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**From The Editor:**

I can't tell you how unpleasant it is to stumble around with spinal stenosis (the narrowing of the canal through which the spinal cord

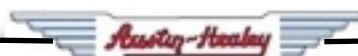
makes its way down your back through all the vertebrae to your legs). I found a new pain in a new place almost every day until I decided medication was not going to solve the problem and surgery is necessary. For almost a year I have been squirming around searching for a position that did not hurt. Getting in and out of Whoeeee was almost impossible and working on Stella was a symphony of pain too. Hence my whole Healey experience suffered. Then it came to me, I could keep on in this miserable condition or I could bite the bullet and go for surgery. I have been warned by even experts that surgery is a risk and it may make things worse. My walking days could be over. Not lightly and not without prayer, I made the decision to have surgery. Thursday, September 25 was the date.

After all the necessary pre-op sessions, I checked in to Kaiser and they took my

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October Meeting

October 12, 2016
Mainstream Bar and Grill
13385 Poway Road,
Poway, CA 92064
6:30 P.M.



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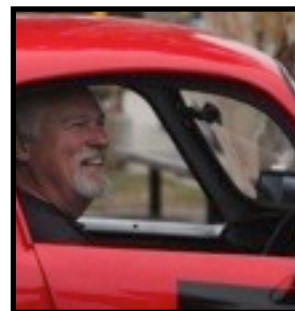
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Hey There, Healeyites

President's Message:

This story starts on a different Continent in 2015 on our trip to New Zealand and Australia and our good friends Steve and Helen Pike loaned us a Tri Carb roadster to tour with them for the Lorne National meet. We are wheeling along and Lisa says, "Hey We Should Build a Roadster"...we



meaning **Me!!**

We are cruising along and she says there is so much more room, and look at the door pockets, and I am thinking that we already have a great convertible. But there is a good point when it comes to all the different aspects of our cars, they all have their own flavor and personality!!

I have been blessed having owned, driven, or raced almost every style Healey made, except a 100-S. So, with the bird in my brain I decided to find a car Lisa might like that has the best of both worlds, since she loved the car I was driving when we met for the first time that was easy. Now the hunt is on.

Shortly afterwards I get a call from a fellow who has a BN-2 for sale and he is taking bids. Hmm, OK I make a bid based on some pictures I was sent. This was last August when it all began. **SUDDENLY--Winna, Winna, Chickin Dinna.** Well not so fast I find!!

Winning the bid for this car means you get to negotiate paying more. So, we went back and forth after I had sent half of what I thought was my winning bid as a down payment and he sent it back.



Imagine my surprise when I found out he was an attorney, an Ex DA as a matter of fact. So OK we start again.

Turns out to be a term that is used a lot now...**COMPLICATED**...the car had been in the family owned by his father-in-law for about 55 of its 60 years. They wanted it to go to a good home, but had a set price/value in their mind before they were going to let her go to a new owner. Plus they wanted to make sure it was going to be restored and not just re-sold by the buyer.

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The meeting was held at Bully's East Restaurant in Mission Valley

19 members were in attendance: Drove Healeys*, other British~, Sam Talbert, Bob Farnsworth & Carol Di Bene*, Norm Brewer*, Louis Galper, Deborah Durham, Udo and Gisela Putzke*, Sandy & Sandy Watt, Don & Pat Benke*, Bob Humphreys*, Eric Graves*, Dave Grundies*, Howard & Lynne Stark, Rick Snover, Terry Cowan

Meeting called to order at 7:20pm by President Terry Cowan

General Discussion, comments: Terry asked if Dave Grundies could call to see if he could get Corral Passes to Speed fest this weekend. Bob said they might be in will call. Terry talked about doing an inventory of regalia for inclusion in a future newsletter and possibly bringing to club events. See other discussion of events in activities below.

Membership: No changes.

Treasury: No changes.

Secretary: No Comments, Dick Schmidt not in attendance.

Newsletter: Sam asked for more articles. Plenty of pictures not enough articles and written content.

Activities: Lou reported that 6 Healeys went on the drive to Mt Soledad. **Breakfast on the Bay:** Bob and Carol said they would be unable to plan or attend. Carol said Gazebo is \$30.00 an hour and is available for reservation and rent from the Parks and Recreation

Dept. **British Car Day:** October 9th register now!

Octoberfest: October 22nd at Bob Farnsworth's in Ramona, 12noon Bring a side dish to share. **Desert Weekend:**

November 11th and 12th at La Quinta. Terry and Udo will check out possibility of a group rate at La Quinta Inn or Embassy Suites. More info will be available at the next meeting. **Holiday Party:** December 10th. Terry will call and reserve Auto Museum. Bob to find out more about catering.

No Other Business: Old, New or any other kind.

Dinner winner: Udo Putzke

Meeting Adjourned 8:05pm

Submitted by Lynne Stark





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clothes and put me in one of those gowns that don't quite come together in the back and I think I mooned all the nurses and half of my family. The Doc came in and drew a line on my back with a Sharpie, then they rolled me into the operating room. The anesthesiologist asked if I wanted him to sing me a lullaby and I said "yes." Then next I knew I was in a recovery room hooked to a tangle of wires and tubes. The next day the Doc came in and said I could go home if I passed the two tests. First, I had to prove I could walk and climb stairs. I aced that with no problem. Second, I had to pee. That took a little more doing. I think I drank a barrel of ice water but I managed to fill the cup by early afternoon and make it home before Bill O'Reilly came on TV.

I used a walker for about a week and I have been almost totally pain free ever since. Last Sunday was exactly one month since my surgery and I went on the platform at my church to thank all those who prayed for me and to demonstrate the answer to their prayers. I am basically pain free. **Praise the Lord!!**

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So my story of buying the car for Lisa and the fact I intended to restore the car was the major point of sale. But it took months of going round and round. A good racing friend who lived just blocks away checked it out, since the pictures were terrible and I wasn't sure it was worth what they were asking. Then you have to keep in mind this was supposed to be a "**SURPRISE**". **I couldn't talk to Lisa about it.** That we were able to come to a deal made me very happy!!

So, we finally came up with a price we both could live with. Then the waiting game started. By the time we agreed on, a price winter was settling in. Since the car was located in Carson City, Nevada it took many, many months to get a moment to pick it up, between our travels and theirs.

We finally got the chance to grab it this Sept -- more than one year after it all started. It was nice to finally meet Gary & Susan who showed us pictures of her and her Parents with the car. It also turned out to be in much better shape than the pictures showed!!

Hope to see you all at this month's meeting...Mainstream Bar & Grill, Poway 6:30 PM Wed the 12th of October!!

P.S... I have a **Request from the Association** AKA the **LA Healey Club** to join us if we plan a trip to the **Palm Springs** area in **November**. So I am planting this **SEED** so we can discuss it at the next meeting and it won't be a surprise to anyone!!!

Yr Prez,
Terry





I Do! In a Healey! In Las Vegas!

Janiece and I were sitting in Marie Callendars sharing a pinya colata muffin when Bob and Carol walked in and joined us for breakfast. After breakfast I kissed Janiece goodbye and sent her off to a day of quilt shop hopping and I climbed into the truck pulling a trailer with Bob's Healey strapped down. Off we went to Las Vegas.

Several weeks back Bob and Carol asked me to perform their wedding for them. Then I had surgery on my back and they figured I would be out of circulation for a while so they started looking for other options. That's when someone suggested they get married in a drive-up wedding chapel, and they could drive up in Bob's Healey. Then, when they



found that I recovered quicker than they expected they called and asked if I would like to take a trip to Vegas. I said, "sure."

We arrived at a hotel in Henderson and unloaded the Healey, wiped it down, and Bob and I hopped in and drove off to the chapel in Las Vegas followed by Carol in the air conditioned Honda of their friends, Rich and Tony. At the chapel I stood in the middle of 'Lovers Lane' while Bob and Carol rolled up in the Healey.



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OCTOBER 2016 ACTIVITIES

BY BOB FARNSWORTH & LOU GALPER

Every Saturday 7:30-9:30am. Dunkers & Clunkers donut run.

Bonita Donuts at the donut shop at the corner of Bonita and Otay Lakes Rds. South Bay Cruisers 619-426-1882.

October 9

San Diego British Car Day Embarcadero Park North

Register on line. British Car Day will be at the Embarcadero Marina Park north, which is directly south of Seaport Village. The Park and Seaport Village may be replaced by a development soon, don't miss this event. www.sandiegobritishcarday.org

October 22

Oktoberfest, at Bob Farnsworth's,

19791 Via Vista Grande, Ramona, 92065, 760-787-5737.

Noon – 4PM,

September has been busy for Carol and me (Bob) as we have been planning to host Oktoberfest this year as well thinking of marriage, which will mean a PARTY at our Ramona home. The marriage did happen – in Las Vegas – at a drive through chapel – in an Austin Healey! To make thing even better, Sam Talbert served as the Official performing the marriage. This all took place September 24th. As the Healey was star performer at the ceremony, we will be combining with Oktoberfest and request your and your Healeys' attendance. Food and refreshments and will be furnished, all we ask is to RSVP by October 14th. No gifts please, your presence and good thoughts will be appreciated.

November

Overnighter to La Quinta (Palm Springs)

We are working with the Austin Healey Association of Southern California to make this a joint event. To be discussed at the next meeting, October 12.

December 10

Annual Christmas Party



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Sitting in the shiniest Healey in all of Las Vegas Bob and Carol recited their wedding vows and became Husband and Wife. Then he leaned over, gave her a kiss and they drove off into the sunset.

I caught a flight to San Diego and Bob and Carol went up to the Honeymoon suite in the hotel. You'll have to get the rest of the story from Bob.





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BRITISH CAR DAY

All British Cars & Motorcycles Welcome!
Sunday, October 9, 2016
9am to 3pm (Show Cars @ 7:30am)
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Downtown San Diego 92101

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Day of Event Registration: \$40
British Motorcycles: \$10
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- Please visit our website:
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October

Birthdays

Nancy Tabachki	1
Cheryl Dolmage	4
Dick Schmidt	9
Abbe Neumeyer	15
Don Newman	27

October Anniversaries

Rick & Allie Snover	10/10/10
Dave Grundies & Diane Schneider	10/11/97
Gerry & Susan Virden-Kwiat	10/26/04



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Blue L 5

Blue XL 1

White L 2

White XL 1

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White XL 10

White 2XL 4

Wine L 2

Wine 2XL 4

There maybe more but this is what I have found so far !! Ter



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 9/20/2016)

<u>Members</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Farnsworth, B & Carol D	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	82	Carberry, B&J	AH 3000	16
Benke, D	AH 3000 Mk III	68	Pleasant, M	AH Sprite AN5	12
Humphreys, B&B	AH 3000 BT7	56	Darland, R & J	AH Sprite AN5	10
Putzke, U&G	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	54	Linnard, Tom	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	10
Galper, L	AH 100 BN1	52	Banales, J	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	8
Grundies, D&D	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	38	Brewer, N	Jensen Healey	8
Cowan, T & Lisa M	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	32	Sharp, C&D	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	6
Stalker, G	AH 100	32	Williams, M&D	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	6
Snover, R&A	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	24	Humphreys, B&B	Jensen Interceptor	5
Talbert, S	AH Sprite AN5	22	Graves, Eric	AH 3000 Mk II BT7	4
Voth, W	AH 3000 Mk III BJ8	22	Galper, L	Jaguar XJ6	3
Mayer, B	AH Sprite AN5	16	Wilhelmy, R&L	Jaguar XE	3
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