

# HEALEY HEARSAY

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Club of San Diego



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October 2025

### Note from the Editor

Hello members. Welcome to the October Healey Hearsay. Fall is upon us and the weather is getting nice to get out for a drive. As drives go, we are ready to head to Yosemite for CHW '25. I got my oil changed and new sneakers on the Healey. The new tires are really nice. Big difference in handling and ride quality. I didn't get the aluminum radiator in. As luck would have it, it is scheduled to be delivered on Monday the 6th. Speaking of getting work done; Jerry



Donadio recommended 5 Star Automotive in Poway. I have to say, they are great. If you live in North County, I recommend them.

The September issue was pretty light as I had to get it out before Laura and I went to France. The trip was great, how is the South of France not great?

This issue will cover Breakfast on the Bay and the Water Conservation events.

This will be Laura and my first CHW. Looking forward to making the trek and meeting some other Healey aficionados. We're joining the SoCal group with Steve Kirby and driving up in their caravan.

November brings the 'Fall Wine Tour'. Look for details coming. This is always a great time.

In Closing, registration for British Car Day in October has closed. Look forward to seeing everyone that has registered there in Coronado.

This is the October 2025 edition of **Healey Hearsay**; the monthly publication of the **Austin-Healey Club of San Diego**. Monthly **AHCSD** 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 [AHCSD 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](http://www.sdhealey.org), or contact our Membership Coordinator, John Lee, 661-714-6899, [leebmba@hotmail.com](mailto:leebmba@hotmail.com)

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## AHCSD October Birthdays and Anniversaries

### Birthdays

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| Nancy Tabachki       | October 1  |
| Susana Davis         | October 22 |
| Kevin Schumacher     | -          |
| Alejandra Schumacher | -          |

### Anniversaries

|                                 |                  |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Dave Grundies & Diane Schneider | October 11, 1997 |
| Rick & Allie Snover             | October 10, 2010 |

All membership renewals and written correspondence, unless "otherwise specified" should be sent to:

AHCSD  
P.O. Box 17101  
San Diego, CA 92117



## *September Meeting Minutes*

### **AHCSD September 10, 2025 Meeting**

President Laura Leyland called the meeting to order at 7:12p.m.

Thank you to Deb Durham for taking notes this month. Kathleen was out on vacation.

Having backups was discussed for the web master and bank account. A key has been ordered for the PO box so John Lee can access the box for membership.

John will be sending out a new roster as new members are added.

Upcoming events:

CA Healey week

British Car Day– Don. Lex, and Sandy L to help early morning for car placement as cars arrive.

John:- 2 new members joined in August.

Sandy– Club still has sufficient funds.

Lynne- Holiday Party is scheduled for December 6th. Please RSVP if you have not yet. If you have anything that you want to donate for the silent auction or raffle please contact Lynne Stark.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39pm.

## From The President

Hello Members,

Happy Autumn. This year has flown by. We are so fortunate that we live in a climate where we can drive our lovely cars year round. I see posts on Facebook and other social media platforms where others have to put their Healey's away for the winter. What a shame.

Speaking of fall, shout out to my brother Robert Wilson for the Halloween photo on his front lawn. He does this pretty much every year. We are a Healey family!

Speaking of Halloween, October here is typically a very warm month but growing up in Oregon it was not. Usually we trick or treated in the rain and had costumes that were weather proof. Not really that much fun when all you wanted was some candy. There was a house that made the best popcorn balls and my brother and sister and I would try to go back to get a second one. I think they recognized us but they still gave it to us. Oh, to be a kid again. Such good times.

I am really looking forward to CA Healey week. It will be my first one. I have been to other meets with my Dad, Tahoe in 2013 and here in San Diego in 2008. I didn't know at that time that I would become a member of this club but I always told my Dad that I wanted that time came.

Have a great month

See you in a Healey

Laura



but I always told  
his car when

everyone.

soon!

## 2025 Club Activities

### October

1– Club Meeting (early due to CA Healey Week)

6-10 California Healey Week Yosemite

19– British Car Day in Tidelands Park, Coronado

<https://sandiegobritishcarday.com/event-registration-guide>

### November

12– Club Meeting

22– Winery Tour (again :-))

### December

6– Holiday Party at Best Western Island Palms



### **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?
- Please contact us to tell us about your ideas!

Laura Leyland

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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.

## Breakfast on the Bay

Sorry, no stories. Laura and I were in France. Just pictures. Thank you for the photos Kathleen!



## Water Conversation Garden

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# AHCS D HOLIDAY PARTY

*The Austin Healey Club of San Diego*

*Invites you to our 2025 Holiday Party*

*Saturday December 6, 2025  
11am to 3pm*



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



*The party is open to all Club Members, Family + Friends!*

*We will again 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 and Dessert.*

*The party is open to all Club Members, Family, and Friends!*

*Gift Exchange - If you would like to participate, bring a wrapped gift of approx.  
(Optional) \$20-25 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 for the party is \$70.00/person*

*\*Don't Delay! Send your check made out to AHCS D  
no later than Monday, November 24th\**

*Mail to:*

*Lynne Stark  
1164 Benjamin Place  
El Cajon, CA 92020*

*Questions? Call or email Lynne at (619)579-7551 Home  
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## Car of the Year Award Standings

To recognize Club members who participate with their Healey's, 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](mailto: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 5pts
- AHCSO Driving Events, Parties, etc. 6pts
- California Healey Week, Healey Rendezvous and Austin Healey Conclave 20 pts
- 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 (Cars & Coffee, etc) 1pt. 10 pt limit annually.
- 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.

### 2025 COTY Standings — as of September 20, 2025

| Member                | Car                   | Pts | Member                       | Car                  | Pts |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----|------------------------------|----------------------|-----|
| Leyland, L. & T.      | 1962 3000 Mk II BT7   | 89  | Lee, J. & Davis, S.          | 1966 3000 MK III BJ8 | 17  |
| Benke, D. & P.        | 1967 3000 Mk III BJ8  | 81  | Graves, E.                   | 1962 3000 Mk II BT7  | 12  |
| Luckie, T & Cathy     | 1967 3000 Mk III BJ8  | 68  | Linnard, T. & D.             | 1966 3000 MK III BJ8 | 12  |
| DeYoung, R. & J.      | 1967 3000 MK III BJ8  | 60  | Putzke, U. & G.              | 1961 3000 Mk II BT7  | 12  |
| Lee, J. & Davis, S.   | 1967 3000 MK III BJ8  | 56  | Raskind, S.                  | 1966 3000 MK III BJ8 | 12  |
| Galper, L.            | 1955 100 BN1          | 45  | Richtmeyer, R. & C.          | 1958 100-6 BN4       | 12  |
| Stark, H. & L.        | 1960 3000 BT7         | 39  | Cowan, T.                    | 1967 3000 Mk III BJ8 | 11  |
| Williams, G. & V.     | 1967 3000 Mk III BJ8  | 28  | Reid, R. & K.                | 1960 Sprite AN5      | 11  |
| Reid, R. & K.         | 1960 3000 BN7         | 26  | Cowan, T.                    | 1965 3000 Mk III BJ8 | 10  |
| Matheus, E. & S.      | 1960 Sprite AN5       | 25  | Gerow, S. & Fees, N.         | 1959 100-6 BN6       | 6   |
| McWilliams, A. & E.   | 1966 3000 Mk III BJ8  | 24  | Rogers, W. & S.              | 1964 3000 Mk III BJ8 | 6   |
| Snover, R. & A.       | 1962 3000 Mk II BT7   | 24  | Ventura, A. & Y.             | 1960 Sprite Mk I AN5 | 6   |
| Dunn, Lex             | 1970 Triumph Spitfire | 19  | Grundies, D. & Schneider, D. | 1965 3000 Mk III BJ8 | 5   |
| Donadio, J.           | 1963 3000 Mk II BJ7   | 18  | Hardy, J.                    | 1956 100 BN2         | 5   |
| Howard, J. & Hays, J. | 1962 3000 BT7         | 18  | Hardy, J.                    | 1959 Sprite AN5      | 5   |

**Monthly Meeting Schedule**

**October 2025 Meeting**

**New Date Due To CHW**

Wednesday, October 1 6:30 PM

Studio Diner

4701 Ruffin Rd

San Diego, CA 92123

**November 2025 Meeting**

Wednesday, November 12 - 6:30 PM

Marie Calendar's

6950 Alvarado Rd

San Diego, CA 92120

**No December 2025 Meeting**

Annual Holiday Party

Saturday, December 6

See details in this issue,

**Please Attend!**

**Membership Update—John Lee**

| Membership Summary                            |     |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----|
| As of September 30, 2025                      |     |
| Memberships                                   | 61  |
|                                               |     |
| Total Combined Members                        | 107 |
|                                               |     |
| Total New Members for 2025                    | 14  |
|                                               |     |
| AHCA from San Diego Membership/Group/Families | 20  |

Please address any concerns regarding:

- Club Membership
- Healey Hearsay Distribution
- Monthly Meeting Venues
- Other Ideas or Recommendations

John Lee

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**June 7-11, 2027**  
**Lake Tahoe, CA USA**

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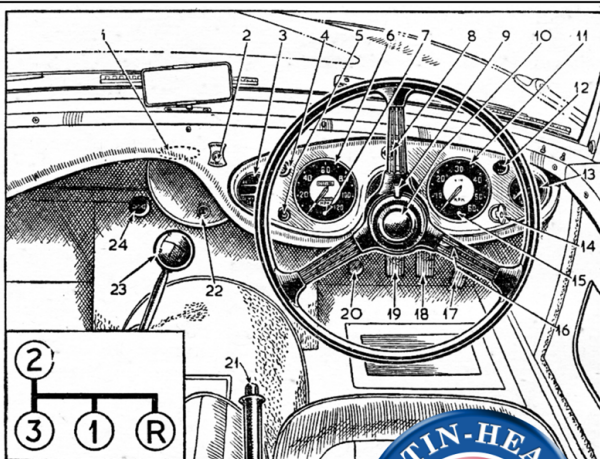
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