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# HEALEY HEARSAY

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## Club of San Diego



**From The Editor:**

"The best laid schemes o' mice or men aft gang alee," said Robert Burns. And he was certainly right. This month I was

planning to write about a latch I conceived for Whooeee's bonnet. It is a pretty clever idea and I'll probably write about it later in the year. But for now I have something more pressing to write about.

I bought another Healey!! A



friend of mine who is a worship pastor at my old church has a 1962 Square Body Sprite that he sold me. His idea to use it to bond with his son never got any

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**February Meeting**

**February 10 @ 6:30**

**Bully's East**

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**On the Cover:** The latest edition to the San Diego Austin Healey Club is a 1962 Square Body Sprite affectionally named "Stella."

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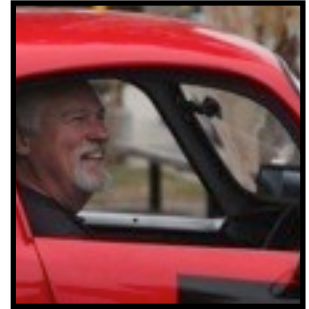


### Hey There Healey Peeps

Well, we are now one month into 2016 we start our first event of the year at the **Watts Home**, starting at **1PM** as usual with game time @ **3PM**.

The address is **3610 Dupont St., San Diego, 92106** their house is located towards the end of Catalina Blvd prior to Cabrillo Monument on the bay side.

### President's Message:



They suggest we bring Chairs, I will be bringing the tasting cup's and other Super Bowl items, as is the norm. Please bring a dish to share, and guys, bring a Chili dish if you make that sort of thing!!

**Sandy and Sandy** will be showing their car collection in their newly finished garage...should a fun time for all who attend!!

On another note, we are looking for someone to be our treasurer since **Mr. Dolphin** has stepped down. He asked for a pay increase and we said it wasn't in the budget. I would like to extend a warm welcome to **Don Benke**, our new VP, and a big **THANK YOU** to **Sam, Dick, Lynne, Bob, Mike, Rick & Lou** for their past and future help keeping the club moving along!!

Something else of Note, the San Diego Automotive Museum is hosting **British Invasion**. I was told I missed the cut for entering a car since they were all full up. This should be a pretty nice display!!

I would also like to thank **Joanie Berkwitz**, the new President of the **SDBCCC** for stopping by our January meeting to give us the low down on **RBCD**. She displayed some new signage ideas for **BCD** and asked if we can lend a hand during these two events!!

Looking Forward to seeing everyone for **Super Bowl**, and if not then at our February meeting !!

Your Prez, Mr T





**January 2016 Healey Meeting Minutes****The January 20th meeting was held at the Main Street Bar and Grill in Poway, CA.**

19 members and a few guests were in attendance: Drove Healeys\*, other British~ Terry Cowan, Mike Dolphin, Lex Dunn, Bob Farnsworth, Eric Graves (guest), John McCoy, Udo & Giesela Putzke, John & Mary Schemerhorn, Dick & Jan Schmidt, Rick Snover, Howard & Lynne Stark, Gary Stalker\*, Sam Talbert\*, Warren Voth, Lee White and Joannie (guest from British Car Council)

**Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Terry Cowan**

**General Discussions, comments:** We introduced Joannie Berkwitz, our guest and President of the British Car Council who discussed the Rolling British Car Days scheduled for April 17th, which will conclude somewhere up North with a picnic. Stay tuned for a future announcement with additional information. The British Car Day (BCD) event will be scheduled for early October and will be held at the San Diego Embarcadero park. Joannie asked if we have a special marque, and we replied the 100 Six will be turning 60 this year. We also discussed updating the signs for the BCD event. The Ball Bearing Breaker event is coming due and another car club will need to sponsor this event. This represented the bulk of discussions with our guest from the British Car Council.

**Terry presented Sam with the Car Of The Year Award.**

**Vice President/ Membership:** Lynne reported there is an increase of two (2) members to the Healey Club of America. There are currently 50 members who have paid their Club dues for this year. Don Benke will begin performing his role as the VP beginning this February.

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

**Treasurer:** Mike Dolphin is stepping down from his role as our Treasurer, so we will need to elect a new member to this role.

**Newsletter:** Please refer to Sam's previous request for more pictures for newsletter content. Sam has purchased square body and proposes a tech session and quilt show-and-tell at his place sometime in the near future. Stay tuned for additional information.

**Activities:** Bob Farnsworth mentioned there were are still rooms available at Yosemite for California Healey Week, taking place this Spring. It was mentioned that our friend Jill from Australia, will be attending the event at Yosemite.

Bob also suggested a visit to the Hawk watch, scheduled for 9 am on February 20th in Ramona. Anyone interested in attending may contact Bob for additional details.

**Super Bowl Sunday** will be at Sandy & Sandy Watt's place in Point Loma, beginning February 7th around 1pm. As usual, the Men will make the chilli and the Women will provide yummy sides, desserts & treats. Additional information is available on the website, to be updated by Rick Snover.

**Regalia:** Open position

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

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** There were discussions about finding a new place(s) to hold upcoming meetings. We are requested to provide Terry with suggestions (via email or telephone) sometime before our next meeting.

Our guest, Joannie Berkwitz, was the lucky dinner entree winner.

Meeting adjourned around 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted

Dick & Jan Schmidt, Secretary





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traction and his wife has other, more important uses for the garage space. Hence my good fortune.

The car, I named her Stella, does not



run and has been idle for many years and it shows. I would like to call it a “Barn Find.” Everything fits that description, the only problem is, there is no barn. Stella sat comfortably in the Tustin Meadows neighborhood just up the road in Tustin, CA.

Our generous president has facilitated the transfer of Stella to her new home in Chula Vista where I’ll begin the process of bringing her back to road worthiness and her former glory. It may take a while.

During that time Whooeee may go visit family members in Corona for a bit while Stella finds her groove. That means I won’t be driving a Healey much in ’16, so you all will have to take up the slack and make sure the Queen’s finest is represented at all the events this year.

## *Activities*

*By Bob Farnsworth & Lou Galper*

**Every Saturday 7-9am. Cars and Coffee at the donut shop at the corner of Bonita and Otay Lakes Rds.**

**February 7th Supper Bowl Party and Men’s Chill Cook-off NOTE: ALEX AND SANDY WATT WILL HOST SUPPER BOWL PARTY & MENS’ CHILLI COOK-OFF.**

Bring your best chili to 3610 Dupont Street, San Diego, 92106 (Pt Loma), *Thomas, 1287-J3.* 1:00 pm

February 20<sup>th</sup>

**Hawk Watch**

**2016 Hawk**

Watch is back.



Dave Bittner and

the Wildlife Research Institute will be hosting Hawk Watch Saturdays in January and February at Begent Ranch at the Ramona Grasslands, 18528 Highland Valley Road, Ramona (just east of the old WRI facility)

**Arrive by 9:30, program begins promptly at 10:00 am.** [www.wildlife-research.org](http://www.wildlife-research.org)

**June 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Yosemite Healey Week** If you have not yet booked for this event, call Bob Farnsworth 760-787-5737. Some cabins were available as late as 20 January. Call Redwoods Cabin Group Bookings Coordinator, Janine 877-496-3052 and specify Yosemite Healey Week. Several will be caravanning to Yosemite, if interested call me (Bob). Let me know what day(s) and route you would like and I will try to organize and maybe I can coordinate with the LA group.

**April 17<sup>th</sup> Rolling British Car Day & Picnic**

**October 1st British Car Day**



Hi Everyone!

I hope your new year is off to a wonderful start.

About two thirds of you have renewed your membership. If you haven't, please send a check for \$30.00 made out to AHCSD to me. If you want to be included in our roster I need your dues no later than Friday, February 22nd. We would like to have our 2016 roster out sometime in March (hopefully available by the time of our monthly meeting).

If you have already renewed...Thank You.

Please check your listing in last year's roster and let me know of any changes.

Thanks...Lynne



January  
meeting at  
the  
Mainstream  
Bar and  
Grill in  
Poway







**FEBRUARY 2016**

# **Annual Superbowl Party and Chili Cook Off**



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## January Birthdays

Libby Pendleton	1
Jan Schmidt	5
Gerry Kwiat	12
Diane Schneider	12
Bob Carberry	22
Michael McCrae	23

## February Birthdays



## Anniversaries



### February Birthdays

Terry Cowan	4
Mike MacLean	4
Don Benke	8
Diane Kirby	10
Mickey Pleasant	11
Janiece Talbert	12
Jerry Schaffer	14
Debbie Durham	28

### February Anniversaries

Nancy & Neil Tabachki	2/25/95
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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.

## 2016 CotY Standings

(as of 1/20/2016)

<u>Members</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Talbert, S	AH Sprite AN5	10	Stalker, G	AH 100	4
Benke, D	AH 3000 Mk III	6	Galper, L	Jaguar XJ6	3
Putzke, U&G	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	6	Humphreys, B&B	Jensen Interceptor	3
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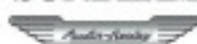
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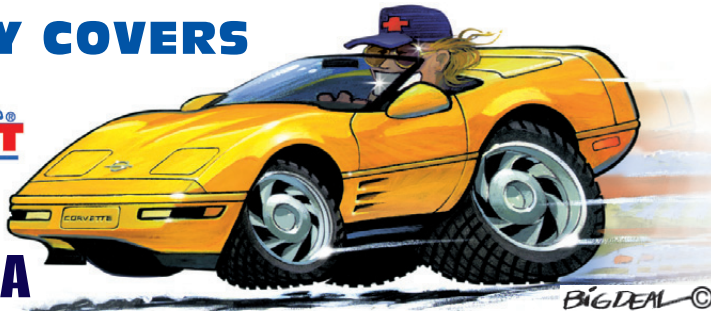
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