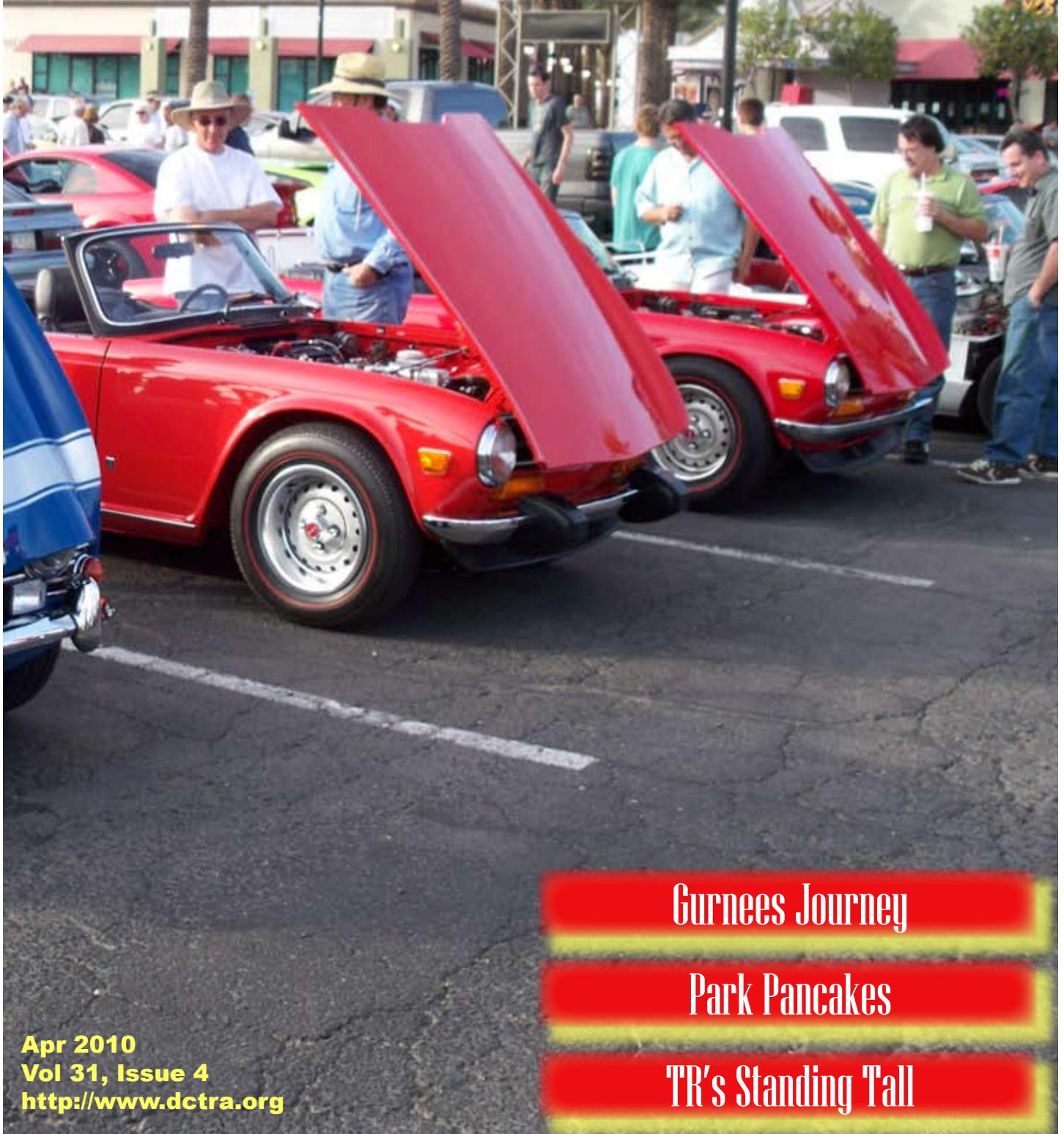




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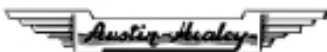


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**On the Cover:**

**TR's at the Pavillions Car Show**

## **NEXT CLUB MEETING:**

**April 13, 2010 @ 7:00 PM**

**Denny's Restaurant**

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**Come Early to Socialize with other Members**

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# EDITORS DESK

## Dave Riddle

Another month gone! Where does the time fly? My oldest daughter, Nikki, was home from Oregon for Spring Break. Hard to believe that she is 20 years old.

Back on Nikki's 17th birthday she came out to the track (PIR) in her BMW 528 to take the High Performance Driving Class that I teach for NASA. She came back out the following month (again at PIR) to take another day of the class. She enjoyed the class and wants to take it again as she almost got signed off to drive on track by herself.

indicate she could move up to the next class with the comment, "She's a Natural".

My son, Tyler, is greased lightning around a track and now my middle daughter too. Hmmm.... Might have to see if my gymnastics excelling younger daughter, Andi, wants to see if her sense of balance translates into a kart.

I guess it is genetic...

The BEAT Rally is coming up this month and I'll be taking two cars on the trip. Allie will be driving her BMW with my Wife, Lori, and younger daughter, Andi, riding with her while Tyler will be riding shotgun with me in a loaner 1973 Maserati Merak.

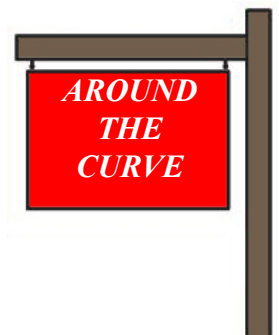


I'm sure that desire is going to be whetted by sibling rivalry now that my middle daughter, Allison, who is 16 came out and took the class at PIR in her BMW 328 the beginning of March (see photo above of her leading a Lotus and a Vette down the front straight) and followed that up with a second day two weeks later when we were running at Firebird's West Track. Allie got signed off at the end of that second day to be able to drive on track by herself.

Her instructors comments were kind of fun. Allison's first in-car instructor (same guy I had picked to be Nikki's in-car instructor) came up to me after the first track session as the students were filing back into my classroom and said "She's not afraid of the Oval and she's got a pretty heavy right foot." At the end of the day his comment to me was "She shut me up". Her second in-car instructor signed her log book off to

## Update Your Triumph Membership

Marty has posted the updated membership list on our DCTRA.org website (see files section). It's updated through the January '08 Brunch meeting. He is still accepting digital pictures of your car(s) to include on this list. Club members voted to remove unpaid listings, so these will no longer receive club emails. If you would like your membership to be renewed, bring your payment to an event, meeting or mail a check (made out to DCTRA) to our Treasurer, John Reynolds, 806 E. Campus, Tempe, AZ 85282.



# Prez Sez

**Stu Lasswell**

It's been an unusual winter here in Arizona, and so far spring has followed that trend as well. I look forward to the weekends (such as I get) to get out and drive, and we've had quite a spate of lousy, wet weather specifically hitting us on the weekends!

As I mentioned last month, I lost the chance to show the car at the Highland Games, and the Wheels of Britain show was postponed. At least we were able to reschedule WOB to the following Saturday, and we did have great weather and a decent turnout of nice cars. I'm sure all of you who were able to attend had a good time. We had a good turnout of Triumphs once again this year, including a few new attendees. But where are all the side-curtain TR's... I can't believe there was only one TR-3a to represent the whole class, what with my car stuck in the Masters Class. I know there are other TR-2s and 3's out there, and I can't believe that they can't get their old tractor motor's running well enough to get to our best local show! I can only hope that those owners were too busy enjoying the driving of their classic Triumphs to be bothered with showing them!

Speaking of driving our classics, I hope you all have paid your entry fees and made your room reservations, because it's almost BEAT tour time! No doubt it'll be basically the same old route as always, but one really couldn't ask for any better driving roads than we'll be sampling those two days in April. And the camaraderie! I only hope the weather co-operates, as we've seen both heat waves and snow flurries at this event... even in the same weekend! At least Mormon Lake and Lake Mary should have lots of water in them this year, and not be the giant mud flats we've seen for the last few years.

We had a nice turnout last weekend at the Pavilions cruise-in, with a good sampling of TRs, including a Spitfire, TR3, a few TR4s and TR6s, but no Wedges. We got lots of exposure for the

club through this event, and lots of positive response from the attendees. We should make this a regular event. Kudos for arranging this, Matt!

You know, it's not just up to our activities director to come up with these things... I'm sure Matt would welcome any ideas you might have for an event. Better yet, act on your idea and plan the event yourself, and let Matt just schedule it. Now is the time to have our driving events, before it gets too hot for comfort out there! Now go out there and let driving your Triumph be one of your Rights of Spring!

## Minutes of the March Meeting

**Bev Peterson**

DCTRA Meeting Minutes - March 9, 2010

President Stu Lasswell opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at DENNY'S RESTAURANT at 3315 N. Scottsdale Road in Scottsdale.

38 people signed the roster:

Dee Taylor – New Member  
Ruben Flores - Visitor  
Deta Hampsch & Lee Loftin  
John & Beth Horton  
Simon & Marie Kotsailidis  
Stu Lasswell – TR  
Armand LaCasse  
Patrick McDermott  
Joe Minnick & Mary Bartlett  
George Montgomery  
Frank & Ann Montone  
Dave & Denine Muré – TR  
Pete & Bev Peterson  
Marie Thompson  
John & Matt Reynolds  
Bob & Shari Spencer

Bob Branton  
Ron Gurnee  
Virgil Cole  
Jamie Harr  
Martin Jones  
Betsy Kavash  
Jim Medland  
Kathy Nuss  
David Riddle  
Tim Rose  
Roy Stoney  
Ed May  
Jim Bauder

2 TRIUMPHS WERE DRIVEN TO THE MEETING!! - it was COLD & WET!!!

VISITORS:  
Ruben Flores (1971 TR6)

George (Elaine) Pfalzgraf ( 1973 TR6) lives in Cedar Falls, Iowa but is a winter resident in Scottsdale.

#### MINUTES:

The minutes of the meeting on February 9, 2010 were approved as submitted in the February newsletter.

#### TREASURER:

John Reynolds reviewed the club's account balances and reported the income and expenditures for the month. He said the insurance premium is due for renewal with VTR (Vintage Triumph Register) and requested authorization to pay it. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to renew the coverage.

#### MEMBERSHIP:

Marty Clark was not present to report. Stu Lasswell said any members who do not have nametags can contact him or John Reynolds and they will order them. John Reynolds also reminded everybody that membership fees for 2010 were due on January 1st and he has not received everyone's payment to renew their memberships yet.

#### NEWSLETTER:

Everyone commended Dave Riddle for another excellent issue of the newsletter.

#### AAHC:

John Horton reported that not much has been happening this past month. However, the bill proposing to dump old tires down abandoned mineshafts did pass!

#### TECHNICAL:

Armand LaCasse said he needs to set a date for a work session on his white GT6 for the brakes.

#### EVENTS:

Matt Reynolds reported on upcoming events. He asked everyone to bring their TR's to the Scottsdale Pavilions car show on Saturday, March 20 as a club event. Notify him and he will arrive early and save as many spaces as needed.

Marie Thompson reported on the upcoming Wheels of Britain show and reminded everyone to get their cars in place before the gates close at 10:00 a.m.

Look for other events information in the newsletter and on our website: [www.dctra.org](http://www.dctra.org)

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Kathy Nuss reported there were about 15-18 cars on display at the Highland Games event last Saturday.

#### MONTHLY OWNERSHIP UPDATE:

John Horton says he needs a title for a Spitfire. Bob Branton recommended a company he has used successfully in the past, Sierra Title Service, located in Scottsdale.

George Durkin recently bought a 1974 TR6 with 69,000 miles and the original white paint. Parts he needs to replace are the front "spoiler" and the bonnet (hood) release latch. Marie Thompson said she will send him her improved design for the bonnet latch.

Betsy Kavash bought a 1972 TR6 from Chris Nuss.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

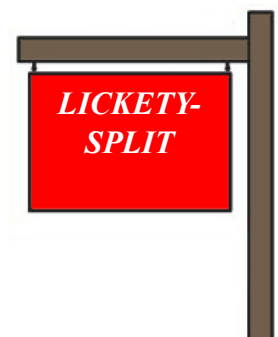
#### TRIUMPHEST 2012:

Kathy Nuss reported that John Reynolds and Kiwi Treloar are meeting this week with a representative from [www.helmsbriscoe.com](http://www.helmsbriscoe.com) to discuss searching for a venue and planning this event.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Submitted by:

Bev Peterson, Secretary





# Impact Wrench: Boon or Boggle?

**John Horton**

I HAVE TWO DIFFERENT IMPACT WRENCHES, One adjustable and one heavy duty. In a club activity, we used one to partially assemble Ron Gurneys engine. Graham Stretch was here and led in the assembly. Ron intended to install the engine at home. So we installed the flywheel using an impact.

Ron took the engine home and installed it. Armand and I went to Ron's to assist starting it. When we did the testing and attempted to start it, it would not turn on the starter. After a lot of trying it was determined that something was bound up. We originally thought that the lack of the spacer on the face of the flywheel caused the bolts to hit the rear of the rear main bearing housing.

Thus transmission did need to come out. I picked the car up and some club members, Armand, Ron Gurney, Pete Peterson, Stu Lasswell, George Montgomery, & I pulled the gearbox after the Wheels of Britain show. We determine that the bolts actually did hit the housing.

After trying the new spacer we had one bolt creak off. Impact wrench again. Armand & I took a long look at the bolts and found they were all stretched. The 3/8ths 24 by 1.250 bolts were actually 1.289" long. The impact had stretched them over 35 thousands. The torque spec was 45 foot pounds. The wrench was rated at 180 foot pounds. Ron obtained new grade 8 bolts and we, Ron Gurney, George Montgomery, Pete Peterson, Armand lacasse & I stuffed it

back in. Ron beaming drove it away at midnight.

Lessons learned. An impact is valuable for taking things apart and initial tightening. An impact WILL stretch bolts. Torque wrenches are for making sure bolts are at the correct tightening. For bolts to be properly anchored, they must stretch to a predetermined point.

## Ron's Engine Redo

**John Horton**

During the Wheels of Britain show, Armand & I drove to Ron Gurneys and picked up his TR7 and took it to my shop. The new engine would not turn over.

After the show, Ron, myself, Armand LaCasse, George Montgomery, and Stu Lasswell, and Pete Peterson, gathered and removed the gearbox and clutch assembly.

Upon taking the bolts out of the flywheel and under examination we found they had indeed run into the rear main bearing housing and stopped the engine from turning. We trimmed the bolts and started reassembly. The third bolt







snapped off with the impact. (Read impact theory elsewhere). Armand and I examined the bolts and found they had stretched and that was the problem, the lack of the spacer also contributed to the problem. They had actually stretched over .035" longer.

Ron picked up new grade 8 bolts and we started back reassembling the gearbox into the car. We did however, use the impact just to initial tighten the bolts, then torque them to the specified 45 foot pounds. Far less than the 180 foot pounds the torque wrench applies.

I do prefer the use of grade 8 bolts in a lot of places. Most bolts available from hardware stores are now grade 2.5 to 3. Far softer than real need.

## On the Road Again

**Ron Gurnee**

Early Sunday morning on August 18, 2009 started out as a beautiful day in the east valley. I was in my TR7 on the way to a breakfast run and was looking forward to a good drive and an enjoyable time. As I moved over to get off the freeway at 32nd and Shea some strange sounds started coming from under the hood. I made it to the parking lot and many individuals advised me

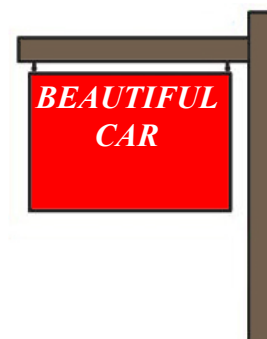
to have the car towed home because the fourth cylinder area did not sound good. John Horton and others said it sounded like the engine was coming apart and that if I would get it to his shop he would rebuild for me.

The next day I contacted Dave from O'Reillys and explained the situation to him. He checked the car out after work and we decided what I should strip off the engine, after which he would bring his hoist and together we would remove the engine and transmission in under an hour!! Within a few weeks his days off allowed him to come over and we soon had the engine only in my Ford Explorer.

John Horton and Armand LaCasse (I did help) spent longer than expected getting the head off---this was documented in an earlier newsletter. The machine shop did an outstanding job and completed their work several months later. I owe many thanks to Delta Motorsports, Victoria British and the Roadster Factory for the parts supplied. In early late November or early December a crew gathered to reassemble what was to be a brand new engine. This was documented in the December newsletter.

Within a few weeks the trans was rejoined to the engine and Dave and I returned it to the engine compartment. I reinstalled everything I had removed and called for some "start" assistance. John and Armand arrived one Sunday afternoon and then the fun began. After several hours of trying all of their tricks a truce was called and they left to research the problem. The main issue was the engine would not move, the

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## ***DCTRA Membership Application***

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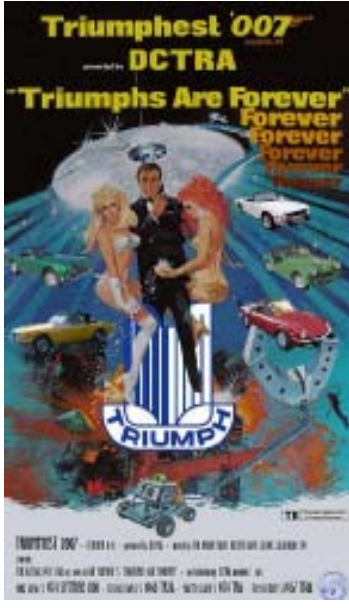
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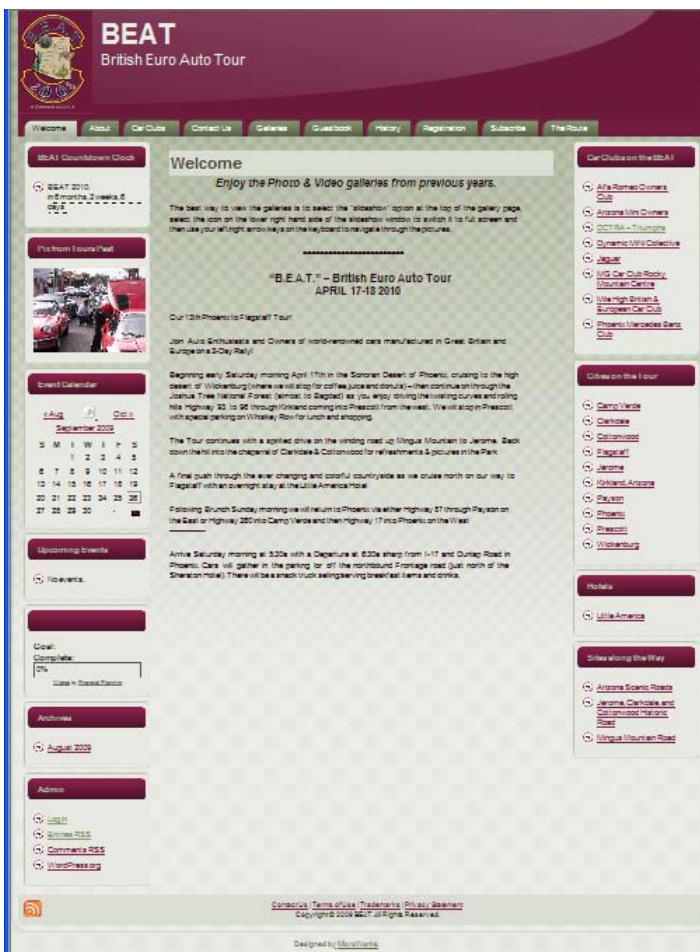
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## The BEAT



The screenshot shows the BEAT website with a purple header and navigation menu. The main content area includes a welcome message, a photo gallery, an event calendar for the 2010 rally, and a list of upcoming events. The website is designed to provide information about the BEAT rally, including dates, locations, and contact details.



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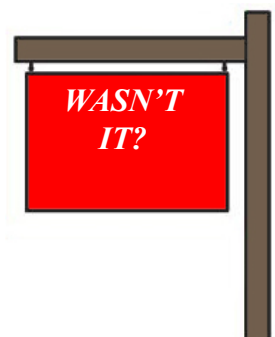
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# Pancakes in the Park

**Beth Horton**

now lively TR7, both back on the road again.

DCTRA members noted were: Anderson,

Sunday, March 21st, was an absolutely perfect morning for a Breakfast Run. This time it was Pancakes in the Park, Arizona Mini Owners' annual event, benefiting the Arizona Humane Society.

A fine assortment of vehicles were gathered; DCTRA was well represented, and more Jaguars than usual, including a 1937 that drew attention. Instructions had us heading far Southeast. Starting out with over 45 cars, we arrived at Desert Mountain Park in Queen Creek to be greeted by even more. George Montgomery in his newly purchased TR6 was waiting, plus Ron Gurnee in his



Brawton, Glenn, Gurnee, Heissers, Hortons, LaCasse, Montgomery, Nuss, the Parry-Jones family, Reynolds, Smiths, and Thompson. There may have been a few more.



The Mini group was busily grilling pancakes and sausages; soon the hungry crowd was fed and ready for a raffle of Easter items. Thanks to the Mini Owners for a pleasant morning, and for their ongoing aid to the Humane Society.





crank would not turn and do not even ask what the pistons did!!! It was determined that in all probability the spacer that is positioned on the clutch side of the flywheel was missing. Parts

and side markers came on. It was very late , I thanked everyone for their efforts and I went down the alley with George driving the Explorer giving me some rear protection.

Our route home took us thru Phoenix, south thru Scottsdale, East onto the reservation south again into the top of Mesa but upon turning South onto Higley I was pulled over by the Sheriff. After checking the car, insurance, registration and drivers license his main statement was that there were three violations involved:

1. Driving with hazard lights
2. Operating a vehicle without the original registration in the car
3. Operating a vehicle without a HOOD.

At that point I asked the officer how much trouble I was in and he handed my paperwork back and said "You did a great job on the restoration—just go home and take care of the three things".

Pushing my luck I asked if I could ask him for a favor—What do you want?? was his reply—I requested that he inform others on patrol I was in the neighborhood and just let me go home. His response was the sheriff officers would not be a problem but that I still had to get thru the Mesa police.

I took off for home with George following, arrived without any more stops and parked the car in the garage. I then dropped George off and remember saying when I got home it would be time for a stiff drink---little did I realize how late it was. When the lights were turned on in my kitchen the clock read 2:30 Friday morning. I forgot about the drink and hit the pillow.

Friday and Saturday was spent installing the interior and tracking down the electric problem (not one of my strong skills), however I found if you reconnect one of the leads to the rear lights everything will work. The car was tested again



were ordered and a work date was moved several times. Finally John and Armand picked up the car on the morning of the Wheels of Brittan we dropped the TR7 in the MAN CAVE.

Stu Lasswell, Pete Peterson and George Montgomery joined John Armand and I to drop the trans and see if the diagnosis was correct. OH Yea,!!! the spacer was indeed missing however an additional problem was discovered. It seems in our haste to get the flywheel mounted in the December session, the eight crankshaft bolts were stretched. That session ended about 7pm.

The following Thursday John, Armand, Pete, George and I met to finish the job and get it out of the MAN CAVE. The bolts fit, the engine turned and the transmission and all of the hanging parts found their home. The plugs were installed, and the engine was really started—it sounded better and better the longer it ran. The carbs were adjusted but only the headlights



Saturday afternoon and then after the breakfast run on Sunday. I am pleased to report that after 250 miles at 45MPH car and driver are doing well. I would like to thank all of the people that have helped and encourage me over the last months to get it up and running again. It really runs well and handles great. See you all at the next club meeting and on the BEAT.

## At the Pavillions

### Matt Reynolds

TR's of all types could be seen at our gathering at the Scottsdale Pavillions car show on the 20th. We had 9 cars show up for the nice, warm afternoon of talking and showing off our Triumphs to the car show attendees. We were even lucky enough to have Simon bring his beautifully restored 1970 TR6 out for its first show with us. I also found out that Simon's TR6 and my TR6 were built only 182 cars apart, possibly built within 1 or 2 days of each other! We had a fun night getting our cars out there, answering questions and making our club known to possible future members. It worked out really well and I look forward to doing more of these types of shows as a club in the future.



## Membership

Contact Marty Clark at 480-962-7848 for membership information. Dues are \$18.00 per year

# Calendar of Events

For more information or to sign up for an event, visit the DC TRA web site events page ([www.dctra.org](http://www.dctra.org)). Also, check the link to "Arizona Car Shows" on the [dctra.org](http://www.dctra.org) website. Some events are listed without dates as they are not known at this time but are shown in their "historical" time frames.

To add or host an event, contact Kathy Nuss, VP and Activities 480-983-3945 / [jknuss@live.com](mailto:jknuss@live.com)

## April 2010

3rd – Cruise on Central – Phoenix

10th- Red White and Blue car show - Peoria

10th – Phoenix Unique Little Car Show at the Embassy Suites on I-17 and Greenway. (<http://www.microcar.org/meets.html>)

10th – Copper Classic Car Show- Bisbee Arizona ([www.discoverbisbee.com](http://www.discoverbisbee.com))

11th – Mercado Spring Classic Scottsdale

11th - Copperstate 1000 Departure Day. DC-TRA cars gathering at the Field of Dreams Cruise in outside Tempe Diablo Stadium to watch the Copper-state cars depart. Meet at 8am and show your car for free.

13th – DCTRA meeting

17th-18th – BEAT Rally Phoenix to Flagstaff. ([www.beataz.com](http://www.beataz.com))

17th – 26th annual Spring car show – Sierra Vista

17th – Star of the Desert Motor Classic - Tucson

30th – Cannonball Phoenix Spree ([www.cruisinarizona.com/flyers/043010cannonball.pdf](http://www.cruisinarizona.com/flyers/043010cannonball.pdf))

30th – May 2nd – 23rd annual Route 66 Fun Run - Kingman

## May 2010

8th – Prescott Highland Games (<http://prescotthighlandgames.com/>)

11 - DCTRA Monthly Meeting

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## Recommended Vendors

A "Vendors" menu option has been added to the website. Selecting that menu option will show you a listing of vendors (services, parts, repair, etc...) that DCTRA members have had experience with and are recommending to other members.

If you have a Vendor to recommend you will notice at the bottom of the list that a form has been provided for you to fill out. When we receive your completed form we will add your recommended vendor to the list.



# Local Cruise Nights

from the Safeway Property management - food - Every Saturday night from 5pm-???

## Fridays:

**Chandler** - East Valley Cruise-In at Fulton Ranch Towne Center - S.W. corner of Arizona Ave. & Ocotillo Rd. - 6-9pm - Info: Stephanie 623.582.9599

**Glendale** - KOOL Radio Car Show 3rd Friday of Month at Sanderson Ford Lincoln Mercury (6400 N. 51st Ave) - 4pm-7pm - live music and great KOOL prizes - Info: Nick 602-488-8163

**Mesa** - Cruise Downtown Mesa 2nd Friday of Month (West Main Street from Country Club Drive to Center Street) hosted by Downtown Mesa Merchants Group - Come down, join the fun and show off your car!! It's FREE!! - Info: Sharon 480-890-2613 or Anita 480-924-7887

**Mesa** - Mesa First Car Show at Mesa First Assembly (1303 S Lindsay Rd) - Meets 1st Friday of every month beginning Jan. 2nd from 6-9pm - Live music, BBQ, soft drinks, huge parking area, great lighting - All vehicles welcome - Info: Greg 480-678-2209

**Peoria** - Friday Night Lights Car Show/Cruise In - 91st Ave just off Northern behind Auto Zone (8350 N. 91 Ave.) - 300 parking spaces - 100 to 200 cars attend weekly - 5:30pm - ? - open to all cars, trucks, food, music, trophy for best car - Info: Bryn 480-229-2918

**Phoenix** - West Side Cruisin' - 35th Ave. & Northern - Info: 602-246-3906

**Phoenix** - Rod and Custom Cruise (SW corner of 59th Ave. and Beardsley), prizes, raffles, music, and clean fun - Info: 623 362-8282

**Surprise** - Fry's Marketplace parking lot (13982 W. Waddell Rd.) - 5-9pm - all makes and years - Corner of W. Waddell Rd. and Litchfield Rd., behind the Sonic Drive-In - Sonic, Fry's and Subway for food and beverages - Info: Larry 623-476-8098

## Saturdays:

**Chandler** - Chandler Christian Church (1825 S. Alma School Rd.) - 1st Saturday of every month - Coffee and Donuts - Cars, Trucks and Motorcycles welcome - 9am-11am - Info: Tom Donahue (480) 510-3145

**Glendale** - Safeway - 83rd Ave. just off the 101 (west) 1/2 mile north of Union Hills - hundreds of parking spaces, plenty of light, permission



**Laveen** - Wienerschnitzel (5220 W. Baseline Rd.) from 5p-9p - Info: Shane 602-605-8101 or 949-433-1251

**Mesa** - Cruisin' on Main Street presented by Hot Rod Planet and Concerned Mesa Cruisers (Country Club to Mesa Dr.) - 6-10pm - Info: Lance 480-229-5691 - Mesa To be held the 4th Saturday of every month

**Mesa** - Power & Hampton on Saturday Evenings near Superstition Springs by K Mart

**Peoria** - Safeway Shopping Center - 20713 N. 83rd Ave. (83rd Ave. and Lake Pleasant Road) - 5-9pm - Everyone Welcome - Info: Gary 623-203-5752

**Phoenix** - Cruise-In at SO-CAL-AZ (3427 E. McDowell Rd.) - Second Saturday of month - 7-9am - coffee, donuts, car talk and a Small Swap - Drive your classic car or truck to qualify for swap space - No Trailers or Truck loads - Info: Don 602-275-7990

**Scottsdale** - McDonald's, Scottsdale Pavilions Shopping Center, 4pm-10pm, 9140 E. Indian Bend Rd. (Pima & Indian Bend Road)

## Sundays:

**Chandler** - Every Sunday morning at 7am at Starbucks in downtown Chandler ((1 San Marcos Place) just west of Arizona Ave, south of Chandler Blvd.) We're kinda hard to miss, just look for the Hot rods! Can I hear an AMEN? - Info: Craig Pike 480-220-6687

**Fountain Hills** - Fountain Hills Automobile Club Cruise-In at KFC & A&W RESTAURANT (16805 E. Shea Blvd.) (Target Center) - 1:00 PM - Open to all Antique, Classic & Special Interest Vehicles (No Shows during the summer)

**Phoenix** - Hotrod Jokers Cruise-In and Car Show - Ramjets Speed Shop (13701 N. Cave Creek Rd.) - 1-4pm - free hot dogs and beverages - Info: Ron 602-574-4059

**Scottsdale** - Old Guys Hot Rods Hotrod Show at Handlebar J's (7116 E. Becker Lane) - 1st Sunday of Month - car show on the street in front Handle Bar J's patio, Live music - all years and makes welcome - Info: Mike 602-291-8374



# Classified

## TRIUMPH / TOYOTA TRANSMISSION ADAPTORS

Put a Toyota 5 Speed into your TR-3 or TR-4,  
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<http://www.eaglegatellc.com>

## Mechanic/Painter

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Patrick O'Connell 602-569-0656

## TR6 complete engine/parts for sale

Variety of used TR6 parts and complete 1970 engine on stand for sale. Also an aftermarket TR6 Hardtop. Will sell all for \$1250. Please forward to all who may be interested.  
Contact Rick 520-780-1948  
[rschuarizona@yahoo.com](mailto:rschuarizona@yahoo.com)

## GT6 Engine

1968 GT-6 engine complete bought from wrecking yard in Flagstaff \$250.00 Scottsdale 602-377-8559

## 1980 Triumph TR8

Partially restored, British racing green. Asking \$6,500. The car is in Streamwood, IL and the contact info in [Richaubert@gmail.com](mailto:Richaubert@gmail.com) or 630-254-8489

### Interior:

- \*Beige custom interior
- \*New door panels (not yet installed)
- \*New, installed carpeting
- \*Air conditioning and heater rebuilt but not tested
- \*Center console completely rebuilt (not yet installed)
- \*Oversized seats installed (original seats available and partially restored).

### Body:

- \*New convertible top (some sun damage to rear plastic window).
- \*Body in good condition – straight, with no damage or rust
- \*Paint has scratches due to shipping up from Ari-

zona  
Engine:

\* Rebuilt crabs.

\*Car runs – but the 5th gear of the trans mission is

noisy

\*Engine compartment has not been worked on

(dirty).

**Note: Classified ad's are always free to DCTRA Members**

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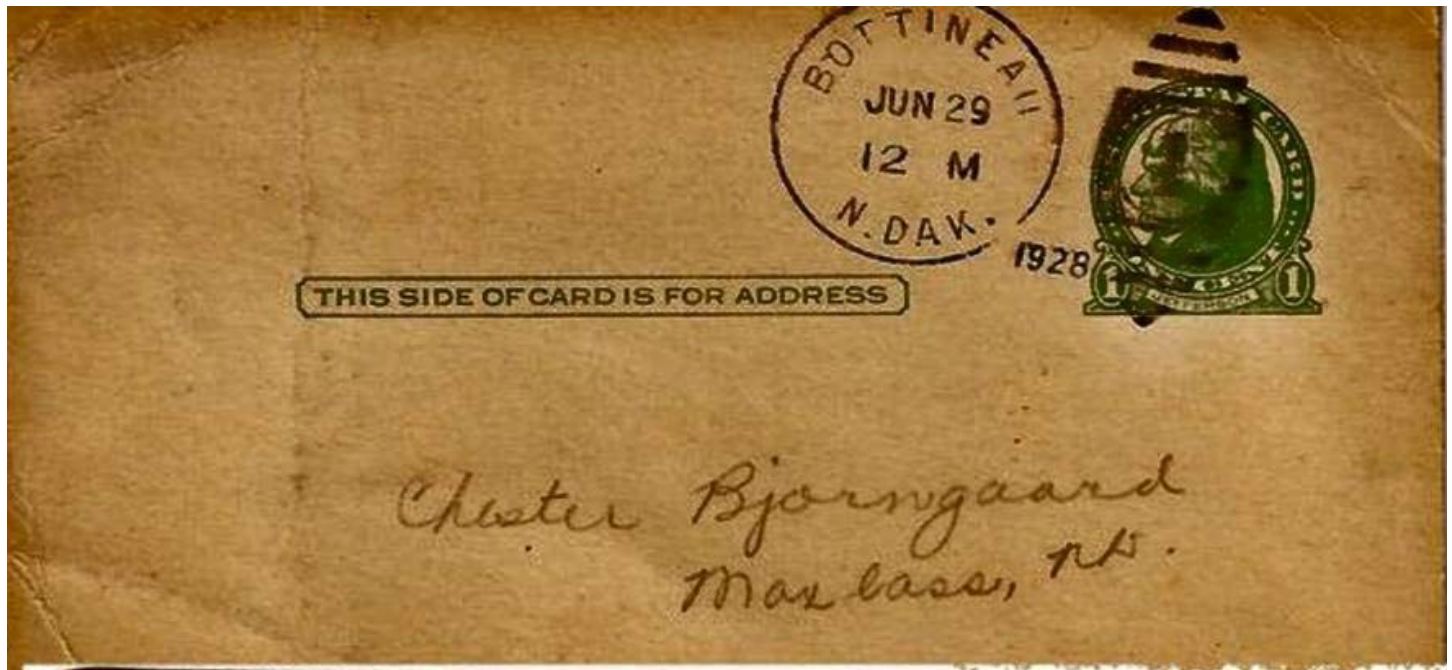
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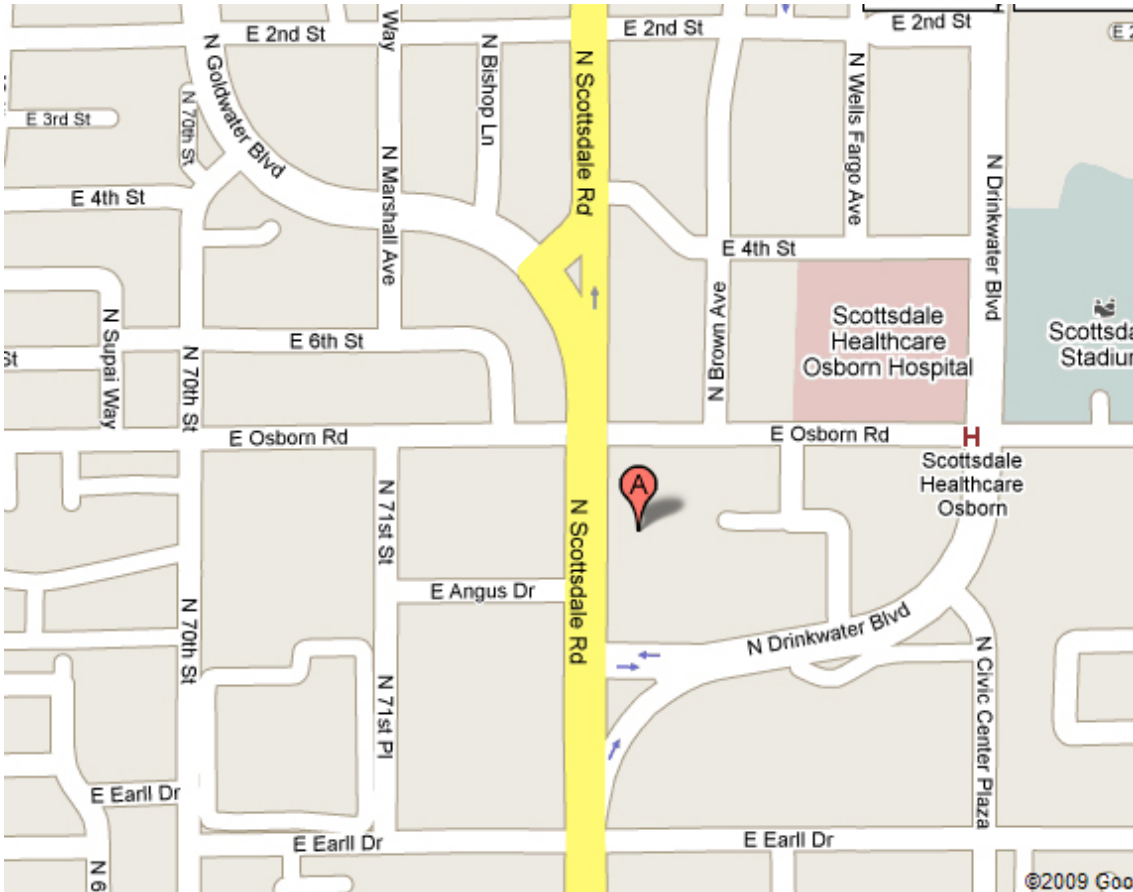
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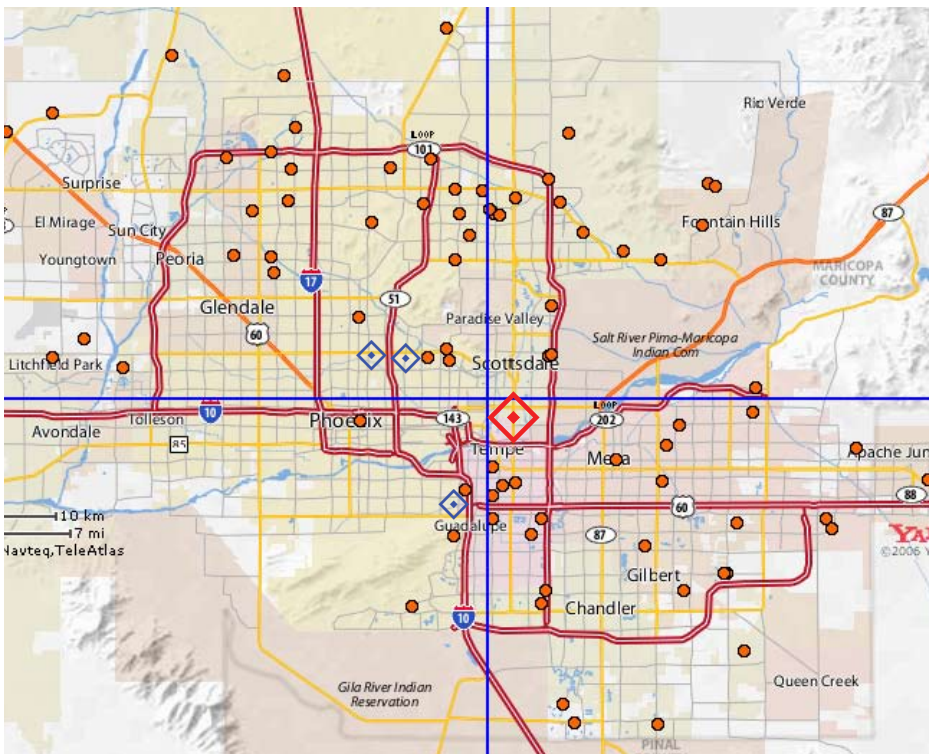
# Regular DCTRA Meeting Location!



DENNY'S RESTAURANT, 3315 N. Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale

As was reported in the Prez Sez column at the beginning of the September 2009 issue the Committee formed to find a new location drew a circle around the Valley to find the Center.

This was already available on the Club's Website under the "Members Only" section where there is a static map with crosshairs bisecting the valley and a link to an interactive copy of that map showing the Valley with the address locations of all the Members.



Here is a copy of the map with a Red diamond target showing the new location. You can also see that I added three Blue target diamonds indicating the location of the last three meeting locations. The Orange dots on the map indicate the addresses of DCTRA Members (current at the time the map was created).

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