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DCTRA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

First, please allow me to thank each and every one of you for entering and/or helping with Triumphest '97. I would particularly like to thank Jim Hughes and Rich Hammon, event co-chairmen, for their intensive efforts and dogged determination in making this event happen. It isn't well known that these two guys stepped in to take over when our original chairman dropped out back in early '96.

Also, I would like to thank the vendors who supported the event. Triumphest could not happen without the support of The Roadster Factory, Moss Motors, E&E Enterprises, Triumphs Only and The Rimmer Brothers. Their presence makes Triumphest what it is.

Thanks also to the host of manufacturers who generously provided the 835 (!) raffle prizes. My hat is off to John Horton, who expertly organized the drawing and called literally hundreds of suppliers.

Participant reaction to the event was very positive with compliments far outnumbering complaints. DCTRA was guilty of a few glitches, but most were sorted out quickly.

The Funcours judges saw 116 cars, 30 teams ran the Funkhana, a disappointing 18 entered the Pentathlon, 24 entrants braved the Hotel Walking Rallye, and 45 cars ran the road rallye. 237 people enjoyed the banquet (after the hotel put the rest of the seats in).

Open this newsletter for the complete rundown, event by event, to see how YOU did.

With a smile,

Roger Guzowski

PS: By they way, I would like to acknowledge all those people from SCTOA for a great job of TP'ing my car Sunday morning. Thanks guys - lov ya!

THE BIG WINNERS

BEST OF SHOW

*1935 Gloria Southern Cross
Duncan and Sheila Wood
Grapevine, Texas*

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

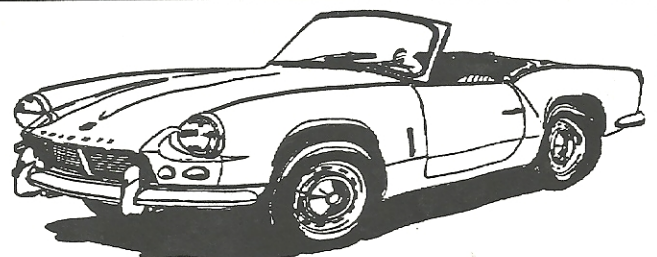
*TR250
Helena and Herman Van den Akker
Simi Valley, California*

SCHALLER'S PRIDE

*for LONGEST RIDE
TR4A
Kent Howard and Bob Dempsey
Milwaukee, Wisconsin*

BEST OF THE BEATERS

*TR3A
Ken Kleikamp
Tucson, Arizona*



FUNCOURS

The show could not have happened without the volunteer judges. My sincere thanks to them for their willing help which made the Funcours a success. The judges were: Roger Guzowski, Mike Thomas, Rich Hammon, Ron Strong, Chris Strong, Marie Thompson, Deta Hampsch, John Nuss, Amy Hatcher, Bev Peterson, Pete Peterson, Ken Schmidt and Rick Amundson.

One hundred and sixteen cars were judged and earned 12 bronze, 14 silver and 82 gold awards. Twenty-six of the gold winners scored 100 points or more. The complete results are listed below by class.

Thanks again to everyone who helped make the Funcours a success.

Armand LaCasse, Funcours Chairman

FUNCOURS CLASS 1: TR2/TR3

| REG # | NAME(S) | CAR | SCORE |
|-------|---------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| 299 | Noreen Hosack and Heide van den Akker | TR3B | 104 |
| 138 | Penny and Bob Jasper | TR3A | 104 |
| 110 | Leslie and Ken Harpenau | TR3A | 102 |
| 2 | Joyce and David Adams | TR3A | 101 |
| 115 | Gary Heckman | TR3 | 101 |
| 57 | Nancy and Frank Conklin | TR3A | 101 |
| 36 | Julian Burns | TR3A/V8 | 99 |
| 236 | Marge and Bob Reinhold | TR3A | 98 |
| 88 | Lori and Dan Gerrard | TR3B | 97 |
| 274 | C. Darryl Struth | TR3A | 97 |
| 407 | ??? Liqualen | TR3 | 97 |
| 349 | David Hammond | TR3B | 97 |
| 373 | Sean and Patricia Mee | TR3A | 95 |
| 360 | Jack Huard | TR3A | 95 |
| 52 | Cindy and Darryl Clark | TR3A | 95 |
| 272 | Ron and Chris Strong | TR3A | 94 |
| 152 | Jon and Claudia Korbin | TR3A | 91 |
| 223 | Gracie and Tom Pennell | TR3A | 87 |
| 38 | Thom Butler | TR3A | 86 |
| 190 | Jim Messineo | TR3A | 84 |
| 231 | Bob and Pat Prieve | TR3A | 78 |
| 91 | Phyllis and Michael Giddings | TR3A | 74 |
| 112 | Sid and Mary Hatman | TR3A | 66 |
| 404 | Sue Davis and Marty Lodawer | TR3A | 62 |
| 158 | Stu and Debra Lasswell | TR3A | 37 |
| 41 | Jim and Pam Cain | TR3A | 37 |
| 358 | Ken Kleikamp | TR3A | 36 |

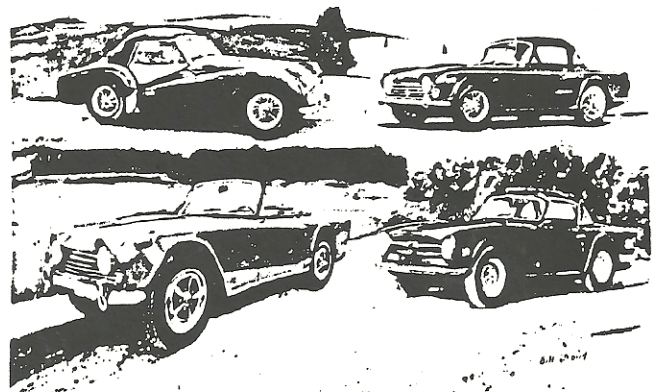
FUNCOURS CLASS 2: TR4 / TR250

| REG # | NAME(S) | CAR | SCORE |
|-------|----------------------------------|-------|-------|
| 298 | Helena and Herman van den Akker | TR250 | 104 |
| 403 | Bred Huffman | TR250 | 104 |
| 104 | Roger and Roni Guzowski | TR250 | 104 |
| 400 | Rick Bushong and Coleen Creeden | TR4 | 102 |
| 340 | Mike and Robin Clemente | TR4 | 102 |
| 222 | Dave and Pat Pearson | TR4A | 101 |
| 181 | Bob Mazer | TR250 | 100 |
| 200 | Gordy and Marjorie Morris | TR4A | 100 |
| 64 | Jim Holewka and Jan Dawson | TR250 | 98 |
| 201 | Dwight Byers and Ruth Morris | TR4 | 98 |
| 270 | Terry and Phil Stivers | TR4A | 97 |
| 343 | Dennis and Terry Perry | TR250 | 97 |
| 46 | Art Hammond and Paulette Caudill | TR4 | 97 |
| 146 | Tom and Pat Kendall | TR4 | 96 |
| 62 | Teri and Tom Crawford | TR4 | 96 |
| 363 | Tom and Marge Fennesy | TR4A | 95 |
| 165 | Mike Lloyd | TR4 | 94 |
| 352 | Bob Dempsey and Kent Howard | TR4A | 94 |
| 364 | Frank and Elizabeth Daley | TR4 | 93 |
| 293 | Cheryl and Jeff Truttman | TR250 | 93 |
| 406 | George and Lillian Gill Hoover | TR4 | 93 |
| 347 | Jean and Mark Stefani | TR250 | 90 |
| 6 | Tom and Reed Anderson | TR4A | 90 |
| 184 | Marilyn and Jason McIlhane | TR250 | 86 |
| 381 | Gary and Heidi Benson | TR250 | 84 |
| 183 | Cheryl and Steve McElliott | TR4 | 82 |
| 87 | Howard A. Gentle | TR4 | 70 |
| 236 | Marge and Bob Reinhold | TR4 | 70 |
| 402 | Becki Stiltner and Mary Turner | TR250 | 65 |

ROAD RALLYE

The rallye pitted your wits against the rallymaster's in answering questions along the route. Some of the questions were ambiguous - intentionally - and were used as tie breakers where necessary. Unfortunately, we tossed the answer sheets after determining the winner, so we can't give you the whole rundown. Congratulations to Bob and Pat Prieve who rallied their TR3 and won with a near-perfect score.

Rich Hammon / Jim Hughes, Rallye AND Event co-chairs



FUNCOURS CLASS 3: TR6

| REG # | NAME(S) | CAR | SCORE |
|-------|------------------------------|-----|-------|
| 403 | Vicky and Randy Huffman | TR6 | 104 |
| 282 | Lynn Thayer | TR6 | 104 |
| 359 | Bernie and Nina DeMarkey | TR6 | 102 |
| 117 | Isora and Duane Hedke | TR6 | 102 |
| 9 | Kay Kenyon and Larry Bajada | TR6 | 100 |
| 75 | John Dravinski | TR6 | 100 |
| 327 | Susan and Ed Zemojtel | TR6 | 100 |
| 50 | Jerry Dott and Brian Chinn | TR6 | 100 |
| 285 | Marie A. Thompson | TR6 | 99 |
| 50 | Jerry Dott and Brian Chinn | TR6 | 99 |
| 336 | Curtis and Janice Phillips | TR6 | 98 |
| 321 | Brian Emge and Brian Winget | TR6 | 97 |
| 102 | Angelo and Cathie Gurreri | TR6 | 97 |
| 280 | Sally and Dick Taylor | TR6 | 96 |
| 311 | Danette and Bruce Waller | TR6 | 95 |
| 80 | Julie Myers and Bill Fisk | TR6 | 92 |
| 379 | Denis and Helen Overholt | TR6 | 92 |
| 13 | Jacquie and Roy Banuelos | TR6 | 91 |
| 172 | Rosemary and John Magness | TR6 | 91 |
| 383 | Walt and Nancy Howe | TR6 | 90 |
| 16 | Jim and Linda Bartels | TR6 | 89 |
| 121 | Kristie and Mel Hildebrandt | TR6 | 81 |
| 39 | Robert Byers | TR6 | 80 |
| 342 | Lynne Reeves and Brian Kemp | TR6 | 80 |
| 205 | Mariette and Tim Mulrenan | TR6 | 79 |
| 195 | Inez and Abel Miramon | TR6 | 76.5 |
| 30 | Jerry and Mary Bravo | TR6 | 74 |
| 177 | Ray and Dortha Marty | TR6 | 69 |
| 401 | George Cole and Jan Griffith | TR6 | 39 |

FUNCOURS CLASS 4: TR7/TR8

| REG # | NAME(S) | CAR | SCORE |
|-------|--------------------------------|------------|-------|
| 89 | Karyn and Rich Gibbon | TR8 | 99 |
| 376 | Bob Bosley | TR8 | 97 |
| 362 | Chuck and Dorothy Yost | TR7 | 97 |
| 106 | Richard and DiAnn Hammon | TR7 SPIDER | 97 |
| 273 | Rose-Sharon and Fred Strong | TR7 SPIDER | 97 |
| 27 | Ron Bonelli | TR8 | 94.5 |
| 187 | Colleen M. McKay | TR7 SPIDER | 94.5 |
| 366 | Tony and Debbie Grillo | TR7 | 94 |
| 93 | Diane and Doug Gold | TR8 | 94 |
| 276 | John and Nickki Sulentich | TR7 | 93 |
| 96 | Christine and Stuart Greenwood | TR8 | 92 |
| 26 | Janis and E.A. "Ted" Bloxham | TR7 SPIDER | 92 |
| 126 | John and Beth Horton | TR7 | 86 |

FUNCOURS CLASS 5: STAG

| REG # | NAME(S) | CAR | SCORE |
|-------|--------------------------------|------|-------|
| 22 | Sylvia and David Bergquist | STAG | 98 |
| 405 | John Sims | STAG | 83 |
| 96 | Christine and Stuart Greenwood | STAG | 78 |
| 356 | Greg and Carole Taylor | STAG | 76 |
| 108 | Johanne and Dick Hansen | STAG | 75 |

FUNCOURS CLASS 6:**GT6/SPITFIRE/HERALD**

| REG # | NAME(S) | CAR | SCORE |
|-------|-----------------------------------|----------|-------|
| 232 | Rick and Flossie Quinn | SPITFIRE | 102 |
| 201 | Dwight Byers and Ruth Morris | GT6 + | 100 |
| 255 | Rosanne Brandt and Barry Schwartz | GT6 + | 100 |
| 126 | John and Beth Horton | SPITFIRE | 99 |
| 154 | Armand La Casse | GT6 + | 93 |
| 58 | Ken and Deborah Schmidt | SPITFIRE | 92 |
| 44 | Eric and Diane Carney | SPITFIRE | 91 |
| 212 | Sue and Chris Noble | HERALD | 86 |
| 369 | David and Laurie Hodge | HERALD | 81 |
| 135 | Alan J. Hurd | GT6 + | 76 |

FUNCOURS CLASS 7: "OTHERS"

| REG # | NAME(S) | CAR | SCORE |
|-------|---------------------------|-------------|-------|
| 325 | Duncan and Sheila Wood | 1935 GLORIA | 105 |
| 339 | Ian and Pat Boundy | TR2000 | 96 |
| 34 | Barbara and Charley Brown | 2000 SEDAN | 79 |

FUNCOURS NOTES

Gold, Silver and Bronze awards were awarded as follows:

70 - 79 points = Bronze

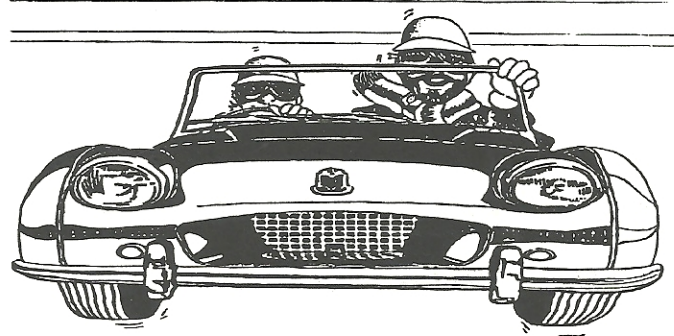
80 - 89 points = Silver

90 - 105 points = Gold

We had hoped to present you with the details of the Funcours judging, showing how many points each car received in the various categories, but unfortunately the forms were misplaced somewhere between Laughlin and Phoenix. Our sincere apologies.

The self-adhesive engraved plates to affix to your trophy plaque have been ordered and will probably take some extra time to deliver to us. We will mail them as soon as we have them. If you earned an award but did not collect a trophy plaque at the banquet, please let us know and we will mail that also.

Call Tom Pennell at (602) 951-8472 or Jim Hughes at (602) 924-3565 (or e-mail to "tpennell@doitnow.com") to request a plaque. We'll need your registration number, which is printed on the mailing label on this newsletter.



PENTATHLON

It seems that Triumphest simply cannot exist without one of these on-foot events included. Over the years, we have had people dragging each other around on creepers, blindfolded people groping each other for spark plugs, people soaking each other trying to fill a radiator, etc., etc.

Triumphest '97 was no exception, the Pentathlon consisting of:

- Spark Plug Change
- Tire Roll (No Hands)
- Lug Nut Ski-ball
- Radiator Fill
- Fan Belt Toss

The scoring method is as follows:

5 points per second total elapsed time - minus the score achieved in the lug-nut and fan belt throws.

We were a little disappointed that only 18 teams entered the event, and there was no activity from 12:30 on, so we closed at 2:00 rather than the published 3:00. Our apologies if this caused anyone who wanted to participate any inconvenience.

Deta Hampsch and Bob Mazer, Pentathlon Chairs

| REG # | NAME(S) | SCORE |
|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
| 64 | Jim Holewka and Jan Dawson | 752 |
| 108 | Johanne and Dick Hansen | 760 |
| 351 | Bill and Christie Hopper | 787 |
| 273 | Rose-Sharon and Fred Strong | 948 |
| 367 | Robert and Anne Graf | 983 |
| 342 | Lynne Reeves and Brian Kemp | 1001 |
| 337 | Brian and Linda Thomas | 1060 |
| 221 | Terry and Charley Payne | 1084 |
| 8 | Unknown Contestant | 1143 |
| 280 | Sally and Dick Taylor | 1143 |
| 22 | Sylvia and David Bergquist | 1175 |
| 9 | Kay Kenyon and Larry Bajada | 1205 |
| 325 | Duncan and Sheila Wood | 1235 |
| 135 | Alan J. Hurd | 1389 |
| 110 | Leslie and Ken Harpenau | 1448 |
| 140 | Bob and Patricia Johnson | 1657 |
| 70 | Debby and Rich Dildine | 1883 |
| 999 | Unknown Contestant | 2158 |

MODEL CONTEST WINNER

"Post Parade Party"
Ruth Morris and Elaine Byers

PHOTO CONTEST WINNER

"Snowy Days"
Ian and Pat Boundy

FUNKHANA

DCTRA had originally scheduled an Autocross (meaning go FAST) in the RV parking lot, but when Harrah's heard of it, they backed away at about 100 mph, claiming that their insurance regulations specifically forbade such an activity. Not wanting to run afoul of their wishes, we searched high and low for an alternate site but were not successful. We therefore substituted the Funkhana - with Hotel approval of the course, which turned out to be PLENTY slow.

My thanks to Duane and Debbie Schoen for helping me set up the course and chase tennis balls all day.

The times are in seconds and are the best of two runs for all but four contestants who chose to run only once. The winners (Armand LaCasse and Bob Mazer) were not the only ones who drove well. Registration numbers 367, 380 and 351 ran street vehicles rather than their TR's. The score is the total number of seconds plus any penalties.

Rick Amundson, Funkhana Chairman

| REG # | NAME(S) | CAR | SCORE |
|-------|---------------------------------|------------|-------|
| 154 | Armand La Casse | GT6 + | 108 |
| 116 | Janet and Steve Hedke | TR7 | 123 |
| 184 | Marilyn and Jason McIlhaney | TR250 | 124 |
| 39 | Robert Byers | TR6 | 129 |
| 26 | Janis and E.A. "Ted" Bloxham | TR7 SPIDER | 133 |
| 138 | Penny and Bob Jasper | TR3A | 134 |
| 201 | Dwight Byers and Ruth Morris | GT6 + | 135 |
| 380 | Brian and Judy Bender | OTHER | 137 |
| 340 | Mike and Robin Clemente | TR4 | 138 |
| 33 | Lonna and Jim Brown | MGB | 139 |
| 404 | Sue Davis and Marty Lodawer | TR3A | 143 |
| 41 | Jim and Pam Cain | TR3A | 152 |
| 93 | Diane and Doug Gold | TR8 | 157 |
| 342 | Lynne Reeves and Brian Kemp | TR6 | 159 |
| 351 | Bill and Christie Hopper | OTHER | 160 |
| 135 | Alan J. Hurd | GT6 + | 162 |
| 2 | Joyce and David Adams | TR3A | 166 |
| 236 | Marge and Bob Reinhold | TR3A | 166 |
| 400 | Rick Bushong and Coleen Creeden | TR4 | 167 |
| 273 | Rose-Sharon and Fred Strong | TR7 SPIDER | 168 |
| 89 | Karyn and Rich Gibbon | TR8 | 171 |
| 280 | Sally and Dick Taylor | TR6 | 173 |
| 52 | Cindy and Daryll Clark | TR3A | 176 |
| 88 | Lori and Dan Gerrard | TR3B | 186 |
| 110 | Leslie and Ken Harpenau | TR3A | 186 |
| 373 | Sean and Patricia Mee | TR3A | 197 |
| 108 | Johanne and Dick Hansen | STAG | 199 |
| 64 | Jim Holewka and Jan Dawson | TR250 | 220 |
| 367 | Robert and Anne Graf | OTHER | 240 |
| 325 | Duncan and Sheila Wood | 1935 GLORI | 242 |