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From The Editor:



Here is something Bob Kitterer sent to me. I found it very interesting and enjoyable. If you are

interested in the history of British sports cars, then you should look into these YouTube videos that aired on the BBC which trace the early days of the British sports car phenomenon. Check these out:

Part 1:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zYVlceBBtJw&feature=player_embedded

Part 2:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jGDNk4nVjdM&feature=player_embedded

Part 3:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qZWl6XHwCQo&feature=player_embedded

Part 4:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cY44nAJLb34&feature=channel&list=UL>

November Meeting

November 14, 2012

Jimmies Restaurant
9635 Mission Gorge Rd
Santee, CA
6:30 PM



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ON THE COVER: John Felt standing by his Bugeye at his home in Vista CA.

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Hey There Healey Peeps...

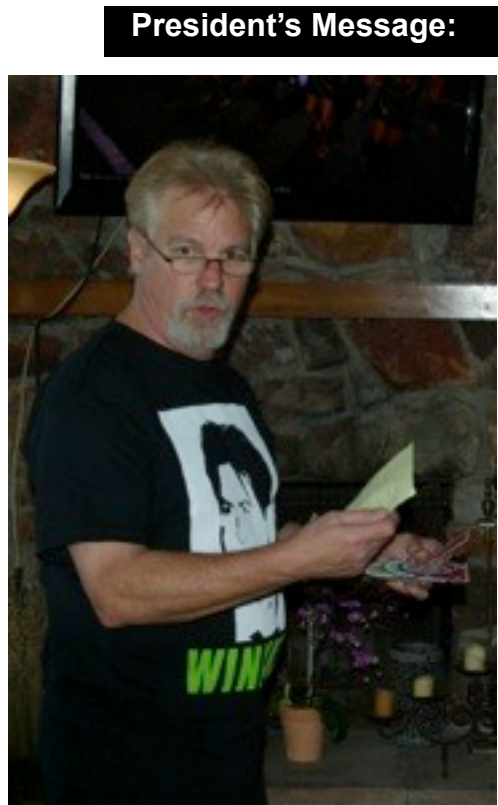
Had a Grand time seeing everybody @ the Farnsworth's for Oktoberfest as usual...



It was also fun seeing a few members @ The Snover Saloon for Halloween on the 27th not sure how many drove Healey's...but still fun as usual...

Coming up the November meeting is at Jimmy's in Santee but we have to remember that November... it's our month to elect new Board Members Sooooooooooooooooooooo... if you have an inkling to improve... or help your club out NOW is the time !!

For those of you who wish to venture off to the High Desert this weekend we will be at VARA'S Big Bore Bash @ Willow Springs Raceway Park if you wish to join us...if not we meet again on the 11th for our Annual November brunch @ Bellefleur in



President's Message:



Carlsbad...BTW it's Sam & Mike W's Birthday with Lisa's on the 14th...should be some fun...see Ricks activities list for details...

Otherwise... I hope to see you for our monthly meeting @ Jimmy's in Santee on November 14 Th @ 6:30 PM...

Cheers, Terry



October 2012 Healey Meeting Minutes

The October 10th mtg. was held at Jimmies Family Restaurant 9635 Mission Gorge Rd., Santee
30 members and guests were in attendance: Drove Healeys, other British~.*

Norm Brewer, Terry Cowan & Lisa Mandell, Mike Dolphin, Deborah Durham, Bob & Sue Farnsworth, Lou Galper*, Dick Hoss, Bob Humphreys*, Bob Kitterer & Delores McComas, Mike McCrae*, Sandy & Lily with Mark & James Leon, Chic Linde, Jody Morgan, Udo & Gisela Putzke, John & Mary Schermerhorn, Dick & Jan Schmidt, Mary Jane Schmidt*, Howard & Lynne Stark*, Sam Talbert*, Warren Voth*,

Meeting was called to order at 7.20 p.m. by president Terry Cowan.

General Discussions: Terry had some comments on Coronado Speed Week, or in some cases, the lack of any speed at all.

*Introduction of two new members, **Mike McCrae and Mary Jane Schmidt.***

There were various comments on how the British Car Day event at Liberty Station went with Bob Humphreys, and Lynne and Howard Stark all three winning prizes with 1st place Healey going to a 100/4 from Arizona.

Vice President/ Membership: Mike Williams not attending but there are reports that there is a chance that he may soon be able to work out of San Diego rather than Orange county.

November is elections month-again. Didn't we just do this? Anyway, volunteers and nominations from the floor will be accepted. Please think about giving the club a hand.

Secretary: Again my thanks to our stand in secretary for taking the September minutes.

Treasurer: Mike Dolphin reported on our current bills and balances.

Newsletter: Sam said that he would have a sample yearbook for review at the next mtg.

Activities: Rick not in attendance, he & Allie were celebrating their 2nd wedding anniversary. **Go y'all!**

***Club activity** for this month is the **OktoberFest** at the Farnsworths on the 20th. Brats on the club but bring a side dish and any specialty drinks you may desire.*

See the Activities page for additional October events.

The November 11th event is our AHCS club **Anniversary Brunch** at the Bellefleur Restaurant in the Carlsbad Outlets Center. Cost is \$25.00 for "an all you can eat" brunch where we will have our own room. Time has been changed to 12:15 p.m. till 2.00 p.m.

Discussion of our **Christmas party** which will be Dec.15th this year. It will be the same basic plan with inflation of course Intruding. Cost to members is \$30, \$40 to non members. This is an RSVP intensive event. You can help by letting Lynne Stark know that you will be attending and save her from calling you. More at the November meeting.

Regalia: Open position.

Museum/Greater SD Car Club Council: Gerry Kwiat not in attendance.

Old Business: None.

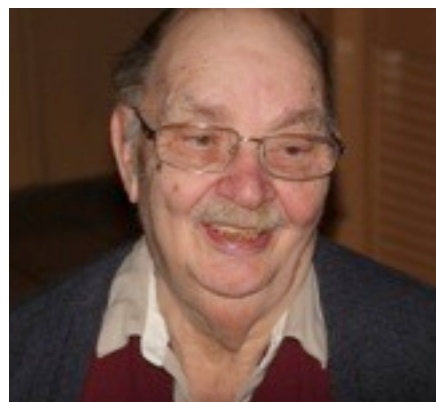
New Business: None

John Schermerhorn was the lucky dinner entree winner.

Meeting adjourned 8.10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Dick Schmidt, secretary



**ACTIVITIES**

Rick Snover, Chairman, AHCS D Activities Committee

Darn, I missed the October meeting, too. Still swamped, and on my way out the door, so this is going to be brief again.

Allie and I showed up late for **San Diego British Car Day**, in her Cooper, but it looked like a good turn-out, although we've had more Healeys in past years.

The **Oktoberfest BBQ** at the Farnsworths' was well-attended (by many people & few Healeys).

Our next **Anniversary Brunch** at Belle Fleur is set for noon on Sunday November 11th. Let Lynne Stark know if you're planning to attend. If anyone would like to organize a drive to the Brunch, let me know.

The Good Guys' Fall **Del Mar Nationals** show at the Fair Grounds on Nov 24th or 25th might be a good Club activity – we'll discuss it at the meeting on the 14th.

Randy Zoller has announced some preliminary information on his annual **Cork Inspection Tour**, staying in northern San Diego County this year, instead of Temecula.

Our annual **Christmas Party & Gift Exchange** on Saturday, December 15th at the San Diego Automotive Museum is taking shape, too.

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Sunday, November 11, Noon–2PM – AHCS D Anniversary Brunch – Bellefleur Restaurant, 5610 Paseo Del Norte, Suite 100 B in the Carlsbad Premium Outlets center. (Pay at the door: Adults \$21.95, Children 2–11 \$9.95) If you're planning to attend, please let Lynne Stark (redjag99@sbcglobal.net or 619– 579–7551) know, so she can give the restaurant a rough head count.

Wednesday November 14, 6:30PM – AHCS D Monthly Meeting – at Jimmy's Family Restaurant, 9635 Mission Gorge Rd in Santee.

Sunday, November 18, 9:00AM – Golden Cove All British Cars Coffee Meet

Join other British car enthusiasts for Starbucks and conversation – Starbucks Coffee at Golden Cove Shopping Center, 31202 Hawthorne Boulevard in Rancho Palos Verde. Recommended by: Austin Healey Association of Southern California.

<http://www.sdhealey.org/calendar/flyers/GoldenCove2%20%20Every%20Month.pdf>

November 23–25 – 2nd Fall Del Mar Nationals – Del Mar Fairgrounds. Presented by: Goodguys Rod & Custom Club <http://www.good-guys.com/>

Sunday, December 2 – Annual Cork Inspection Tour with the Triumph Club – This year's wineries: Deer Park, Belle Marie and Orfila, with lunch at Belle Marie. Let Randy Zoller (trihard2@cox.net) know if you're planning to attend.

See Page 7 for more details...

Saturday, December 15th, 11AM – AHCS D Christmas Party & Gift Exchange – San Diego Automotive Museum in Balboa Park. Cost is \$30.00 per person for members, or \$40 per person for non-members, in advance. Please contact Lynne Stark (redjag99@sbcglobal.net or 619– 579–7551)

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Oktoberfest

Farnsworth's is the home of the Oktoberfest and we all gathered there. The day



was overcast and threatening rain all morning. Those ominous clouds scared the Healeys back



into their comfy garages and only the brave made the trek to Ramona. However, the clouds did not dampen the enthusiasm. Many of the old timers rubbed shoulders with some of the members going around for the first time, and loaded their plates with brats, sauerkraut, chili, and salad. All this after standing around the kitchen bar consuming an amazing array of appetizers. Conversations sprang up all over the place, one in the dining room, one in the

kitchen, one in the garage, one on the patio and one



around the bar-b-q.

Eating and talking although a major part of the day was not the only source of excitement. Allie Snover brought a manicure shop-in-a-bag and



all the ladies gathered around. In no time dull, mundane, fingernails turned into brilliant sparklers. It was amazing to watch normal, reasonable, beautiful women paint their nails all the colors of the rainbow, add polka dots, glitter and coordinated accessories.

What did the guys get? Indigestion from eating too much good food!



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THE AUSTIN HEALEY CLUB OF SAN DIEGO INVITES YOU TO OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY!

By Lynne Stark

Please join us on Saturday December 15th at 11:00 am at the Automotive Museum (upper level) in Balboa Park.

If you would like to participate in our gift exchange, please bring a wrapped gift valued at \$10 - \$15. **NO white elephants!**

We will have a catered buffet lunch of Prime rib, Turkey, and Ham with all the traditional side dishes and dessert too.

Cost is \$30 per member and \$40 for non member guests in advance. This includes admission to the Automotive Museum.

Please RSVP and send checks/\$ made out to Austin Healey Club of San Diego or AHCSO to: Lynne Stark 1164 Benjamin Place El Cajon, CA 92020-7203 by Wednesday December 5th.

Please contact Lynne to RSVP or with any questions, concerns or to volunteer to help set up or clean up. (619)579-7551

See you at the party



Annual Cork Inspection Tour

By Randy Zoller

I've decided to change things up a bit this year and visit the wineries of North County instead of the usual Temecula tour. The basic itinerary will be a nice scenic tour through parts of San Marcos and the Deer Springs area to our first stop at the Deer Park Winery. Following that, we will head to the other side of I15 for the highlight of this years tour which will be a visit to the awesome Belle Marie Winery.

I'd also like to add that the lunch will be catered by a local Italian restaurant that has a great reputation. In addition, the Belle Marie facility is in a beautiful park-type setting and just a great place to wander around. At the Hidden Valley Enoteca tasting room they feature local wines from other wineries that don't have tasting facilities of their own.

After lunch, our final stop will be to the very popular Orfila Winery featuring many superb award-winning wines. Another beautiful setting and views to end our day.

Please RSVP to trihard2@cox.net as soon as possible as I need to give them a head count. No cancellations accepted. WE WINE RAIN OR SHINE!!!



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Things went very well this year, our first attempt at a 2 day schedule. We had a great Saturday night barbecue. 90 people made it down. Many were staying at the hotel. Loads of folks came out from Arizona! There was an impromptu run Saturday morning, mostly folks staying at the Hotel. Next year, we hope to expand our Saturday offerings. Sunday was a lot of fun as always. There were so many spectators! God Save the Cuisine's food was scrumptious. I didn't hear which box got more tips... the Classic Mini or the Austin-Healey. We've listed information about our vendors on the website if you want to get in touch with someone. I know I want more of that shortbread!

This event couldn't happen without the help of our constituent San Diego British Car Clubs. If you are interested in helping to make our 2013 events successful, get in touch with your club representative. Or with us. Questions? We're here to help you get involved!

Marque Trophies Claimed by San Diego Austin Healey Club at SDBCD!

Austin Healey Sprite

2nd:

Mickey Pleasant

1960 Sprite

Big Healey

2nd:

Bob & Sue

Farnsworth

1962 MK II

BT7

Jaguar

Touring/

Sports 1976

1st:

Lynn &



Howard Stark

1989 XJS V-12 Convertible

Jensen Healey & Interceptor

1st:

Bob & Barbara Humphreys

1974 Jensen Healey

MGB pre 1974-1/2

2nd:

Steve Kirby

1966 MGB Roadster



SAN DIEGO BRITISH CAR DAY

is one of those events that Anglephiles eagerly await all year. The other one is the Rolling British Car Day that happens in April. This year had a couple differences. First there was the Bar-B-Q the night before. It still needs to work its way into the culture of the BCD, but it was a great success especially among those who came from a great

distance.

The second had to do with the vendors.

This year the selection was much greater. An overflow crowd of vendors seemed to focus on women and the greasy parts had to share with clothes and jewelry.



MGB

was the featured marque and MG showed the lion's share of cars. None-the-less, SDAHc took its share of trophies.



Best of show went to a 1953 Sunbeam Alpine MK I. I think it won because that was the car driven by Grace Kelly in **To Catch A Thief**.

The day provided a field of eye candy with 275 of the queen's best. There is nothing better than a perfect San Diego day drooling over Briton's best chariots and hanging with good friends.



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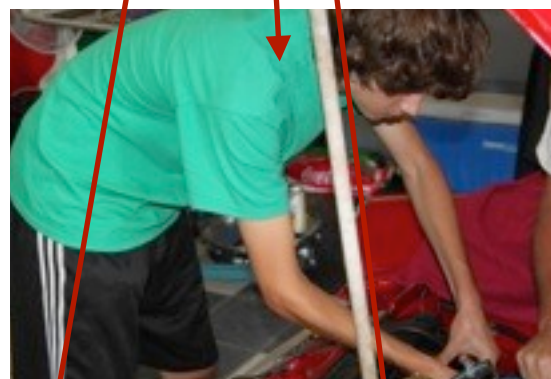
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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Norm Brewer	4
Gary Dolmage	8
Sam Talbert	11
Mike Williams	11
Ramona Kohlmann	14
Lisa Mandell	14
Jill Darland	22
Jolie Felt	26
Eric Tarakjian	27



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Abbe & Ed Neumeyer	11/02/02
Nancy & Gary Stalker	11/02/91
Jill & Ronald Darland	11/21/87
Nancy & Colin Seid	11/27/09





New Members this Month

Her name is **Mary Jane Schmidt** (no, she is not related to Dick and Jan) and she is



from Wyoming. Her dad bought her sprite for her in Idaho when she was 17. She even, along with her dad, rebuilt the engine. She is from a small town (less than 1000 Population) and her high school graduating class was 40 students. Which begs a question. Why in the world did you choose UCSD? She answered: "I just wanted to go to school somewhere I could drive my Sprite."

Getting here was an adventure that bordered on the foolhearty. Who among us would consider a three day trip from Wyoming to San Diego in a '71 Sprite without fear and trembling. She did it with her dog riding shotgun and dad following on his motorcycle.

Mary Jane is studying environmental engineering. When I asked what she would do with that kind of degree, she said she was interested in working on electric cars. Talk about getting on the cutting edge, this girl is right there! In fact, she has landed a job with Tesla Motors. After listening to her talk about her schedule I wondered if she ever sleeps. Not only is she in school but she has two jobs.

The Sprite is unique in many ways. It has a blended two-toned paint job. It also has a number of 'foreign' parts appropriated from

her MG Midget which is fast becoming a 'parts car' supplying replacements for tired Healey parts. We are happy to welcome Mary Jane as a new member of SDAH.



His name is "**Buck**" **Buchanan**. He is a retired Navy pilot who flew jets off the Midway and



many other carriers, and later he flew Helicopters. Once he plucked a downed flyer out of the ocean during the Viet Nam conflict.

When he got the bug to get a sports car he looked for an Austin Healey and his son said, "no, get this Jensen Healey." So, in 1974 he drove his Jensen home. The only reason it is still here is because his son wants the car for his son and he has no place to keep at his home in Ramona. In the

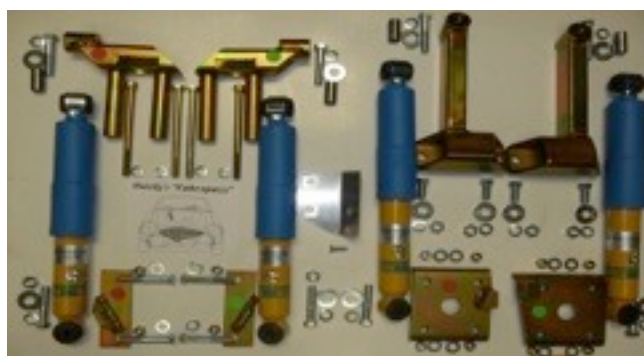
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Stark, H&L	AH 3000 BT7	138	Mayer, B	AH Sprite AN5	14
Farnsworth, B&S	AH 3000 Mk II	78	McCrae, M	AH 100-6 BN4	14
Talbert, S.	AH Sprite AN5	72	Schmidt, MJ	AH Sprite Mk V?	14
Galper, L.	AH 100 BN2	64	Cacciatore, C.	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	12
Humphreys, B&B	AH 3000 BT7	62	Felt, J&L	AH Sprite AN5	12
Snover, R&A	AH 3000 Mk II	62	Galper, L.	MGB	10
Voth, W.	AH 3000 Mk III	58	Hart, S	AH ?	10
Neumeyer, E&A	AH 3000 Mk III	52	Hess, G&M	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	10
Kwiat, G&S	AH 100-6 BN4	40	Macken, H	AH 100	10
Newman, D&C	AH 3000 Mk III	34	Steepy, J	AH Sprite AN5	10
Tabachki, N&N	AH 100-6 BN6	34	Turner, C&S	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	10
Cowan, T & LM	AH 3000 Mk III	30	Stark, H&L	Jaguar conv.	9
McVeety, J&K	AH 3000 Mk III	28	Cowan, T & LM	AH Sprite AN5	8
Williams, M&D	AH 3000 Mk II	28	Galper, L.	Jaguar XJ6	8
Putzke, U&G	AH 3000 Mk II	26	Grundies, D&D	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	8
Durham, D.	Hot Wheels Healey	24	McGee, J.	AH 100 BN2	8
Linde, C.	AH 100 BN2	24	Turner, C&S	Aston-Martin	8
McHarris, G.	AH 100 BN2	24	Kirby, S&D	MG	7
Brewer, N.	Jensen Healey	22	Sharp, C&D	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	6
Leon, S&L	AH Sprite AN5	22	Stebly, G	AH Sprite Mk III	6
Matheus, E.	AH Sprite AN5	22	Galper, L.	Jaguar Mk II	4
Humphreys, B&B	Jensen Healey	18	Kind, K.	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	4
Pleasant, M.	AH Sprite (Mod.)	18	Schmidt, D&J	AH 100-6 BN6	4
Snover, A&R	Mini Cooper	18	Turner, C&S	Jaguar XJ	4
Abel, P.	AH Sprite AN5	16	Watt, S&S	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	4
Davies, R&S	AH 100 BN2	16	Galper, L.	Jaguar 3.8S	2
Davies, R&S	AH 100 BN2	16	Pendleton, J&L	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	2
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rafters of Buck's garage resides the remnants of another Jensen that serves as a parts car. So, this 'one owner' car has served well for all those years logging over 100,000 miles.



Buck grew up in Long Beach and graduated from USC before going into the Navy. His wife attended UCLA and was a cheerleader. It didn't take long for Buck to figure out that she was the girl for him.

Buck has two kids and five grandkids and three great grand kids. His son lives in Ramona and has done a lot of work on America's Cup boats. Now that he is retired he has plenty of time to travel. His wife is really interested in animals and they participate in activities with the San Diego Zoo. This interest has led the Buchanans to Africa several times. They have visited the Masai Mara on photo safaris as well as several other places in Africa.



Ladies Tech Session

By Allie Snover

Sometimes in a high tech time, the best of times can be had doing low-tech things. That's what happened last Saturday at the San Diego Healey



Oktoberfest party.

It all started with a big bin of multiple bottles of very Halloween-hued nail polishes and several pair of



willing fingers to join into the mix. The colors included a jar of R.I.P. Black, Midnight Blue Sparkle,

Electric Orange and a Slimed Green to mention just a few. But being low tech, not one power tool, or ounce of electricity was needed. Just the light of the sky, the fluffs of a few cotton balls to remove some miss guided brush strokes and a dash of creativity to mix up the fun.

No cars were repaired

but many laughs were had!



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