



Trader Vic's - The Captain's Cabin

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**Annual GGAHC Christmas Luncheon
Trader Vic's - Emeryville, Ca.
December 5th, 2015**



The Christmas Luncheon was held on a beautiful Saturday afternoon with a view of the local Marina and San Francisco in the background. As people arrived they gathered around the little bar area to greet each other and enjoy a drink before the luncheon. This time of year it is always nice to gather with our Healey friends and share in the memories of the last years events. Trader Vic's served up a nice meal that started with a delicious salad, and one of the two menu choices of either Chicken or Grilled Salmon followed by dessert.

As we were eating Rich Kahn thanked everyone for attending this year's events. He also reminded all of us to make sure we get registered for the upcoming California Healey Week which is going to be held in Yosemite National Park. The event is being put on by The Southern California Austin Healey Association and is promising to be another Great Week much like we have experienced in the past. The Golden Gate Club will be supporting the event with a couple of drives while in Yosemite. He also talked about the 2017 International Healey Meet in Monterey that is being put on by our club to celebrate 50 years since the last Austin Healey was built.

The Christmas Luncheon had 70 members registered with 67 members attending. The event turned out very well with smiles all around and everyone seemed to enjoy the food provided for our lunch. The event concluded at about 3:30 and all headed for home. 





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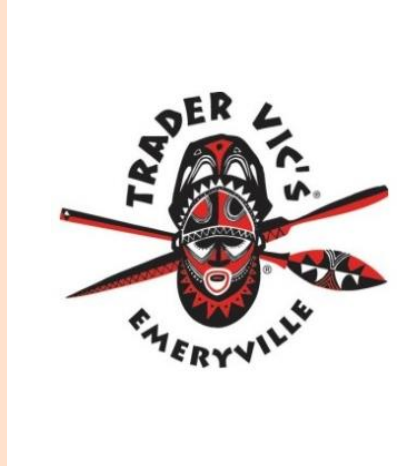


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Attendees:

- Allen, Marty
- Altieri, Bob
- Altieri, Sharon
- Anderson, Gary
- Anderson, Harriet
- Anderson, Carl
- Anderson, Julie
- Bardellini, Lee
- Berquist, Barbara
- Buckley, Carol
- Buckley, Richard
- Buntero, Jorge
- Campbell, Bruce
- Campbell, Christie
- Darfler, Patty
- Darfler, Steve
- Darling, Ruth
- Darling, Steve
- Den Dulk, Carla
- Fabris, Joe
- Finley, Bud
- Foster, Phil
- Foster, Sue
- Freese, Ken
- Freese, Marsha
- Gilroy, Dennis
- Gilroy, Ruth
- Hartnett, Kip
- Hartnett, Len
- Hawk, Donna
- Hawk, Roger
- Kahn, Lynn
- Kahn, Richard
- Kent, Robert
- Klein, Nick
- Klein, Sandy
- Klein, Ginnie
- Klein, Kris
- Korbay, Kim
- Korbay, Steve
- Koyalik, Irv
- Koyalik, Zenta
- Marshall, Kathy
- Marshall, Tim
- Musumeci, Mark
- Musumeci, Sydney
- Nerlove, Faith
- Nerlove, Ken
- Noble, Lynn
- Noble, Ted
- Nock, Dave
- Nock, Jerri
- Olsen, Richard
- Olsen, Tweedy
- Parks, Diana
- Parks, Loren
- Parsons, Linda
- Parsons, Terry
- Petersilie, Kathy
- Rios, Carmelo
- Sahr, Janelle
- Sardeman, Marie Louise
- Sardeman, Robert
- Sherrill, Susan
- Sonneman, Mike
- Turney, Cathy
- Turney, John



Your Club at Work for YOU!

The Planning Meeting

January 9th, 2016

Cathy Turney



Everyone arrives at the meeting with his/~~her~~ ideas of what we should do and places we should go that don't have weather. Any concern over that is quickly dispelled by Lee, our lawyer, who proclaims that El Niño is calendared to end on March 31. And because he's an attorney, we accept his word on faith.

Members who attend planning meetings are courageous souls, folks who know that one does not propose an activity without the willingness to be "it." But events don't have to be over-the-top; it's all about what's under the hood. They can be simple rides with bag lunches. It's about keeping the fluids in the Healey flowing and avoiding the yard work calling to you at home. And wine.

As our esteemed president, Rich Kahn, ~~stressed~~ explained, we need to have lots of monthly drives so we can ~~show-off~~ keep those engines running at least until the Main Event - Austin Healey International 2017. Think of all the adulation you'll miss if your car is frozen in place!

We welcome four new members to the fold. Two of whom, Elliot & Ginny Brown, bravely volunteer without any peer pressure(!) to plan a drive. So, for their benefit, we reviewed the regulation tour format for the Golden Gate Austin Healey Club:

An operable vehicle, preferably but not necessarily a Healey. "Operable" is the key word.

Winery stop

Drive through some scenery

Lunch and wine

Time allowing, stop at a car-related place or museum

Wine

Drive home through wine country

Note to Significant Others: Does this format seem too car-oriented? Let's talk.

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The first event of 2016 will be Dave Nock's tech session on March 19. Rich Kahn suggested the topic of changing the sole noid on your overdrive and "you can use my car to demonstrate." I don't have a clue what that means, but it sounds very intelligent.

Lee recommended we stick to topics and activities that club members could actually do on their own. Phil Foster suggested a car washing clinic.

There are lots more marvelous events planned for 2016, but I am not a reliable source. So do refer to this newsletter's list of coming attractions from our fabulous newsletter editor, Mike Sonneman.

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So, the takeaways here are:

If you have ideas for activities, don't hesitate to submit them. Regardless of what you've read here. We provide mentoring!

You don't have to go it alone. It doesn't take an English village to do this. Sign up for Yosemite!

There are two options: My Husband The Engineer is going to Yoooosemite; I'm going to YOsemite. This event is limited to 200 cars, so don't delay. And be sure you sign up for YOsemite; it's the preferred choice.

Pay your club dues – please. 😊 It's your passport to unlimited pleasure. And we'll make it real easy.

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See you on the road!



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Attendees:

- Lee Bardellini
- Elliot & Ginny Brown (New)
- Steve & Patty Darfler
- Phil & Sue Foster
- Dennis Gilroy
- Kip Hartnett
- Len Hartnett
- Rich & Lynn Kahn
- Nick & Sandy Klein
- Steve & Kim Korbay
- Marc Lewis (New)
- Irene Medzyk
- Mike McDonnell (New)
- Tim Murphy
- Dave & Jerri Nock
- Mike Sonneman
- John & Cathy Turney

Morgan Hill Fall Classic Attendees:

William	Bernard
Robert	Blair
Brian	Bliven
Richard	Clakeley
Tracy	Drummond
Phil & Sue	Foster
John	Grosso
Len	Hartnett
Roger And Donna	Hawk
Rich & Lynn	Kahn
Nick & Sandy	Klein
Irv	Kovalik
Bill	Meade
Richard	McGovern
Harry	Nystrom
August	Ochabauer
Jeff	Pedersen
Bill	Putnam
Bruce	Reilly
Hudson	Vitaich

Not all the attendees were listed in October's Newsletter...

Margot Healey
November, 30th 2015



Note: From her Daughters...

We are writing to inform you that Margot died on Monday the 30th of November.

She had been suffering from Motor Neurone Disease for sometime. During this difficult time Margot wanted to remain very private and for this reason asked us not to make it public knowledge.

Motor Neurone Disease is a horrible disease but we made sure she was loved and cared for until the end, with the help of some wonderful nurses and care givers.

As you can understand this has been a difficult and traumatic time and we hope you will respect our wishes to have a small private ceremony which is what Margot wanted.

No flowers please but any donations to the Motor Neurone Disease Association (MNDA) would be much appreciated. We wouldn't have got through this without their support.

Cecilia and Kate

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Kahn's Konsiderations

Rich Kahn
GGAHC President

February 2016 Healey Happenings

The planning meeting in January was very productive. It is always great to see old friends and we had several new members attend as well.

There are some new, very interesting events on the 2016 calendar with several more in the planning stage. These will be added to the calendar once they are confirmed.

You can check out current events at:
<http://www.goldengatehealeys.com/site/index.php/events/>

We also started working on the big event for 2017. The dates for Monterey International Healey Week are September 11-16, 2017.

That sounds like a long ways off, but we need to start planning now! This will be a very big event and volunteers will be needed. Several members have already signed up but as we get closer to the event we'll need more help.

Help make this something we can be proud of. This may be the last big event as it is the anniversary of the last big Healey produced!

We will need items for the Silent Auction so check around the house and garage for any Healey items collecting dust.

Everyone felt the location for this year's Christmas Party was a good one so we will look into the possibility of holding it at Trader Vics's again this year.

If you missed it - the food was excellent as was the view.

Keep those Healeys rolling!

Calendar of Events

Contact Dennis Gilroy to list an event:
Gilroy.crew@gmail.com. For a more complete list see www.GoldenGateHealeys.com. *You are advised to verify the dates of events that are not ours.*

January 15th: Monthly Pub Night - Morgan Hill

February 6th: Blackhawk Museum - Cars & Coffee

March 19th: **GGAHC** Dave Nock - Tech Session

April 1st - 3rd: David Love Memorial Vintage Car Road Races
Sonoma Raceway

April 2nd: **GGAHC** Season Opener [Tentative date]

April 24th - 28th: California Mile

May 7th: **GGAHC** West Marin Wildflowers

May 15th: UBSCC Annual All British Motorcar Show & Swap Meet

May 28th - June 5th: British Car Week

June 1st - 5th: Yosemite Healey Week

June 12th: Inaugural Alameda Point Concours d'Elegance

Please see Golden Gate Austin Healey Club website for event details:
<http://www.goldengatehealeys.com/site/index.php/events/>

From the Editor



Mike Sonneman
GGAHC Newsletter Editor

Keep those Biographies coming your fellow members want to learn more about you...

Don't be shy...

I'm still waiting for some strange and funny stories that people have experienced while driving their Healey's...

I would also like some stories on how couples met each other and how long they have been together...

Please feel free to forward me any stories you may have to share...

Please include a photo if possible, it would be a great complement to your story...

Thanks

2016 GGAHC Events

March 19: Tech Session

What: Annual Tech Session at British Car Specialists, 2060 North Wilson Way, Stockton. We are planning to have more driving events this year, so learn how to check your Healey before hitting the road. You don't have to bring your Healey to participate. Please let David Nock know if you are planning to attend. His email is Healeydoc@sbcglobal.net.

April 2: Season Opener [Tentative date]

What: The 2016 driving season will open with a brunch at Wente Winery in Livermore, followed by a drive over Calaveras Road to San Jose for an exclusive visit to a private vintage auto collection. The collection encompasses three building and includes vintage British, American and Brass-era cars.

May 7: West Marin Wildflowers

What: Tim Murphy will lead a drive over the backroads of West Marin County when the wildflowers are in bloom with a lunch stop at Rancho Nicasio Bar and Restaurant. This was the lunch stop last year for the drive hosted by the Korbays and was a real treat. This year promises to be even better!

June 25: Lodi Wine Tour

What: Back by popular demand, the Nocks will lead us to some of their favorite wineries in the Lodi region. In visiting wineries throughout the State, most wine grapes are grown in Lodi, even if the wine is produced elsewhere! Come taste at the source.

August 28: Ice Cream Social

What: Ice cream social at a new location in Fairfield. These events have been a great way to show off our Healey's to the public and to socialize over ice cream.

October 8: Marty's Wine, Cheese and More Event!

What: Marty has promised an even bigger event for this year. In addition to wine, cheese and watching the Fleet Week activities from the best vantage point in the Bay Area (Marty's home), this year will add a Healey-only car show. He has the best location in all of Sausalito for the cars, so this should be a killer event. But, it will be limited to 25 cars, so sign up early.

December 3: GGAHC Christmas Party [Tentative date]

What: Based on last year's enthusiastic response to the venue for the Club Christmas Party, this year's party will again be at Trader Vic's in Emeryville (Berkeley marina area). Trader Vic's started 80 years ago in San Francisco and moved to this location 40 years ago. They have a beautiful room with a view of the marina as well as an outside deck we can use if the weather is good. Club members will receive a glass of wine when they arrive and appetizers will be passed for about 45 minutes to an hour prior to lunch. Lunch includes a salad, choice of entrée, dessert and tea or coffee. There will be a no-host bar in the as well.



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Events:

- Loren Parks - First 4 Issues of 2015
- Len Harnett & Steve Kingsbury - March Tech Session
- John Soderling & Lynn Kahn - Garre Winery Tour
- Roger Swales - Australian Healey Rally
- Steve & Kim Korbay - Rendezvous 2015
- Len Hartnett - Ice Cream Social
- Nancy McCroskey - Pescadero Tour
- Nick & Sandy Klein - Morgan Hill Fall Classic
- Loren Parks - Monterey Car Shows

Articles:

- Eric Peters - Does Gas Go Bad ???
- Lee Bardellini - Board Meeting Summary
- Mike Scroggie - Cars & Coffee
- Glenn Abello - LED Lighting
- Ashlee Vance - 20 Years of Techron
- Dave Nock - John Trifari
- Steve Cloyes - Travels with John
- Gary Anderson - Harriet Anderson (Hall of Fame)

Biographies:

- Rich & Lynn Kahn
- John Soderling
- Bill Meade
- Mike Naughton

Stories:

- Bob Altieri - Charles Darkey Parkhurst
- Roger & Donna Hawk - The Hawk-Healey Odyssey

Humor:

- Cathy Turney - Cathy's Corner



As there will be no Rendezvous in 2016, GGAHC has committed to support the AHCASC (So. Calif. Club) 2016 event.

They have just contracted with The Redwoods in Yosemite - <http://www.redwoodsinyosemite.com> to host their annual gathering next year in June, 2016. The Redwoods in Yosemite has 120 independent cabins for rent in a community near to the historic Wawona Hotel.

"Yosemite Healey Week" is scheduled for June 1-5, 2016.

Since Yosemite books up quickly, often a year ahead of time, planning had to be done earlier than normal. Although not all the details have been worked out yet, it was imperative to get the venue locked up.

It is equally important that you also make your plans early and book your accommodations NOW, as space will not be guaranteed after July 31, 2015.

As indicated on the attached form, special fees have been negotiated for that week, which includes waiving the standard \$75 cleaning fee.

The event registration form will be available in the fall, once the event details are worked out.

Experiencing Yosemite in a Healey is spectacular! We hope to have a good representation from GGAHC - as we did in Morro Bay last year.



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Healeymarket

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