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# HEALEY HEARSAY

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**From The Editor:**

I have been hanging out lately with the South Bay Cruisers largely because I live in the South Bay and

because it gives me a place at a reasonable distance to drive Whooeee. They host a "Cars and Coffee" at the Von's parking lot at the corner of Bonita and Otay Lakes Roads. Whooeee and I show up every Saturday at 7:00 am, enjoy a cup of joe and a bran muffin, and chat with a wide variety of "car guys". This is what Rick Snover was talking about last meeting when he said, "some of you need to go to this event because Sam is getting all the CotY Points."

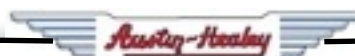
I am regularly the only Healy present. In fact, I am generally the only British car or for that matter, the only foreign car there. That raises an



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**June Meeting**

Mainstream Bar and Grill  
13385 Poway Rd., Poway, CA 92064  
June 10, 2015  
6:30 p.m.



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**On the Cover:** Bob Farnsworth and his sister Joanne in Bob's BJ8 in New Zealand

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Hey Their Healey folk...

Here is more from our travels down under Currently we are up North with Dewey DeButt's, Pete Smith and PMO with the family racing at the Wine Country Classic...Hope to see you all at our next meeting @ Mainstream in

**Poway... Day 3 – Napier to Wellington**

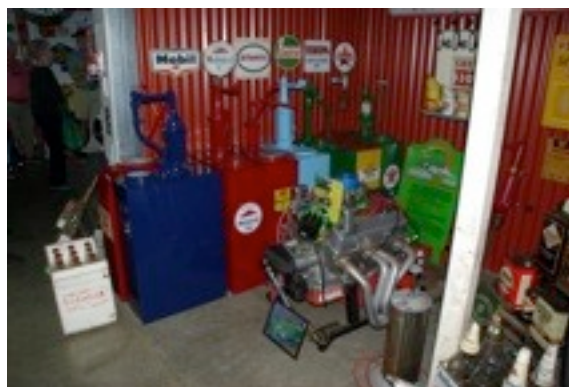
This was another glorious sunny day...a bit cool in the early morning hours but warmed up to shorts & shirt sleeves weather...more importantly, another “top

**President's Message:**



down day.” The drive south from Napier on state highway 2 was mostly through rolling hills, farmlands, with as many cows as sheep, and many of the NZ wineries.

After a few hour's drive our first stop was “Gasoline Heaven.” This museum had cars, trucks, engines, old gas pumps, oil and gasoline signs, old oil cans bottles, vintage pedal & bumper cars from the 40's & 50's and all manner of automotive paraphernalia. Bob, the owner even drove his Healey to meet us at the museum, which he opened especially for our group's tour. Following food & a fuel stop, we continued another 2 hours to Wellington. The weather there was nice...sunny, warm and, not too windy.



**Day 4 – Wellington to Nelson**

When we awoke in Wellington it was a Winnie the Pooh Day...windy, blustery...as is the norm!! At around noon, we all left the hotel for the ferry station, not too far away.



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## May 2015 Healey Meeting Minutes

*The May 13 2015 meeting was held at the Mainstream Bar and Grill at 13385 Poway Rd. Poway*

22 members and guests were in attendance: Drove Healeys\*, other British~.

Don Benke\*, Terry Cowan, Lex Dunn, Bob Farnsworth, Dick Hoss, Bob Humphreys\*, Ed Matheus, Udo & Gisela Putzke\*, John & Mary Schermerhorn, Dick & Jan Schmidt, Rick & Allie Snover, Gary Stalker\*, Howard Stark, Sam Talbert\*, Craig & Sue Turner\*, Ed Valle, Sandy Watt.

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

### **General Discussions, comments:**

As we had several members freshly back from the “Down Under” event, we all sat back and listened to stories about the travel itself and then about events and activities there. This covered travels both on the North and South

New Zealand Islands as well as Australia proper. The Putzes must get the long distance sight seeing award as they rolled up 8000 Km in 3 weeks.

As for cars, there apparently were 71 plus “others” that were there for the event.

Attendees expressed thanks to Steve Kirby for his efforts in coordinating accommodations and travel points with The Down Under Hosts.

*Sounds like the rest of us missed a great time.*

**Vice President/ Membership:** Lynne sent word that she could not attend tonight.

**Secretary:** No comments related to the minutes.

**Treasurer:** Mike Dolphin not attending. No other comments on balances.

**Newsletter:** Sam asked that anyone with pics, and stories if they could get them to him.

**Activities:** As usual there are the summer roster of city wide events available to attend if you are not locked into requiring the event to be a Healey brand. These can be found on the various newsletter pages.

Also mentioned were some impromptu “lets just jump into the car and get away for the day/ night “ trips with little definite planning.

For an activity with some planning, a July 4th Healey event will be on that date at Warren Voths home. Reserve that date.

**Regalia:** Open position.

**Museum/Greater SD Car Club Council:** Open position.

**Old Business:** None

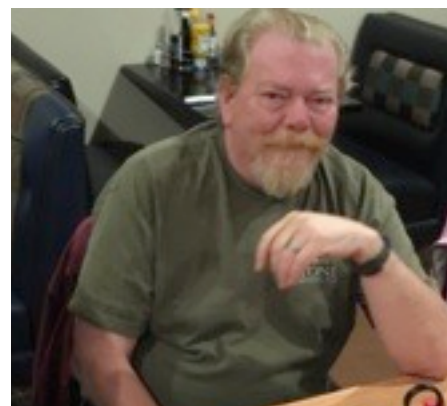
**New Business:** None

Rick Snover was the lucky dinner entree winner.

Meeting adjourned 8.00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Dick Schmidt, secretary





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observation. Most of the cars on any Saturday have been modified. Some quite radically. I think you could walk down the side walk and count two thirds of the cars with a huge Chevy engine. Even the Fords have Chevy engines. Some of the most innocent sheet metal hides monster engines with astronomical horse power numbers.

I understand the whole racing mindset. Man has been challenging each other to find who is fastest since the invention of the wheel. That all makes sense, but to install a 500 HP Chevy in a



Henry J, or a “T Bucket” just to make noise down the boulevard seems to be a little overkill. However, I suppose it is a normal “guy thing” to make your car a fire breathing, earth stomping monster. It is like growing a mustache, it’s a “guy thing!”



## *Activities*

*By Bob Farnsworth & Lou Galper*

Terry’s and my Healeys arrived in Long Beach 16 May and released by Customs on 18 May. Now, a different set of chores; sorting, cleaning and delayed maintenance as we left the cars in a hurry at the shipper’s facility in Auckland in order to catch planes home or to Australia. The cars should be coming home around the 20<sup>th</sup> of May.

Warren Voth will host our annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration at his home, 5554 Riggs Road, El Cajon, Saturday, 4 July, 12:00 – 5:00. The club will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, soft drinks, water and ice. Bring a side dish or dessert to share and what ever else you like to drink. Warren has a couple of grills but suggests we bring chairs just in case. Volunteers are needed to help set-up, call Lou Galper (619-287-0626) or me Bob 760-787-5737) before the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Steve Kirby, Austin Healey Club of Southern California Vice President and Activities Coordinator brought to my attention the Central Coast British Car Club’s British Car Show Sunday, July 19 at the Channel Islands Harbor Park in Oxnard, 9am - 3pm. Cars, entertainment, food and more cars. Jaguar is the featured marque this year. Registration is \$35 in advance, \$45 day of show. AHASC is supporting this event and proposed that AHCSO join them.

***Interested in making this an overnigher?*** Contact me and I will be coordinating with the AHASC. This should be a fun event.

**Don’t forget to register for California Healey Week**

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- June 28      **MCRD car classic on the bay**      <http://www.mccsmcrd.com/carclassic/index.html>
- July 4      **4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration at Warren Voth's**
- June 6      **Coastal Driving Tour** Gather at the Ace Hardware Parking lot in Liberty Station at 9:30 am with a 10:00 am departure. The route will travel along the coast past Del Mar, turn inland to Rancho Santa Fe, back out to the coast in Solano Beach and conclude at Bubby's Gelato located at 937 South Coast Highway, suite 106 (Lumberyard Shopping Center), Encinitas.  
"This from the MG club should be a good time" -- **Bob Farnsworth**
- July 19      **Central Coast British Car Club's British Car Show in Oxnard**  
Sign up forms at: [www.centralcoastbritishcarclub.com](http://www.centralcoastbritishcarclub.com).
- July 19-24      **Enclave 2015 - Healeys on Hallowed Ground** (AHCA Conclave and AHSTC Encounter, combined!) at Gettysburg National Military Park, Gettysburg, PA.  
[www.enclave2015.com](http://www.enclave2015.com)
- August 8      **23<sup>rd</sup> Annual National City Auto Heritage Day**      <http://www.automobileheritageday.com/>
- September      **Coronado Speed Fest.**
- September      **English Motors at Fairbrook**
- October      **British Car day,**
- October 24<sup>th</sup>      **Oktoberfest, at Bob Farnsworth's**
- November 12-15      **California Healey Week:**      La Quinta, CA (Palm Springs),  
<https://www.healeyclub.org/event/california-healey-week-2015>  
Embassy Suites La Quinta, CA  
Hosted by Austin-Healey Association of So. California.
- December      **Annual Christmas Party**





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The ferry ride was supposed to be about 3 ½ hours, but took longer to dock and unload. The good thing about the longer trip was the Healey stories got better!!

The drive out of Picton was a windy, hilly two lane



road...perfect for driving a sports car with the top down. Unfortunately, the winding roads slowed us down compared to a straight highway, but the drive was beautiful, and towards the end of the drive the setting sun made it impossible to see the road at times.

We all arrived in Nelson and checked in at the Monaco Hotel, a couple of us took the long way around which was made more difficult without any lighted signs and our Garmins being a bit off... but we all got there finally where we joined dinner in progress at the hotel and met up with more of our NZ Healey





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# New Zealand Scenery

From the Drivers  
Seat of a Healey







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**Enjoying Ourselves Down  
Under**

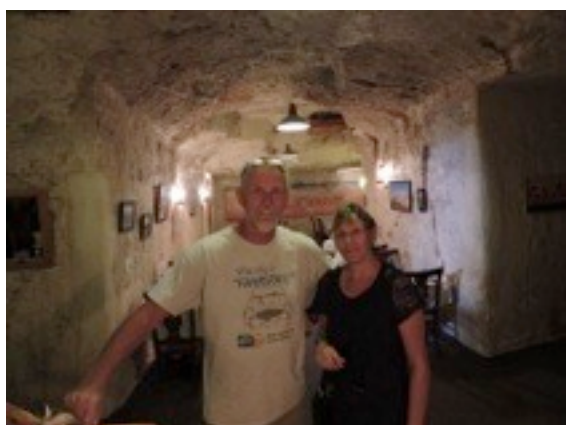




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## June Birthdays

Dolores McComas	3
Cass Cacciatore	13
Mary Schermerhorn	14
Mike Dolphin, Jr.	24
Steven Hart	24
Karen Selsor	24
Chic Linde	28

## June Anniversaries

Alice & George Hurley	6/06/69
Delia & Mike Williams	6/11/11
Debbie & Chuck Sharp	6/18/77
Joal and Bill Mayer	6/20/64
Heidi & John Farkash	6/24/84
Lynne & Howard Stark	6/25/78
Loreen & Roland Wilhelmy	6/26/65
Libby & Jim Pendleton	6/26/66
Pat and Don Benke	6/26/71

## Udo and Gísela in Coober Pedy







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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.

## 2015 CotY Standings

(as of 5/20/2015)

<u>Members</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Talbert, S	AH Sprite AN5	60	Cowan, T & Lisa M	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	8
Stark, H&L	AH 3000 BT7	26	Farnsworth, B	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	8
Humphreys, B&B	AH 3000 BT7	24	Turner, C&S	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	8
Galper, L	AH 100 BN1	20	Tabachki, N&N	AH 100-6 BN6	6
Benke, D	AH 3000 Mk III	18	Watt, S&S	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	6
Brewer, N	Jensen Healey	18	Galper, L	Jaguar 3.8S	5
Stalker, G	AH 100	18	Grundies, D&D	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	4
Voth, W	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	16	Putzke, U&G	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	4
Neumeyer, E&A	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	12	Valle, E	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	4
Snover, R&A	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	12	White, L&J	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	4
Matheus, E	AH Sprite AN5	10	Hoss, D&D	Sebring 5000	3
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