invited. <http://www.j2008west.com/>

• **Sunday, September 21:** AHCSO Breakfast On the Bay? (Tentative, still working on the details.)

• **Monday, September 22:** Final S.D. British Car Day 2008 Planning Meeting - Dinner at 6:00PM, Meeting at 7:00PM at Coco's Bakery Restaurant, 10430 Friars Road in Mission Valley (TG 1249-H6). Any interested member of any S.D. British Car Club Council member club is welcome to attend.

• **September 27 & 28:** 11th Annual Coronado Speed Festival Historic Road Races at NAS North Island on Coronado. <http://www.fleetweeksandiego.org/coronadospeedfest.htm>

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• **Sunday, October 5:** 29th Annual San Diego British Car Day & Picnic - Featured: Austin Healey Sprite 50th Anniversary - Admiral Baker Field, 604 Admiral Baker Rd in Mission Valley (TG 1249-H6). <http://www.sandiegobritishcarday.org/>

• **AHCSO Oktoberfest** at Bob & Sue Farnsworth's newly rebuilt home in Ramona.

DECEMBER

• **Sunday, December 7:** Annual Temecula Cork Inspection Tour with the Triumph Club

JANUARY 2009

• **8 Saturday, January 10, 2009:** Ball Bearing Breaker Challenge Rallye XLI

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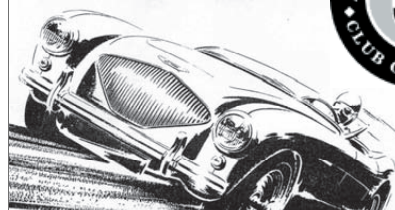
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The 11th Annual Coronado Speed Festival

The 11th Annual Coronado Speed Festival is only 2 months away! Mark your calendars for September 27th & 28th for the premier car event of the season!

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The Coronado Speed Festival Goes 'Car Crazy' with an Array of Racing Machines

For the past century, car enthusiasts have shown their passion for both high-performance and great-looking cars. To commemorate this craze, over 225 of the world's most unique and pedigreed machines from the Coronado Speed Festival will be featured on the Car Crazy TV show, specifically geared toward car hobbyists on the SPEED channel. The first episode, featuring Admiral John Nathman aired on June 23rd and the next episode, featuring details on the unique event, will air in September, closer to the 2008 event.

The special Car Crazy episode will feature the Coronado Speed Festival's collection of vintage cars of all shapes, sizes and models. On display will be some of the best modern racecars, including Hot Rod, Trans Am and many more. Not only will this episode pique the interest of local San Diego car enthusiasts, it will also allow car lovers nationwide to appreciate these distinctive cars.

You can view the June 23rd show at: <http://www.carcrazycentral.com/TV-Show-Watch-Episodes.aspx?VideoID=377>

About Car Crazy Central

Car Crazy TV is hosted by Barry Meguiar. Along with its radio and Internet outlets, Car Crazy Central was founded by the Meguiar family for the car hobby community. These are the result of 100 years of Meguiar's family passion for great looking cars. In addition to viewing these standout cars on Car Crazy, motor lovers can submit their prized vehicles for judging at the

Coronado Speed Festival. The 11th annual racing and military tribute event and third annual car show contest will be held in one of the most distinctive racecar locations, Naval Air Station North Island in Coronado, California. The Fleet Week San Diego event is scheduled from September 27 to 28.

Coronado Speed Festival at a Glance

The Coronado Speed Festival is the Navy's annual opportunity to offer an open house to the public and give individuals and families an opportunity to experience a military base as they never have. As part of this experience, event goers will have the opportunity to explore military equipment and talk to captains and crew members. Children will also be able to

enjoy several other youth-oriented activities. This is an event that the whole family can enjoy.

This year, over 30,000 people are expected to pack the grandstands to view a spectator-friendly 1.6-mile course that is constructed in a matter of days on the runways and taxiways of Naval Air Station North Island. Car enthusiasts will be able to step back in time to enjoy auto

racing's rich history with tours of the racecar pits and speak with the drivers of these unique machines. Please visit <http://www.fleetweeksandiego.org/coronadospeedfestival> for this year's complete racing schedule.

Tickets Are Now On Sale

The Coronado Speed Festival: September 27 & 28, 2008

Advanced tickets may be purchased online. \$25 for on day admission and \$35 for both Saturday & Sunday admission. Tickets may be purchased at: <http://www.fleetweeksandiego.org/coronadospeedfestival/generalinfo.html>

Tickets can also be purchased at the gate for: \$35 for a single day and \$45 for both days.

We Need Volunteers!

Come Be Apart of the 11th Annual Coronado Speed Festival

Want to be a part of an exciting and unique event? Volunteer opportunities are available. Please visit <http://www.fleetweek-sandiego.org/coronadospeedfestival/generalinfo.html> to fill out the volunteer application form.





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29th ANNUAL SAN DIEGO BRITISH CAR DAY AND PICNIC SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2008

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or acquire them from your club's newsletter or web site.

The San Diego British Car Club Council brings you the "29th Annual San Diego British Car Day." Our event seeks to foster camaraderie among Southern California British car enthusiasts. This is an "owners' car show." You will see everyday drivers, concours quality cars, and "beaters!" Please plan to drive your British car!

Pre-registration \$20.00 per vehicle (postmarked by Sept. 12th)

Day of Show \$25.00 per vehicle

Registration: Starting at 7:30 a.m.

Show & Picnic: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Featured Marque ~ Austin Healey Sprite ~ Celebrating 50 Years!

Food: You must **BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC**. There will be no food vendors or outside food sources at this location. This event started as a picnic 29 years ago, and we're going back to our tradition – Bring Your Own Everything! You may bring beer or wine, but **NO HARD ALCOHOL**. **NO GLASSWARE OR GLASS BOTTLES** are permitted at this location. Beer must be in cans or plastic bottles. Wine must be in a box or plastic container. Use only paper and plastic ware for your picnic.

Vendors: There will be no vendors and **NO SELLING OF ANY KIND** at this location. That means **NO "FOR SALE" SIGNS** on cars, either.

Pets: **ABSOLUTELY NO PETS** (dogs, cats, etc.) at this location – Federal regulation.

Trophies and Recognition: (To be considered, please have your car in place by 10:00 a.m.)

Cars: Best of Show - Popular vote – please use ballot in your show packet

Best of Marque - Popular vote – please use ballot in your show packet

Best "Beater" - The car most in need of restoration...must be running!

Founder's Trophy - Presented by one of our founders

Also: Best Club Display and Best Classic Picnic (Judging occurs between 11:30 and Noon)

PLEASE NOTE: *The quantity of trophies & awards will be based upon number of cars PRE-REGISTERED!*

Questions? Please call our information line: **760 – 746 – 1458**

DIRECTIONS: From Interstate 15 – (near Qualcomm Stadium) Exit Friars Road East. Follow Friars Road to Santo Road. At Santo Road turn left. Take an immediate right onto Admiral Baker Road and follow it down the hill. At the bottom on the hill turn right into the parking lot. (Thomas Guide Page 1249, Grid H-6)

Registration form is available separately at www.sandiegobritishcarday.org; please keep this sheet for your records and the directions.



AHCSD Ice Cream & Movie Nite, Aug. 23rd

by Rick Snover

On Saturday evening, August 23rd, as part of the Austin Healey Club of America's National Ice Cream Social weekend, ten AHCSD members and two guests gathered at the Baskin-Robbins store on La Mesa Blvd to partake. When Allie and I arrived in my Sprite, Udo & Gisela Putzke and Bob & Barbara Humphreys were already there, with their 3000s. Lynn & Howard Stark arrived in their Jaguar after a few minutes, followed by Warren Voth in his 3000 and Steve Kirby in his MG B. Just as we were beginning to think of leaving, Richard Thrift pulled up in his 3000 with his guest (Jessica?).

After we'd all had our ice cream, and the pizza the Putzkes had ordered was ready to go, Bob & Barbara, Steve, and Warren all went their own ways, and the rest of us headed up the freeway to the Santee Drive-In Theatre. I was starting

to feel pretty good about all the attention my Sprite was attracting while we waited in line, until I noticed all the smoke billowing out of my rear wheels. That's what everyone was staring at. (Apparently, my hand brake hadn't released completely and the brakes had gotten pretty hot on the way from La Mesa to Santee. Just smoke though, no fire. The brakes still worked, and it was fine on the way home.) Most of us wanted to see "Tropic Thunder", but Richard & Jessica(?) wanted to see "Star Wars: The Clone Wars" and "The Dark Knight" on the other screen, so we separated at the entrance. "Tropic Thunder" was a lot of fun, but only Udo & Gisela wanted to stay the second feature, "The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor". Howard & Lynn and Allie & I packed up and headed for home.

For such a light turn-out, the proportion of Healeys to non-Healeys was impressive (5:2), and both of the non-Healeys were actually British! We had fun. You shoulda been there!

Sorry about cutting off the Kirbys '66 MGB, the Stark's Jaguar and the Richard Thrift's '60 BT7. Maybe it's time for a new editor. -Editor

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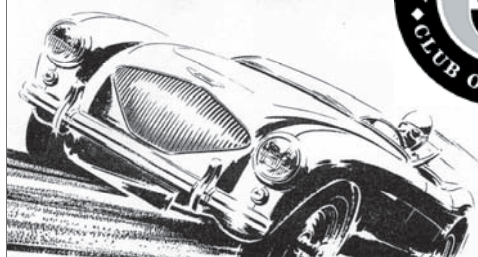
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CAR OF THE YEAR AWARD



In an effort 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) where you participate with your Healey. These events may or may not be listed in the newsletter. The participant is responsible for providing proof of participation (entrance fee receipt, photo, corroboration from other club members, etc.) to the CotY recorder, Gisela Putzke (858-486-3870 or putzkes@cox.net), within 30 days after the event. AHCSO 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.

CotY points currently approved by the Board are: AHCSO Meetings & Tech Sessions 4 pts, AHCSO Driving Events, Parties, etc. 6 pts, California Healey Week 16 pts, Healey Rendezvous 16 pts, Austin Healey Conclave 16 pts, S.D. British Car Day & Rolling B.C.D. 10 pts, Other non-AHCSO one-day events 2 pts, Other non-AHCSO multi-day events 4 pts, The Board on a case-by-case basis may award points for other events.

Putzke, U&G BT7.....	58	Leon, Sandy & Lily AN5...	16
Voth, Warren BJ8.....	56	Pendleton, Jim BJ8.....	16
Snover, Rick AN8.....	56	Galper, Lou Jag.....	10
Humphreys, B&B BT7.....	52	Coombs, Claire AN9.....	10
Coyote, David 100.....	52	Coyote, David MGA.....	9
Cowan, Terry 100.....	44	Cacciatore, Cass BJ8.....	6
Humphreys, B&B Jensen...	42	Sharp, Chuck BJ8.....	6
Williams, Mike BT7.....	34	Galper, Lou MGB.....	5
Galper, Lou 100.....	34	Kirby, S & D MG-T.....	5
Kirby, S & D BT7.....	32	Brewer, Norm Jensen.....	4
Grundies, Dave BJ8.....	32	Williams, Mike TR6.....	3
Frost, Allen AN5.....	30	Stark, H & L Jag.....	3
Hess, G & M BJ8.....	28	Kirby, S & D Morris.....	3
Tabachki, N+N 100-6.....	26		
Kwiat, Gerry 100-6.....	26		
Kitterer, Bob AN5.....	24		
Leaverton, Jim BN7.....	20		
Snover, Rick AN5 race.....	20		
Newman, D & C BJ8.....	18		
Tisdale, Scott Abbot.....	16		
Daab, G&J ?.....	16		
Davies, R&S 100 mod.....	16		
Deringer, K&J 100 mod....	16		
DeButts, D. AN5.....	16		
Segal, Chris AN5.....	16		
Pleasant, Mickey Sprite.....	16		
Shoemaker, K & K 100-6...	16		
Harris, Ron AN5.....	16		

New Members, Birthdays, & Anniversaries

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Jill Leaverton 09/??
- Richard Roberts 09/01
- Jim Pendleton 09/02
- Ralph Cummings 09/03
- Derek Voth 09/05
- Steven Raskind 09/06
- Arnulfo Ventura Jr. 09/07
- Debby Sharp 09/09
- Alan Russell 09/10
- Michael Dolphin 09/11
- Rick Shoemaker 09/11
- Cody Whittton 09/11
- Jeanette Daab 09/13
- Warren Voth 09/17
- Ian Cowan 09/18
- Bob McAllister 09/18
- Megan Armstrong 09/21
- Charles Sharp 09/21
- Dewey de Butts 09/26
- Joan Schwartz 09/27
- Imelda Limbo-Gonzales 09/28
- Mark Armstrong 09/30
- Robert Winslow 09/30

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- Bob & Barbara Humphreys 09/10/66
- Gary & Joan Schwartz 09/14/68
- John & Mary Schermerhorn 09/15/56
- Ron & Sandy Davies 09/15/67
- John & Bridget McGee 09/23/93

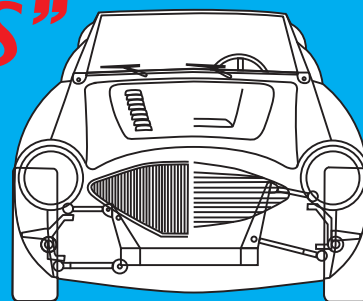


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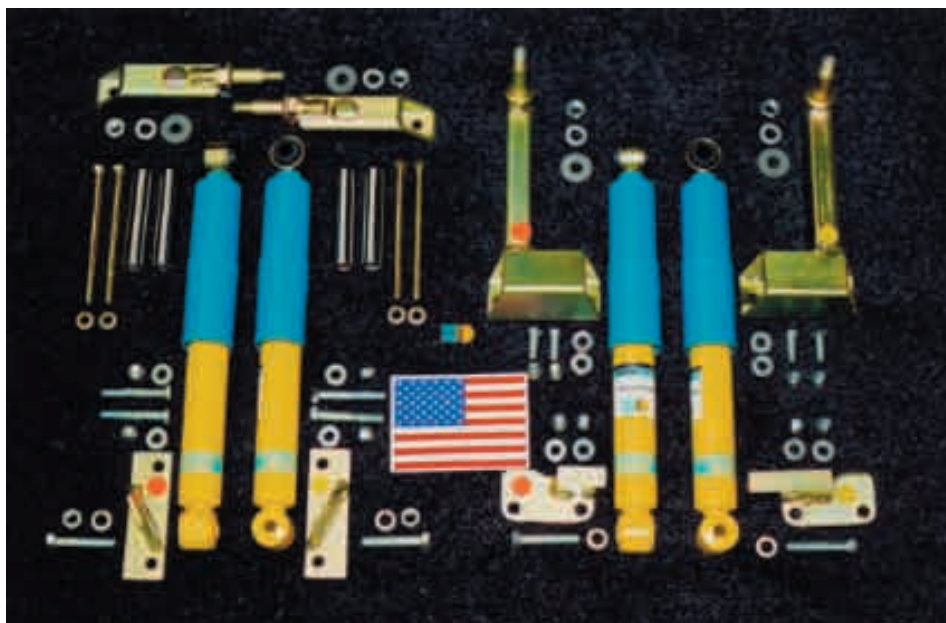
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