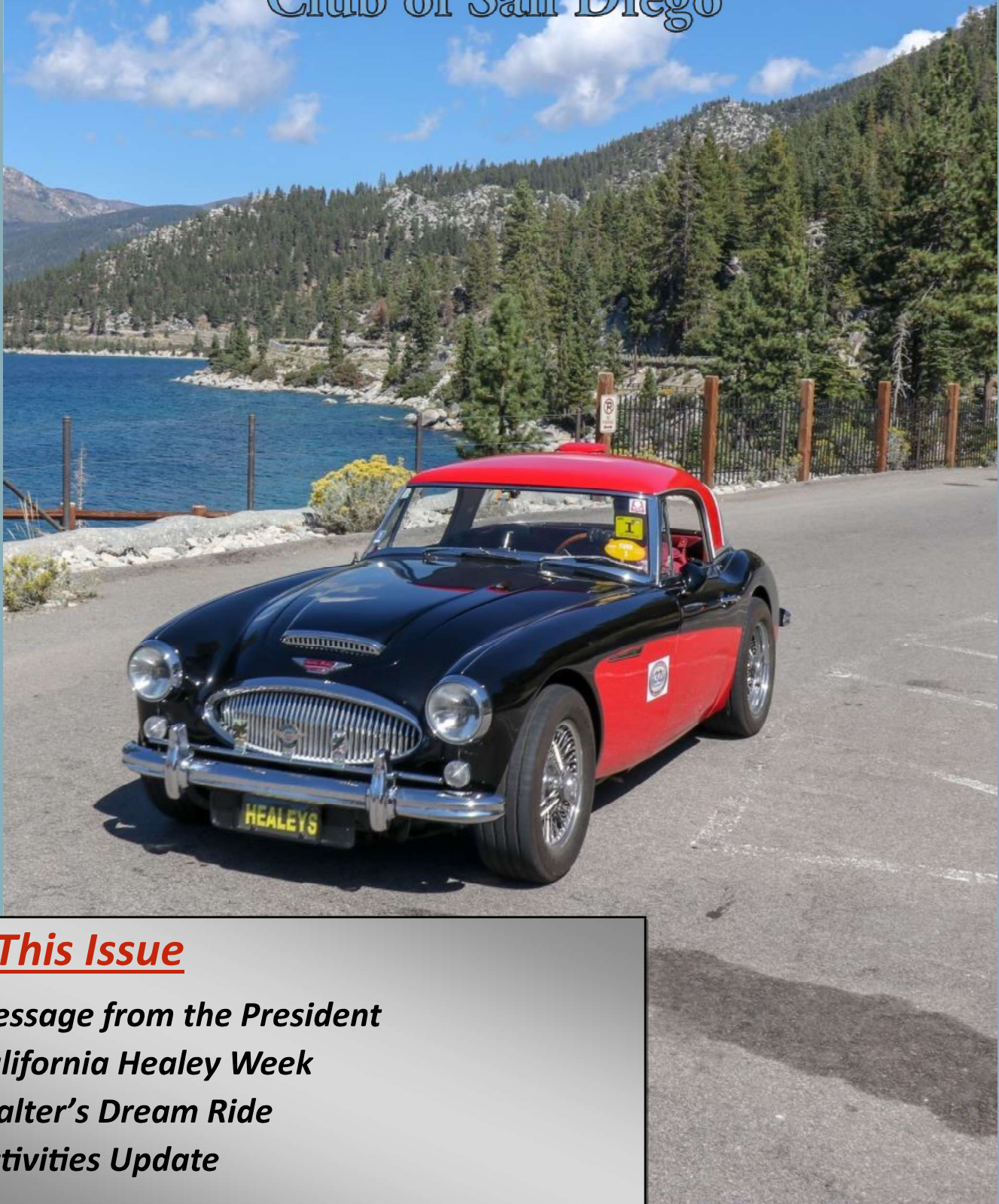


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November 2023

Note from the Editor

Hi AHCS D Members! Welcome to November and the start of the Holiday Season! Hard to believe we are already in November. It seems like just a week or so ago, I took over as editor of the Healey Hearsay. I must say, it has been an exciting experience. Challenging at times, but rewarding as well.

I hope everyone who gets this newsletter is planning to attend our Holiday Party. It is always a great event. A new venue this year. I'm sure it will be a fun time.

This month, I am covering California Healey Week. Sadly, Laura and I were unable to attend (not really, we had just returned from 2 weeks in France and Spain), however the AHCS D had a great showing. Terry Cowan provided pictures. Unfortunately, I don't have many stories. I guess the photos are Stories Without Words. We had our monthly club event in Julian with a tour of the Eagle Mining Company gold mine. And a last minute add to the events list was a "Dream Ride" for Walter, an assisted living resident in Carlsbad.

November will be a big month, as the Board of Directors elections are on tap. Elections will be held at the next AHCS D member meeting on November 8th.

Thanksgiving is "early" this year, Thursday the 23rd, so we're not planning an official event this month. But don't let that stop you from going out in your Healeys. Take some photos, send them to me. And we have been talking about this all year, it seems, keep an eye out for our AHCS D Website overhaul. We certainly hope you like the updates we're planning.

I will close by adding that I hope you all have a great holiday season. I know I am a month early, but it will be here before you can blink an eye, or take a drive in your Healey!

Cheers—Terrey

Welcome to the November 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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Advertising Information

Classified Ads (Market Place) are free to AHCS D members. Classified ads for items wanted or small items for sale are free to members and non-members.

Full page 8" x 10.5"	\$150.00 Annually
Half page 5" x 8"	\$100.00 Annually
Quarter Page.....	\$75.00 Annually
Business Card.....	\$50.00 Annually
*Non-Member ¼ Page.....	\$50.00 3 Months
*Only available for 3 month term	

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



AHCS D November Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

Kathleen Reid	November 7
James Doornick	November 10
Richard Stevens	November 17
Alexandra Schumacher	November 18
Alexandra McWilliams	November 20
Jill Darland	November 22

Anniversaries

Ron and Jill Darland	November 21, 1987
Robert & Kathleen Reid	November 13, 1999

November Meeting

Wednesday, November 8, 6:30 PM

Mimi's Café

Winery Room

5180 Mission Center Rd

San Diego, CA 92780

Please Come!



From The President

Fellow AHCSO Members

We are heading into an extra busy time for our club. Our board officers' elections are in November and that means the November 8th meeting is election day. Our December 2nd holiday party is just around the corner. This a good time to reach out to fellow members – perhaps folks you haven't seen at a meeting or event in a while -- to encourage them to come vote at the meeting and kick off the holidays in the company of your club members at the Holiday Party. In addition to enjoying a great lunch, and the company of new and old friends, this event also includes a raffle for prizes donated by club members, and a silent auction for some fun and unusual Healey and general interest items also from our generous members.

Ed Matheus, AKA Santa, will be MC for our usual Gift exchange. If you are attending, be thinking of a special gift that everyone will be wanting to "steal". Please don't let this fun event slip by. Put it on your calendar, RSVP and send your payment to Lynne Stark, ASAP.

See the Invitation in this Hearsay with more details!

Also, at the meeting on November 8th, we will be discussing the near completion of the remodel of our Website. Other items on our agenda include the proper vote to possibly elevate the position of Webmaster to a board position, the suggestion at the last meeting to look at the advertising rates for ads in the Hearsay, and rules suggestions for how to send an all-club email.

So, tighten up your loose bolts, fill the radiator and drive your Healey to the meeting. Hope to see you there.

By the way, the drive to Julian for the tour of the Eagle Mining Company Gold Mine was a great success. According to the tour guide, just walking in the tunnels could result in some fallen rock dust along the tracks having some microscopic gold dust and I'm trying to figure out if I should vacuum my Healey floor mats.

Don

October Meeting Minutes

AHCSO October 11, 2023 Meeting

President Don Benke called the meeting to order at 6:54 pm

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

There were 22 members in attendance: Robert & Kathleen Reid, Ed Matheus, John Lee (H), Lex Dunn, Joan & Bob DeYoung (H), Don Benke (H), Lou Galpers & Deborah Durham (O), Howard & Lynne Stark, Richard & Ada Stevens, Terrey & Laura Leyland, Warren Voth, Terry Cowan (H), Will & Sharon Rogers, Sandy & Lily Leon

Don Benke: President: Reported and brought forth the following: He welcomed the members in attendance. A motion was made and passed to approve the meeting minutes from September's meeting. He thanked and recognized John Lee for organizing this month's meeting space.

John Lee: Vice President: Recognized this month's birthdays and anniversaries. Membership update is 107 total members (45 family and 17 individual memberships. John also stated that he secures meeting locations on the 20th of the month and will send an email to Lynne Stark to make sure that members without computer access will have timely notice of meetings.

Next month (November meeting) will include nominations and elections for AHCD Board member elections.

Update on the AHCSO website re-design: information and data has been turned over to the designer and is currently under construction. There was a question and discussion regarding whether there is a format to use updates. At a recent board meeting, a motion was approved to include the position of Webmaster on the AHCSO board, which includes the compensation of membership in the Austin Healey Club of America. Terry Cowan would like consideration for an additional board member position for the tasks that Lynne Stark currently completes.

Sandy Leon: Treasurer: The club remains solvent. He made an additional deposit of a donation made by Jan Schmidt. There was a general discussion of advertising rates charged for ads in the Healey Hearsay. Agenda items were created to investigate whether ad rates should remain the same or be increased, pending the publication of the newly designed website.

Laura Leyland: Activities: Don Benke gave an update on taking Austin Healey cars to La Morena Senior Living in Carlsbad on 10/14 to in an effort to fulfill a senior's a chance to ride in a classic racing car.

Laura recognized the success of another Breakfast on the Bay. There were about 20 people in attendance with 6 Healeys. She thanked everyone for participating and bringing both equipment and food to share. Our next activity is schedule for 10/21 when club members will drive to Julian for a tour of the Eagle Mining Company followed by lunch at Farmhouse 78.

Lynne Stark: Holiday party plans: The Holiday Party will be on Saturday, December 2, 2023 at a cost of \$65.00/person. All club members planning on attending need to RSVP to Lynne Stark. As of 10/11 she had received 21 "yes" responses and a minimum of 25 is needed. The selected location on Shelter Island includes free parking. Members are asked to consider making donations of items for the silent auction and raffle prizes. Please contact Lynne with donations/questions/opportunities to volunteer to help during the event. Also, there is an optional gift exchange. If you would like to participate, please bring a wrapped gift in the \$20-30 range. Please, no white elephants.

Lou Galper and Terry Cowan gave members a brief update on the recently completed California Healey Week in Lake Tahoe area.

Ada & Richard Stevens extended an invitation to all club members to their Sweetwater Ranch Christmas Party to be held in the party barn in Bonita on Sunday, 12/17 at 6:30 pm. They will be hosting a pig roast as part of the festivities.

Members are highly encouraged to send in photos, articles, and antidotes to Terrey Leyland for inclusion on the members' page for the Healey Hearsay publication. terreyl@cox.net
Meeting Adjourned at 7:56 pm.

2023 Club Activities

November Events

- 8- Club Meeting— 6:30 PM Mimi's Café, 5180 Mission Center Rd, San Diego, CA 92108
- 14- Ladies Luncheon— See next page for info
- 19- La Mesa - Cars & Coffee - La Mesa Blvd. Between Spring & 4th St. - 7AM - 9AM
- 19- San Diego - San Diego Automotive Museum C & C - 2080 Pan American Plaza - 7:30AM - 9:30AM

December Events

- 2- Holiday Party— 11:00AM—3:00PM, Best Western Plus, 2051 Shelter Island Dr., San Diego, CA 92106. See flyer on the next page.
- 13-Club Meeting: TBD
- 17- 37th Old Fashioned Christmas Celebration at Members Richard & Ada Stevens Horse Farm— See next page for details.

Upcoming Events

- Hawk Watch in January
- Superbowl Party in February (host is needed)

*These are just some events happening around San Diego County, for a full listing visit <http://www.socalcarculture.com>



We Are 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 visiting?
- Do you want to share a favorite drive you've made in your Healey?
- Do you have a favorite lunch or dinner place that would make a good venue for an AHCS D gathering?
- Think about sponsoring one of our monthly events.
- Please contact us to tell us about your ideas!

Laura Leyland
Laura.leyland@cox.net
858-212-8922

Participation at Club Events, Tech Sessions, Drives and Gatherings are understood to be voluntary and at your own risk. AHCS D, its Board Members, AHCA and Affiliate Clubs, Representatives and/or Members are not liable for outcomes resulting from your participation at any club activity.



Austin Healey Club of San Diego

Ladies Luncheon

Organized by Jan Schmidt

Please join us for a bite to eat and chance to visit
and catch up with each other.

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

11:30 a.m.

Boudin Bakery

5407 Balboa Ave

San Diego, CA 92111

We really hope you are able to join us!

Please RSVP to Jan Schmidt

Sweetwater Farms 37th Old Fashioned Christmas Celebration

Please join us for a night of good food and cheer, hay rides and hot cocoa!! Our farm turns into a magical wonderland on this night. You won't want to miss it.

WHEN: Sunday December 17

WHERE: Sweetwater Farms, 3051 Equitation Ln, Bonita, CA 91902

TIME: The farm opens at 6PM

WHAT TO BRING: Your favorite holiday dish or dessert to share

Richard's famous beans and roasted pig will be provided

A donation of \$20 would be very appreciative, the horses will appreciate it!



AHCSD HOLIDAY PARTY

The Austin Healey Club of San Diego

Invites you to our 2023 Holiday Party

*Saturday December 2, 2023
11am to 3pm*



*Best Western Plus
Island Palms Hotel & Marina
Sunset Room
2051 Shelter Island Drive
San Diego, CA 92106*



We will enjoy a delicious Buffet Lunch of Salmon with Capers and Lemon Beurre Blanc, Skirt Steak with Tomatoes and Rosemary, Salad, Roasted Vegetables, Saffron Rice Pilaf, Coffee + Dessert

*Gift Exchange - If you would like to participate, bring a wrapped gift of approx. (Optional) \$20.00 value. No gag gifts please.
There will also be a Silent Auction and Raffle!*

The Sunset Room has lots of space to mingle & socialize as well as an outdoor patio overlooking the Marina on Shelter Island.

Parking is free on site for our event or across the street in the public lot.

Cost is \$65.00 per person

** Don't Delay! Send your check made out to AHCSD
no later than Monday, November 20th **

*Mail to:
Lynne Stark
1164 Benjamin Place
El Cajon, CA 92020*

*Questions? Call or e-mail Lynne at (619) 579-7551
or redjag99@sbcglobal.net*



**"BEST OF BRITISH COLUMBIA" TOUR AND
RENDEZVOUS 2024**

May 19-31, 2024

Yours Truly is organizing yet another Healey Tour, this time to beautiful **British Columbia**,
and including **Rendezvous 2024** in Sooke, BC.

This Tour will directly follow **California Healey Week** in San Luis Obispo (May 13-16) and in fact most of the cars will be shipped to Seattle directly from SLO via enclosed carrier.

For those not familiar with Rendezvous, it is a "Healey Week - like" event sponsored by the AHCUSA and hosted next year by the
Austin Healey Association of British Columbia.

If you have always wanted to see British Columbia and do one of our new world-famous Healey Tours, this is your chance.

Please note that this event has a capacity limit and is first come - first served,
so if interested contact me ASAP.

Regards,

Steve Kirby

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Car of the Year Award Standings

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.

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 October 21, 2023

Member	Car	Pts	Member	Car	Pts
Benke, D. & P.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	104	Galper, L.	1997 Jaguar XJ6	13
Lee, J. & Susana D.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	88	Tabachki, N. & N.	1958 100-6 BN4	12
Leyland, T. & L.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	78	Banales, J. & S.T.	1962 3000 MkII BT7 (RHD)	10
Lee, J. & Susana D.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	50	DeYoung, R. & J.	1967 3000 MkIII BJ8	10
Galper, L.	1955 100 BN1	46	Putzke, U. & G.	1959 100-6 BN4	10
Cowan, T.	1965 3000 MkIII BJ8	40	Voth, W.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	10
Snover, R. & A.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	38	Graves, E.	1962 3000 MkII BT7	6
Stark, H. & L.	1959 3000 BT7	36	Rast, R. & A.	1967 3000 BT7	6
Grundies, D. & D.S.	1965 3000 MkIII BJ8	30	Washburn, A. & B.	1960 Sprite AN5	6
Reid, R. & K.	3000 BN7	30	Watt, A. & S.	1961 Aston Martin DB4	5
Suppa, S.	1968 Sprite MkIV AN9	24	Donadio, J.	1963 3000 MKII BJ7	4
Linnard, T. & D.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	20	McWilliams, A. & E.	1966 3000 MkIII BJ8	4
Matheus, E. & S.	1960 Sprite AN5	18	Rogers, W. & S.	1964 3000 MkIII BJ8	2
Stevens, R. & A.	1968 Sprite MkIV AN9	18	Lee, J. & Susana D.	1971 Triumph TR6	1