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# HEALEY HEARSAY

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## Club of San Diego



**From The Editor:**

Goodbye  
13, Hello 14. It  
is that time  
again when we  
look back at  
what we were  
going to do and  
what we got

done. Then we can say, "that was a good year" or "I'm glad this one is over and done with." Last year we had some ups and some downs. John McVeety fell and broke his back. Sue Farnsworth also took a fall and charmed the doctors and nurses for a week or so. We had our share of sad times and we also had some memorable times. Terry and Lisa and Ed and Abbie Neumeyer enjoyed a happy Healey drive all over the British Isles. Mike and Delia moved into their new home in El Cajon. Schermerhorn's 'Little Boy Blue' showed off at the British Car Day, and I took home the CotY Award for 2013.

The question now is, what's ahead for 2014? Aside from it being an election year where we will be buried in political literature, endless "vote for me" ads in TV, we know there will be plenty of Healey doings to keep us smiling all year long. So polish them up and get

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**January Meeting**

The January club meeting will be held on January 8 at 6:30 P.M. at:

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**On the Cover:** Craig Turner's 1962 3000 MK II BT7 and Lou Galper's 1955 100 BN1 parked outside the Auto Museum in Balboa Park at the Holiday Party.

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Well Hey There, Healey Folks...

Here we are again a new year is upon us....Lisa and I are back from our Christmas trip North. We had a really nice time with friends & family, we even took in another night at the theater seeing Tiny Tim's family and of coarse Scrooge in ACT's production of A Christmas Carol in San Francisco followed by Irish Coffees @ The Buena Vista !!

I'm getting ready to make my way back to Michigan to help drive our good friends John & Kathy McVeety

back to So Cal for their annual visit and hopefully add a boost to John's speedy recovery.

I want to extend a BIG 'Thank You' to Lynne Stark for all her efforts making the Holiday Party the best one yet. I thought the food choices turned out to be good ones with a few minor tweaks for next year in mind.

Also Lou's Raffle/Auction with a little tweaking from yours truly knocked the corners off the overall cost of the dinner by a substantial amount. We will let our new Vice President fill us in on the details at the upcoming meeting on the 8th of January again @ Joe's at the regular time: 6:30. I hope to be back from my journey by then and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year !!

Until Then,  
Have a wonderful New Year Eve...Stay Safe !!!

Cheers, Terry





*Editor's Note: We took no minutes in December because we combined our meeting with the holiday Party. So, I have decided to fill this space with photos from Club meetings of the last year.*



January



February



March



April



May



June



July



August



September



October



November





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ready for Super Bowl, Rolling British Car Day, Healeys on the Green, California Healey Week (This year in Morro Bay), 4th of July, British Car Day, Oktoberfest, the Brunch and the Holiday Party. This is only the backbone. Bob Farnsworth and Lou Galper will cook up a whole host of activities to keep them running and us grinning all year. Oh, and by the way, CotY is up for grabs again.

Now that we have moved our meeting place to the Philadelphia Sandwich Shop in Claremont Mesa, a more central location, more of you can come, enjoy a Hoagy and participate. We'll look for you on Jan 8.

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## Activities: What is in the Road Ahead

At our meeting in November we selected two men to coordinate the Activities for the coming year. **Bob Farnsworth**, who did a great job in 2013 agreed to stay on as co-chair. His partner this year will be **Lou Galper**. So, we expect to have a rip-roaring year tearing up the back roads around San Diego and enjoying our cars to the max. Remember Bob and Lou are only the co-chairmen the committee is all of us. The measure of success of our year of activities will depend on the participation of every member of the club. Your ideas, your suggestions, your involvement, and your participation is expected. Looking at the year ahead, here is what we can see now:

January 1-5 **San Diego International Auto Show** at the Convention Center

January 25 **Dyno Day** sponsored by the SD Jaguar Club at the Dyno Shop 10042 Prospect Ave., Santee

February 2 **Annual Superbowl Party** (Location and time to be announced at the Jan. 8 meeting)

May 28-June 1 **California Healey Week** This year celebrating the 40th anniversary of the AHASC in Morro Bay, CA

June 15-20 2014 **Conclave** at the Homestead in Hot Springs, Virginia.

June 23-27 **Healey Rendezvous** in Bend, Oregon at the Riverhouse Hotel.





# Holiday Party

After the low turnout for the brunch we were a little uncertain about the Holiday Party at the Auto Museum in Balboa Park. However, there was no need to worry. A great group showed up for the festivities. Parked



out front were a couple of beauties. Lou Galper parked his BN1 alongside Craig



Turner's BT7 to mark the entrance to the party. Up the stairs we noticed the room had been refreshed with new paint. Everyone was dressed in their



holiday best. You have to remember we are in San Diego and have to modify our holiday attire to fit the



weather. No overcoats or mufflers or gloves or

stocking caps (except for Udo). The tables were filled with good food and gifts



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for the exchange. This year we added a silent auction with several books and regalia items.

The buffet line produced plates full of beef, ham and turkey with all the trimmings (with one exception: I was out voted and the turkey stuffing was a no show this year). The



dessert table sported an assortment of sweet tooth delights from cookies to pumpkin pie to cheesecake. In short, the food was really good and there was plenty of it, thanks to



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The highlight of the party was the gift exchange. It started off sorta slow with everyone keeping



the gifts they chose until about halfway through the raiding began and gifts began moving around the room at light speed.







## SAFETY HINTS FOR MOTORISTS

*This is an article that was first printed in "The Motor" (circa 1910), and then re-printed in "The Book of Motors" by F.J. Camm, (1931). It still makes excellent sense for today's driving, even the part about tram cars, as instead of trams, we now have the Long Beach Blue Line and the San Diego Trolley.*

## SAFETY HINTS FOR ALL MOTORISTS

*Issued by the National "Safety First" Association, (Reproduced by courtesy of "The Motor")*

**Six Cardinal Rules for Safe Driving** - 1. Always keep your eyes open and your wits alert; 2. Always drive as you would wish others to drive; 3. Always keep yourself and your vehicle in safe driving order; 4. Always anticipate danger; 5. Learn, give and obey the recognised traffic signals; 6. Obey the law, in letter and spirit.

### **1. ALWAYS KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN AND YOUR WITS ALERT. (ATTENTION.)**

The human element is to blame in the vast majority of accidents.

Undivided attention must be given to the task of driving a car.

Cultivate ROAD SENSE. More accidents are due to carelessness and thoughtlessness than to ignorance. Use common sense to ensure safe driving.

### **2. ALWAYS DRIVE AS YOU WOULD WISH OTHERS TO DRIVE (COURTESY.)**

"SAFETY FIRST" - the most important rule of the road. Drive carefully, considerately and courteously.

***It is Dangerous and Discourteous :-***

To take corners on the wrong side. To cut in or to cut things too fine. To assume that the road is clear. To overtake at corners, bends, cross-roads, road junctions, just before street refuges, or ANYWHERE without the certain knowledge of a clear road. To turn into or out of a road except DEAD SLOW. To drive so that you cannot pull up clear of any possible danger. To assume your warning signal is heard if no notice be taken of it. To descend hills too fast. To force your way through groups of persons boarding or alighting from tramcars. To drive too close to, or too fast past other road users. To leave a vehicle on a bend, or anywhere where it may be an obstruction to other traffic. To reverse unless you Know that all is clear.

***It is Courteous and Considerate :-***

To keep well to the left. To overtake only after making sure that the road is clear, and after giving warning. To listen for warning signals from the rear, and to signal on overtaking traffic, if the road ahead is clear. To use your horn with discretion. To exercise special care in passing all animals.

### **3. ALWAYS KEEP YOURSELF AND YOUR VEHICLE IN SAFE DRIVING ORDER. (CONTROL.)**

Be completely master of your vehicle. Don't drive if you are not physically fit to do so.

Frequently inspect your vehicle. Always keep brakes and steering in faultless condition.

Keep all your lamps in good order. Never leave a vehicle unattended unless it is fully secure.

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***Hello Car Guys & Gals,***

Happy New Year from all of us at the Association of California Car Clubs. Another year has passed us by and all in all it wasn't too bad a year for the collector car hobby and the ACCC. However, the time is now to keep a sharp eye on legislation coming out of Sacramento...Odds are that we will see some bills or regulations that may be harmful to the collector car hobby and it is imperative that we stay informed and alert to any bills that are not good for the car hobby.

Membership numbers in the ACCC are better than ever, legislation, regulations, and policies that may have threatened or harmed the hobby never came to pass so things are good in the car hobby. I wish I could say the same about the state of the nation but that's a topic for another time.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the ACCC Member Clubs; ACCC Individual Members; Sponsors; Advertisers; and Business Partners for your continued support of the ACCC. We absolutely could not do what we do without your support. I also want to thank our Legislator Friends for their support this past year as well. We have cultivated some fantastic relationships this past year that will serve us well going into 2014.

In addition, thanks goes out the ACCC Officers and Board of Directors for your service this past year. Your hard work, expertise, and "Over The Top" dedication to the ACCC has made 2013 one of our best years ever. Thank You...

**Going Into 2014 Be Sure And Save The Dates...**

**January 24-26, 2014 – Grand National Roadster Show in Pomona.** The ACCC will have a booth at the show and will also conduct our 1st Quarter business meeting there as well.

**February 14-16, 2014 – Sacramento Autorama.** The ACCC will host the 3rd Annual Butch Gardner Clubhouse located in the Pavilion at CalExpo. Send inquiries to [acccpres@gmail.com](mailto:acccpres@gmail.com).

**April 4-5, 2014 – The 28th Annual ACCC Spring Legislative Conference** at the California Auto Museum. More info will be available as the dates get closer.

Rex Roden  
President-ACCC

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- Please visit our website:  
**www.healeyclub.org**



### Welcome New Members

“Welcome Back” Karen Blanchard–1960 3000 MkI BT7

Leslie & Mark Mauerman – 1960/61 3000 MkII BT7

Julie & Lee White – 1966 3000 MkIII BJ8

### January Birthdays

Libby Pendleton	1
Kathy McHarris	3
Jan Schmidt	5
Gerry Kwiat	12
Diane Schneider	12
Cecile Abel	17
Karen Goldsworth	20
Bob Carberry	22
Michael McCrae	23

### Greetings Chatter Contributors!

*I hope you and yours had a great holiday season and have a Happy New Year in 2014. The February 2014 Chatter Column is at the printers and I'm starting to put together the March column. To do that successfully I need to receive your ideas and club newsletters for January as soon as they are ready for distribution. I heard from many of you last month, but always welcome the opportunity to see additional newsletters from all Austin-Healey Club of America affiliated clubs. If you haven't already added me to the distribution list for your newsletter, please do and e-mail issues to [chattereditor@centurylink.net](mailto:chattereditor@centurylink.net).*

*That's the best way to be sure your club activities are captured in Chatter. When I contact you for more information and pictures please remember we need high resolution JPGs to assure the most accurate color representations of your activities in Healey Marque. I look forward to working with each of you. See you down the road and on the Internet at:*

*[chattereditor@centurylink.net](mailto:chattereditor@centurylink.net)*

*Greg*

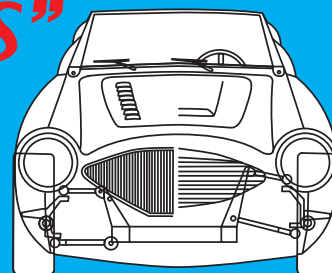




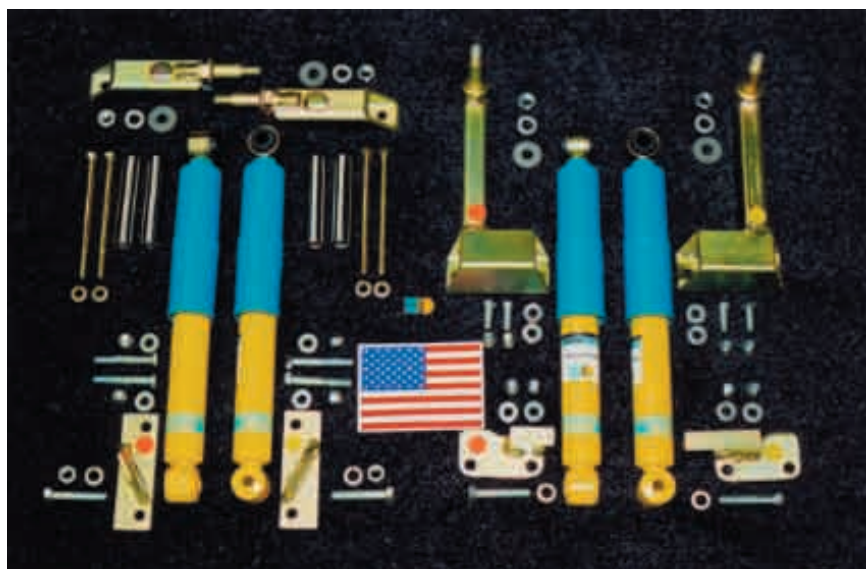
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# Car of the Year Award

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, Rick Snover (619-980-4194 or ricksnover@earthlink.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 4pts. The Board on a case-by-case basis may award points for other events.

## Congratulations to Sam Talbert's Sprite, 2013 CAR OF THE YEAR

### 2014 CotY Standings (as of 12/20/2013)

<u>Members</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Cacciatore, C	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	6
Dolphin, M Jr	AH Sprite AN5	6
Galper, L	AH 100 BN1	6
Pendleton, J&L	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	6
	AH Sprite Mk IV	
Schmidt, MJ	AN9	6
Turner, C&S	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	6
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#### 5. LEARN, GIVE AND OBEY THE RECOGNISED TRAFFIC SIGNALS.

Don't slow down, stop, turn, or cross to the wrong side of the road without endeavouring to show your intention to following traffic by giving the recognised signal. The mere giving of a signal does not entitle you to obstruct other traffic. Always look out for the signals of the driver of the vehicle in front of you. Always look out for, and promptly obey, police signals. Always pay attention to road-warning signs.

#### 6. OBEY THE LAW, IN LETTER AND SPIRIT.

##### SAFETY FIRST - DON'TS FOR MOTORISTS

DON'T FORGET YOUR DRIVING LICENCE. DON'T SEEK TO BECOME AN EXPERT IN A WEEK. DON'T BE ASHAMED OF GOING SLOWLY. DON'T GET FLURRIED-KEEP A LEVEL HEAD. DON'T FORGET TO ACQUIRE ROAD SENSE AND ROAD MANNERS. DON'T DRIVE ON YOUR BRAKES-USE THE THROTTLE. DON'T RELY TOO MUCH ON YOUR WARNING DEVICE. DON'T REV. UP A COLD ENGINE. DON'T USE INFERIOR LUBRICATING OILS. DON'T FORGET THAT PEDESTRIANS HAVE PRIOR RIGHT ON THE HIGHWAY.

(Sandy has just informed me that there is a typo in the text, but I stand by what is written as it is the British spelling as in the original article and has not been Americanized)

Sandy Watt





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