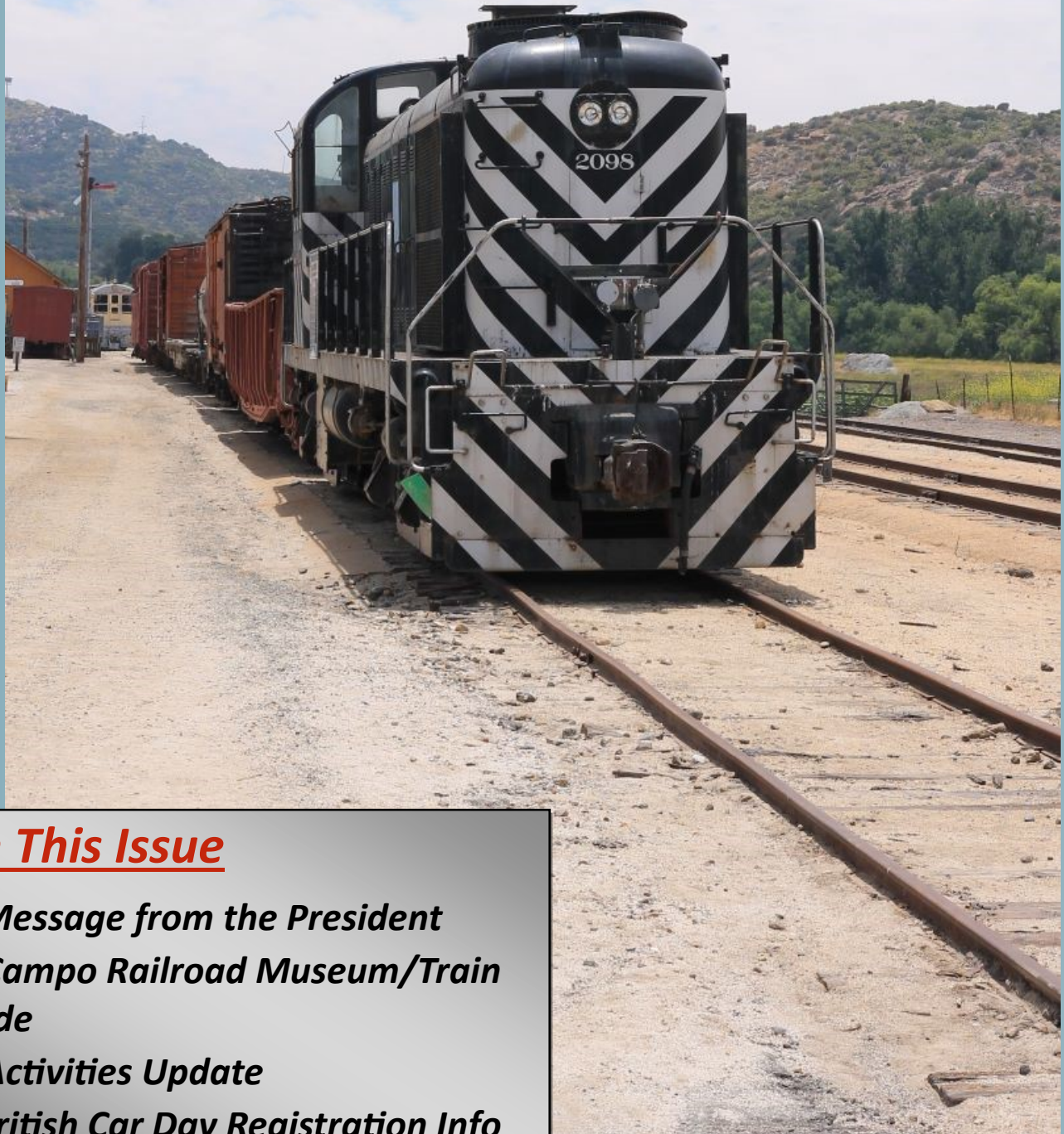


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July 2023



Note from the Editor

Hello and welcome to summer! Finally the sun is on us full time. I think it is finished with its hibernation. We have had great weather for our recent events. Rolling British Car day in May. The overwhelmingly enjoyable Highland Valley wine tour, and the Campo Railroad Museum and Train ride event. Well, the day did start out a bit damp. More on that to come further in the issue.

Again I will ask for little snippets of your "Healey Experience". Tell us about a drive you may have done. A cruise by the beach for lunch, a nice country road drive. It does not have to be a AHCS D event. We want to hear about it. Send a photo or two and we'll put in the "Member's Page".

Laura and I are excited about the upcoming club meeting and meet & greet at our neighborhood club house/ pool complex. We are really hoping to see some new faces and cars for this event.

I would like to welcome 2 new members to the AHCS D family; Andre Bedard and Jerry Donadio.

Lastly, check out the Events page. We have a number of events that are not totally AHCS D events. Take your cars out to them. Take some pics, and tell us about it.

Cheers—Terrey

Welcome to the July edition of **Healey Hearsay**; the monthly publication of the **Austin-Healey Club of San Diego**. Monthly **AHCS D** members' meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM. The location varies and is listed in this newsletter, on the [AHCS D website](#), and by e-mail to all club members.

Membership Information

Membership in the Austin Healey Club of San Diego is open to all owners of an Austin Healey, Jensen Healey, or any other Healey vehicles, and to anyone else who has an interest in the Healey marque. Annual dues for the Austin Healey Club of San Diego are \$35.00 per household. [Visit our website](#), www.sdhealey.org, or contact our Membership Coordinator, John Lee, 661-714-6899, leebmba@hotmail.com

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Ads may be placed at any time. Submit artwork and payment to the Treasurer. Annual display and monthly non-member "Car For Sale" classified



AHCSJ JULY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Virginia Williams	July 6
Sharon Burton	July 10
Bryan Johnson	July 11
Steve Suppa	July 13
John Banalas	July 14
Jo-Ann Carberry	July 14
Allie Snover	July 16
Carol Farnsworth	July 17
Alice Hurley	July 17
Neil Tabachki	July 28

ANNIVERSARIES

Udo & Gisela Putzke	July 17, 1992
Will & Sharon Rogers	July 12, 1964

July Meeting

Saturday, July 15, 12:00 PM

Leyland's Neighborhood Clubhouse

3192 Hidden Oaks Lane

Escondido, CA 92027

See details next page

Please Come!



From The President

Folks, counting our two new Healey owners, Andre Bedard and Jerry Donadio, we now have 70 Members. So, you might wonder, as I sometimes do, how can we average about 26 members in attendance and only 4 or 5 Healeys driven to our monthly club meetings?! Could be too many Healeys are not running? Could it be that our weeknight 6:30PM meeting time is not the friendliest time to “Healey” the freeways in crazy traffic? And get there or home after dark!

We have a solution for the meeting, and a suggestion for the silent Healeys.

Our next meeting is a special Saturday edition being presented as a club members’ meet and greet hosted by our Activities and Healey Hearsay officers, Laura and Terrey Leyland at their Homeowner Clubhouse. This is designed to get some of you to a meeting at a time and location more to your liking and give all of us a chance to say hello without waiting for the Holiday party in December. Look in Activities for the details.

Come to the meeting in your Healey, or if it needs help, come bringing a specific list or one thing you’d really like to get done at a tech session. We can take the opportunity to schedule a tech session or two and discuss your Healey’s game plan. Best to have parts on hand for your project, and hopefully some of our more knowledgeable members can help with parts ideas.

It’s been a while since we’ve had a tech session, and we all want to have our dear Healeys to be safer, more road worthy, and certainly reliable. (Who enjoys a blind date with a AAA flatbed?)

With a trip planned for some of our most adventuresome members to South Lake Tahoe for the California Healey Week event in mid-September, it looks like we have some time to identify a few dates to get ready for the thousand mile drive or a trip to your local Cars and Coffee.

Remember, please be sure to send a brief description of any Healey drive or any event you attend in your Healey along with a picture or two to Terrey Leyland for the Hearsay. This input from you all brings our events to life for our readers who missed the chance to participate and need to see what they are missing! Loved the Campo drive, train ride and lunch. Hated that I missed the Ramona Wine Tour event.

That’s it for me now. Look forward to seeing you at the club meeting/meet ‘n greet, in a Healey.

Don

May Meeting Minutes

AHCSA June 14, 2023 Meeting

President Don Benke called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

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

There were 18 club members in attendance. Rick and Allie Snover, Richard and Ada Stevens, Lou Galper and Deborah Durham (H), Ed and Sandy Mathews, Terry Cowan (H), Lex Dunn, Don Beneke (H), Terrey and Laura Leyland, Robert Reid, John and Susana Lee (H), Andre Bedard, Warren Voth (H).

Don Benke reported and brought forth the following: He welcomed the members in attendance. A motion was made and passed to approve the meeting minutes from May's meeting.

John Lee: Membership report – Two new members joined and one was in attendance, Andre Bedard. John mentioned he was just about finished with the roster and at the time of this being written all members were emailed a copy of the roster. Rick made a few changes. If you notice anything wrong with your address or car(s) please let John know. John reported that two proposals had been received by the club for a redesign of the club website. Rick, Terrey, Ed, John, and Laura to get together to look at the proposals and make some decisions.

Sandy Leon: Treasure's report – Sandy was off sailing so there was no report but Don reported that he had talked to him and the club is solvent.

Laura Leyland: Activity report – Laura updated the members on upcoming planned events, including the combined meeting with a get together at the Leyland's community clubhouse and pool. Both to be held on July 15th. See the activity calendar for more on this event. The next two big events are the British Car night for Escondido's Cruising Grand on August 11th and then on August 13th is British Car Day at Coronado's Tidelands Park. A discussion was had to change the HH activity page to include more local events that aren't club sponsored but to make members aware of the fun things to do in your Healey. California Healey week is coming up in September. Please let me know if a tech session is needed and we can figure out when and where.

Laura Leyland would like to add a members' page to the Healey Hearsay. In order to foster greater member participation in club communications, members are HIGHLY encouraged to send in pictures they may take while out and about in their cars, including just a caption or brief paragraph describing any related news and information that other members would enjoy seeing and reading about. Anything that you would like to include should be sent to Terrey Leyland (terrey.leyland@cox.net)

Meeting Adjourned at 8:24

2023 Club Activities

July Events

7/4- San Diego Assn. of Car Clubs Meetup - 5225 Kearny Villa Rd. 2PM - 5PM

7/12- Oceanside: South O Cruise Night @ South O Brewing 1575 S. PCH - 6PM - 9PM

7/15- Club Meeting & Get together: 3192 Hidden Oaks Ln, Escondido, 92027 (see flyer on next page)

7/15- San Diego - All-American Car Show - Embarcadero North - 8AM - 2:30PM

7/16- La Mesa- Cars & Coffee - La Mesa Blvd. Between Spring & 4th St. - 7AM - 9AM

7/16- San Diego Automotive Museum Cars & Coffee - 2080 Pan American Plaza - 7:30AM - 9:30AM

7/20- Encinitas Cruise Night - S. Coast Hwy. 101 from D St. to K St. 5:30PM - 7:30PM

7/29- The 26th Main Street America Car Show - Embarcadero Marina Park North - 10AM - 3PM

7/29- **Spring Valley*** - Rides & Coffee @ Detail Garage 9735 Campo Rd. #210 - 6PM - 8:30PM

7/30- **Chula Vista*** - Rides & Coffee @ Detail Garage 1655 Broadway St. #10 - 8AM - 11AM

7/30- **Santee** - Broken Yolks for Car Show Folks - 9832 Mission Gorge - 8AM - 2PM

August Events

8/1- San Diego Assn. of Car Clubs Meetup - 5225 Kearny Villa Rd. - 5PM - 7PM

8/9- Club Meeting

8/11- British Night at Cruising Grand- Escondido

8/13- British Car Day at Tidelands Park, Coronado

8/13- Oceanside- Show & Shine @ In-N-Out Burger 4605 Frazee Rd. - 4PM - 7PM

8/17- Encinitas Cruise Night - S. Coast Hwy. 101 from D St. to K St. - 5:30PM - 7:30PM

8/19- Pacific Beach Car Show - Garnet Ave between Dawes & Mission - 8AM - 2PM

8/26- Breakfast on the Bay

8/27- Oceanside- Brunch of Cars & Pizza - 805 College Blvd. - 9AM - 11AM



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

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 AHCS D 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 AHCS D 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– July Get Together & Meeting

Saturday July 15th 12-4 PM

3192 Hidden Oaks Ln, Escondido, CA 92027– Gate Code #0810

Summer weather is finally here so it's time for a BBQ and pool party. Laura and Terrey Leyland invite you to our community clubhouse for a club meeting and afternoon party.

This is a great opportunity for folks to get out and mingle and enjoy the company of your fellow Healey enthusiasts. Maybe it's been a while since you have been to a meeting or a get together. This is your change to meet new people or reconnect with ones you haven't seen in a while. Know someone who's interested in the club, bring them along.

What to bring: Yourself of course, a dish to share, be it a side dish or dessert. Something that you want to drink. Glass is ok inside the clubhouse but not in the pool area. Bring your bathing suit and a towel if you would like to take a dip in the pool. The Leylands will provide the main dish of burgers and BBQ Chicken.

Please RSVP to Laura @ Laura.Leyland@cox.net or call/text @ 858-212-8922.

We hope to see many new faces!



CAR OF THE YEAR (COTY) AWARD

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 smokey.snover@gmail.com within 30 days after the event. AHCSO 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:

- AHCSO Meetings & Tech Sessions 4pts
- AHCSO Driving Events, Parties, etc. 6pts
- AHCSO 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 AHCSO 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.

2023 CoTY Standings as of June 20, 2023

Member	Car	Pts	Member	Car	Pts
Benke, D. & P.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	58	Linnard, T. & D.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	10
Leyland, T. & L.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	44	Galper, L.	1997 Jaguar XJ6	8
Lee, J. & Susana D.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	34	DeYoung, R. & J.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	6
Galper, L.	1955 100 BN1	30	Graves, E.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	6
Lee, J. & Susana D.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	26	Matheus, E. & S.	1960 Sprite AN5	6
Snover, R. & A.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	26	Rast, R. & A.	1967 3000 BT7	6
Suppa, S.	1968 Sprite MkIV AN9	24	Tabachki, N. & N.	1958 100-6 BN4	6
Stark, H. & L.	1959 3000 BT7	22	McWilliams, A. & E.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	4
Grundies, D. & D.S.	1965 3000 MkIII BJ8	20	Voth, W.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	4
Cowan, T.	1965 3000 MkIII BJ8	16	Stevens, R. & A.	1968 Sprite MkIV AN9	2
Reid, R. & K.	3000 BN7	12	Lee, J. & Susana D.	1971 Triumph TR6	1

Important Info/Announcements

In Memoriam

We have some sad news to pass along. Long time Austin Healey enthusiast Ed Neumeyer passed away at the age of 69 on May 20, 2023.

There will be a memorial service for Ed on July 8, 2023 at The Classic Club, 75-200 Classic Club Blvd, Palm Desert CA at 4 PM. All are welcome to attend. Please wear "Tommy Bahama" style clothing in honor of Ed's favorite attire.

There is a memorial tribute to Ed written by AHACA member, Mike Scroggie on page 15 of this issue.

Cover Photo

Former Santa Fe Alco (American Locomotive Company) RS-2 at the Pacific Southwest Railroad Museum in Campo.

Regalia—AHCSA Coffee Mugs and Name Tags

Austin Healey Club of San Diego Coffee Mugs are still available. They are white outside with cobalt blue inside.

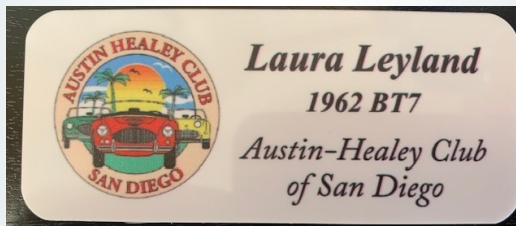
They hold up to 16 ounces of coffee, tea, or your favorite beverage. A large cup setting on your Keurig fits perfectly with space for creamer! The club logo is printed in color, front and back, with the AHCSA name in script on the side. They come individually boxed, perfect for gift giving. Club Member cost is \$12.00 each.

Reserve yours today by calling Lynne at 619-579-7551.

Name Badges are still available to any club member who would like one. Cost to members is \$5.00 per badge.

Get one for yourself, your spouse, family member or any significant other. Badges will show your name(s) as you want them to appear with the year and model of your car. Badges have a magnetic fastener so there will be no pins or holes in you clothes. Please note, if you have more than one Healey, (what a problem to have!) include that info and we'll get them listed, unless you have 10. Allow 2—4 weeks for delivery.

Contact Lynne at 619-579-7551 or redjag99@sbcglobal.net to order



Pacific Southwest Railway Museum

Story by Laura Leyland

All Aboard.....It started out a little drizzly but got nicer as we made our way to the Pacific Southwest Railway Museum in Campo. On June 10th a few of us set out on another Healey adventure. Terrey and Laura Leyland met up with Lex Dunn, John Lee and Susana Davis in North County and drove to Rancho San Diego where we met up with Don Benke, Lou Galper and Deb Durham, and Rick and Ally Snover. Doc McCallister missed a turn and met us at the train museum. Due to an unexpected issue, Warren Voth had to bow out.

From our Rancho San Diego meeting point, off we went east on Highway 94 through the towns of Jamul, Dulzura, Barrett Junction, and Potrero. It was a great windy road, just what Healey's love. The sun was finally coming out and the temperature was perfect, for a few hours anyway. We drove so close to the US Mexico border you could see the wall. This was the first time in all my many years of living in San Diego that I had ever been out this way. It was very pretty. Once we got to the museum, we had some time to look around and read about the history of the railroads and they had done for San Diego so many years before. It was quite fascinating.



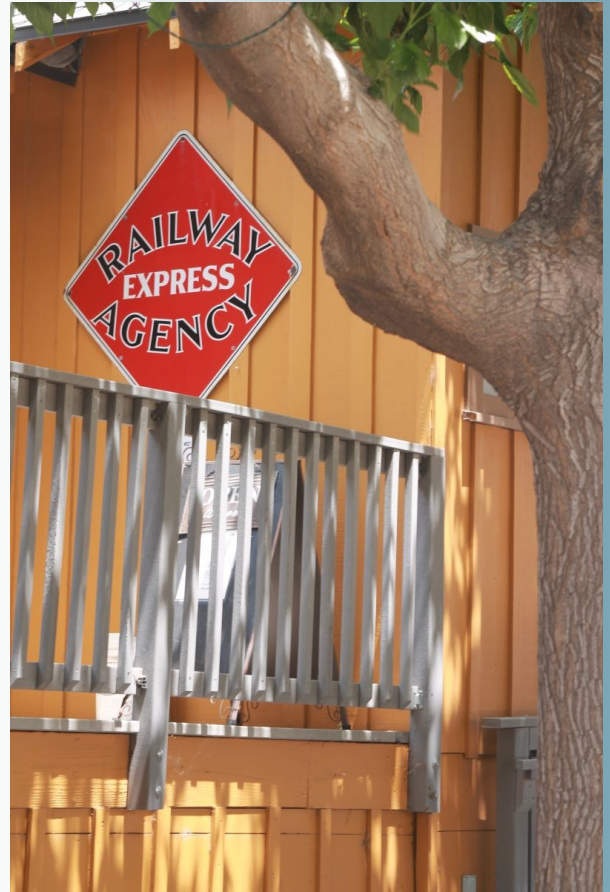
John, Susana, Laura, Don, Allie and Rick stretching the legs after the ride to Campo.



A Southern Pacific steam locomotive inside the museum. Susana, Laura and Don are in the photo from left.

Pacific Southwest Railway Museum

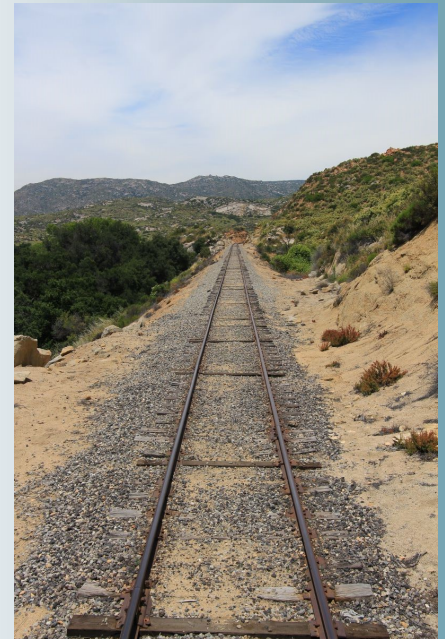
It was now time for our train ride. The train had 2 passenger cars attached to the locomotive that you could walk around in. This enabled you to take pictures from different angles. The ride was pretty neat but too short in my opinion. On the return the train let us off at another part of the museum that had some restored and original cars you could look through. One of them was the last ever mail car for the post office. There were slots with different cities listed. The other car looked to be something that a family would use to travel great distances, it also looked to be for the wealthy. It had a kitchen, bathrooms, with a shower in them too. There was a dining area and quarters where the servants must have slept. Just looking at it you could visualize in your head what train travel must have been like if you were lucky enough to have that kind of money. We all were getting hungry by now. We had a nice lunch at the Campo Café. It was just a mile or so from the museum. Time to set off for home, it was getting a bit cool and windy as the day grew longer. We started to make our way back, along the same route we had taken to get to Campo. Rick and Ally had found a winery in Jamul that we stopped at. Rustic Ridge Winery, it is car themed too. I'm sensing a theme here, cars and wine. Just sayin..... Until the next time!



Colorful sign at the "Depot" entrance.



Left, the dining room in an antique "Private Coach" and a maintenance "Gandy Dancer".



Above, view out the back of the train car.

Pacific Southwest Railway Museum



The group from left; Susana, John, Deb, Lou, Lex, Laura, Don Allie and Rick.



The Southern Pacific locomotive that operated our train.



Pacific Southwest Railway Museum

John, Allie and Lou tour the railway post office (RPO).



A full color Rick posing next to the historic Goat Canyon Trestle on the now closed Sand Diego and Arizona Eastern RR.

Pacific Southwest Railway Museum

At Rustic Ridge; Allie, Rick and Laura.



Left; Rear end view of “our” locomotive.



Not exactly railroad related. Antique truck at Rustic Ridge Winery.

Ed Neumeyer Memorial

Edwin Neumeyer Memorial By Mike Scroggie

I first met Ed Neumeyer at a Cars & Coffee event at the Ford location in Irvine about 2005. He was there with his beautiful 1967 BJ8 that had been fully restored and rebuilt to modern standards at the Healey Factory in Australia. I had never seen such a beautiful and unusual Healey. Ed and I instantly "locked on" and became very good friends, a friendship over the next 18+ years. With his recent unexpected passing, Kathy and I are very saddened but look back on many great times, and many Healey trips, several of them overseas.

Ed was one of the most knowledgeable Healey people I ever met, with connections from all over the world. He brought a world of Healey experiences and enriched our local club with his knowledge, relationships and enthusiasm. He drove his Healey everywhere (never towed it), including several cross-country trips to Rendezvous and national AHCA Conclave events, and was very active assisting several California Healey Week events. He was the one who introduced Rocker Cover Racing to the US, and built the track we used for our events at CHW. He also was responsible for me attending the "Healeys Return to Bonneville" event in 2009.

Ed was also influential getting a few of us in the club to travel internationally with our Healeys...in fact we used his shipping container in a few of our early trips, including to England & Scotland in 2013, New Zealand in 2015 and the Black Forest in 2018. Ed & Abbe were scheduled to travel to Norway with our club group to the 5th European meet in Norway next month. He will be missed there by many international Healey friends.

Ed was an inspirational supporter of our club and enriched it with his support. He won the first "Spirit Award" which recognizes the member who attends the most events each year. He was also very supportive of anyone who needed assistance, always willing to go out of his way to lend a hand to those in need. He personally assisted Kathy and me when we broke down in New Zealand and coming back from a Rendezvous in Bend Oregon...and when my knee broke down at Laguna Seca in 2014.

Kathy and I will really miss Ed...he was one of a kind. Rest in peace, my friend...God Speed.



British Car Day 2023

San Diego British Car Day - Sunday 13th Aug 2023

REGISTRATION is NOW OPEN

This years San Diego British Car Day will be at Tidelands Park on Coronado. There will be a broad assortment of British cars on display from daily drivers to fully restored. For this year the featured marque is ASTON MARTIN who are celebrating their 110th Anniversary.

PLEASE NOTE: In order to participate in the British Car Day, entrants are required to comply with the following:

All entrants must register online ahead of time.

- Only registered cars will be allowed on the field
- Registration is not permitted on the day of the event

• Registration closes at 6pm on Sunday July 30th. If you miss this registration deadline you will not be permitted to enter your vehicle into this event.

Cars must be parked on the field before 9 am

- display car placement will begin at **7am**

Once parked - **CARS CANNOT BE MOVED BEFORE 2pm**

IF YOU CANNOT ABIDE BY THIS RULE

– DO NOT REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT

Upon arrival at Tidelands Park, cars will be guided to parking in their display area on the field, and entrants will then walk to on-site registration nearby.

When registering for the 2023 British Car Day **on the form you can also select “cart” to purchase event T-shirts with the ASTON MARTIN logo on the back for \$20 each.**

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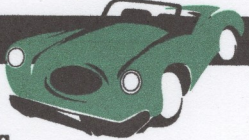
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