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Next Meeting: 13 May 1986

The next meeting of D.C.T.R.A. will be held in the banquet room of the HUNAN RESTAURANT, 1575 E. Camelback Rd., near the corner of 16th Street and Camelback. Starting time is 7:00 P.M.

# - BIGGER IS BETTER -

Starting with this months issue of the D.C.T.R.A. Newsletter, we will have more pages, more news and less cost. The club wants to thank Bill Becker for making this possible. Bill has offered his assistance in the printing of the Newsletter - Thank you.

Presidents Report: Fred Peck

Happiness and your TR. When you drove your TR everyday like I do, happiness is......

Springtime, no top, good weather, laughting at the guy in the Porsche that just killed the engine at the light, occasionally having lights at night, looking at the shock absorbers of 4 wheel drive vehicles, trying to light a cigarrette at 55 mph, pulling up behind a bus and coughing for the next 20 minutes, having people ask "What year is your MG, I used to own one just like yours", finding a body shop that doesn't use Bondo, having a cat use your new carpeted car as a litter box, enving other car that have airconditioning, parking in "motorcycle only" spaces, finding a service station that still sells Premium, having no idea of fast you are going because your tach & spedo needles are spinning like tops. I could probably go on for pages, but I promised myself that I would wash and wax the little beast tonight. See you on the streets, drive safely.

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Treasurers Report: Gracie Pennell

No written report.

Secretary's Report: Sherry Sharp - March meeting

The D.C.T.R.A. meeting was called to order by Fred Peck, President. A welcome was extended to new members and guests.

#### Old Business:

Bill Riddle and Gary Hampsch gave a report of the British Car Day held I March 86, at the Dover Industrial Park. The day was a success with 70 car registrations. The event provided British car owners an oportunity.....

- to create and share a memorable day with 35+ young handicapped adults.
  - to enhance the British car network in the valley.

Thanks to all of you who attended and participated,

Tom Pennell summarized the upcomming events regarding the 7th Annual Eloy Grand Prix to be held March 15 & 16. The cost of a pit pass for 2 days is \$10.00 (Sat. & Sun.); \$10.00 for Sun. A pancake breakfast will be sponsored by the Lion's Club and a car show will preced the race on Sunday. (\$12.00 registration per car) Door prize: Mini-car.

AAHC-AZ. Automobile Hobbyists Council will hold its Parts Exchange/Car Show at Mesa Community College, March 15th & 16th. Greg Lund volunteered to the clubs representative at the AAHC's monthly meeting. Thanks Digger, for being our representative for the past three years. AAHC has been instrumental in gaing support in the repeal of the tax on casual sales of automobiles.

The treasurer's report was read. Dues are \$12.00 and club badges are \$5.00 per badge.

The bulk mailing issue was tabled. Discussion focused on printing costs, print size and the possibility of increasing the number of the newsletter pages.

DCTRA FLYERS WERE DISTRIBUTED - bring in those new members.

## New Business:

Get ready! Triumphest "86 will be held at Half Moon Bay, near San Francisco.

The 20/30 Polo Culb Tournament will be held March 16, 1986. A British special interest car display will be Sun., at Paradise Valley Park, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

Celebrate March Birthdays at Monti's in Tempe, March 29, at 7:00 PM.

Solo II has been rescheduled for April 12th, at U-Haul Test Track, begining at 8:00 AM, see you there.

April 13th will be the April Fool's relleye. Tim Cook and Tom Larson will develope specifics for the next meeting.

British Car Day will be May 17th at Sedona. To date, 28 individuals have indicated their desire to attend. Individuals are responsible for making their own reservations for Saturday night. Call Leon, 252-4483. Rates are \$65.00 - Sat. evening. Tom Larson will develope a caravan schedule and route.

New Club "T" Shirts: John Poore will silk screen the new "T" shirts for the club. Colors are royal blue with white letters. Small logo w/Phoenix on the front, large logo on the back. Sizes: S,M,L,XL. Price, \$7.00 members, \$10.00 Non-members.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 PM.

Secretary's Report: Sherry Sharp - April meeting

The meeting was called to order by Fred Peck, Pres., new members and guests were welcomed.

British car day will be may 17th, 1986 at Sedona. It is a closed event. Please make your own reservations by calling Leon, 252-4483. Res. are at the Arroyo Robles. Tom Larson will develope a route and schedule.

Eloy Gran Prix results: Congratulations to Tom Penell who finished 3rd over-all, and 1st in class. The Eloy Gran Prix for 1987 will be March 14 & 15 1987.

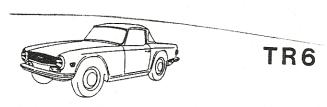
Check new heading in Newsletter for LEGISLATIVE REPORT. Get the latest information on legislation that might effect the car enthusiast in AZ.

Club "T" shirts: A motion was made and seconded to provide \$200.00 to print club "T" shirts. Royal blue with white lettering. Cost: \$7.00 Members, \$10.00 non-members.

A Triumph workshop manual by Bob Shaller is available for \$4.00 per copy.

The Treasurer's report was read. A reminder, original receipts are required for re-imbursement.

Meeting adjourned.



Membership Report: Tom Pennell

No written report.

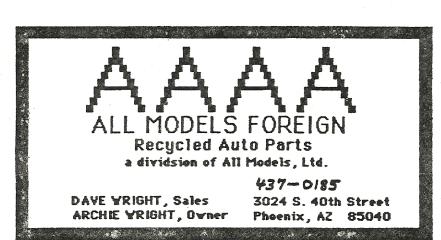
Newsletter Editor: Howard C. Hall

Anyone wishing to write articles or submit pictures for publication in the newsletter please contact me at 267-9587.

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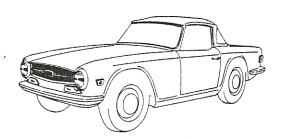


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# - D.C.T.R.A. 1986 CALENDAR OF EVENTS -

13 MAY Monthly meeting

17 MAY Grand Canyon British Car Day

10 JUN Monthly meeting

14 JUN Annual Pool Party

8 JUL Monthly meeting

12 JUL Night desert barbeque

12 AUG Monthly meeting

16, 17 AUG Overnight mountain camp out

9 SEP Monthly meeting

13 SEP Western Night

14 OCT Monthly meeting

17, 18, 19, OCT TRIUMPHEST '86

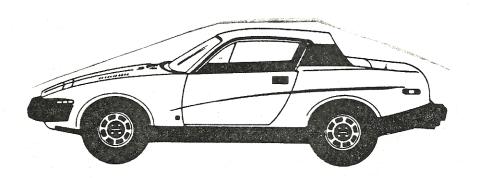
11 NOV Monthly meeting

16 NOV Tortilla Flats picnic

9 DEC Monthly meeting

13 DEC X-MAS Party

31 DEC New Years Eve Party



# DCTRA APRIL FOOL'S RALLY (on the 13th) RESULTS

On a fine Sunday afternoon recently fourteen hardy rallyists drove seven cars in the DCTRA's April Fool's event. The rally was divided into three parts or legs. The first leg was scored on the basis of luck, with only a little bit of skill in course-following thrown in to make it interesting. Odometer readings were recorded not to calculate mileages, but for comparison with a later dice roll - the more digits in the odo numbers which matched the dice, the higher the rallyists' penalty.

The second leg was more of a standard Time Speed Distance leg. Rallyists were to calculate their true time from average speeds, accumulated pauses, etc.

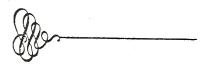
The third leg was something new to me and to most of the participants - a stick or straight line rally. The rally course was represented by a straight line on the page, with OPPORTUNITIES NOT TAKEN shown as branches coming off this main trunk. This gets particularly confusing when the road NOT TAKEN is the STRAIGHT-AHEAD option.

Six of the seven entries were Triumphs. The team of Tom and Gracie Pennell is to be commended, not so much for being late to the start, but for driving their TR, sans odometer, rather than substitute a different marque. They thus ran under a severe handicap on Leg 2, and had a max penalty on Leg 3. Scores for the rally are given below:

Place	Driver/Navigator	Leg 1	Leg 2	Leg 3	Total
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I hope all those who ran the rally had a good time. I certainly had a good time presenting it. A special thanks goes out to Digger Davitt for his help in operating the single checkpoint, and especially for helping me re-measure the last leg when I realized that I had left the correct mileages at home. Also thanks to my wife Carolyn for her assistance with checkout, and to my oldest boy Lee for his assistance in the card draw.

Bob Morey



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VOLVO VW MG TRIUMPH



ANDY SIMPSON (602) 273-6185 4200 E. McDOWELL RD. PHOENIX, AZ 85008 MAY EVENT - SEDONA TOUR DATE - MAY 17 H (SAT.) & 18 H (SUN.) TOUR MEETING PLACE - CAREFREE RD. & I-17 NORTHEAST CORNER LEAVE TIME 10:00 A.M. BREAKFEAST STOP BLK. CANYON CITY TOUR ROUTE: HIGHWAY ROUTE I-17 to CORDES JCT. CORDES JCT. TO PRESCOTT 69 PRESCOTT TO CLARKDALE 89A CLARKDALE TO TUZIGOOT NATIL. MON. 1-ZHRS, TOUR OF PRE-HISTORIC INDIAN RUINS. CLARKDALE TO SEDONA 89A - MOTEL CHECK IN -SUNDAY - CHECK OUT & BREAKFEAST RETURN ROUTE: HIGHWAY ROUTE SEDONA TO I-17 I-17 TO MONTEZUMA CASTLE NAT'L. MON. 1-ZHRS. TOUR OF PRE-HISTORIC INDIAN RUINS.

1-17 to Highway 169 Jct., 169 to Dewey \$ 69, 69 to Prescott 1-2 hrs. Tour of Sharlot Hall Museum \$ Old Governor's Mansion.

Lunch at Prescott, Prescott to Wickenburg Highway - 89

Wickenburg to the Valley - 89 \$ 60. Those Living in North Valley Area take State Route 74 at Morristown.

THOSE MEMBERS THAT ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND THIS EVENT PLEASE CALL MARILYN LARSEN AT 275-1398.



Wanted: Spitfire 1500 engine - Call Charlie Bell 252-9429.

TR3-4 Parts for sale: TR3 chasis, rear end, rotors, drums, set of wires, hardtop shell. TR4 body parts & misc. other parts. Ed Deering 997-8494.

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I'm looking for a TR. Would like to have a 3, 3A, or 3B. Not concourse but running, and in complete and fair to good condition. Call or write:

Woody Smithson 10704 Tropicana Circle Sun City, AZ 85351 [602] 977-1007

'73 Triumph Stagg - restoration started, needs some mechanical and body work to finish. \$3800.00 or best offer.

Jim Eriksson 941-1414 or 998-5695.

Red, White headliner, hard top for late model Spitfire - excellent condition. Cost \$995.00 will sacrifice for \$200.00.

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