# LEY HEARS Austin-Healey Club of San Diego In This Issue December 3rd Holiday Party at Casa Machado

#### From The Editor:



t's so long 2022 hello 2023...Or the more things change, the more they stay the same. At the same time, I want to thank Kathleen Reid for continuing as Secretary,

welcome Laura & Terrey Leyland as our new activities team, Lou Galper for doing a great activities job for many years. Happy to have Rick Snover stick around as Webmaster and CotY points keeper, Thank Don Benke for his time as Vice President and keeper of the Club directory, welcome John Lee to be his successor. Don't forget treasurer Sandy Leon who continues to know where the money is...And I can't forget Howard Stark for four great years as Club President. Howard, you did a great job and I shall greatly miss you on the board. And in a sense the club really is rudderless at the moment. I shall miss Howard and Lynne and I hope to be able to continue to call on them from time to time for council as I continue as Editor for 2023...

As a matter of fact Howard and Lynne were responsible for me joining the Club. Their kids were customers at our Aunty Lynn's Daycare Center on Chase Avenue. I had accidentally left the Healey parked in the parking lot in front of the school. Lynn came home one evening with a newsletter from the Club, courtesy of the Starks, with Mike Williams as editor... The rest is history or maybe histrionic... I have often thought I should be able to sue them in some way, for something... My attorney keeps insisting my joining the Club could not be considered as entrapment...Ha, Ha...

Again my best wishes to everyone for a better 2023...Remember, only we can make it better...

#### **January Meeting**

Wed.January 11 th, 6:30 PM
Kings Fish House
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**On The Cover:** VIP Club member and gas station owner, A.J. Shumacher with with dad and mom, Kevin & Alejandra.

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#### From The President





Hi everyone

It's been quite a year, hasn't it?

As we close on 2022, I want to wish all a happy Holiday season. I think Lynne's planning and our contributors and support for the holiday party was outstanding! I can't thank everyone enough for getting together to celebrate and kick off the holiday season at Casa Machado.

Our club meeting will be on January 11, 2023 at the Kings Fish House. We look forward to seeing everyone when our new club officers take over. Thank you to our prior officers for their many great years of service! We will have no club President until someone volunteers. This is the time! Be ready to share ideas for events and activities in 2023 such as: Super Bowl party - February 12 this year

In the past we ask for a volunteer – Anyone want to host this year?

January - February

Hawk watch Ramona is every Saturday

Superbowl

Drive

March

Borrego wildflower drive, anytime in Spring - Jan to March

April

Rolling British Car Day

Coronado Motorcars on Main St

May -June???n

July

4th of July party-Volunteer host?

August

Breakfast on the Bay

September

California Healey Week - Lake Tahoe 9/18/23

October

British Car Day

November

December

Holiday Party

Other- Meetings, Ice Cream Socials, Tech Sessions and Drives. These are ideas for 2023

Lynne and I want to thank everyone for reaching out to us and offering encouragement love and support through this difficult time. She is on the road to recovery and we will see you all in 2023. Happy Holidays, Happy New Year and God Bless You. We Wish you all a wonderful and Happy New Year!

This will be my last club President message Thank you **Howard Stark** 

#### AHCSD DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Barbara Humphreys1	George Hurley16
Anne Rast5	Carolyn Richtmyer.28
Robert De Young10	Lynne Stark30
Susan Slade10	Aeint DeBoer31
Lorne Polger12	Ron Richtmyer31
Will Rogers13	

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Curt and Nancy Arndt	12/21/84
Aeint and Virginia DeBoer	12/27/94

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#### 2023 AHCSD ACTIVTIES

#### **January**

• 11 Monthly Meeting, Kings Fish House, 6:30 PM, 825 Camino De La Reina, Mission Valley

#### **Car Events**

Participation at club events, tech sessions, drives and gatherings are understood to be voluntary and at your own risk. AHCSD Board members, AHCA and affiliate clubs representatives or members are not liable for outcomes resulting from your participation at any club activity

Happy New Year AHCSD members.

It's early January, and now that we are all back to some semblance of a regular non-holiday schedule, maybe this is the time to mail in your AHCSD membership renewal. So far about 30 renewals in, and about 35 to go! Thank you!

You have most likely learned that our new Dues rate for 2023 is \$35. Of course, you can send your dues payment payable to AHCSD anytime to:

AHCSD c/o Don Benke 4775 Yerba Santa Drive San Diego, CA 92115

For those of you who have also been members of Austin Healey Club of America (AHCA) and are considering renewing, AHCA is sending "Invoices" to you directly. Their dues rate for 2023 has increased to \$70. IF, and when, you receive a notice to renew your membership in AHCA, please DO NOT SEND YOUR PAYMENT TO AHCA. Rather, send your payments to AHCSD. One check for \$105 payable to AHCSD would cover both clubs. We will forward your payment to AHCA.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on January 11, 2023.

Don Benke 619 778-1680 dgbenke@cox.net

#### **Activities**

# We're All Members of the Activities Committee

- Do you enjoy the club's events and drives?
- 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 us to find out what's involved or just to talk about it.

Laura & Terrey Leyland laura.leyland@cox.net terrey1@cox.net 858-212-8922

#### AHCSD JANUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Libby Pendleton	1
Byron Wood, Jr.	3
Jan Schmidt	5
Diane Schneider	12
Bob Carberry	22
Bill Slade	22

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

John Lee & Susana Davis 1/6/2015 George & Virginia Williams 1/17/1975

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

#### Our Club Holiday Party...





Above- A very inviting South of the border Holiday Buffet draws (front to back) Bob DeYoung, Ed McWilliams, Joan DeYoung, Eric Graves, Chuck and Debbie Sharp, DeAnn Schmidt-Martiniz, Curt and Nancy Arndt, Ed and Sandy Matheus, and the line goes on and on...

Left- Raffle ticket prizes included automotive stuff, Texaco toys and Healey wall hangings...I must say I was a little envious of A.J. Schumacher's Texaco gas station toys he was enjoying with on the front cover. Thanks, Lou Galper, Lex Dunn and others, who for years, has made sure there were always lots of raffle goodies at our Holiday parties. This is a good time to remember Lou, who has been Activities chair for years, who made sure activities were on plan and on tap so we would have something to do with our cars at Club events...

#### ...At Casa Machado



Above- The other half of the buffet line leads off with DeAnn Schmidt-Martiniz, Jan Schmidt, Nancy and Curt Arndt, Ed (Santa Claus) Matheus, Carolyn Richtmyer, and more...The venue is roomy and you can look out and see activity on the Montgomery Airport runway. Below, before lunch and time to visit- back row- Howard Stark, Lou Galper, and Lex Dunn,

setting up silent auction items, Randy and Carolyn Jones, center row, John Lee and Susana Davis, Kathleen and Robert Reid, front row, Curt Arndt, Ed and DeAnn Schmidt-Martiniz, Debbie Sharp, and Alejandra Schumacher and A.J., hidden behind poinsettias. The start of a lovely afternoon, as the British love to say...



#### Gift Exchange Winners

Ron Richtmyer goes from glad to sad with his Irish Whiskey gift drawing. What happened Ron? I think he lost it to another bottle of less desirable hooch. Happy Holidays anyway...You know the old saying, "Candy's dandy but liquor's quicker". Stick with the candy...









Gift drawing winners and losers are: Barbara Humphreys is Mums the word. Ada Stevens gets car wax, which I'm sure she can't wait to have Richard use on their Sprite. Whats with Lex Dunn's gift? Then, there's me in the corner, always taking photos, or maybe checking my krypto currency ha, ha... Sharon Rogers is figuring her gift out. Club members who missed the party were missed. I understand weeding the garden or cleaning the garage may be more important. Here's hoping you had as much fun as we did... Happy Holidays ...



see you next year.

Left are Randy and Carolyn Jones, whom we are glad to see.

Healeys, waiting patiently are The Benke's '67 Mk III BJ8, Steve Suppa's "68 MK IV AN9, and Dave Grundies '65 MK III BJ8 Ph2. Lou Galpers '55 BN1 was there too.

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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, etc.) where you participate with your Healey. Events need not be listed in the Club's newsletter to earn points.

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 November 20)

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Member	Car	Pts	Member	Car	Pts
Matheus, E. & S.	960 Sprite AN5	160	Boysen, J. & D.	1962 3000 BN7	16
Benke, D. & P.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	118	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 DB4	ł 5
Leyland, L. & T.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	20	Polger, L. & A.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	4
Burton, R. &S.	1964 3000 MkIII BJ8 (4WD)	18	Johnson, B. & A.	1967 3000 Mk III BJ8	2

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