

## **BATHURST 1998 SIR DONALD HEALEY International Tribute Race**

Twenty years on from this great race at Bathurst a reunion is being held

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How many current SCCA Members can you spot?

Hello Healey Racers

It's just ten and a half weeks to the Austin Healey 20 year Bathurst Reunion at Rydges alongside the track at Mt Panorama on September 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> and things are going well. We have two dozen people booked already including Big Healeys and Sprites, boys and girls and many legends and stars (ok that's everyone). We have extended the booking quotas with Rydges (who seem to be the right people to run Australia's motorsport pub) so there's still lots of room.

If you haven't booked yet, please commit to it now so we know who's coming; please go to <https://www.rydges.com/private-page/1998-bathurst-healey-20-year-reunion/> You will be taken to the reunion booking page with our special terms and arrangements which include dinner on Saturday night and video projection, screen and mics etc.

This a bit different from the usual event which turns up on the screen. It is not commercial, it is not a club, it is just some people – Chris Dimmock, Patrick Quinn, Eric Rudd and I - from a significant event long ago facilitating a reunion of others who want to meet again. In talking to many of you, it is obvious we are not alone in looking back on that adventure as a milestone. So if you want to meet and reminisce and show pics, maybe even bring your car, you will enjoy this event. If you helped, watched from the track or the telecast or read about it or were otherwise inspired by the events of October 4<sup>th</sup> 1998, you will also enjoy it.

Please come ready to participate; this is not a sit back and be entertained kind of event. There are no entertainers coming. Yes at the celebration dinner we will have some talks from a podium, we hope to have a bit of a doco pretentiously called 'Duel in the Sun' and a Q&A session. But all this is really just an excuse to prompt memories of that epic weekend.

On a personal note, Lin and I got so keen fixing this up that we've recommissioned AH3000 for Targa Great Barrier Reef in August and High Country in November, immediately followed by Challenge Bathurst. Too ambitious? Yes probably, but the chance to compete in the same car on Mt Panorama 20 years later is too good to pass up. Hardi Kuhn has been helping get ready – the same Hardi who still has the 11<sup>th</sup> fastest ever time around the Mountain – seen here fixing the Hopwood practice bingle with the race sponsor.

All the best

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