

# HEALEY HEARSAY

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#### From The Editor:



It all started a long time ago when, after bumping my head on the bonnet, I decided to henge the bonnet forward

for better access to the engine bay. The conversion all went well until it came to devising a new latch. I had seen several versions and most of them did not appeal to me. The best solution was to install a latch taken from a Triumph Spitfire that actually looked like it belonged. The only problem was that it demanded a rectangular hole be cut into each side to accommodate the mechanism. Cutting into the bonnet did not appeal to me. In fact, I'm uneasy about even drilling a hole to bolt on any of the other solutions.

So, what did I do? Nothing! I decided to try just letting the bonnet rest in place without any "tie down." I was advised that this was unwise because "you'll come to a stop sign and your bonnet will slide off onto the street." None-the-less, I just set the bonnet down in place without a latch thinking the weight of the bonnet would keep it in place. To date I

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#### **March Meeting**

Mainstream Bar & Grill
13385 Poway Rd., Poway
ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY
THE 16TH OF MARCH @
6:30.



HEALEY HEARSAY is the official monthly publication of the AUSTIN HEALEY CLUB of SAN DIEGO. Monthly member's meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 P. M. The location varies and is announced in the newsletter and on our web site: www.sdhealey.org

#### **Membership Information**

Membership in the AUSTIN-HEALEY CLUB of SAN DIEGO is open to all owners of Austin & Jenson Healey's and to all others who profess an interest in the cars or the purpose of the club. Yearly dues to the AUSTIN-HEALEY CLUB of SAN DIEGO are \$30 per household. Visit our web site <a href="www.sdhealey.org">www.sdhealey.org</a> or contact our Membership Coordinator, Vice President Lynne Stark <a href="redjag99@sbcglobal.net">redjag99@sbcglobal.net</a> for details and an application.

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On the Cover: Three Healeys in Point Loma, Terry Cowan's BJ8, Rick Snover's BT7 and Lou Galpers' BN1

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# SIN DIEGO

#### **President's Message:**

Hey Fellow Healeyites

Well we are now well into 2016,

A big thanks go out Sandy & Alex Watt for hosting this year's Super Bowl party and showing us around their new garage space and of coarse their

great collection of cars, leaving a bit of space for their very rare German Spec Tri-Carb 3000.



These cars are unique to the mark as being ahead of most countries by insisting the car be provided separate signal lamps and brake lights as a safety feature before most countries by three years.

They feature a lamp in the area on the back shroud that would normally have the reflector above the rear lamp, and a small bump on the front shroud for the signal lamp. This arrangement did not appear on normal production Healeys until late 1965 or model year 66.

I have only seen three of these early german Spec cars in all my years of restoring them. We are currently restoring the chassis and hopefully we can have some Club tech sessions to help move forward on this very special Healey.

I hope folks had a good time with Bob at Hawk Watch...unfortunately I had to out of town helping my Mom who recently broke her hip. She has been having a hard time getting her normal stuff done, so I spent some time in San Fran with my brother trying to sort things out for her.

Lisa and I are currently taking some time off that has **NOTHING** to do with cars...not my usual fare, but she says I'll have fun...so off to Antigua we go...not sure what happens on weekends that don't have race cars or car shows, but I brought some books that I have owned for a few years...and hope I don't come back looking like a roasted beet!!

OK we still need a Treasurer which now be ME...we have about 6,400.00 in our bank...so anyone who would like to give a hand with this position I am happy to bring the ledger!!

Our meeting this month will be at *Mainstream Bar & Grill on the third Wed the 16th of March* @ 6:30.

Hope to see you all there!!

Yr Prez, Terry



#### **February 2016 Healey Meeting Minutes**

The Feb 10th meeting was held at Bully's East above Mission Valley.

17 members and one guest were in attendance: Drove Healeys\*, other British~ Don Benke\*, Norm Brewer~, Terry Cowan\*, Bob Farnsworth\*, Carol DeBenny (guest), Bob Humphreys\*, Dick Hoss\*, John McCoy, John & Mary Schemerhorn, Dick & Jan Schmidt, Rick & Allie Snover, Howard & Lynne Stark, Sam Talbert\*, Sandy Watt

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

General Discussions, comments: Bob Farnsworth introduced his friend Carol. We also thanked Sandy for hosting a really great Super Bowl event.

Vice President/ Membership: Lynne reported that to date, we have 52 members who have paid dues, with 14 yet to renew their membership. Lynne and Don are working together to have the Club roster published in March.

Secretary: No comments related to the minutes

Treasurer: No new comment.

Newsletter: Please refer to Sam's ongoing request for more pictures for newsletter content.

Activities: There are still some rooms available at Yosemite for **California Healey Week**, taking place this Spring. The LA group would like more participation from the San Diego Club for this event. **Jill Foster from Australia** will be staying with Bob Farnsworth, prior to the event.

The **Hawk watch** event, scheduled for 9 am on February 20th in Ramona, will take place at the Wildlife Research Institute, just down the street from the old place. Anyone interested in attending may contact Bob for additional details. Following the Hawk watch event there will be a short drive to lunch, location TBD.

**Super Bowl Sunday** was great success, with almost 20 people in attendance. Thanks to Sandy & Sandy for having us, and to all who were able to attend.

The Jaguar group has invited us to attend a **Surf & Turf** event held at Dana Point, on March 20th.

Regalia: Open position

Museum/Greater SD Car Club Council: Open position

Old Business: None

New Business: No new comments.

Sandy Watt, was our lucky dinner entree winner

Meeting adjourned around 8:10 pm

Respectfully submitted
Dick & Jan Schmidt, Secretary





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have had no incident where the bonnet slid in the intersection.

Wisdom has always preached, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." I still believe that. Buuuut, I would still like to find out if I could devise a latch that would work and not mar my paint job. I think I have found a solution. It is a cabinet latch like the one on the armoire in my bedroom. It requires no holes in the outer skin of Whooeee and yet secures the bonnet in place.

Cool, Huh!?



# 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.

April 17th Rolling British Car Day & Picnic

June 1st – 5th **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.

June 12th -17th The Healey Family Reunion: 2016 Austin Healey Club of America Conclave,

You are invited to spend a week of your 2016 summer in Greater Cincinnati traveling along the Ohio River doing all things Healey!

There will be activities, awards and competition specific for each branch of the Healey family! Just for registering you'll have chances for a valuable prize for each Healey Marque, as well as drawings especially for the ladies and children!

Regardless of interest or disinterest in things with a motor and wheels, spouses and friends will find something fun to do while their motoring counter parts are out playing with their toys.

We are offering traditional Conclave events and activities, but have also have arranged other fun and interesting activities with a twist—such as come a day early and visit the Concours deElegance.

We developed the 2016 Conclave so participants can make and control their own time a la cafeteria approach. Schedule a multitude of tech/info/fun sessions each day, while doing the main event when youwant! *Check out the site and plan your week NOW!* <a href="http://www.2016healeyreunion.com">http://www.2016healeyreunion.com</a> October 1st - British Car Day



### Super Bowl Party

The tradition has been since I have been in the club that the Superbowl party has been at Terrys. Since his birthday is in February we sing "Happy Birthday, dear Terry" then go root for our favorite team.

This year things are different. Since Terry was a bit jammed up and getting ready for a party would have taken a Herculean effort, he asked if anyone wanted to host the Superbowl party and



Sandy and Sandy Watts volunteered. When we were last there for a tech session the Watts lived in Santa Ana and they had constructed a garage at her mom's home in Point Loma. Now they have sold their Santa Ana home and moved into the house in Point Loma and begun construction on another



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Loma



followed

by Rick in his BT7 and found a place to park tucked among the bushes along the roadside.

Inside was packed with Healy folks and a table laden with all kinds of goodies. Stashed in his



unfinished garage was a couple of Sandy's projects. Those who had not been there before were treated to a tour of the original garage with cars down stairs and period clothes up stairs.

In the new garage Sandy had set up a projector to show the game on the white wall of the garage. Those who brought chairs set them up forming a makeshift theater. A trip by the table to fill a plate with goodies and a cold drink became the makings of a great afternoon watching Payton Manning humble the near perfect Panthers.



#### YOSEMITE HEALEY WEEK 2016 REGISTRATION FORM

June 1 - 5, 2016

The Redwoods P.O. Box 2085 8038 Chilnualna Falls Road Wawona, Yosemite National Park CA 95389 http://www.redwoodsinyosemite.com/

Make checks payable to the *Austin Healey Association*, and return to: Abby Neumeyer, 72975 Amber St. Palm Desert, CA 92260 - for questions contact Abby at <a href="mailto:eye\_mom@yahoo.com">eye\_mom@yahoo.com</a> 760-275-0203 NOTE: Accommodation reservations must be made separately. Please refer to the hotel information on page 2

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Friday Drive to Glacier Point ( )	Tech Session ()				
SaturdayCar show ( ) Rocker Cover Ra	acing ( ) Banquet ( )	)			
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YHW 2016 REGALIA ORDER FORM (all items 100% pre shrunk cotton with YHW Logo) To ensure availability of sizes and styles, you MUST place your order by Monday, May 2, 2016.

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You must reserve your cabin directly with The Redwoods before May 2, 2016 to guarantee our group rate. Cabins are held on a guaranteed basis only and are in limited supply. Please call The Redwoods at 877-753-8566 and use group code "Austin Healey Assoc." when making reservations. Payment due 30 days prior to arrival. All Credit Cards are accepted. All cabins have cooking supplies and several local restaurants are available.

Mail completed forms to: Abby Neumeyer, 72975 Amber St. Palm Desert, CA 92260

If no additional cabins are available, you can book hotel rooms at the Wawona Hotel (about 2 miles away) at **(801) 559-4884** or the Tenaya Lodge (about 9 miles away) at **(888) 514-2167**. **No special rates are available at the hotels.** 

#### SUMMARY OF EVENTS

**Wednesday afternoon:** Arrival and Registration. Cocktails Hour - Drinks and appetizers compliments of theRedwoods. Dinner - Buffet style dinner provided at the Redwoods Event Center.

**Thursday Morning:** Poker Run Drive - Yosemite Valley drive with 4 scheduled stops (for card draws) and ends at the Ahwahnee Hotel about noon. Optional tour and/or lunch at the Ahwahnee.

**Thursday Afternoon - Optional drive to Tuolumne Meadows.** 

**Thursday Evening -** Cocktail Hour **-** three additional Poker wild cards will be drawn, the car with the best poker hand wins. Dinner on your own. **Friday Morning: D**rive to Glacier Point. Once there, participants can sightsee on your own and either have lunch at the sandwich shop or return to the Redwoods. Lunch on your own.

**Friday Afternoon:** Tech Session - TBD. **Dinner -** Buffet style dinner at the Redwoods Event Center. **Saturday Morning:** Car Wash, Photos and Car Show. Lunch provided.

**Saturday Afternoon:** Rocker Cover Racing: Two cars race side by side to the finish line, much like a drag race. Multiple elimination heats are conducted until an undisputed winner is determined.

Saturday Evening: Banquet Dinner, Awards and Silent Auction - The Redwoods



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# March Birthdays

Bill Mayer	5
Gisela Putzke	11
Dave Grundies	12
Natalie Kind	13
Jessica MacLean	14
Alex Watt	16
Klaus Kind	20
Nancy Arndt	23
Bob Farnsworth	28

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## March Anniversaries

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Enjoying a fun afternoon at the Superbowl Party in Point Loma







## 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. AHCSD 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: AHCSD Meetings & Tech Sessions 4 pts; AHCSD 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-AHCSD one day events 2 pts; Other non-AHCSD multi-day events 4pts. The Board on a case-by-case basis may award points for other events.

#### 2016 CotY Standings

(as of 2/20/2016)

<u>Members</u>	Car	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Members</u>	Car	<u>Pts</u>
Benke, D	AH 3000 Mk III	14	Williams, M&D	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	6
Talbert, S	AH Sprite AN5	14	Humphreys, B&B	Jensen Interceptor	5
Putz <mark>ke, U&amp;G</mark>	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	12	Brewer, N	Jensen Healey	4
Snover, R&A	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	12	Humphreys, B&B	AH 3000 BT7	4
Farnsworth, B	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	10	Galper, L	Jaguar XJ6	3
Stalker, G	AH 100	10	Wilhelmy, R&L	Jaguar XE	3
Cowan, T & Lisa M	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	6	Hoss, D&D	Sebring 5000	2
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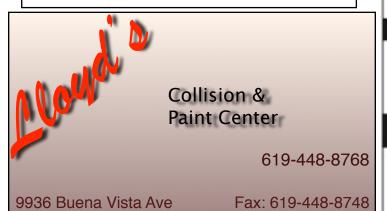
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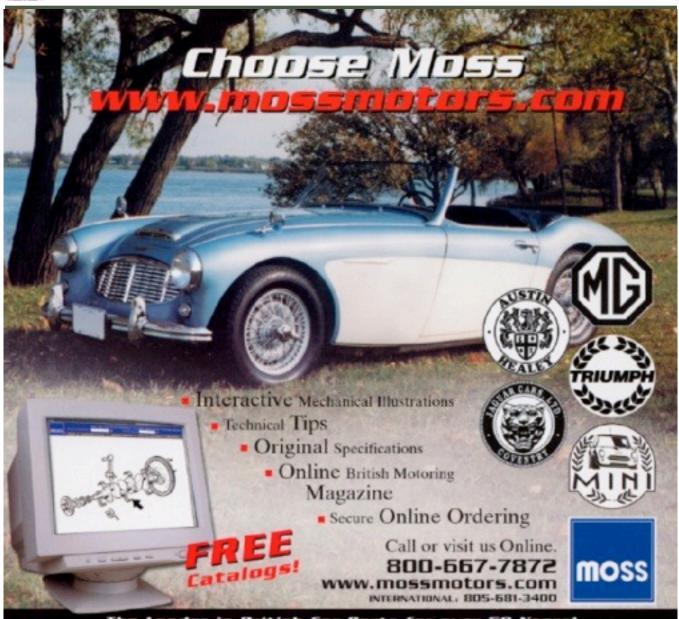


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