Official Publication of the Austin-Healey Club of San Diego In This Issue • Holiday Party Is December 3rd British Car Day At Spanish Landing Thinking About The Allen Airways Museum

From The Editor:



October has been a somewhat confusing month. I will take credit, or blame for part of it. When a weekend drive came up at this months meeting, Howard and

I talked across the normal club noise and I flip-flopped Saturday and Sunday, due to my weekend schedule. I was unable to get to Allen Airways before 11:30 Saturday morning. By that time, the MG distributor tuning event was over. I did meet Bob McAllister by the Airport Cafe. We did car talk for a while. I was thinking the Allen Airways would be a great solo event for our Club. And there are plenty of food joints in the area for lunch.

I remember when I saw my first sports car. I was in the 6th grade and our neighbors purchased a powder blue MG-TC. The year was 1948. The Reed's could afford the MG as Mr. Reed was in real estate. Mrs. Reed used the MG for shopping trips with their two daughters Beatrice and Judy. An MG would have been beyond my parents needs or financial ability. The MG had a snappy exhaust and made a major family statement, going down Jamacha Road....

I enjoyed British Car Day. Seeing the cars was

great. Visiting with Club members was even better. Living in the back country, I can go days on end of just doing the things that life demands and not talking to a single soul. The deer come by to eat my shrubs and have a drink at my fountain, and disappear...



November Meeting

Wed. November 9 th, 6:30 PM Mimi's Restaurant 5180 Mission Center Road 619-491-0284



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On The Cover: A pre-war MG graces November's front cover. MG's kicked of Americas romance with everything sports car...

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Hello

I was working on a trip to Otay Lakes County Park in October that unfortunately wasn't able to happen. Instead, a trip to Allen Airways, featuring a distributor tech session, museum tour and lunch with the MG club was arranged. Thanks Lou for making this happen on short notice. I was unable to attend and look forward to reading about it.

Those attending British Car Day had great weather at Spanish Landing. Lynne and I had a conflict but stopped by to see everyone and their cars, which looked great! Our club had a good turn- out. More about BCD will be in this newsletter.

It was brought to my attention, during the British Car Club Council meeting after BCD, there are some insurance concerns with the Port Authority regarding leaving the venue, while people are walking around. Although it's a long day, it would be nice if attendees would stay, hear and congratulate all award winners, take pictures and "mingle a bit" (my words). Next years planning may include activities or contests with other clubs to pass the time more interactively. The BCCC is looking for some ideas from each club representative. If you have some thoughts/ideas let me know and I'll bring them up. The new BCCC President is Keith Verlaque. He is replacing Joan Berkwitz who has served for 7 years.

Don has been working hard and getting members geared up for elections in November. He's written great articles to set the stage for your nominations and member votes. Several positions will open up. I look forward to new board members and their ideas.

Please pay \$35 San Diego Club Membership dues for 2023 directly to Don Benke.

There will be an AHCA delegate meeting November 12th with AHCA and affiliate clubs. I will attend on zoom and report the outcome as our San Diego delegate. Many of the discussions will relate to the Healey Marque publication based on survey results, their future budget and discussion with their new board officers. AHCA member dues will be increased for 2023. They will send out their billing to AHCA members after the November delegate meeting.

I am excited about our Holiday party. I hear it's all coming together.



AHCSD October 12th Meeting Minutes

President Howard Stark called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

(H) = Drove Healey, (O) = Drove Other British

There were 19 members in attendance: Howard and Lynne Stark, Warren Voth, Robert Reid, Eric Graves, Lou Galper and Deborah Durham, Don Benke (H), Laura and Terrey Leyland, Lex Dunn, Richard and Ada Stevens, Bob "Doc" McAllister, Ed and Sandy Matheus, John Lee, and Sandy and Lily Leon

Old Business: Lynne gave update on Holiday Party, 30 paid members so far and more RSVP's coming in She reminded everyone about bringing a dessert to share and no white elephants for the gift exchange. Also donations for the raffle and or silent auction are welcome and appreciated. Lynne also brought up the calendar. We need someone to take charge and start going through pictures and determining criteria.

New Business: British Car Day - this year there were better awards Thanks to Lou and Howard. Our club had good attendance and collected several awards. Elections next month. Please consider running for a position.

Activities: Lou - It may rain this weekend. Show of hands who wants to go on a drive on Saturday? Who on Sunday?

Membership: Don - Don't forget dues for our club are now \$35.00. Do not pay your Club of America dues yet as they will invoice after a yet to be determined increase in November.

Treasury: Sandy reported we are solvent and will be providing financial info to Club of America soon.

Editor: Warren appreciates the articles and pictures sent to him for publication in the newsletter by the 20th of the month. Thank You

Meeting open to membership for comments

Meeting Adjourned 7:45pm

* Please note: Our wonderful club secretary Kathleen Reid was unable to attend the meeting. A poor substitute. I tried to speak, take notes, pay attention, socialize and eat. The information above is as accurate as I can recall and any mistakes are mine.

Lynne Stark*

^{*}who did just fine, thanks...Warren

• what the future brings •

2022 AHCSD ACTIVTIES

November

- 9 Monthly Meeting and Elections, Mimi's Mission Valley, Vote for New Officers.
- 5 Planes of Fame Air Museum tour, Chino California
- 24 Thanksgiving

December

3 Holiday Party at Casa Machado, Montgomery Field on Aero Dr, San Diego
\$30. each for Buffet Lunch, RSVP with check to Lynne, see announcement in this issue.

January

• 11 Monthly Meeting, Hamburger Factory, Poway

Car Events

monthly SD Auto Museum, third Sunday

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- Do you know of a great place that AHCSD Members might enjoy?
- Do you want to share a favorite drive you've made in your Healey?
- Do you have a favorite luncheon or dinner place that would make a good venue for a AHCSD gathering?
- Think about sponsoring one of our monthly events.
- Please contact me to find out what's involved or just to talk about it.

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AHCSD NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Kathleen Reid	7
Lisa Mandell	14
Richard Stevens	17
Alejandra Schumacher	18
Alexandra McWilliams	20
Jill Darland	22
Debbie Linnard	25

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Club Holiday Party...



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The Austin Healey Club of San Diego Invites you to our 2022

Holiday Party Saturday December 3, 2022 11am to 3pm

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COST IS \$30.00 PER PERSON

Please RSVP as soon as possible. We must have a firm commitment of 40 people to have the entire banquet room. So please mark your calendar.

Make out your check to AHCSD

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Questions? call, text or email Lynne (619) 733-7785 redjag99@sbcglobal.net

Note: There is plenty of parking and an elevator to the Restaurant on the 2nd floor

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It will take 2 - 4 weeks for delivery. As always call me with any questions or concerns...Lynne

By Lynne Stark

British Car Day was once again at Spanish Landing this year. The weather was beautiful although there was a fee for parking in what used to be free lots, we were able to find parking easily after the event had started. Unfortunately, Howard and I were unable to enter any cars at this years show, however this left us free to walk around without having to stay with our car. There seemed to be a good overall turn out. Our club had a good showing, although a few members showed cars other than Healeys. We also had several club Healeys win awards. I must say that every Healey shown was award worthy in my opinion. There were 5 classes of Healeys to vote on.

John Lee and Susana Davis won 1st place for 3000 BJ8 and also took 2nd place for their Triumph TR6. Robert and Kathleen Reid won 1st place for 3000 Roadster. Arnulfo Ventura won 1st place with his Bugeye Sprite. Ed and Sandy Matheus won 2nd place with their Bugeye Sprite. Howard Mackin (possible new club member) won 1st place for his modified 100/4. No Jensen Healeys showed up.

Other attendees showing their cars included Eric Graves with his beautiful red big Healey having been completed, only the day before. Don Benke and Warren Voth with their big Healeys and Steve Suppa in his black square body Sprite. Lou Galper was there with his lovely Jaguar 3.8 and Alex and Sandy Watt in their always attention getting Astin Martin DB4.

Several other club members came by to say hello and





check out the event. They included Deborah Durham(who came with Lou), Richard and Ada Stevens, Sandy and Lily Leon, Lex Dunn, John Banales, and Curt and Nancy Arndt.

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Top- MG's featured Marque for British Car Day. Middle- The Watt's 1961 Aston Martin DB4. Bottom- A row of Red Healeys include Haward Mackin's modified 100-4, the Reid's 3000 MK1 BN7, Then Eric Graves '62 BT7, finally, John and Susana's '66 BJ8.

...At Spanish Landing

I want to mention that it would be nice to see the Healeys moved more into the center of the venue instead of all the way at the far end. Maybe rotate some of the clubs that usually have approximately the same number of entries around the venue. More food and beverage vendors too. Congratulations to all the winners and participants who got to show off their beautiful Healeys. Nothing beats having your car be the center of attention, at least when its parked.

Lynne



Top- Usual Healey suspects include Steve Suppa, Ada Stevens, President Howard and Richard Stevens asking me who casts the best shadow.

Below- Eric Graves BT7 is just out of the Healey Hospital. Nice to have him and his car back

Bottom-The goldenrod TR2 brought back memories when I had a red TR2 for the summer. Ervin must have been nuts to trust me, as I'm sure the insurance, if needed,



Ed Matheus brought a girl friend. A little too boney and quiet for my taste, but...trust Ed to have the most fun...



What would British Car Day be without a Delorian or two. This one looks like it's ready to flap its wings and fly back to the future...

Club Trophy Winners







Robert and Kathleen Reid won 1st place for 3000 Roadster.

Ed and Sandy Matheus won 2nd place with their Bugeye Sprite.

John Lee and Susana Davis won 1st place for 3000 BJ8 and also took 2nd place for their Triumph TR6.







It was good to see Eric Graves at British Car Day, and his Healey back on the Road with a new trunk lid, bumper and paint job.





The Allen Airways Museum

located at the Gillespie Air Field in El Cajon, is definitely worth the visit. This is my second visit (April 2019) and I saw things I missed the first time.

The event was hosted by Bill Allen and Bill Masquelier of the MG Car Club. I met Bill Allen, the museum owner/curator, with an incredible knowledge of early aviation. I followed a small group who followed Bill around the exhibits and heard him tell personal stories of almost every one. As a graphics person, my favorites are the early air show posters whose art reminds me of Henri de Toulouse-Latrec.

This article doesn't do justice to the Allen Airways collection. You'll see antique airplanes, ready to fly, cases of models and memorabilia, posters, historic photos, and a piece of the Hindenburg that went up in flames at Lakehurst, New Jersey. A favorite was Howard Hughes flight case that contained his flight maps. There is a model of his Spruce Goose, with spinning props, that used to reside in real life in Long Beach along side the

the nineteenth century French Im-

pressionist poster master.



Deborah explaining the mechanics of an antique John Deer tractor to Lou...



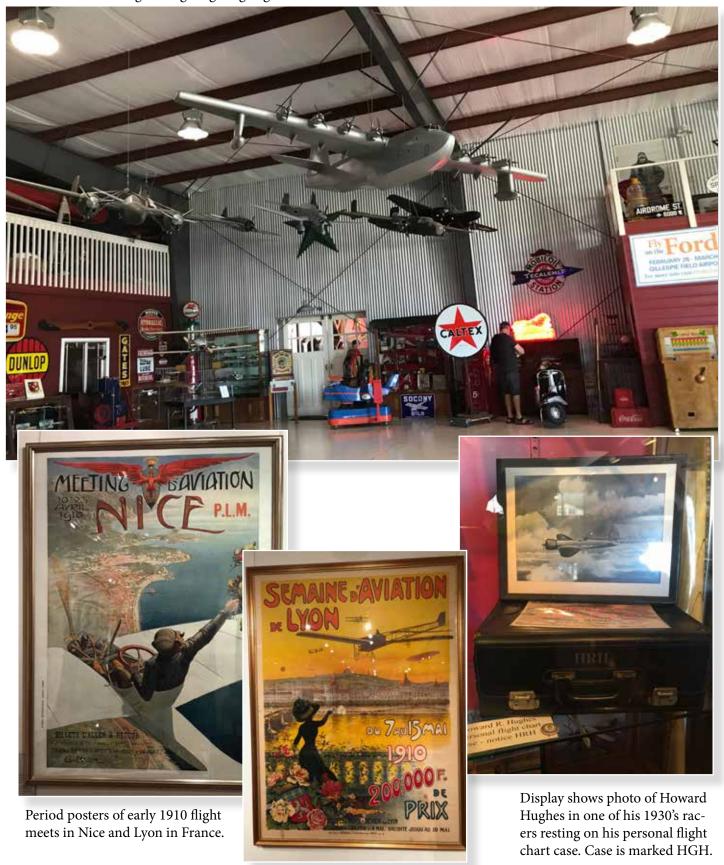


Top and Bottom- Bill Allen giving a tour to the MG club. CenterMG's and Healeys from a museum tour several years ago. The museum is behind the cars...



Inside Allen Airways Museum

Allen Airways Hanger Museum features Hughes Spruce Goose, followed by a Lockheed P-38 Lightening long range fighter and a Messerschmitt ME-109.



10/17/2022

Nominations and Candidates for the Austin Healey Club of San Diego officers, 2023:

At the October 12, 2022 meeting nominations were discussed, and the following possibilities surfaced regarding returning officers, willing new ones, and names of some club members who might be willing to "get more involved".

President: Howard has indicated we must find someone new to take over this position. No clear candidate has stepped forward, and it was suggested by at least one member present that it was a logical step for the Vice President to "move up". The VP, Don Benke (me) is reluctant to say the least. Thinking out loud here, I might be willing to Co-Lead the club with another experienced club member, or someone new.

VP/Membership: I have held this position for 5 years, and thankfully I have found a successor. John Lee III, who has been helping with a number of duties including making the monthly meeting site arrangements, has offered to accept the VP job. Lynne Stark, as always, pledges her help and support to the new VP. This does open further the idea of VP, Don, moving on up.

Activities: Lou is always hoping someone will take over or co-lead and plan events and drives. We are all ears! If you are out there, and attend most of our meetings, maybe now is the time. I thought Laura and Terrey Leyland might like to help with something like this.

Secretary: Kathleen Reid has been doing a great job! Hope she will accept another year. It helps that she and Robert are at nearly every meeting anyway, and they both have lots of talent to offer to club activities together. Thanks!

Treasurer: Sandy Leon knows where the money is and has pledged to keep it that way for another term. Thanks Sandy and Lily.

Healey Hearsay: Warren has indicated he'll go another term, but he needs an apprentice to learn the ropes. Someone with strong computer word processing? And an interest in telling our AHCSD story in words and pictures. Seems like there was a time, not that long ago, that everyone wanted to blog and use social media to get their ideas out there. Is that anything like our Hearsay? Check with Warren.

So, unless we have two people who want the same position, we will hopefully be able to vote in our 2023 officers by consensus, or is the word, "proclamation"? See you November 9th.

Don Benke, VP/Membership

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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 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 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.

2022CotY Standings (as of October 20)

Member	Car	Pts	Member	Car	Pts
Matheus, E. & S.	960 Sprite AN5	150	Boysen, J. & D.	1962 3000 BN7	16
Benke, D. & P.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	114	Graves, E.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	16
Reid, R. & K.	3000 BN7	84	Newman, D. & C	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	16
Galper, L.	1955 100 BN1	82	Putzke, U. & G.	1959 100-6 BN4	16
Lee, J. & Susana D.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	68	Arndt, C. & N.	Range Rover	13
Stark, H. & L.	1959 3000 BT7	52	Snover, R. & A.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	12
Suppa, S.	1968 Sprite MkIV AN9	50	Ventura, A. & Y.	1960 Sprite AN5	10
Voth, W	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	42	Galper, L.	Jaguar 3.8s	7
Grundies, D. & D.S.	1965 3000 MkIII BJ8	36	Linnard, T. & D.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	6
McWilliams, A. & E	. 1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	34	Schumacher, K. & A.	1955 100 BN1	6
DeYoung, R. & J.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	30	Watt, A. & S.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	6
Richtmyer, R. & C.	1958 100-6 BN4	30	Galper, L.	1997 Jaguar XJ6	5
Putzke, U. & G.	1961 3000 MkII BT7	26	Lee, J. & Susana D.	1971 Triumph TR6	5
Cowan, T. & L.M.	1965 3000 MkIII BJ8	24	Watt, A. & S.	1961 Aston Martin DB	4 5
Leyland, L. & T.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	20	Polger, L. & A.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	4
Burton, R. &S.	1964 3000 MkIII BJ8 (4WI	D) 18	Johnson, B. & A.	1967 3000 Mk III BJ8	2

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