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May 2019

From The Editor:



am happy to see Foreign Speedo return as an advertiser to Healey Hearsay. Years ago, I installed one of Mike Lambert's first run 3.54 ring and pinion differential (dif). gear sets. Actually, **Pro Gear** at 7948

Ronson Road, 858-571-1158, did the dif. set-up in another center section, with the new gears plus bearings, seals, and shims from **Moss**. Randy Zoller did the dif. installation. My Healey is definitely a lot happier at lower RPM's at speed.

The speedometer was off the difference between 3.93 and 3.54. The engine actually ran about 700 RPM's slower at the speed on the speedometer, which didn't match the road speed.

I had previously contacted **Foreign Speedo**, whom had rebuilt my Healey's speedometer. It had frozen up when the speedometer flex cable drive jambed. They also fixed a fine wire in my gas gauge, which separated. I had checked the sender, at the time, which was ok, OHM wise. Foreign Speedo found and fixed the problem.

To bring my speedometer in line with my new dif. gears, Foreign Speedo installed a tiny transmission in the speedometer cable line that changed the cable speed to match the new true road speed. (*No, there's no tiny shift lever.*) They put my Healey on a dino and changed gears in the tiny transmission to get my true speedometer road speed within 2 MPH.

Many, if not most of all the internal bits and pieces of our Lucas gauges are not available. Maybe they never were. The guys at Foreign Speedo have bins of obscure Lucas gauge parts, among others. So, if you have a gauge problem, talk to these guys. We've got to keep people like this in business...Our gauges seldom get the attention they eventually need. You don't want to try fixing this stuff yourself...believe me...

April Meeting...

Wed, May 8th @ 6:30 PM Mainstream Bar & Grille 13385 Poway Road, Poway 1(858)486-6246



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Membership Information

Membership in the Austin Healey Club of San Diego is open to all owners of Austin Healey, Jensen Healey, or any other Healey vehicles, and to anyone else who is interested in the Healey marque. Annual dues for the Austin Healey Club of San Diego are \$30 per household. Visit our web site, www.sdhealey.org, or contact our Membership Coordinator, Don Benke 619-778-1680 dgbenke@ cox.net for details and an application.

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All advertising and articles for publication must be submitted to the editor <u>no later than the 20th of each month</u> for publication in the next month's issue. (vothstir@aol.com)

On The Cover: Howard Stark and Don Newman represented the Club at the Menghini vinyard for Rolling British Car Day.

Visit our web site at http://www.sdhealey.org



Hello and Happy Spring, Yeh. I think I'll be happy to see sunshine rather than more rain. I had enough of that. Each time I washed the car, it rained, I know, so stop washing my cars. April and May weather is quite inviting for Healey adventure rides, April 28th

presents two great events to enjoy. Rolling British Car Day and Motor Cars on Main Street in Coronado. Both of these activities will be fun. Shame they overlap. Whichever event you choose will be a blast. Don't forget Earth Day in Balboa Park is also going on.



At our April meeting there were discussions and suggestions for those planning to attend the same event.

Might want to coordinate with other members and show your cars together or plan to share



some food and beverages. Those attending Rolling British Car Day will enjoy great scenery, twists and turns along the hour and a half back road adventure ride. Over 70 folks have already signed up and this event will probably exceed 100 cars. Expect to enjoy sharing the journey with many car enthusiasts. Bring food and beverages to picnic. I know several of our members are planning to participate and others will be going to Coronado. See you where we see you.

There are several events in May. CHW May 13-16, our monthly meeting at Mainstream Bar and Grill May 8th and a trip to the Campo Train Museum May 25th. There will be more information in the newsletter regarding upcoming events and to finalize planning. Lynne will be planning the Campo event.

Rick Snover updated our schealey.org site and included our 2019 Calendar and Coty Points records. Take a little time to look through this site. There are also many Links to other Austin Healey Clubs across America.

I look forward to driving our Healey and sharing fun times together in the warmer weather.

Happy motoring

Minutes – Austin Healey Club of San Diego Wednesday, April 10,2019

President Howard Stark called the meeting to order at7:00 pm

A motion was made and seconded and approved to accept last months meeting minutes.

There were 14 members present: Howard and Lynne Stark (H), Bob Humphrey(H), Don Benke(H), John McCoy, Kevin Schumacher, Rick Snover, Gary Stalker, Ed Matheus, Ron Richtmyer, Alex and Sandy Watt, and new members and Sprite owners Ada and Richard Stevens. Terry Cowan arrived after the meeting was adjourned.

(H) drove Healey (B) drove other British car

Membership – VP Don Benke reported all members have paid 2019 dues. The club has
3 new members: Ada and Richard Stevens, and Dr. James Woods. Don reminded everyone that he will be hosting our annual 4th of July party, which will be on Saturday July 6th. We will have a short meeting at the party. We will NOT have a formal Wednesday meeting in July.

Treasurer Gary Stalker reported that the club is solvent and the Treasury is stable, Gary has sent 2019 invoices out to our advertisers.

Howard discussed:

A thank you card was received from Susie Kwiat for the plant the club sent her.

Rolling British Car Day and Motorcars on Main Street both on the same day Sunday April 28th. A show of hands of members indicated that both events will be attended.

Calif. Healey Week in Temecula this year is a Monday through Thursday event May 13 –16th. Several members indicated they were going.

Other activities for later in summer and fall were mentioned. See the Activity page for more info.

Howard advised that we would be reviewing and updating the "hard copy" newsletter list.

Activities: Lou not in attendance. HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Lynne Stark coordinating the Campo Train Ride May 25th.

Lynne also discussed regalia – tshirts

Rick Snover was the dinner winner.

Submitted by Lynne Stark

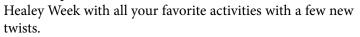
what the future brings....

• May 4th & 5th 24th Annual British Extravaganza at Buttonwillow Raceway. The 2019 Extravaganza will have a Concurs in paddock area sponsored by the Bakersfield British Car Club. Those interested can find information, forms and the latest info about the BE 2019 on the VARA Web Site.

• May 8- Monthly Meeting 5:30 at the Mainstream Bar & Grille in Poway.

• May 13 to 17: California Healey Week What: Mark your

calendar now, don't miss the next great California Healey Week hosted by the Austin Healey Association of Southern California. Full details and Registration information will be forthcoming soon, but this promises to be a fun filled



• This will be an "all weekday" event resulting in far lower hotel room rates.

• The Temecula Valley offers a myriad of entertainment opportunities from wineries to casinos, hot air ballooning and golf.



• Average high temperature in May is 77 degrees.

• Plenty of beautiful back-roads for our poker run and scenic tour drives.

• Car Show in Old Town Temecula with tons of shopping and dining options and lots of foot traffic. More info: Online at AHA of SoCal.

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• May 25th ALL ABOARD!!! Hi Everyone!! On Saturday May 25th the Healey club will once again be going to Campo to ride the Golden State train and visit the Pacific Southwest Railway Museum. See page 6 for details.

• June 16 - English Motors at Fairbrook Farms. 10 AM to 2PM. Bring the family for a day of car show fun. Register on line.



• June 16, Sunday, Mission Beach Fathers Day Cruize to Belmont Park.

• October 12th, Saturday - San Diego British Car Day - Saturday proved to be a popular choice, as opposed to Sunday, so we will continue to hold it on Saturdays. We have

our reservation in for Spanish Landing Park East, in Cancer Survivor Park, but we also continue to search for other venues. We're always looking for ways to improve your experience, and bring our British Car culture to the public's attention, and with that in mind, the quest for best venues is never ending.



One improvement that we have made, which we know will be a welcome change, is that if we offer a class, and even one car enters that class, we will not cancel or merge that class. In the past, we have required at least four cars to be entered at least a week in advance, in order to hold that class. This year, we will offer a solid class list, and every class will be held, as long as there is at least one entrant by the deadline. We listened to your input and concerns, and we agreed that merging or canceling classes detracted from your experience at our show. The awards have also changed, and we think that you will be delighted!

Registration will open on September 1st, and you will receive multiple reminders and the link when it opens.

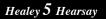
AHCSD MAY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Michael Coit	1	Craig Turner	19
Bob Kitterer	1	Karen Blanchard	25
Bruce Hetrick	8	Sue Hart	27
Cathy Newman	10	John Steepy	28
Larry Alldredge	15	Karen Steepy	29
John Felt		Dona Van Houghto	n30

ANNIVERSARIES

Tom and Debbie Linnard......5/9/98

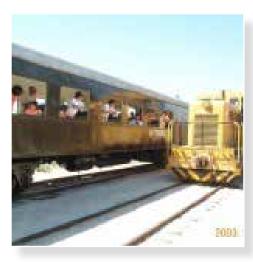


May 25th Campo Train Ride

ALL ABOARD! Campo Train Ride Saturday May 25th, 2019

You won't want to miss this event!

On May 25th (Saturday) the Healey Club will be



taking a scenic drive to ride the Golden State train and visit the Pacific Southwest Railway Museum in Campo. We will meet at the Rancho Edwards Movie Theatre parking lot in Rancho San Diego - 2951 Jam-



acha Road and Campo Road at 8:30AM and drive the scenic route

94 to the Campo Train Depot. This ride is an approximate hour and a half (1.5 hrs.) ride. Once there, we will have time to park and buy tickets prior to the 11AM departure.

Tickets are \$18 per adult, \$15 age 65+ and \$9 ages 3-12. This includes the 45 minute round trip train ride through the beautiful and rugged back county and entrance to the museum. Food and drinks are allowed on the train and there is a picnic area and soda machine at the depot.



Please R.S.V.P. to Lynne Stark at 619-579-7551 so we can get an idea of how many members will be meeting for the drive to the



depot or coming from North county and also possibly going to lunch afterwards.

If you are driving from North county and want to meet at the depot take Interstate 8 East to Buckman Springs Road and go South for 10 miles, Make a right turn onto Hwy 94 and travel 2 miles. Cross the train tracks and make a left turn onto Forest Gate Road and turn left into the Train Depot. Call Lynne for more details. This is a

The Pacific Southwest Railway Museum Association is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to

the preservation and interpretation of railroads as they existed in the Pacific Southwest. With over 120 pieces of equipment and artifacts on display between our two facilities in Campo, CA and La Mesa, CA, the Pacific Southwest Railway Museum Association



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> comotives and cars from the early 20th century operated by our all-volunteer train crews and support staff. For a full listing of the train rides, please visit our Master Train Rides Calendar and purchase your tickets today!

Healey 6 Hearsay

MotorCars on MainStreet



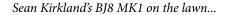
Coronado's Annual MotorCars on MainStreet.

While most of the Club Members were out driving around the County on the Rolling British Car Day, several members decided to have a more "laid back" day and attended the Coronado Cars on Main Street. Bob and Barb Humphreys brought their BT7, and were parked on Isabella, Sean Kirkland and his family brought his BJ8 and was "whitelined" on the grass roundabout at Star Park, Bill Mayer with his AN5 Sprite, was parked on Park Place, and Sandy and I were just down the block on Park Place with our DB4.

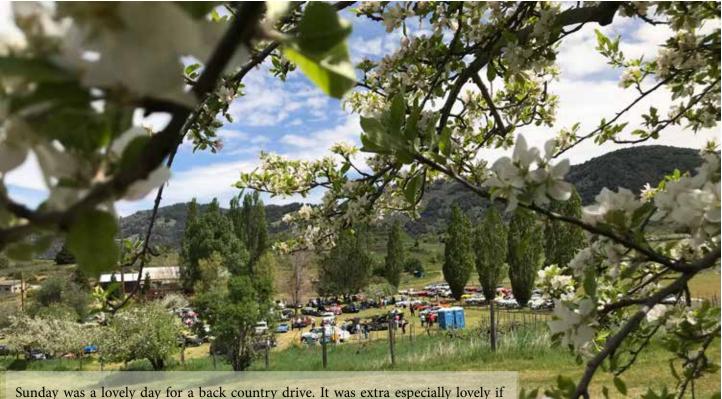
This was our first time at this event, and we are looking forward to attending again in future years. Alex Watt



Bob & Barbara Humphreys 1960 3000 BT7.







Sunday was a lovely day for a back country drive. It was extra especially lovely if your car was not burping gas out of the top of the gas tank like my Healey was. (I had installed a new sender and didn't test drive my work.) So I did the trek in my BMW, which was fun, but not as much fun as driving my Healey would have been on this day. To make a short story long, I did catch up with the group in Ramona. As I was driving east on Main Street I saw Howard & Lynne Stark heading west. So I made a quick turn around and got with the group. And my Healey spent Sunday drying out its trunk, er boot, in the sun at home.

Never-the-less, It was fun. The Menghini winery was a great spot to spend the afternoon and check out everything on four wheels, British. And kicking their tyres, so to speak. The apple trees being in bloom made the atmosphere just like spring should be. And it's always fun visiting with fellow gear heads. There were plenty of picnic baskets and talk. And even a bottle of wine, or two...Did I say it was a fun day?...



Three Delorians looked like big birds resting before heading back to their future...



A lone Lotus roadster racer resting while it's owner enjoyed lunch on the green...

Healey 8 Hearsay

....Menghini Winery in Ramona





An early 30's Lagonda boat tail Rapide 6 cylinder overhead cam was lurking in a corner by the winery. I was able to get a quick picture as the owner left the show.







Left- '55 Nash Metropolitan was popular as a shopping run-about "for the mid 50s ladies."

Right- a great looking MG TC is symbolic of British Car Day and the beginning of the British Car romance in America .

Below-An almost square mini Mni is someone's work in progress...







More Rolling British Cars



Healey 10 Hearsay

What The Future Brings...

• 2019 AHCSD ACTIVITIES CALENDAR •

May

- 8 Monthly Meeting Mainstream Bar & Grille
- 13-17 California Healey Week; Temecula Creek Inn. Monday through Friday-
- 25 Campo Train Museum 8:30AM Drive, Lunch and Train Ride 11AM.

June

- 6-16 Possible Healeys at the Fair Full day
- 12 Monthly Meeting
- 16 Fathers Day Car Show at Belmont Park
- (Date t/c) Tech Session ? Please contact Lou to discuss this activitiy.

July

• 6 Yes...4th of July Party on the Sixth of July! - Hosted by Don & Pat Benke at their home. Club sponsored, -10AM to 3PM - will include the July monthly meeting.

August

- (Date t/c) Breakfast on the Bay MTF. Let's discuss
- 14 Monthly Meeting- could be part of breakfast

September

- **5-14** Conclave 2019 MTF- Save the dates, See Kirby Flyer and let's discuss further
- •11 Monthly Meeting-
- (Date t/c) Tech Session ? Please contact Lou to discuss this activities

October

- Octoberfest at the Benke's. Information to come
- 9 Monthly Meeting-Meeting may be During or After British Car Day.
- 12 British Car Day

November

• 13 Monthly Meeting

December

- 14 Holiday Party- Catered affair as voted during our January meeting MTF
- 31 New Year's in Abingdon MTF



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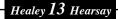
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The participant is responsible for providing proof of participation (entrance fee receipt, photo, corroboration from other club members etc.) to the COTY Recorder, Rick Snover (619-980-4194 <u>ricksnover@earthlink.net</u>) within 30 days after the event. AHCSD events will have a sign-in sheet that will be forwarded to the recorder. For members with multiple eligible vehicles, be sure to indicate which one(s) you drove.

COTY points currently approved by the Board are: AHCSD Meetings & Tech Sessions 4pts; AHCSD Driving Events, Parties, etc. 6pts; AHCSD Healeys on the Green 8pts; California Healey Week, Healey Rendezvous and Austin Healey Conclave 16pts; S.D. British Car Day and Rolling B.C.D. 10pts; other multi-day British-themed events 8pts; other multi-day events 4pts; other one-day British-themed events 4pts; other one-day events 2pts. Other non-Healey British-built cars earn half points, but are not eligible to win the award.

All points received during the year by all members will be worth a discount towards the purchase of AHCSD regalia during the subsequent year. The total point leader at the end of the year will receive the coveted CAR OF THE YEAR badge for display on their Healey for the following year.

2019 C	CotY Standings	OD	2 million
(as of	April 20)		
Member	Car	Pts	
Stark, H & L	AH 3000	30	
Voth, W	AH 3000 Mk III	18	
Humphries, B & B	AH 3000 Mk II	18	
Grundies, D & D	AH3000 Mk III	12	
Galper, L	AH 100	10	
Galper, L	Jaguar XJ6	10	
Stalker, G & N	AH 100	10	
Linnard, T	AH 3000 Mk III	6	
Mayer, B	AH Sprite	6	
Snover, R & A	AH 3000 Mk II	6	
Galper, L	MG B	5	
Putzke, U & G	AH 3000 Mk II	4	
Benke, D & P	AH 3000 Mk III	4	
Turner, C & S	Jaguar	3	
Wilhelmy, R&L	Jaguar	3	
deBoer, A & G	Jensen Healey	2	

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