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Meetings are held on the Second Tuesday of each month. (Including January)

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PROJECT CAR STATUS

NEXT WORKDAY

MARCH 25th - 10 AM

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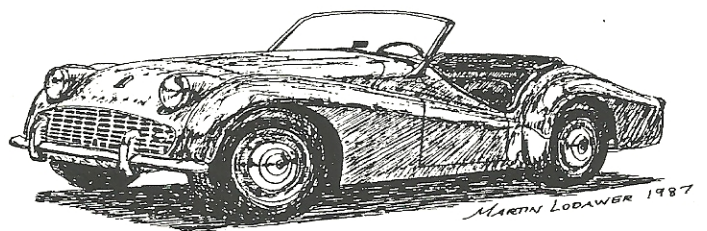
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COMING EVENTS

MARCH 11
WHEELS OF BRITAIN CAR SHOW
Heritage Square
Details inside

OTHER EVENTS

MARCH 18 - 7:30 am
ALL BRITISH BREAKFAST RUN
Hosted by the AZ MINI CLUB
32nd Street & Shea Blvd
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EDITOR'S DESK

At the February meeting Jim Medland from Delta Motorsports was nice enough to donate two really useful items to our library: An SU Reference Catalog and a Zenith & CD Catalog. Judging by the response of some of the members these will be welcome additions. They show part numbers, applications, replacement parts and exploded drawings of almost every carburettor imaginable. (God really had combustion chambers and drawings in mind when he invented explosions). There are parts in here that nobody knew were still made. Having just tried to get my car through the emissions test, I was glad to have some of this information available. Many thanks to Jim and Delta!

Another new book for our loaner library is one I just received: Driven, by Jesse Alexander. A collection of his photographs from '54 thru '62, with captions and a nice intro by Stirling Moss. Really captures the glamour and relative innocence of this period of racing.

George Montgomery has sent me a copy of a proposed itinerary for a club trip to England. It is quite comprehensive: flights, hotels, meals and a good mix of cars, castles and culture to satisfy all tastes. The itinerary is much too long to publish here, so I will have copies at the meetings, or will fax copies at your request. Something to consider: This year is probably out for a trip! most of us have probably already made our major vacation plans already, and next year DCTRA hosts the 2002 Triumphest in the fall - do we want to divide our efforts between a trip, finishing the project car and Triumphest? We have a lot to discuss before we finalize any plans.

Whos got a good idea for new club cards?! the ones we currently have need to be replaced since Tom moved to the wilderness.

Elsewhere in this issue Roger writes about upcoming events as well as Roni's health woes. In talking with Roger over the past month or so, its pretty obvious that he's really strapped for time! between working, taking care of Roni and trying to ramrod the BEAT he's pretty frazzled. I think he could use some help with the April run to Flagstaff, so let's offer to help out in any way we can. This club generally circles the wagons around one of its own and I can't think of a better thing we could do at this time.

Mike Bayne

RACE REPORT

Local Racing Organization Websites:

National Auto Sport Association

<http://www.nasa-az.com/>

Arizona Sports Racing Association

<http://www.race-asra.org/>

Sports Car Club of America - Arizona Region

<http://www.az-region-scca.org/>

Vintage Auto Racing Association

<http://www.vararacing.com/>

Dave Riddle

CLASSIC-FIED ADS

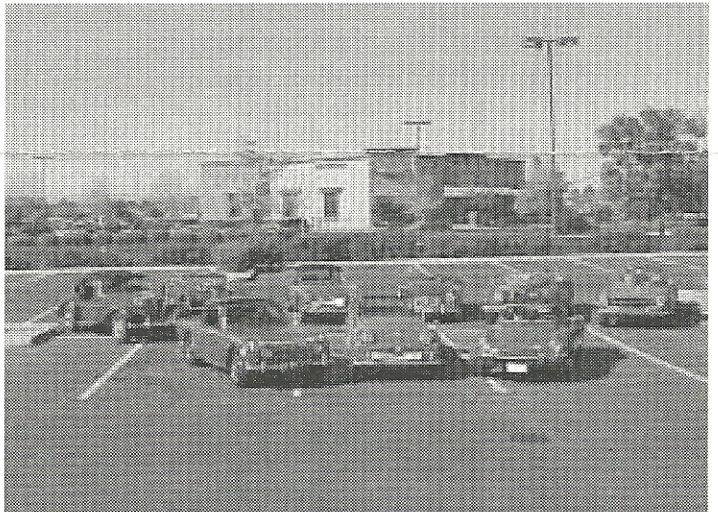
FOR SALE: 1977 Spitfire . Body in great shape, interior shot as is the motor. White in color. Asking \$500.00. The car is located in Scottsdale at about Scottsdale Rd and Sweetwater. If someone local would like to get it and needs a trailer to move the car I will let them use mine. His name is Randy Salo and his numbers are: (H) 480-837-4531 or (W) 480-892-8200. (01/01)

Dave Riddle

FOR SALE: 1977 TR7 engine & 5-speed trans. Includes carbs & electrics. Asking \$450 OBO. Call Dick Luna 602-867-8497 (Leave message). (02/01)

FOR SALE OR TRADE: Spitfire 1296cc short block. Disassembled, but all there. Make offer, reasonable interesting trades considered. Call Mike 602-938-1282 (02/01)

FOR SALE: 1966 Spitfire. Ready for paint & assembly. Rebuilt 1147cc engine. Just bought a TR3 and don't have time to finish. Call Dave Mure 480-483-9622 (02/01)



Here's a photo taken by John Nuss at the last All British Breakfast Run. All of these cars are RED. Shame we can't print in color.



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TR Trailer -built in 1985 from a TR2 body -licensed -needs paint work -\$950

Spitfire Trailer -on GT6 rotoreflex suspension frame with GT6 rear hatch to cover the seat area - still under construction-\$200

Four Cosmic 13" wheels fit Spit, GT6 and maybe TR7

Two Rostyle 13" wheel covers in the original boxes

Dash Crash Pad Overlay fits GT6 Mk3, and Spit Mk4 & 1500

Body and Suspension Parts

70 GT6+ body on rolling chassis

74? Spitfire Mk4 body on rolling chassis

Right front fender for GT6 Mk1 and Spit Mk 1 & 2

69 GT6+ Rotoreflex suspension frame

69 Spit cleaned and painted frame with front suspension including Koni shocks GT6 Mk1 frame

(same as Spit Mk1 & 2 except radiator mounts)

69 GT6+ bonnet and 69 Spitfire bonnet

Rotoreflex rear suspension parts and hubs

Front suspension, rotors, hubs and calipers

Assorted Doors, hatches and deck lids

Spit Mk 1,2,3, IV and 1500 top bows

Spitfire wheel covers

Engine and Drivetrain parts

69 Spit Mk3 overhauled engine with header and carbs -\$950

70 GT6+ engine

TR 250 and TR6 2.5 liter crankshaft

GT6 Mk1 crankshaft (small journals)

GT6+ Block and crankshaft (large journals)

Spit Mk4 engine -1296 or 1500? -Supposedly rebuilt but I would not trust it! Weber carb and Cannon manifold for Spit 4 port head (1296 and 1500)

TR6 Head and TR 250 Head

Spit Mk 1 & 2, 69 Spit Mk3, and Spit 1500 transmissions

Assorted GT6 and Spit rear ends in various conditions

Assorted driveshafts

GT6+ and Mk3 exhaust system

Miscellaneous Parts and Neat Stuff!

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Armand LaCasse

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THE PREZ SEZ

Lots of things going on now that we have come into the meaty part of Triumph season. Next weekend we have the Wheels of Britain at Heritage Square. While you're there, take just a minute to thank those who helped organize this event, because they really worked hard to save it from disappearing or becoming just a one-marque show. Good show, all!

April 7th marks the 4th Annual BEAT, and the turnout looks bigger and better than ever. The InnSuites are filling up fast, so if you haven't made reservations, or sent in your registration yet, get them in NOW!

Thanks to all of you who ask about how Roni is doing. Its nice to know that so many of you care so much. Of late she has had some problems with her legs and will have surgery on them yet again on Thursday, the 8th. The doctors have also discovered some deterioration of kidney functions and are trying hard to arrest that. We're both keeping our chins up and working hard toward good results, and your thoughts are appreciated.

With a smile,

Roger

JIM MEDLAND, President

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MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY MEETING

Twenty-two persons attended the meeting, which Roger opened at 7pm on the dot. Editor Mike Bayne said the newsletter looked more interesting with photographs, and he would gladly receive photos of events for future issues. Some great photos taken by John Nuss were passed around, of a cluster of nine all red British sportscars taken after the British Breakfast Run. The printer is mailing the printed version of the newsletter too late to alert readers of events early in the month. There was discussion about obtaining another printer.

Treasurer George Montgomery reported that he had just received the club's papers. There were 39 at the January brunch, three of whom neglected to pay their bill. January minutes were approved as read.

Events: Paul Bridgnell told about our appearance in Wickenburg's Gold Rush Days parade. Eight Triumphs were our club's part of the 129 units. Then we heard about the British Breakfast, which had 35 people and a travelling car show. The Mini Club sponsors the next one, Pancakes in the Park, on March 18th. Coming up after February's Highland Games are the Wheels of Britain show on March 11th which John Horton previewed. Bob Lee said he'd heard that this was the largest event at Heritage Square last year.

Flyers from several other local events were read, to be listed in the News. The BEAT is to start April 7th, described by Roger. He said Inn Suites at 16th Street & Northern is giving special rates to those coming from out of town for the Tour. Our new VP asked for ideas for future events we'd like to attend: get creative and contact Bob Lee.

Triumphest News: Hohanshelt's very early TR2 will be coming to our 2002 Triumphest. It is probably the oldest TR sportscar on the road.

Armand LaCasse appeared, and offered his home for a pool party /regatta this summer. He also is cleaning the garage, and brought a list of goodies for sale, including the TRailer. Roy suggested the DCTRA buy it. This will be voted upon at the March meeting.

George had our long-awaited information on a trip to England, planned for June 2002, and presented a preliminary itinerary from a travel agent.

Dues are due for the Arizona Auto Hobbyist Council. John Horton said they would soon have a website, designed by Dave Riddle. Their new meeting site is JBs at I-17 and Indian School.

There was a raffle of a ColorTune kit and a "collector" DCTRA cap, proceeds for the project car fund. Winners were Cliff Philpott and Jim Gerakaris. Cliff announced a work day for March 25.

Two new books for the DCTRA library were donated by Jim Medland of Delta Motorsports. They are on Zenith Stromberg and SU carburetors.

Meeting adjourned 8:20pm.

Beth Horton, acting secretary

LETTER FROM THE CARNEYS

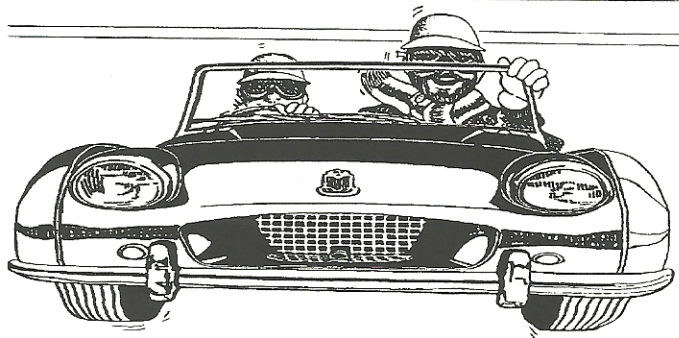
Eric and I want to extend our heartfelt thanks to our SPECIAL friends who came to our rescue and helped Eric unload our storage shed in Phoenix onto a 26' U-Haul truck last February 4th, when our "scheduled help" failed to show. John Horton took charge, made some calls, and like magic, Mike Bayne, Paul Bridgnell and Virgil Cole appeared, along with 2 laborers John also found and in about 2 1/2 hours the job was done! Also loaded onto a tow-behind trailer was our Spitfire, but not without some difficulty when Eric couldn't find his jacket which had the keys in it. Once again, John worked his "magic" and came up with keys that fit and the loading took place. You guys are the best! And John and Beth have gone out of their way so many times to look after our house in Phoenix. Words can't express our gratitude for their efforts, friendship and loyalty.

We miss all of our friends at DCTRA and hope some of you will try to keep in touch with us. Congratulations to the new (and some "old") Club officers. I'm still enjoying the newsletter each month and will be sending in dues as I finally got a paycheck from my new employer. Our house is supposed to close Feb. 26th if the buyers don't change their minds again. That will be a relief! We'll begin house hunting after that.

I must admit I miss AZ weather this time of year. We've had a lot of cold weather here, but it's gradually warming up. Lots of fog and a lot more rain than I'm used to, even though they say they're in a very bad drought here. But spending Christmas with my grandkids was wonderful and worth it all!

Wishing all our friends at DCTRA the BEST YEAR EVER!

Diane and Eric Carney



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LET'S PARADE IN WICKENBURG

The Gold Rush days came early in Wickenburg. I mean almost 0-dark:30 as Tom would say. We left the north side after talking with the lead group on the phone to link up. Four cars met and started north. Comfort demanded the top stay up for the duration.

We got to Wickenburg and checked in at the registration table and were located about two miles west of town. We got to see the Clydesdale horses unloaded and hitched up to the beer wagon. The handlers had ladders to work with them. We were unit 9, just behind some horses and in front of Sheriff Joe Arpaio and his crew.

More cars showed up 'til we had eight cars. One notable was Deta Hampsch who drove her own TR in an event. This was a first. We were asked to have the Ron Nix cowboys ride with us. We started on the parade to the streets crowded on both sides up to eight deep. They really turn out for this one. The cars started dodging from one side of the road to the other, Then I realized we were behind some horses and this was necessary. So we all darted side to side in a line.

We went thru downtown Wickenburg to the end of the parade route and were directed back to the starting point. We parked and watched the parade for over an hour. There were 129 units. This was really good fun. No cars overheated. We managed to get back thru town as the ending of the parade went past and to a restaurant on the south side. We got seated just in time to see John Wayne walking around talking with everyone. He was really looking like the "Duke".

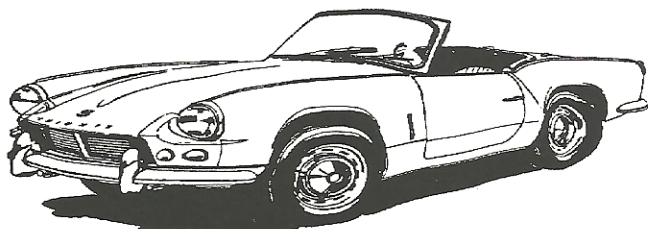
I think we should do more parades. They are just FUN!

John & Beth Horton

WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN THIS MONTH

March 11 - Wheels of Britain at Heritage Square, 6th & Monroe Streets, Downtown Phoenix. 10am ! 3:00pm. Pre-registration entry opens at 8:00am, day of show entries must be in place by 10:00am. \$15 for first vehicle, \$10 for each subsequent entry. Day of show entry is \$20. Registration forms available at the March meeting. Arrive before 8:00 am and help get the show set up, direct cars, etc. This is the largest annual activity at Heritage Square - come help make it better. Also, invite your friends to come enjoy our hobby. The food court and other restaurants will be open so come hungry. Info ! Shirley ! 480-985-2531, Mike or Janice ! 480-759-9386.

March 18 - All British Breakfast Run. 7:30am Pancakes in the Park - Hosted by the Mini Club. Meet at 32nd St and Shea Blvd.



AUTOMOTIVE EVENTS ALL OVER THE WEST

March 17 - Gracie's Cottage Fun Day Car Show. 10:00am until 2:00pm. No fee, non-judged. Free coffee and doughnuts at check-in (9:00am) with free BBQ lunch (2 per vehicle entered). 1520 E. Apache Blvd, Tempe. (480)967-5231 or "gracies@gateway.net"

March 18 - All British Breakfast Run sponsored by the AZ Mini's. Meet at 32nd Street & Shea at 7:30am. The event is the annual Pancakes in the Park. For a minimal \$5 donation, you get all the pancakes and other breakfast victuals you can get yourself around. This is always a smashing time watching Phillip and the others cook before your very eyes!!

March 25 - Sam Neagles Memorial Poker Run sponsored by the Over the Hill Gang. The poker run starts at 8:00 AM at Ruby Tuesday's, 7337 East Shea, Scottsdale. The entry fee is \$15 per vehicle and includes one poker hand. Additional hands are \$2.50 each. Call the Over the Hill Gang at 480-837-6229 for more information.

April 7-8 - Fourth Annual British-European Auto Tour (BEAT). Here is another opportunity to cruise the backroads of Arizona. The route is basically the same as last year ! Wickenburg, Bagdad, Prescott, Jerome, Cottonwood, and Sedona, winding up in Flagstaff. The headquarters hotel in Flag is again the InnSuites. Sunday has a morning tour followed by lunch at the Mormon Lake Lodge. As always, there will be "special surprises" adding to the enjoyment. If you have been on the BEAT before, you already know how much fun it is. If this is your first time, you will find it a great 500 or so miles. More details are on the enclosed flyer and application.

April 8 - 35th Annual Kiwanis BBQ & Classic and Antique Car Show. 11:00am to 3:00pm, Arizona State Fairgrounds, 19th Avenue & McDowell. Car entry fee is only \$5.00, all proceeds benefit Kiwanis Charities. If you can't attend the BEAT this might be a good alternative ! over 5,000 spectators attended last year. Info from Bill Buck (602)864-3494.

April 27-29 - Tenth Annual British Car Show, British Motorcar Club of Southern New Mexico, Las Cruces, NM. With the show held in the beautiful Old Mesilla Plaza and an evening banquet at the Picacho Country Club, this annual event is always a favorite to attend. Contact Joe Machado at (915) 581-3213 or "Machado338@cs.com"

June 8-9 - Eighth Annual Beeline Cruise-In and Rim Country Classic Auto Club Car Show. Payson, AZ This one is a few months away, but it might be a fun way to beat the heat and show civilians that Brit gear can hold its own against American iron. Food, Prizes, Games and lots of beautiful cars. We will have registration forms in next month's newsletter. For info call Larry or Nancy Bertram (520) 472-7769.

Bob Lee

