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MEETING: AUGUST 10, 1999 @ 7:00 PM
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Dues are \$18.00 per year

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PROJECT CAR STATUS

BODY IS IN THE PAINT SHOP

MORE WORK DAYS TO COME

WATCH THIS SPACE!

COMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 22
DCTRA GOES TO JEROME
7:00 AM
Sheraton Crescent Hotel
Details Below

OTHER EVENTS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 29
ALL BRITISH BREAKFAST RUN
(Hosted by the Jaguar Club)
32nd & Shea
7:00 AM
BE THERE!

WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN THIS MONTH

Sunday, August 22 at 7:00 AM

This month we are going to do something really different! In order to escape the heat, we're going to drive to Jerome and visit a really unique museum. We will meet at the Sheraton Crescent hotel parking lot, located on the freeway access road just North of Dunlap (the same place the B.E.A.T. started) at 7:00 AM on Sunday, August 22nd. We will depart at 7:30 AM SHARP! The route will be through Wickenburg, up Yarnell Hill and into Jerome via the back side of Mingus Mountain. These are the best TR roads in Arizona, you won't want to miss this one!

John Reynolds, Events Chairman

DIANE'S TIDBITS

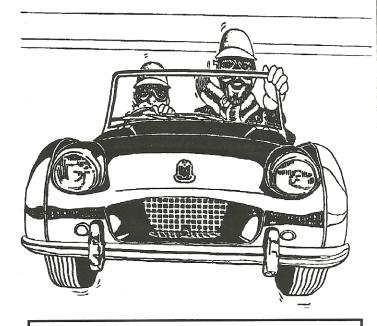
Eric and I attended the Pavilions Car Show on the 17th along with a total of 8 Triumphs and their owners. It started out quite warm, but cooled down nicely later on. We were right up front, in the second row from McDonald's which proved quite handy for beverages, snacks, restrooms, etc. Not to mention the 50's music that kept things lively. Our thanks to John Reynolds for arriving early and holding our parking spaces.

Please be sure to take notice of the NEW MEETING PLACE FOR AUGUST! It is at the FELSEN HAUS at 1008 EAST CAMELBACK. Dinner at 6 PM and Meeting at 7 PM. See you there.

Eric spoke with Jason Horstman last week and, apparently things are going well for them in Chicago. We sure domiss them

It was just brought to my attention that Roni, Roger Guzowski's wife, has just had another major surgery. Those of you who wish to send cards may do so by sending them to Roger, who can then take them to Roni. Our prayers go with them.

Ta, Ta, Diane





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I met with the body man, Sean, and we discussed the timing to get the body painted by Christmas. We came to an agreement to get the thing done sooner than that. I will check in weekly to follow up with Sean.

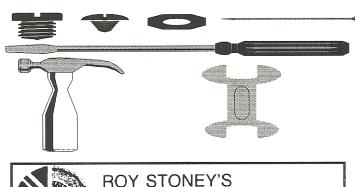
Although the last meeting was interesting and well attended, we had some problems. The room at the Olde English Inn was not ready, and although I had called ahead of time, they took an hour to serve us. I had some complaints about the food quality, service and pricing. There were some arguments with the manager as well. So it is time for a change. After checking with a number of restaurant locations and some ridiculous pricing, I settled on the FELSEN HAUS at 1008 East Camelback. We will have a dining room all to ourselves for the dinner and the meeting. The meeting room is at no cost to us, and we can order from the menu. Dinner at 6 PM and the meeting at 7 PM.

Be sure to come for the excellent German Grub, das Lederhosen und BEER - Fer Gute!

We are planning a garage sale in late summer to help offset the paint cost for the project car. So start saving your garage sale items. Items will either be donated or a commission given to the club. This can be decided at a future meeting. Gracie Pennell is checking into a site at Hayden and Cactus roads in a church parking lot and Pamela Bridgnell volunteered to chair the project. More at the next meeting.

Plans are being made to visit the Bisbee area in November for an over-nighter. Duane Schoen is heading this up. Perhaps we will hear more at the next meeting. Our TR/4A has not progressed any further. The TR/8 should be on the road shortly. The TR/7 is waiting for cooler weather. See you in August.

Cheerio, John Horton





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MINUTES OF THE JULY MEETING

Meeting opened at 7:10 PM with 20 members present. Guests were Marty and Laura Teague, Fran Wickenhauser TR/6, and Bob Sampson, '76 TR/6.

SECRETARY: the June minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter.

TREASURER: Balance in the black. Members voted to dissolve the Corporation and return it to private club status.

EDITOR: Diane wants articles sent to her for the newsletter.

PROJECT CAR: John has informed us that the painter has the paint, now all we need is money. Gracie suggested a garage sale in September at the Greek church at Hayden and Cactus.

OLD BUSINESS: Prizes were awarded for the winners of the regatta at the annual pool party held at Nancy Herman's house on June 19. First Prize, a set of wrenches went to Chris Wainwright for his "Yellow Pocket Rocket"...Second Prize, a set of pliers went to Mike Bayne for best engineering...Third Prize, a tubing cutter to Eric Carney for the ugliest and almost-madeit-across-the-pool sternwheeler. Congrats!

TECHNICAL: Chris is waiting for cooler weather. John has a new toy, '67 TR/4A with wire wheels, OD tranny-was a great buy for \$500......all parts are in the boot.

RUST: Rust Seal, sold at Auto Body Supply, is a good primer for underside, where it does not show. Cost \$20.

HISTORY: Up to date, but still in need of photos.

MEMBERSHIP: there are now 105 members of DCTRA. Our Website is active, guests tonight found us on the Web

EVENTS: Pavilions Car Show, July 17 from 4 PM to 6 PM. John Reynolds will save spaces for those who want to show their cars. Eric wanted to know if John H. was taking 2 cars, one coming and one going!!!! There will be a breakfast run July 25, meet at 32nd and Shea. Duane is organizing an overnighter to Bisbee the weekend of November 6 & 7. He will get a group rate at the Copper Queen Hotel in Bisbee. Call Duane at 996-6554 by next month.

INSURANCE: The question of insurance was raised again. Tom suggested Hemming Motor News, and several insurance companies, Hagerty and JC Taylor.

Meeting ended at 8:10 PM.

Nancy Herman, Secretary



ALL BRITISH CAR DAY - 2000

In a recent newspaper article, it was announced that the 2000 All British Car day would be an all-MG event, with hopes to make it a "National".

According to an informed source, this is TRUE. However, the same source has volunteered the following information:

March 12, 2000: The Arizona MG Club will host an all-MG event at Heritage Square in downtown Phoenix and will invite MG owners from all over the US to participate.

Some OTHER weekend: The Arizona MG Club (with help from DCTRA, The Mini Club, the Jaguar Club, etc. etc.) will host a traditional ALL BRITISH CAR DAY. This will be held at Heritage Square also. The format will be as in years past, with classes for Triumphs, Jaguars, Minis, DeLoreans, Rolls Royces, Lotus, Jensen, MG, and everything else British (or Irish).

We applaud the MG Club for undertaking TWO events of this magnitude, and we pledge our support for the All British Car Day 2000, whenever it is scheduled.

A note to DCTRA members: When a representative from the Arizona MG Club contacts you to help with ABCD 2000, please remember that this is the traditional ABCD, not the exclusively-MG affair. Pledge your support and follow up.

The TENTATIVE date for ABCD 2000 is March 5, 2000. Don't quote us on this!

Please remember that the Arizona MG Club is and always has been the host for ABCD and has done a marvelous job in preparing and executing this event. The changes in format over the past several years have been very positive with regard to participation of the other British marques and the DCTRA members should make every effort to support the AZ MG Club in executing this event.

Shine up your TR and enter!

Your DCTRA Officers



PROJECT CAR--TO BE OR NOT TO BE?

That seems to be the question in some people's minds. At the last meeting a suggestion was voiced to sell the unfinished chassis and body. I realize the project car has not been a blaze of speed in its restoration, but this would be a drastic solution. Holders of shares are patiently awaiting the return on their investment would be shortchanged a smaller selling price or possible loss!

Seven years ago, we took this on as a learning and a teaching activity. Phil Hunt was the original mover and shaker. There have been a number of people in charge since then. At the scheduled work days there is usually a good turn out. Since the car has been at Roy Stoney's shop, we have had one project car day, and 20 people came to work on it. The idea of open work days has not been entirely successful. To my knowledge, no one including myself has gone there and worked on it without a scheduled time. We need a goal in mind to keep this project moving. Many people that can use the experience are not getting it.

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PROJECT CAR - CONTINUED

I visited the body shop last Friday and saw the paint in Sean's hands. He said the car will be painted by Christmas. We can start scheduling work days then. I, for one, want to see this project come to fruition! I am fully convinced that we should make this a primary goal. I am going to push the body shop to get the car done ASAP, and certainly sooner than Christmas. Further, I think we should set some goals as to the completion, and the method of disposing of it. To that end, I am asking for your ideas on A) the scheduled work days and B) the completion date and C) the method of selling the FINISHED car.

Ideas and suggestions will be asked for at the August meeting.

John Horton



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FOR SALE: TR7 coupe. Good body, excellent interior. Engine needs rebuilt. Cylinder head and radiator reconditioned, ready to install. \$450 OBO. Call Ron Strong at 944-6097. (8/99)

FOR SALE: TR6 72-Spoke Wire Wheels - Complete Kit. 4 Painted Wire Wheels (very nice shape), 4 Hub Adaptors, 4 Two-Eared Knockoffs (+extra set) and lug nuts. Will sell as set only, \$500.00 FIRM! Call Paul at (602) 996-7297 (6/99)

FOR SALE: '74 TR6. Near mint condition, new paint, top, interior. Electric fan. Leaving state, must sell. Asking \$14,000. Call Bill Bess at 820-3273 (7/99)

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FOR SALE: 1 car trailer, big enough for a TR/7. One axle, needs new wooden floor. I would say "good condition". Spare rebuildable engine and transmission. Most everything new. Can E-mail list and pictures. \$11,500.00. Jerry @ 520-773-1167. (8/99)

FOR SALE: Parts from two TR4 cars. Will complete one rolling unit with spare suspension system and extra body parts. \$1000.00. Call Jim @ 520-525-1890 or 520-523-2410 in Prescott. (8/99)



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