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PROJECT CAR STATUS

BODY IS IN THE PAINT SHOP
MORE WORK DAYS TO COME
WATCH THIS SPACE!

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, July 17
DCTRA GOES TO THE PAVILIONS
4:00 PM
Scottsdale Pavilions
Details Below

OTHER EVENTS
SUNDAY, JULY 25
ALL BRITISH BREAKFAST RUN
(Hosted by the MG Club)
32nd & Shea
7:00 AM
BE THERE!

WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN THIS MONTH

PAVILIONS CAR SHOW

Saturday, July 17 at 4-5-6:00 PM

This month we are going to do something we haven't done for while. As most of you know, there is a car show at the McDonald's in the Scottsdale Pavilions shopping center (located at Pima Rd. & Indian Bend) every Saturday night. Most of the participants are showing off Detroit Iron - muscle cars and the like, but once in while we like to display some of our "funny little British cars" to show the admiring public that such things do exist. In order to get a spot, you have to get there early - maybe 4:00. We will be asking for your commitment at the meeting, and I will try to block out some places. I just need to know how many. Unfortunately, I have to be out of town next Tuesday, so John Horton will be taking names for me.

John Reynolds, Events Chairman

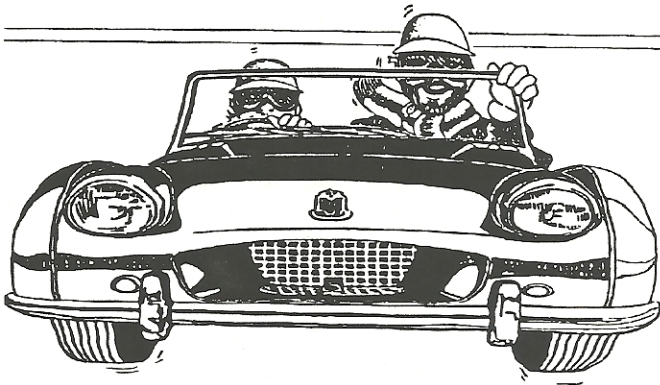
DIANE'S TIDBITS:

Well, summer really has arrived along with temperatures in the 100's again. Which made the pool party/regatta at Nancy's most enjoyable, as did the delicious variety of food and beverages. I am quite certain "a good time was had by all" thanks to Nancy's gracious hospitality. It was also a pleasure to meet her lovely daughter, Lori, who was visiting.

Last week our friends and club members, Jason Horstman and Cathy Hesterly, departed for Chicago with a pickup truck inside a Ryder Moving Van along with all their worldly goods and towing Cathy's car behind, to begin new lives in Rolling Meadows, IL. Jason was recently transferred to a bigger and better position in the company for which he is employed, an offer he couldn't refuse. For the time being, his father is keeper of his '67 Spitfire in El Paso, TX and Jason sold his '79 Spitfire before departing. We are very happy for their good fortune, but will miss them proportionately, as they have become dear friends. On a happy note, however, we look forward to seeing them in December for their wedding which will be held on New Year's Eve, right here in Phoenix! What a way to begin the new millennium! We hope they will keep in touch from time to time and that Eric and I may have the opportunity to visit them in the not-to-distant future.

Hope your July 4th holiday was pleasurable and looking forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Ta, Ta, Diane



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THE PREZ SEZ

The June meeting was held with about 24 people attending, at the OLDE ENGLISH INN on east Thomas Rd, as will be the July, and August meetings. I have made arrangements with the radiator people to visit in July and talk with us about care and feeding of Triumph radiators. We will buy his meal for the talk.

Great news, the paint for the Project Car is finally at Mountain View. It arrived last week. The only problem is we had to pay for the other fixin's. We are thankful for the donation of the paint. This saved us much money. Sean will start on the car shortly. I will stop in from time to time. We will need to update the chassis and running gear, so we can start scheduling work days. I would like to see the light at the end of the tunnel. Because we are now some hundreds of dollars short in the project car fund, perhaps we can have a garage sale or other fund-raiser to help fill in the funds; any other ideas, bring them to the meeting.

Although our erstwhile VP was not in attendance, John Reynolds made his wishes known about trips. An idea was brought up for John, by Duane Schoen, to do the back roads to Bisbee for an overnigher, possibly in November. We will kick that around at the next meeting. What have you got in mind for the next trip, John?

I am scheduling meetings with the transportation coordinator for the State to start writing a new bill to eliminate collector and show cars from the emissions laws keyed to the restrictions imposed by collector car insurance. Most policies limit mileage. Perhaps this can be pushed through.

Beth and I are proud new owners of a 1967 TR4A IRS "basket case". The car is a Surrey top with wire wheels. This was picked up in Apache Junction. Why is the car you are interested in at the other end of the valley? It should be a fun project when we finish the other projects on the TR/8 and TR/7. Our TR ownership started out with a new TR/4 off the showroom floor. We even owned a red MG Midget for a while. I guess we are getting back to our roots with just one more project to do!

The "pancakes in the park" will be history by the time you read this.....I hope all went well. See you at the next meeting.

Cheerio, John Horton



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MINUTES OF THE JUNE MEETING

Meeting opened at 7 PM.

Secretary: Last month's minutes were accepted as printed in the Newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Remains the same as last month.

Guests present: Mike and Chris Castrichini, owners of a 1959 TR3 in need of a starter. And new member Paul Wilson, owner of a TR3, also attended the meeting. Welcome!

Project Car: Tom said paint will be donated, but not all materials. Roy and Tom will pay for primer and dry coat at wholesale. Tom does not know how long it will take to paint. Chris suggested auctioning car on the "Net" when completed.

Tech Report: To quote Chris verbatim "forget it". Tom has found excellent hand cleaner. Gracie says it even takes gum out of hair. Gracie, take the gum away from Tom!

History: Our book is empty. Please donate any pictures or memorabilia.

Membership: A new list of members with phone numbers and addresses is available.

Events: John Reynolds was not at the meeting. Pool party menu was decided, as were rules for the regatta. The June 27 Breakfast Run, hosted by the Mini Owners Club, will be a "Pancakes in the Park" breakfast.

Old Business: Roger gave Diane old newsletters for safekeeping. Tom volunteered a file cabinet in which to keep them.

New Business: Tucson was suggested for the next BEAT. Duane Schoen suggested an overnight to Bisbee and Tombstone next fall, possibly November. A trip to Webb Winery as part of the trip.....good beer, Huh? A convoy to this September's Triumphfest was also suggested. Eric suggested E-Mail addresses be sent to the editor to include in the Newsletter.

Meeting closed at 8:10 PM.

Nancy Herman, Secretary

MS. WINIFRED ESCAPES

Like most of you, the Triumph is not the only car I drive. Ms. W's second vehicle had for years been a capacious, but homely auto which was declining into a state of "Clunkerhood". Feeling flush after a raise, I decided that I had earned-no, deserved, a finer motorcar.

The new steed is roomy, with a boot as big as its price tag. It also came with some unexpected extras. There is an overhead screen showing time, temperature, petrol consumption, trip mileage, and the latest rugby scores. Lights now flash menacingly on the dash where gauges used to be, reminding of maintenance on parts I never knew existed. There is a bell to warn me when the seat belt is unfastened, the key left in, or the lights left on. Next year's model will sport a chime to remind me that my

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HAND CLEANER

Over the years I have tried many brands and types of hand cleaners. When you do your own automotive work, you really can get dirty. Fast Orange, Goop and Sta-Lube come to mind when thinking about cream-style cleaners, and of course there is always good old Lava soap.

Back in Ohio, I used a product called "DL Blue Label" hand cleaner. I was available in most parts stores and it really works. My wife discovered that it would remove chewing gum from the kids' hair and that you could rub it into an oil stain on clothing just before throwing it in the washer. Sort of a predecessor to "Spray 'n' Wash".

When we first moved to Arizona, I made an effort to locate the DL people, without much success. An auto parts store back in Ohio offered to ship me a case, but I thought that was overkill.

Now, along comes the Internet! I spent a few minutes searching the 'net for DL and came up with the following:

DL Blue label is still available, but is now a Loctite product. Looking at Loctite's home page, I found the part numbers for the wall dispenser and the 4.5 lb can of DL, and a list of distributors right here in Phoenix.

Here is the list:

DL Blue label hand cleaner, 14oz can - p/n 01013

4.5 lb can - p/n 01406

Wall-mount dispenser - p/n 95140

The two local distributors are:

Copperstate Nut & Bolt 602-926-2566

Motion Industries 602-921-9800

I called both companies and found that Motion Industries had a little better pricing. I ordered a 4.5 lb can and a dispenser using my credit card and it was on my doorstep in two days for a little over 20 bucks.

I happened to be in an Auto Zone store last week, and they had the 14 oz cans of DL on the counter. I didn't check their price.

Although I don't need to remove any chewing gum, I still get my hands plenty dirty and I do occasionally get some stains on my clothes. Now I can deal with it.

Get yourself some of this stuff - it really works!

Tom Pennell

WINIFRED - CONTINUED

coffee mug is still perched on the roof and my glasses aren't on.

That's when I realized that the feeling of freedom when driving my TR is not just from zipping top-down on the open road. It's escape!!! A Triumph doesn't nag, nag, nag. Its pilot is the master, not the servant. And that is a satisfying feeling, indeed.

Ms. W

HUMOR IS BEST MEDICINE

A collection of medical puns sent by readers to Peter H. Gott, M.D. and contributed for your enjoyment by Beth Horton

Aerobe--a garment worn around the house.

Autoeroticism--necking in a car

Bruise--a way of preparing coffee.

Cardiac--fan of old cars.

Dental--something requiring an autobody shop.

Eustachian--where you catch the "U" train.

Flatulence--a belief that the Earth is not round.

Flocculation--admired by a group of birds.

Gargles--Quasimodo's friends.

Gout--leave home.

Injection--opposite of rejection.

Isodense--I ain't too smart.

Lymphocytes--where people with sore legs can walk.

Melancholia--a breed of dog that eats cantaloupe.

Porphyryns--acquaintances who ask to borrow money.

MORE HUMOR

Q-tip--taking Dan Quayles' advice.

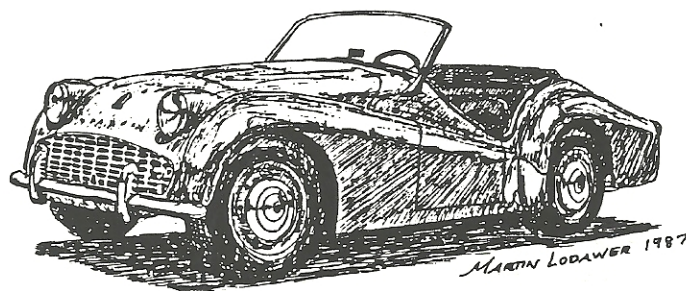
Sebum--a surfer.

Systole--your sister told on you.

Tolerance--what you get after giving growth hormone to ants.

Twins--womb-mates who become bosom-buddies.

Urinalysis--different from my analysis



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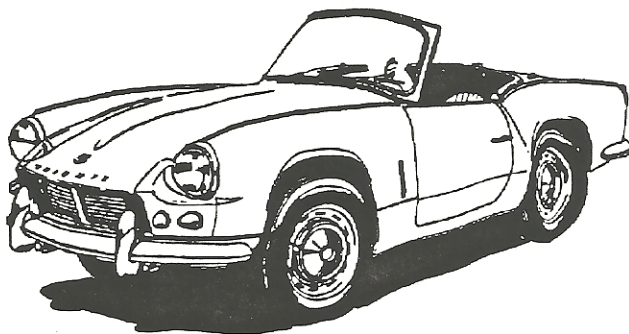
FOR SALE: TR7 coupe. Good body, excellent interior. Engine needs rebuilt. Cylinder head and radiator reconditioned, ready to install. \$500 OBO. Call Ron Strong at 944-6097. (5/99)

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)


FOR SALE: 1 car trailer, big enough for a TR/7. One axle, needs new wooden floor. I would say "good condition". Asking \$600. Call John Horton, 602-843-1399. (7/99)

FOR SALE: 1980 Spitfire. Fresh red paint, Weber carbs, roll bar, rebuilt tranny, exhaust header and exhaust system. Electronic ignition, T/A radial tires, engine balanced. \$3700 obo. Call 1-520-778-5608 ask for Charles. (7/99)



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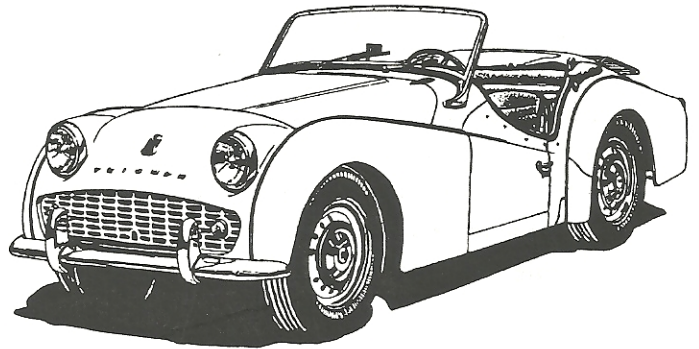
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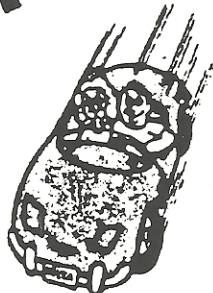
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