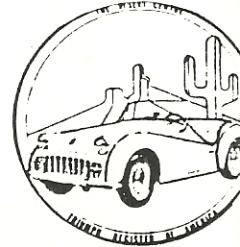




# Triumph TRumpeter



## OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE DESERT CENTRE — TRIUMPH REGISTER OF AMERICA

PRESIDENT: JOHN POORE, 947-9781

NEWSLETTER: WALLY SKURDA, 951-8472

JULY 1987

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MEETING:

Hunan Restaurant  
1575 E. Camelback  
7:00 PM

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### CLUB OFFICERS

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Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the  
month  
Dues are \$12.00 per year  
For membership information, contact Tom Pennell  
- 951-8472

### FROM THE PREZ...

*The article John prepared for this issue is hanging on someone's front door by a piece of electrical tape. John called me and asked where I live. I told him and he drove over to drop off his copy. Unfortunately, he found the wrong house, rang the door bell, and taped the article to the door after nobody answered. I called him and heard his cheerful voice ask how I liked his stuff for the newsletter. Well, you know the rest. Anyway, this is the main theme of the article...*

*"... Tell the gang in the club I will be going out of town on business, so I won't be at the next two meetings. See you all when I get back!*

John Poore



MINUTES,  
JUNE 9, 1987  
BY: BILL SHARP

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM, at the Hunan Restaurant by President John Poore. Visitors and new members were introduced, and welcomed.

The treasury report from Gracie Pennell indicates that we are solvent, for the present. Tom Pennell reported that membership is increasing at a slow, but steady, rate. Phil Hunt, chair of June's Western Night, reported that at least 29 members are planning to attend the gala at Rustler's Rooste. July's pool party will be held at Chuck and Dottie Liebich's home on Saturday, July 18th. If you have not already done so, contact them ASAP to find out what to bring. Details follow. Bob Schaller devoted the tech report to 'THANK YOUs' to a large and well appreciated group of helpers who assisted in preparing his chariot for its Annual Eastern Pilgrimage. John Poore took advantage of a rare lull in the proceedings to present the First Annual, Gracie Pennell Award (subtitled "WAITING FOR THE WRECKER") to Tom Pennell. A swell picture of his ASRA weapon on the hook was the only tangible commemeration, but Tom took the honor in stride. The TRIUMPHEST '87 report was highlighted by a plea for all members to collect prizes for the raffle and door prizes. Bill Sharp and Bruce Barth will do a survey run to the Palace Station during the third week in June. Name tags are ready for those who ordered them at a cost of \$3. Armand Lacasse offered FOB garbage cans to those who contacted him after the meeting. Phil Hunt made a formal motion (nearly unheard of) that club members no longer harrass the editor of the newsletter. The disposition of the motion is unsure. In lieu of the events chair, Tom Pennell gave a rundown of monthly events through the end of the year with the exception of November. The meeting was adjurned at 7:52 PM.

Bill Sharp

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FROM THE EDITOR

First, I offer a salute to David Henderson. Dave called me last week and offered to help with the newsletter. I could have really used the help, but I had to turn him down for this issue. You see, parts of this issue was already in the computer and I didn't feel like typing it all over again into another computer. But, that is about to change. This computer allows us the luxury of having a publication that looks like it has been typeset. Who cares? I would rather have a publication that somewhat less legible, and full of bits and pieces of information and humor from as many people in the club as possible. I miss Phil's cartoons. It is more fun if a group works on a project and contributes whatever skills they can to get it done. So, for the remainder of my editor rein, I am calling on

everyone in the club to make the newsletter a group activity. I will go over this in greater detail at the meeting. Till then . . .

Wally Skurda

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POOL PARTY!

Don't forget the POOL PARTY !!! Saturday, July 18th . . . 6 P.M. at Chuck and Dottie Liebich's house. 11029 N. 73rd Street Scottsdale

(One block east of Scottsdale Road . . . one/half block south of Cholla). There will be a sign-up sheet at the July meeting, or you can RSVP (please) to Dottie at 951-2556 days, or 998-0657 evenings. Plan on bringing whatever you are going to cook on the grill, a dish to pass, your beverages, and a chair (if you plan on doing any sitting).

RANDOLPH RIDES AGAIN!

An open letter to all XXXXX car owners:

Way back in February, an open letter appeared in the newsletter. There was only one response from a XXXXX owner.

So, I wrote a separate letter to each of you and enclosed a small form for you to put your car's serial number on and requested that you mail the completed form to Tom Pennell. I also enclosed an envelope with Tom's address on it. A by-product was that several of you sent in your dues along with your serial numbers.

Now I have a problem; I don't know who didn't send in his serial number! And I won't know until Tom Publishes a new membership roster. So you all have a second chance that will last only until Tom finds the time to publish a new club roster. And when that happens (as it eventually will) be prepared for some notoriety!!!

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## FELLOW DCTRA MEMBERS...

Here is your chance to be an active part of the preparations for TRIUMPHEST '87. Whether or not you have the time to spend on a committee, or even be able to attend, you can help your whole club do a good job in meeting our responsibility as host club for the meet. If you have been attending the meetings, you have heard the pleas to run down prizes for the raffle and door prize orgy to follow the TRIUMPHEST awards dinner. It dawned on me that some people may find this a very difficult thing to do, so I thought I might offer a suggestion, or two, on how this might be done without making you feel like a beggar or your friendly merchants feeling like they've been had.

First, people do business like this all the time. It's a non-cash exchange of benefits that works to the advantage of both parties. For us, we get great stuff to give away and/or sell to help us pay for an annual meet. We also get to find out which of the merchants that we favor with our custom are receptive to this kind of exchange or to us as people. On the other hand, the contributors get something as well; to wit, advertising in all the official programs and follow-up material to be published. In addition, they get a legitimate tax write-off for the price of the donation (Advertising is a *cost of doing business*). At last, but not least, they get the promise of your future custom.

It would probably be best not to approach the manager of your favorite newsstand during peak hours in front of a group of strangers to solicit for the meet. It is also not absolutely necessary that the items be automotive in nature. Stress the fact that those of us who drive Triumphs are a particularly well rounded bunch with a broad range of interests, real disposable income (we can afford to support old English cars that are out of production) and undying loyalty looking for honest businesses with which to do commerce. If we weren't loyal, why would we take cars into our families and treat them better than sons and daughters? (Don't answer that). Any kind of stuff is good, even gift certificates (which means that service and consulting industries are not immune to our charms). Be sure that they know a large diverse group will thank them for their largesse.

Bill Sharp

## CLASSIFIED ADS

FREE . . . FREE. . . Personal ads are free if you are a paid-up member of DCTRA!

FOR SALE: 1967 Spitfire MK II parts. Windshield frame; convertible top frame; rough body; straight chassis, Dellorto sidedraft and minifold for 1174. Call John at 271-4174 days, 943-9563 eves.

WANTED: 1174 Spitfire cylinder head; 1967 Mk III seats; 1967 Jaeger speedo; Mk III convertible top frame/mechanism. Call John at 271-4174 days, 943-9563 eves.

FOR SALE: Parting out '71 Triumph Spitfire Mark IV. Complete 1296 Spitfire engine, parts for 1200 engine, electrical, carburetion, and body parts available. Also a 1200 race-ready engine (used to belong to Tom Pennell). Bought a race car and need to sell these parts ASAP. For information and to haggle over prices, call Jim Chadsey at 236-2756 or 983-1916.

FOR SALE: 1965 Spitfire, restored, with new top, new glass and interior (tan). New paint, as well (yellow), and some new chrome. Schaller engine and carbs, with electric fuel pump. Brakes good. \$2,300. Call 971-9175 evenings.

FOR SALE: Home made parts washer; plastic sink. \$100. Call Tom Pennell, 951-8472.

FOR SALE: Needs good home! TR4A IRS, 1968. Yellow with black interior. Many extras. Mileage 64,250; car has been in storage. Arizona car. New brakes, roll bar, custom steering wheel; good tires and good body. needs radiator and fan. For complete information call Ken Milward, 493-9782.

FOR SALE: 1974 Yellow TR6, original and well kept. Factory air, as well as factory hardtop, convertible and tonneau. Call Kathy or Jack at 602-836-7859.

FOR SALE: 1963 TR3B, hardtop, soft top, tonneau, no serious rust. 1-459-0491 days 1-538-3364 eves. Jim O'neil, Sierra Vista, AZ.

FOR SALE: 1966 Triumph T100 Desert bike. Be Steve McQueen, and have fun doing it. \$600.00. Many new parts. Call John @ 943-9563.

FOR SALE: A PENDING OVERSEAS MOVE FORCES ME TO PART WITH THE LOVES OF MY LIVE, NEXT TO MY WIFE, OF COURSE. IF INTERESTED PLEASE CALL GARY AT 867-8414 OR DURING WORKING HOURS @ 438-1362. GT6 Plus, 1969, This up and coming model is fast and solid; a good performer at SCCA Solo. New rear end: \$2,100. SPITFIRE, MKII, 1966. This little gem is a real looker. These early models are becoming rare and desirable. Four new pistons make the engine hum: \$1,800.

FOR SALE: Manuals, Parts, and Misc. HAYNES, Owner/Wkshop, TR5, 250, & TR6, '67 on: \$7.50. AUTOPRESS, Workshop, TR5, 250, & TR6, '67/'72: \$6.00. ROVER 2000 Factory Workshop, '65 & TC / Auto Trans Supp '68: \$25.00 pr. TR-250 Magnetic Aluminum gas cap: \$25. Comml. Fire Extinguishers; ANSUL drychem re-chg. #10 B&C: \$25. #30 A-B-C: \$50. Call Bruce Barth @ 247-6241.