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----- APRIL ACTIVITY - FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST -----

The Arizona Automobile Hobbyist Council is hosting a free pancake breakfast on April 26th. This will be at the Washington Adult Center, 2240 West Citrus Way. In case you don't know where Citrus Way is, it is located half way between Glendale Avenue and Bethany Home Road. Go down 23rd Avenue from Glendale or Bethany Home and you will run right into it. Then just look for all the sports cars and antique cars. So that you won't feel alone, the DCTRA will be going in force. We will meet at the Washington Adult Center at 9 AM and go in as one group. You will not want to miss this activity because in this day and age, noone can pass up a free meal. So come on out and meet your fellow club members. For more information, please see the enclosed flyer or call one of your club officers.

----- MORE THINGS TO DO IN APRIL -----

Since the DCTRA Spring Rallye was a big success, we have decided to participate in the Rotary Sports Car Club First Annual Challenge Rally. This will also be held on Sunday April 26th. The starting point will be at the Town and Country Shopping Center, Camelback at 20th Street. Registration will begin at 1:30 P.M. with the first car leaving at 2:31 P.M. The entry fee will be \$3.50 per car. The entry fee includes beer and hot dogs at the finish line. A drivers meeting will be held at 2:00 PM to answer all questions. For those of you that participated in last months rally, this one will be the same kind. For those of you that have never run in a rally before, I have enclosed some general instructions from the March and April rallys. Remember the rally requires a driver and navigator. The driver must be old enough to drive but the navigator can be of any age or anyone. Private information has been recieved by this editor that the rally course will take you on a tour of several golf courses which will be a nice scenic drive. Anyone stopping to play some pasture pool will be disqualified from the rally unless you can prove that you hit a hole-in-one.

----- BUSINESS MEETINGS WILL BE HELD STARTING IN MAY -----

It has come to the club officers attention that it is hard to conduct a business meeting while driving in a rallye. So as soon as a place is found to have a monthly business meeting, we will have one. We are planning to start these in May. If a date is set before the next newsletter, then all members will be contacted by phone. We are looking for ideas from the members for fund raising ideas, activity ideas, and anything else that will help the club grow. The business meetings will be held in addition to the monthly activitys. So be ready to present your ideas, suggestions, or complaints. If you know of a place we could have a meeting, please call Tom (your club president, in case you forgot) .

----- FROM THE PRESIDENT -----

(Pennell not Reagan)

Another month has slipped away and we now head into the long, hot summer. My red TR-3 is slowly taking shape and I expect it to be drivable by the end of May. Joe and Carol Reagle's TR is currently receiving a heart transplant (engine rebuild) at Schaller's Hospital for TR's and should be rolling soon.

Our March rallye was a success, but I was a little disappointed in the turnout. Those who ran the rallye had a great time, and those who came to join us at the end point also enjoyed themselves. Our TR's caused quite a stir among the locals, literally stopping traffic in the parking lot. Look elsewhere in this issue for announcements of future events.

I recently met with representatives of the Triumph Register of Southern California (TRSC) while on a business trip to L.A. to discuss our planned excursion to Lake Havasu. We have settled on the weekend of October 17th and 18th, as this date is good for TRSC, DCTRA, and the London Bridge folks. Initial contacts to the Havasu Chamber of Commerce and the London Village have been very encouraging. An all TR display on the Promenade under the bridge is possible. Let's all make plans for this event now. TRSC has twice as many members as DCTRA, but I believe that we can outnumber them at the London Bridge. Further details will be forthcoming in this column.

We still need ideas and event-masters for the months ahead. Anyone can organize and execute an event for DCTRA. Your participation and enthusiasm are the pulse of the club. We've made a good start and have come a long way. With everyone's help, there's no limit to our future.

Let's get em rolling !

TOM

----- 1st ANNUAL SPRING RALLYE OR TIPTOE THROUGH THE TULIPS -----

On Sunday, March 29th, a hardy group of TR enthusiasts met at Thomas Mall to participate in DCTRA's first rallye. The "tulip" concept rallye was written by Tom Pennell, DCTRA President, and ran through some of Phoenix's most opulent neighborhoods (there wasn't a cheap house on the course). The three checkpoints were manned by members of the Austin-Healey club and by members of the Phoenix Rally Organization. An encouraging turnout of 5 TR-3s, 1 TR-4, and an RX-7 set out on the course at 3 PM, ending up at Paradise Valley Park for a barbeque and good times. Trophies were presented at the park to the winners of the rallye and the "poker hand" competition. Due to a rallymaster error, the point scores announced at the the finish were incorrect, but subsequent correction produced no change in the finishing positions. The finishing positions are as follows:

	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>CAR</u>	<u>DRIVER/NAVIGATOR</u>
*	1	TR-3	Jeff Bailey - Jim Bailey
*	2	TR-3	Paul Wolf - Emily Wolf
	3	TR-4	Craig Elborn/ Pat Welborn
	4	TR-3	Rich Pace - Barbara Pace
*	5	TR-3	John Gallen - Marian Gallen
	6	TRRX-7	Deane Bradley - Steve Halter
	7	TR-3	Vern Zigler - Holly Zigler

* Trophy Winner. The Gallen's had best poker hand with 2 pairs.

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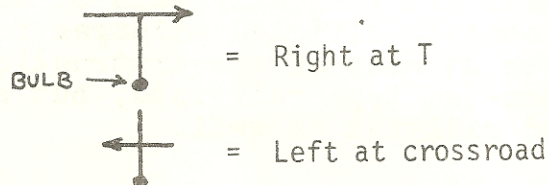
1st ANNUAL SPRING RALLYE

"TIPTOE THROUGH THE TULIPS"

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

This is a "TULIP" rallye. You will be directed through the intersections by the use of a "TULIP" (which is a graphic representation of the intersection as seen from directly overhead). The road upon which you enter the intersection is identified with a "BULB" and the road upon which you are to leave the intersection is indicated by an arrowhead.

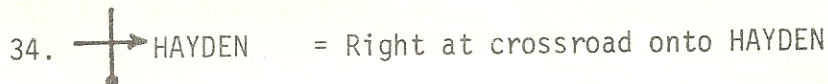
EXAMPLES:



Your initial direction of travel is always straight up from the BULB.

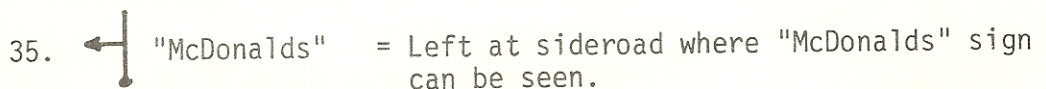
If a TULIP is followed by a road name, you must execute the TULIP at the intersection where that road is.

EXAMPLE:



If a TULIP is followed by a word or group of numbers in quotation marks ("345"), you are to execute the TULIP at an intersection where the quoted material is visible on a sign.

EXAMPLE



Some TULIPS may have a dotted line leading away from them. The dotted line represents the presence of an unpaved (dirt or gravel) road. Do not drive onto any unpaved road unless you are specifically directed to do so. Also, any road marked "DEAD END" should be considered non-existent. Roads with the marking "NOT A THROUGH STREET" are to be considered when looking for an intersection as pictured in a TULIP.

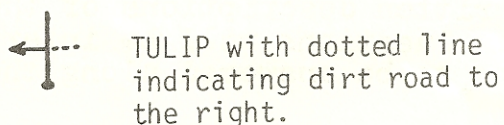
You may occasionally encounter a TULIP which seems unnecessary. They were included just to help you stay on course. At each intersection where a TULIP does not apply, go straight.

DEFINITIONS:

SS = A conventional octagonal STOP sign requiring the contestant to STOP before proceeding.

SI = Signalized Intersection (a meeting place of two or more roads controlled by the conventional traffic light).

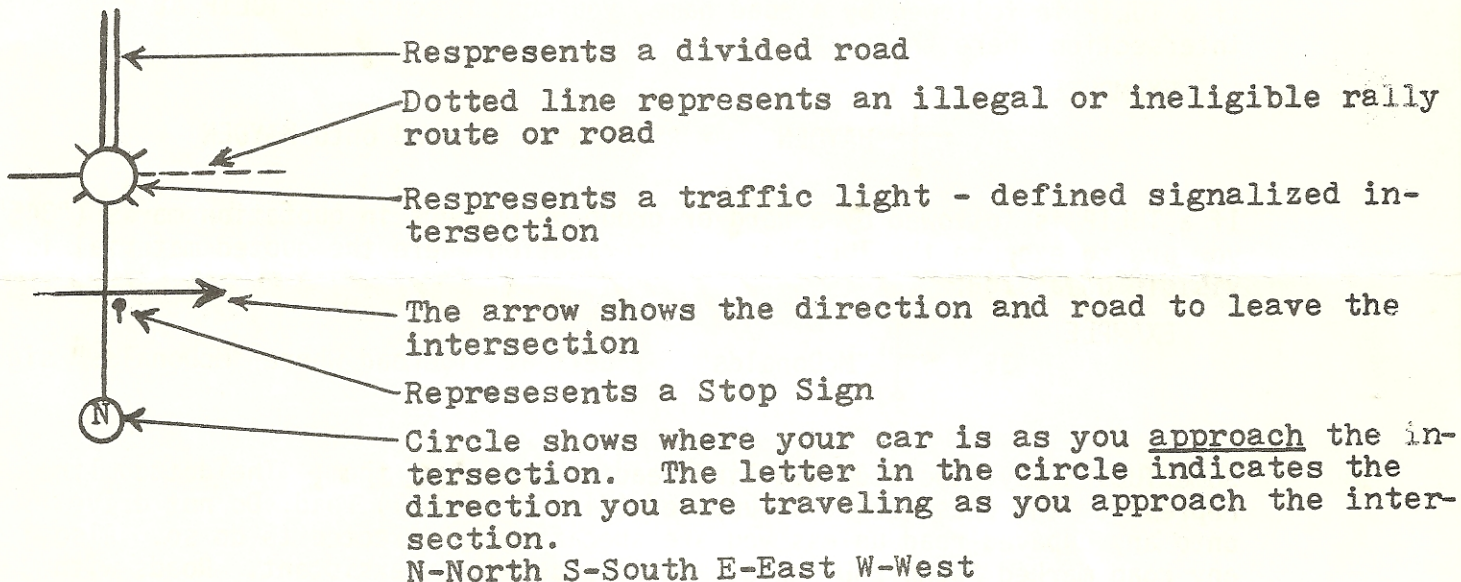
EXAMPLES:



This TULIP is unnecessary, but indicates you're on course crossing BELL Rd.

The 'Tour De Los Club Campestres' rally will be a tulip diagram rally designed for both beginning and experienced ralli-ests. The tulip diagrams are basically maps of the written instructions. The instructions will contain official mileages for most instructions and official times to be at most of the instructions. The rally is de-signed primarily for non-Tsd type rallyists, but should be challenging for the experienced Tsd rallyist as well.

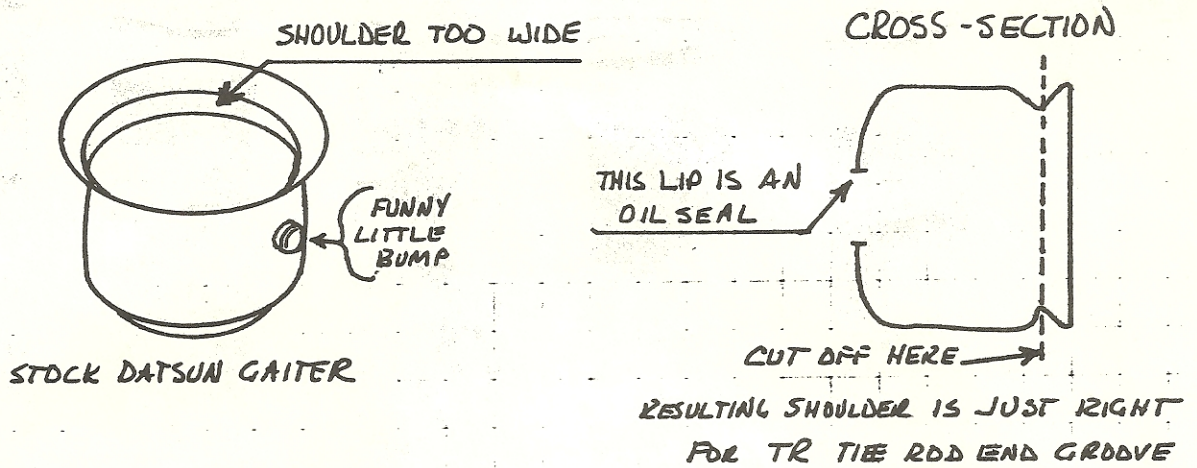
Explanation of the Tulip Diagram



Official Mileage - It is intended to help the beginners to stay on course. Not all instructions will have a mileage and some in-structions may contain two (2) mileages for FER instruc-tions. (See abbreviations).

Official Time - This is a guide for the time you should arrive at each instruction. The times will be given in minutes and sec-onds and when added to your Start Time will give you your time to be at each action point. Some instructions may contain two (2) times for FER instructions. (See abbre- viations).

Route Instructions - These are written descriptions of the turn or action to be done. Questions will be interspersed among the instructions to be answered along the rally route.



GAITER - AID

A SUITABLE SUBSTITUTE HAS BEEN FOUND FOR TIE ROD END GAITERS. THE GAITERS FOR A DATSUN PICKUP, PART NUMBER 48522-B5000 ARE AVAILABLE OVER THE COUNTER AT DATSUN DEALERS FOR \$3.24 EACH AND WILL PERFORM ADMIRABLY IN THE TR FRONT SUSPENSION WITH A MINOR MODIFICATION. AS SUPPLIED, THE DATSUN GAITER'S SNAP-ON SHOULDER IS TOO WIDE FOR THE TR GROOVE IN THE TIE ROD END. TURN THE GAITER WITH A LATHE OR DRILL AND SLICE OFF THE FLANGE AS SHOWN USING AN X-ACTO KNIFE OR RAZOR BLADE. THE GAITER WILL THEN SNAP ON TO THE TR TIE ROD END WITH THE USUAL DIFFICULTY. IT LOOKS (ALMOST) ORIGINAL WHEN IN PLACE.

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