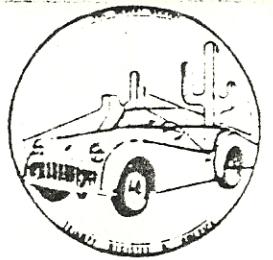




Triumph TRumpeter

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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF

THE DESERT CENTRE — TRIUMPH REGISTER OF AMERICA

\$25 Tire
.80 Spoke + Night
will check wheels for no cost

Acryten wheels - OK - good
India made wheels are junk

PRESIDENT: JOHN POORE, 947-9781

NEWSLETTER: WALLY SKURDA, 940-8913

MAY 1987

MEETING:

Hunan Restaurant
1575 E. Camelback
7:00 PM

Check spines

Tap spokes - should ping
and not sound flat

North
Side 3116 W Thomas suite 604

DON'T MISS IT!

GUEST SPEAKER FROM
SPECIALTY WHEELS WILL

TALK ABOUT YOUR WIRES!

FROM THE PREZ ...

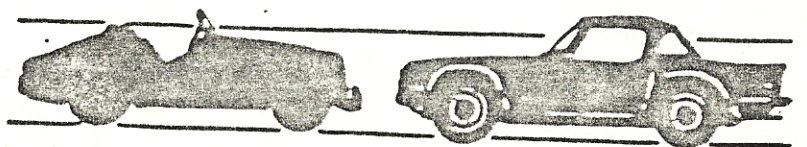
\$80-100 per wheel

150/wheel - Chrome

To be continued ...

John Poore

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FROM THE EDITOR

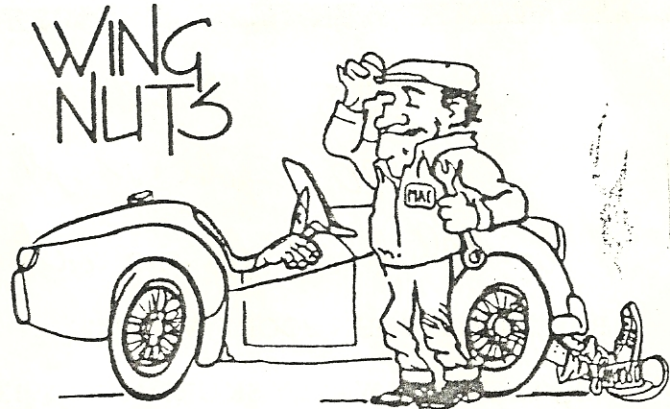
I finished the April newsletter, went out for a cup of coffee, and returned to find I am way behind in getting the May Newsletter done. Where is the time going? TRIUMPHEST is just around the corner, it seems. That is where some of the time has gone. I went to Las Vegas on May 2nd to do some business. While there, I stayed at the Palace Station Casino and Hotel. Nice place. The room was clean, the food was good, the people were friendly and I increased my \$20 gambling bankroll to \$24 at the Blackjack table. On the way back to the room a slot machine winked at me and I fed it my winnings. But, first-hand impression of the TRIUMPHEST site... we picked a winner.

The picnic was fun. Nice turn-out for short notice. Jeff's gourmet hot dogs were excellent, as were the rest of the goodies prepared by the club cooking experts.

Kudos to three of our club members for taking 1-2-3 at the AAHC car show. The Bev and Pete Peterson TR2 garnered the 1st Place Prize, Tom Larson's TR4 took 2nd, and Bob Hohanselt's TR2 took 3rd. Good show!

This has been a slow month for newsletter info. Just a reminder, this is your place to be heard. I'll do my best to pass anything along to the rest of the members, but you have to write it.

WALLY SKURDA



LET ME GUESS... THE BRAKES NEED ADJUSTING, RIGHT?

1987 AUTONET

PARTS EXCHANGE
& AUTO SHOW

MESA COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Superstition Freeway &
Dobson Rd.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY
MAY 23 & 24

free admission

\$15. per 20x20 space
Car Show \$5.00
\$1.00 for parking

Call Bill 963-2153 or 821-9525
for pre-registration

UPCOMING EVENTS

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|-------------------------|---|
| May 2 | AAHC Picnic - South Mountain |
| May 9 | "Arizona Cares" Carshow @ Valleywest Mall.
Registration runs: from 8 to 11 AM and costs \$12.00.
Show runs from noon to 5 PM. |
| June | Western Nite. Date and location to be announced. |
| July 18 | Pool Party at Lielich's |
| August 22 | Desert Party |
| September | Campout. Date and location to be announced. |
| October 16,
17, & 18 | Need I say it? TRIUMPHEST '87 Las Vegas |
| November | Open... Any Ideas? |
| December | Christmas Party. Date, location, and host to be announced. |

May 23, 24 Mesa CC Auto Show

MINUTES,
APRIL 14, 1987
BY: BILL SHARP

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM, at the Hunan Restaurant. Visitors and new members were introduced.

In old business, Tom Pennell gave a membership report. It was noted that "Randolph" has again done the whole club a service by sending out forms to get all commission numbers listed in the membership listing. It seems that many lapsed members took the opportunity to send checks to square themselves for the year as well! Tom continued with an ASRA report. Sadly, the Eloy GP may never run again, or at least will be very different from now on; due primarily to high insurance costs and the amount of money lost this year by the city and sponsors. In any case, Tom has sworn off that particular venue, much to Gracie's relief.

Triumph '87 reports and logo contest judging will be deferred until the May meeting. An interim meeting of committee chairs will get the ball rolling before that time and logos will be judged in May.

The treasurer reported that we are in the black and balanced.

Gary Hampsch reported on the British Motor Car Council British Car Day. The activity was a success with a good cross-section of cars and clubs turning out. DCTRA members, however, only brought about one-half of the total Triumphs that showed up. On the positive side, the day was the catalyst for the reorganization of the defunct MGB club. Channel 3 TV gave excellent coverage and a swell time was had by all.

Bev Peterson reported on the AAHC car show and swap meet.

"It rained, it poured, DCTRA sent 7 cars, and Tom Larson had the best Triumph in the show." The swap meet was not as large as in past years. It was thought the new location was the problem.

Greg Lund reported that the AAHC will present awards at a picnic, May 2nd at the South Mountain Recreation Complex. The picnic runs from 11 AM to 4 PM, and you must bring your own food. A legislative report was given in detail and by now, all members will have contacted their congresspersons on bills of interest. At the top of

the list, the 'NEW' 65 mph limit went into effect April 15th.

Events chair and VP Jeff Bailey returned from where ever he has been with some suggestions for activities. He was roundly castigated for his demerol election and sentenced to buy the hot dogs for the April activity; a weenie roast at the Granite Reef Recreation area on the lower Salt River on April 26th at noon. May's event will be the Valley West Mall car show, May 9th. It is a charity benefit. June will be western night and Phil Hunt has agreed to find an appropriate spot. July will find us around Chuck and Dottie Leibich's pool for the annual pool party, on the 18th. August has been saved for Tom Pennell's patented 'DON'T TELL ANYONE WE'RE COMING' night desert BBQ. At this point, inspiration flagged and a subsequent session will finish the year.

Digger reported that the Great American Road Race goes through Phoenix the evening of Wednesday, July 1st. It was suggested we go see the cars at the Civic Plaza and, perhaps, plan to meet for dinner.

Wally Skurda brought up name tags and Bob Morey has consented to take what out to be a list of twenty or more to the badge guy for inscription. The badges may be retrieved on a cost basis.

Advertising in the newsletter was discussed and discounts at various benefactors were mentioned. More precise information on requirements will follow.

The question from the membership prompted Tom Pennell to remind us that DCTRA is, as a club, affiliated with both TRA and VTR, but that we, as individuals, must join if we want to enjoy their benefits. Cost is \$12/yr for TRA and \$20/yr for VTR, and well worth it.

Tom shared two molded rubber Triumph roadsters from the fifties with us all to prove that that sort of thing is not just sold for the prevention of disease only.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Bill Sharp

June 13

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 236-3591 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 TR5, 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: 1970 Alfa Romeo GTV 1750. 42,500 miles. Call Wally Skurda at 948-8913.

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 867-8413 OR DURING WORKING HOURS @ 438-1362.

TR3A, 1960, Solid drive train and good body. An excellent car for anyone who enjoys driving: \$3995.

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 desireable. Four new pistons make the engine hum: \$1,800.