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MEETING: APRIL 11 @ 7:00 PM  
EL ZARIBAH SHRINE TEMPLE  
552 North 40th Street  
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### PROJECT CAR STATUS

NEXT WORKDAY:

SUNDAY APRIL 30 @ 10 AM  
BRITISH SPORTSCAR SERVICE  
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## COMING EVENTS

APRIL 15 - 16

3rd Annual B.E.A.T.

Sheraton Crescent Hotel

Dunlap & I-17

6:30 AM Sharp!

Details & Entry Form inside

### OTHER EVENTS

SATURDAY APRIL 29

MINING CAMP OUTING

6 PM at POWER & MAIN

### THIS MONTH'S JOKE BORROWED FROM THE INTERNET:

#### OIL CHANGING INSTRUCTIONS

##### WOMEN:

1. Pull up to Jiffy Lube when the mileage reaches 3000 since the last oil change.
2. Drink a cup of coffee.
3. 15 minutes later, write a check and leave with a properly maintained vehicle.

##### MEN:

1. Go to O'Reilly auto parts and write a check for \$50 for oil, filter, oil lift (AKA kitty litter), hand cleaner and scented tree.
2. Discover that the used oil container is full. Instead of taking back to O'Reilly to recycle, dump in hole in back yard.
3. Open a beer and drink it.
4. Jack car up. Spend 30 minutes looking for jack stands.

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## DIANE'S TIDBITS:

Here it is...Spring and I don't even remember it being Winter. I got out sweaters, long-sleeved blouses, jackets and barely wore them and now I have to put them all away to find something cool enough to wear. Viva La Nina! I did get to play in the snow when I took a long weekend to visit my kids in Toledo, Ohio recently. Even got some down my neck, but, even in Toledo, it melted off quickly. I took a coat with me and managed to leave it at a friend's home after enjoying one of her spectacular luncheons. I'm just not used to wearing a coat anymore! And, to top it all off, I seem to be developing allergies to some flora or another that I never had before! All I've been doing is sneezing! But, what great weather for Triumph owners! Don't you agree? Be sure to check out the many opportunities coming up in the Coming Events section of this little missive.

You won't want to miss any of them.

We are so happy for Chris Wainwright and his new bride, Susanna, from Thailand. What a wonderful surprise! Best wishes to you both! What a great way to increase our club membership!

The newsletter was a little more challenging this month. Had a little difficulty finding the correct spelling for the "enameled grille badge" mentioned in the March Minutes, but finally found it in a dictionary weighing at least 20 pounds and older than dirt! However, I don't seem to have the knowledge to use the little symbols (') better known as an "accent grave" or (~) known as a "tilde", simultaneously with the letters (e) as in (cloisonne) and (n) as in (Nino) even though they are on my keyboard. And, I do not wish to change my keyboard to the "foreign language" option that I'm sure is available for fear I might not be able to change it back to English again! If, however, anyone reading this knows how to accomplish this mysterious (to me at least) feat using Word Perfect, please let me know. Anyway, here's a great example of using The Spell Checker:

Eye halve a spelling chequer. It came with my pea sea. It plainly marquee's four my revue miss stefour it two say weather eye am wrong oar write--it shows me straight a weigh. As soon as a mist ache is maid it nose bee fore two long, and eye can put the error rite, its rare lea ever wrong! See you at the meeting!

Ta, Ta, Diane

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## COMING EVENTS

April 9<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 11 AM - 3 PM Classic and Antique Car Show at AZ State Fair Grounds at 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. and McDowell. Entry \$15.00 includes one (1) Barbeque ticket. \$5.00 car only. All makes and models welcome. Call Bill Buck at 602-864-3494 for more information.

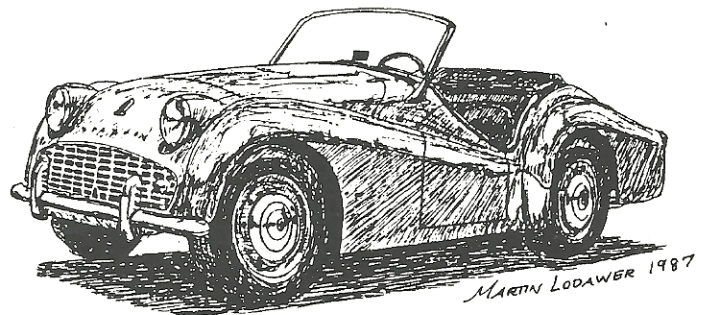
April 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> - B.E.A.T. (British Euro Auto Tour). This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual caravan to Flagstaff, AZ. See elsewhere in newsletter for details.

April 29<sup>th</sup> - Saturday. Mining Camp Restaurant get together. The Mining Camp Restaurant is 4 miles north of Apache Junction on St. Rte. 88. We will meet in the MacFrugals parking lot at southeast corner of Power Rd. and Main in Mesa at 6 PM. Dinner reservation is for 7 PM. REASON: Taxes are done, Easter is over, good food, great company (other car clubs will be there), door prizes, may be last time to get our cars out before it gets too hot!! More info to come at next meeting.

April 30<sup>th</sup> - Sunday. Second Annual For the Kids CAR SHOW at Brass Armadillo, 28<sup>th</sup> Dr. and Cactus--Bashas Shopping Center. 9 AM to 3 PM. FREE with entree fee: T-shirt, Dash plaque, and Goodie bag. 24 Classes Large Trophies, 50/50 Drawing, door prizes, 50's & 60's Music with D.J. Wolf Man John and food. Net Proceeds Benefit: Shrine Childrens Transportation Fund and Pappas School for Homeless Children. Come together, park together. Sponsored by Montezuma Lodge #35 Free & Accepted Masons Phoenix, AZ. For more info. Call: 602-2154-0846.

May 12 and 13 - Car Club Garage Sale at Paul and Pam Bridgenells at 3512 E. Cochise Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85028. Phone 602-996-2880. More about this at next meeting.

September 29, 30 and Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> -- BAOA of Albuquerque is sponsoring the TENTH ANNUAL RIO GRANDE VALLEY REGIONAL RENDEZVOUS BRITISH CAR MEET--ALMAGORDO/CLOUDCROFT, NEW MEXICO. Contact Kevin Kittle 505-345-4207.



## THE PREZ SEZ

An old saying goes Sometimes you get the bear, sometimes the bear gets you. At the last meeting and in the newsletter we announced the organization for Triumphest 2001. Roger Guzowski was delegated the chairmanship of same. Lo and behold comes the bear. This week I received a call from Marty Lodawer saying that the TRSC was far along with Triumphest 2001. None of our members had attended a president's meeting for two years.

Triumphest has had an almost fixed rotation of clubs hosting the event since its inception. It is just not our turn to host Triumphest. Well, good luck Marty and we will attend yours and we are re-announcing that the DCTRA will host 2002. This gives us an additional year to get ready.

The project car has made good progress. A number of brackets and both rear wings are fitted. I think we should make the next work day an outing with the club hosting the franks, bangers, and drinks. Perhaps we can have some pot luck from some members and spend another day on the car.

The BEAT trip is upcoming, and Beth and I are looking forward to the trip. We hope there will be a large group of DCTRA members present. Will anyone bring a four seat car, just for safety sake? A Rolls Royce might be proper, after all, they are pleasant to ride in.

Remember all Triumphs are now orphans, so adopt one or more.

Cheerio, John Horton

## CLASSIC-FIED ADS

FOR SALE: 1973 GT6. Completely redone, bumper-to-bumper, roof-to-road. We have over \$5000 in it and would like to get our investment back. Contact Karen Bell @ 623 934-2554 or E-mail karenbell\_gus@hotmail.com (2/2000)




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## INTERNET JOKE - CONTINUED

5. Find jack stands under kids pedal car.
6. In frustration, open another beer and drink it.
7. Place drain pan under engine.
8. Look for 9/16 box end wrench.
9. Give up and use crescent wrench.
10. Unscrew drain plug.
11. Drop drain plug in pan of hot oil; get hot oil on you in process.
12. Clean up.
13. Have another beer while oil is draining.
14. Look for oil filter wrench.
15. Give up; poke oil filter with Phillips screwdriver and twist it off.
16. Beer.
17. Buddy shows up; finish case with him. Decide to finish oil change tomorrow.
18. Next day, drag pan full of old oil out from underneath car.
19. Throw oil lift (AKA kitty litter) on oil spilled during step 18.
20. Beer. No, drank it all yesterday.
21. Walk to 7-11; buy beer.
22. Install new oil filter making sure to apply thin coat of clean oil to gasket first.
23. Dump first quart of fresh oil into engine.
24. Remember drain plug from step 11.
25. Hurry to find drain plug in drain pan.
26. Hurry to replace drain plug before the whole quart of fresh oil drains onto floor.
27. Slip with wrench and bang knuckles on frame.
28. Bang head on floor board in reaction.
29. Begin cussing fit.
30. Throw wrench.
31. Cuss for additional 10 minutes because wrench hit Miss December 1992.
32. Clean up; apply Band-Aid to knuckle.
33. Beer.
34. Beer.
35. Dump in additional 4 quarts of oil.
36. Beer.
37. Lower car from jack stands.
38. Accidentally crush one of the jack stands.
39. Move car back to apply more oil lift (AKA kitty litter) to fresh oil spilled during step 23.
40. Drive car.



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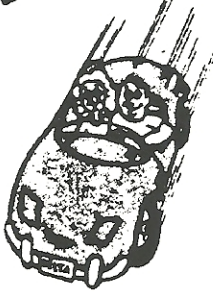
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**MINUTES OF MARCH MEETING**

Our meeting at El Zaribah opened at 7:10 PM with 25 present. Minutes from the last meeting were accepted as printed in the newsletter. Our Treasurer, Ron Strong, reported a positive balance. His report was approved as read.

Tom Pennell reported many newsletters are being taken off the net with a few still being mailed. He again encouraged people to get the newsletter off the net, if they have the capability.

Project Car: Parts have been ordered. Many have come in, but some have been back-ordered. Fenders can now go on. Tom Pennell E-Mailed to all members a list of parts needed, but cannot be obtained, i.e. made from "unobtainium". Please let us know if you have any of these parts available for the project car. Next will be outfitting the engine. The next workday is Sunday, March 26 at 10 AM.

There was no AAHC report--no one attended the meeting.

Events: Trip to Show Low....Tom Pennell thanked all who helped to move his shop. A variety of 7 vehicles loaded and transported the items. It was decided and agreed that Tom owns nothing very light or very clean. In getting the parts cleaner transported, the lid blew off and solvent went all over cars behind and on some bikers near by, that happened to be too close. Roy Stoney ended up lost on a hill he couldn't get up and proceeded to roll back down and then ended up in a ditch. He was rescued indirectly by the phone company information line 411 after hiking up a hill high enough to get his cell phone to work. Steaks cooked by John Horton were enjoyed by all after a very interesting day.

All British Car Day: About 50 cars were entered. Wheels of Britain: It rained, but much visiting was done and was enjoyed by all. Reservations have already been made to hold the event next year.

Events coming up: Breakfast Run, Sunday March 19--meet at 7:30 AM at 32<sup>nd</sup> St. and Shea for Pancakes in the Park run, hosted by the Mini Club. Project Car Work Day: March 26 at 10 AM.

BEAT: April 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>: The Inn Suites is totally booked up with the overflow going to the Holiday Inn who is honoring the same prices the Inn Suites were giving. Plans are being made for a run to the Mining Camp sometime after the BEAT.

John Horton had samples of a grille badge that was passed around. It was deemed not suitable, so will look around further and elsewhere for better pricing and quality. Most people wanted cloisonne'.

Chris Wainwright announced his marriage to Susanna from Thailand and introduced her to the club. Welcome Susanna and congratulations Chris!

A Garage Sale is being planned for early May. Probably first or second weekend. 25% of proceeds will go to the project car. Ron Strong announced he had an 86 Cadillac for sale.

The raffles were won by Virgil Cole and Beth Horton.

The meeting was adjourned at 8 PM.

Deta Hampsch, Secretary