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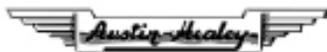
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**Part of the DCTRA Group photo at
Triumphfest 2010**

NEXT CLUB MEETING:

December 14, 2010 @ 7:00 PM

Denny's Restaurant

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EDITORS DESK

Dave Riddle

Wow, has it been a busy past two months. Without going into details last month when I was getting ready to prepare the November newsletter I had a crisis at a client location which resulted in my putting in 97 hours from Nov 3 to Nov 9! I then spent the rest of the month playing catch-up with other clients.

Sometimes life gets in the way of living. Hopefully things will begin to settle down and some routine can re-enter the equation allowing for living life.

Next month we will have both the Christmas in January Party (in lieu of the normal Christmas Party. Plus we will have our Election Brunch. This year we will be back at The Landmark Restaurant in Mesa. As in the past I'll be posting the menu selections as well as the Ballot for the Election on the Club's Website. That notification will go out on

the Clubs ListServ.

Life is intruding again this week and I'll be making an extended cross country run. I'm flying up to Pasco, WA to rent a U-Haul truck to move my oldest daughter, Nikki, from Pendleton, OR. We'll then be making the run from eastern Oregon, across southern Idaho, down the length of Utah and before making a quick left hand turn at Las Vegas before finally getting home in Mesa. Wish it was spring or fall and making the run in an open TR. That would make for a fun road trip.



Nikki and I in the car we "should" be making our cross country run in.



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Prez Sez - November

Stu Lasswell

November is here, and yet we're still seeing 90+ degrees! Oh well, the mornings are crisp and cool, and I'm sure the temperatures will be dropping soon. My last newsletter contribution was written while in San Diego, having just attended their Brit Car Day, but yet to enjoy Triumphest. Well, with all that's happened since, that seems like an eternity ago!

No doubt all who attended San Diego's Triumphest enjoyed the event, as San Diego offered up some perfect weather to go with the grand coastal scenery. The Del Mar area has some beautiful roads along the beaches, but the seemingly never-ending traffic marred what could have been some epic blasts down those twisty two-lanes!

I won't go into much detail as to any specific events, but will say that DCTRA acquitted itself quite well in all events, from fun-khana and auto-cross through the fun-cours. My TR3 even ended up being put onto a pedestal right after the fun-cours... alright, it was a trailer, but that's a rolling pedestal, right? Yes, I broke my Triumph. After touring thousands of miles, literally crossing the country without mishap, I managed to break it in such a way that no roadside repair could rectify.

I really have no one to blame but myself for the failure. I knew there was a problem and I just failed to rectify it. It seems that Triumph installed a support rod to the clutch slave cylinder for more than just added beauty or complication... without it the slave cylinder mount can flex more than it should. The mount is steel, however, and really quite strong... which just means that the aluminum thing it's attached to (i.e. the bell housing) gets the brunt of the punishment. Results: your clutch stops working due to the slave cylinder (attached to it's steel mount, attached to about a six inch piece of your bell housing), bouncing along the ground under the car!

Actually, it's more of an inconvenience than a serious problem, in that the bell housing can easily be repaired, but it requires the tearing down of much of the drive-line, and I have yet to do that. I plan on doing just that as soon as I think my aching back can handle it... seems all the pushing and pulling and lifting the car and/or trailer has left me painfully unwilling to start in on the project, at least until I can put my socks on without assistance! With the weather getting so nice, however, I think I'm just going to have to bite the bullet and get it done! Happy motoring, and I'll be seeing you at any event I can get to, with or without my Triumph!

Prez Sez - December

Here it is the month of December already.. but you wouldn't know it by the record high temperatures we have been experiencing so far this month. It's perfect roadster weather, or it would be if my roadster were up and running. Yes, my TR3 is still a non-runner, and it's been hard for me to see such nice weather and yet have it be out of commission going on two months now.

As most of you know, I broke my TR back in October in Del Mar during Triumphest, and the repair is not really that complicated or expensive, but does require some time, and that is a commodity that is in short supply. Work is keeping me pretty busy, as has my new-found obsession with auto-crossing. I have been working on a British car a lot in the last couple of weeks, actually, but it's been my daughter Anne's MG B-GT.

After rescuing her a couple of times (dead battery) it was determined that the alternator was not doing it's job. Now this MG is her only car, so it not running means that she takes my MINI hostage until I fix it. Auto-zone ordered me one (a rebuild) and it took over a week to show up. Problem solved... for about three days! Seems we got a bad one, but they couldn't order me another (out of stock) so I ordered another one from British Parts Northwest (new, not rebuilt, and on sale)! There was also the matter of a leaking radiator, not to mention what turned out to be a rotted out thermostat housing that turned out not

to have been housing a thermostat for all these years!

I know I shouldn't be even mentioning MG's in a Triumph publication, but it's just to show you that I haven't been ignoring my British car obsession. I've been racing my MINI and fixing an MG instead of getting my much-loved TR3 back on the road. The only consolation is that with each order of MG repair parts I manage to slip in an order of a few Triumph parts as well. Now I have everything I need to re-do the clutch hydraulic system as well as complete the TR6 to TR3 suspension modifications I've been planning on for a couple of years now. This should make my TR3 a fun and more competent (if not competitive) auto-crosser! For now, I just hope to have it up and running by the meeting next Tuesday, or at least by the Christmas Lights Tour! Plan on attending some of the event coming up this winter. Enjoy your Triumph and the camaraderie of your fellow Triumph devotees!

Minutes of the October Meeting

Bev Peterson

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

44 - people signed the roster:

Jim Bauder – TR	Julian Anderson
Bill Close – TR	Trudy Crable
Ron Cole – TR	Bob Branton
Virgil & Marlene Cole	Gene Glenn
George & Chris Durkin – TR	Joe Glover
Ron Gurnee – TR	Betsy Kavash
Deta Hampsch & Lee Loftin	Stu Lasswell
John & Beth Horton	Bob Mazer
Simon & Marie Kotsailidis – TR	Bob McIlravy
Armand LaCasse – TR	George Montgomery
Mike Long – TR	Jim Medland
Joe Minnick – TR	David & Tyler Riddle
Dave & Denine Muré – TR	Dee Taylor – TR
Kathy Nuss – TR	Pete & Bev Peterson
Ron Price – TR	Bill Pettingell – TR
John & Matt Reynolds – TR	Steve Thompson
Ken Schmidt & Deborah Cooke	Marie Thompson – TR

16 TRIUMPHS WERE DRIVEN TO THE MEETING!

VISITORS: There were no visitors or guests at this meeting.

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of September 14, 2010 were approved as submitted in the October newsletter.

TREASURER: John Reynolds reviewed the club's account balances and reported the income and expenditures for the month. Stu Lasswell requested that the club pay for the group campsite in Prescott for the upcoming camping trip. It was moved & approved to do so.

MEMBERSHIP: Marty Clark was not present to report on membership. Bev Peterson volunteered to keep the membership list up to date.

NEWSLETTER: Dave Riddle requested articles and pictures.

AAHC: John Horton reported the date and location of the next AAHC meeting and urged everyone to attend. Bill Close spoke about a new ordinance in Mesa that would limit the number of cars you can keep in your back yard. He asked everyone to email or call the Mayor, Vice Mayor or Council members of Mesa to protest this ordinance.

TECHNICAL: Ron Gurnee spoke about the brake light switch on his TR7. Armand LaCasse spoke about a clutch bracket.

EVENTS: Matt Reynolds reported on events including the upcoming October 16/17 camping trip in Payson, the Orphan Car Show at Los Olivos Park on October 17 and the British Voyage on October 23/24. Look for other events information in the newsletter and on our website: www.dctra.org

OLD BUSINESS: The results of the 2010 Triumphest Autocross event were reviewed: Ken Schmidt made the fastest run of the day. Armand LaCasse placed 2nd in the 6-cylinder open class. Stu Lasswell came in 2nd in the 4-cylinder open class. Dave Muré was 1st and John Nuss was 2nd in the Spitfire class.

Kathy Nuss was 2nd in the 4-cylinder women's event. Dave & Denine Muré were 2nd in the Funkhana. All DCTRA cars got gold's except for one silver & one bronze.



NEW BUSINESS: Nominations for 2011 club officers was opened:

President: John Horton
George Montgomery
VP/Events: Matt Reynolds
Treasurer: John Reynolds
Secretary: Bev Peterson

A host and date were requested for the Christmas Party. Pete Peterson volunteered to host the party on January 22, 2011 making it a "Christmas in January" party.

Bob Branton said that, as an advertiser in British Car Magazine, he receives a number of free copies that he will share with club members.

Denine Muré reported that there is a possibility that the meeting next month will be held elsewhere (maybe the Denny's at Scottsdale Road and the 202?) since this Denny's is planning a remodeling project.

MONTHLY OWNERSHIP UPDATE: There was nothing reported.

TRIUMPHEST 2012: Kathy Nuss distributed a sign-up sheet for volunteers to work the various events.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes of the November Meeting

Bev Peterson

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

36 - people signed the roster:

Jim Andres – TR	Jim Bauder – TR
Jim Bartels	Pete Bowen
Bob Branton	Bill Close – TR
Marty Clark	Virgil & Marlene Cole
George & Chris Durkin – TR	Dave Fore
Larry Gardner (Visitor)	Ron Gurnee
Deta Hampsch & Lee Loftin	John Horton

Jim Hughes – TR	Betsy Kavash
Martin Jones – Triumph motorcycle	
Armand LaCasse – TR (the white GT6)	
Stu Lasswell	Jim Medland
George Montgomery – TR	Frank & Ann Montone
Dave & Denine Muré – Austin Healey	
Linda Nicholson	Kathy Nuss – TR
Pete & Bev Peterson	
John & Matt Reynolds – TR	
Ken Schmidt & Deborah Cooke	

10 TRIUMPHS WERE DRIVEN TO THE MEETING!

VISITOR: Larry Gardner – 1969 TR6

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of October 12, 2010 were not approved because the newsletter containing them has not yet been published.

TREASURER: John Reynolds reviewed the club's account balances and reported the income and expenditures for the month. He explained that the bank where the club had its accounts has closed and he has opened new accounts at another bank.

MEMBERSHIP: Marty Clark was present and reported 126 members on the roster.

NEWSLETTER: Dave Riddle was not present to report.

AAHC: John Horton reported on the last AAHC meeting at Discover Classic Cars in Scottsdale. He explained that future meetings will be held at different locations throughout the valley. He said nothing is happening legislatively right now.

TECHNICAL: Armand LaCasse had nothing to report. John Horton requested scheduling a work day to get Zane's TR7 cleaned up and running so it can be sold and the proceeds given to Jackie. Bob Branton reported on the "best quality ever" aluminum radiator supplier that he found – call him for more information. Several different club members spoke about problems with the quality of some recently ordered products. Jim Bauder complimented the Roadster Factory for being so helpful at Triumphfest and replacing his defective trunk seal.

EVENTS: Matt Reynolds reported on upcoming events. Look for other events information in the newsletter and on our website: www.dctra.org

OLD BUSINESS: Linda Nicholson reported on the Brighton Rally that was held on October 30. She said it was well worth the \$50 entry fee since you got lots of food & beverages, goodie bags, T-shirts and more. The route was interesting with stops along the way, including Busted Knuckles in Carefree.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business.

MONTHLY OWNERSHIP UPDATE: There was nothing reported.

TRIUMPHEST 2012: George Durkin reported on his progress in getting Flagstaff for the location.

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

Guest - Prez Sez

John Sisler - Triumph Travelers

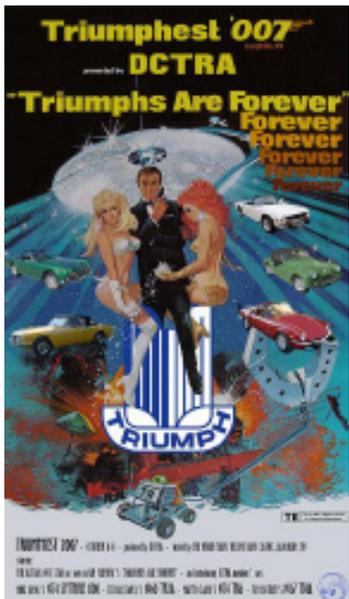
Here we are at the end of the year, and I find myself reflecting on what was accomplished, or not accomplished, and what contributions were made to our "bottom line" of being a club with a charter of "Preservation of the Marque" of Triumphs cars. Ooh-kay... I guess we could say we did some of that. But quite honestly it might be hard to find amidst all the other things we do. I did some checking, and you know what? Someone quite intelligent went to the trouble of updating the club by-laws to reflect our current status, and here is what is currently stated: "The purpose

of this organization is to provide the owners of Triumphs and Triumph related vehicles an opportunity to meet, socialize, and participate in various sports car activities." Whew. That's better. That doesn't box us into anything at all, which is in fact a much better reflection of what we really do.

As next year begins, some of the questions that will come up will be about how many directions we can be pulled at once. It's a small club, but with a very active membership and I hope everyone continues to find some activity or event that really "floats their boat" and makes them want to stick around to do it again. But it's clear that the entire membership of the club won't be able to care for every single thing on the schedule. That just doesn't happen. We've talked about this before but over time I think the best explanation I can come up with it that the club is like a shopping mall. Not everyone who goes to the mall plans to shop at Macy's. Some plan to simply buy engine oil at Sears. And just like a mall, the club has multiple entrances. Some enter directly to Sears while others enter directly to Macy's. It's human nature that all of our various "personalities" don't necessarily want to stand in line together, and smart shopping malls recognize this and are laid out accordingly. And despite all their efforts there is still a faction of people that will never shop there, or only use it occasionally, if at all. But the mall stays open because it is not a specialty shop. It doesn't try to be "one thing, and one thing well." It remains a destination that fits the bill loosely for a greater number of personalities, and that is how it works.

That's how I view the club. We aren't stuck on one type of activity, we keep the doors open to the whole variety. Whether you are a car show enthusiast, and enjoy a light Chardonnay from a fluted glass while sitting in a low-slung chair beside your car on display, or whether you wear a dirty t-shirt and plan to use the grease of a pizza to get the smell of brake

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fluid off your fingers. Whether you drive stately and smoothly among the countryside blooming with spring growth, or whether you go sideways into a turn and scrub speed as you attempt greater and greater late-braking. Whether you come to ask what a Triumph looks like, or whether you come to discuss which month of the year the factory swapped tail-lights in 1958, I'd like to believe we have a place for you. That's what we're about. Car show folks. Autocross folks. Homegrown mechanics. History buffs. Perfectionists. These silly old cars need them all.

Even a homegrown mechanical perfectionist who cleans their car to car show quality only to drives it in an autocross where they can discuss history while having wine with their pizza: I'd like to believe there will always be a place for you too.

Activity Ideas

Jim Bauder

In Nov. of last year there was a fairly active discussion on the TR List on how to keep our sports car club meetings interesting and also how to keep the club members active and involved. I must apologize for leaving this in my 'To do Something With' for a year!!

George Hahn from the 'Tucson British Car Register' offered one of the best responses. There are some very interesting things that their club does.

Check it out and think about it! If any thing sounds of interest, lets discuss it tomorrow night!

Our local all-marque club (Tucson British Car Register) is very active, typically 3 or 4 driving events each month, an annual 3-day event, 4 or 5 coffee gatherings every month and tech sessions and lift days as the mood strikes. The meetings are deadly dull but no one really minds so long as the rest of the activities keep coming.

We tried speakers and members' presentations but soon lapsed back into the basic club business -- we seem to have short attention spans if we are not in the driver's seat or within sight of our car.

Events include:

Breakfast Run on the 2nd Saturday -- about an hour drive to a cheap greasy breakfast. Usually about 30+ people, lots of wives attend.

Lunch Drive on 4th Saturday -- also an hour or so, also 30+ people (though not the exact same crowd as breakfast) and most with wives along.

Bonus Breakfast Run -- do this every time a month has 5 Saturdays.

BritCar Cafe -- meet every Tuesday at a Starbucks, 7:30 to 10:00 or so. Get about 20 guys, some stop in on their way to work, others are there for the duration. Wives only attend once and realize this is the guys' time.

Mad Dogs and Englishmen -- 100 miles in 100 degree heat. For some reason, can only get people to do this once a year. Wives usually opt to meet us at the end for gelato.

December Mystery Run -- 100 mile cruise to breakfast, route and destination withheld until the start. Typically on the morning of the day of the evening Holiday Party.

Tech Sessions -- occur when someone is tackling an interesting or unfamiliar task. Many show up, some do work, others watch and eat donuts. 2 or 3 per year.

Lift Days - from time to time, always have one prior to a major long-distance event. Members can do minor tasks under the car or just check things prior to a big drive.

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One rule is that at the end of the day all non-runners get pushed to the curb (hasn't happened yet). 3 or 4 per year.

Wednesday Drive -- a new event begun this month. Longer drive (about 2 hours) to lunch somewhere in southern AZ. Should be great for retirees and those members who jobs have them working on Saturday.

Roundup (Feb) -- our annual 3-day event, draws in cars from CA and NM.

Club drives to participate in out-of-town events: BEAT (Phx-Flag), Rendezvous (Albu club) and the Las Cruces Brit Car days.

Roadrunner (Oct) -- non-club event but mostly Tucson club members on a 1000 mile 3-day loop for pre-1980 Brit cars.

Activity Ideas - Continued

John Horton

CLUB ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS

After reviewing the email from Jim Bauder about the Tucson club, perhaps we should to review our meeting and activity schedule. Although Tucson itself is much smaller than the Phoenix metro area, some lessons can be learned.

It has been difficult in the past to schedule events in advance. . I do not think we could schedule a year's events in advance but a few weeks advance is workable. Matt Reynolds has done a remarkable job this year with interesting events, although most were scheduled in the eastern part of the valley. Perhaps we could try to have events that would go to most of the valley areas. I do have to admit that the east valley has interesting areas.

I would propose an evening run thru paradise valley for city lights to end at a nice restaurant (Mexican) in that area. We certainly have



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tech secessions at my shop and go to welding, machining, and under car inspections, using my lift. A special morning or evening event could be scheduled. We do drive to eat, perhaps we should wind up at a different place, I.E. museum, car show,



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or sports event.

The club meetings could include presentations from different vendors and information related to classic cars. Ideas should be presented at a future meeting. Our meetings are well attended, and Stu does an admirable job. Meetings that last just over an hour should be OK, including some informational presentations.

The "British breakfast runs are well attended, give them a try. I will try to find a drive in listing for us.

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

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

1979 Spitfire For Sale Dave Mure 602-292-9350



Calendar of Events

For more information or to sign up for an event, visit the DC TRA web site events page (www.dctra.org). Also, check the link to "Arizona Car Shows" on the 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 Matt Reynolds, VP and Activities 480-968-6078 / bsatr6@yahoo.com

Arizona Auto Scene (www.arizonaautoscene.com) is Arizona's newest, most complete resource for automotive related events, cruises, news and more. We also feature free classified ads. Please take a look. If you like the site, please share it with your friends.

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Membership

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

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.

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 of 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

Recommended Upgrade

Jim Bauder

I pulled the attached from Charles Runyon's Weekly emailed catalog

<http://www.zeni.net/trf/weekend/1.php>

I think that the new Crankshaft Seal Kit featured is important enough to pass around!

FROM: The Roadster Factory
UPGRADED REAR ENGINE SEALS AND CENTERING TOOLS, TR2, TR3, TR4, TR4A

"New Lip-Type Seal Requires No Modification to the Crankshaft or Engine Block"

The quest continues to stop oil leaks around the rear of the crankshaft! The new seal is a very high quality Viton seal fitted to a modified stock seal casting. Viton is way beyond Neoprene, and it is used in expensive applications where long life is required. This product was developed by a Triumph racer in Germany. He is having the Viton seal manufactured there, and Joe Alexander of ARE is importing them and

adapting stock rear seals to take the new lip seal.

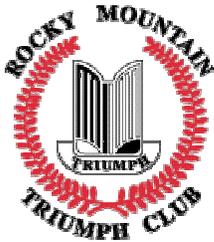
Other lip seal conversions require machining of the crankshaft and an expensive new seal casting. Once you have modified your crankshaft, it cannot take the stock seal again. The ARE seal kit listed here fits your stock crank and block. This avoids the cost of machining and the chance that the crankshaft might be ruined in the process. In addition, you have the choice to go back to the stock seal again at some future time if you wish.

The original workshop manuals provide instructions for making a tool for centering the rear engine seal. Regrettably, the dimensions provided for this tool are incorrect! Joe Alexander worked with Kas Kastner to correct the dimensions, and the centering tools provided in the kits or available for purchase separately are correct. Mr. Kastner will discuss the new seal and the centering tool in his forthcoming book (No. 4) which is being published now, and TRF will list as soon as it comes into stock.

I regret that, for the moment, the seal kit will be non-discountable, as there is virtually no profit to ARE or to TRF...

Part No.	Description	List Price
HP600	UPGRADED REAR ENGINE SEAL KIT Includes Viton Seal, modified seal casting, and 'new' style centering tool	149.00
CORE25	Core Charge on Seal Casting You can send your old seal casting back to TRF by mail in a padded envelope for a very small amount	25.00
RFT130	Centering Tool Use this tool to center seal on the block upon installation; Note: this tool also centers the original rear engine scroll seal castings!	46.95

Press Release – For Immediate Release



To all Vintage Triumph Register Member Clubs:

The Vintage Triumph Register and the host Rocky Mountain Triumph Club, LLC invite you to join us for *Triumph in the Rockies III*, August 17-21, 2011 at the Beaver Run Resort in Breckenridge, Colorado. The Rocky Mountains of central Colorado, with some of the most breathtaking scenery in America, formed the backdrop for the 1990 and 2001 VTR National Conventions held in Colorado. Enthusiasts came from as far away as England to drive Triumphs through such fabled Colorado mining towns as Leadville and Aspen on their way to the even-older (1859) gold mining boomtown known to locals as “The Kingdom of Breckenridge.”

The August week will be a marvelous opportunity for Triumph enthusiasts to join together for sunny days, cool nights, and unique events. The fun begins with a scenic Fun Rally/Tour winding through ghost towns and over mountain passes from Breckenridge. Another driving event is a time-speed-distance Rally through the rugged canyons of the central Rockies, designed to challenge both the novice and the experienced rallyist. The week also includes the Car Show, the Concours d’ Elegance, the Funkhana, the Autocross, Tech Sessions, historic Walking Tours, the Model and Craft Show, and the Banquet and Awards Presentation.

To turn your summer trip into a longer vacation in Colorado, you can emulate Presidents Teddy Roosevelt and William Howard Taft in fly-fishing nearby trout-laden rivers, then taking high tea in a 19th Century hot springs resort. These historic spas abound, with Glenwood Springs to the west, Steamboat Springs to the north, Mt. Princeton Hot Springs to the south, and Manitou Springs to the east. Tour Breckenridge’s Country Boy Gold Mine to glimpse the less glamorous side of early Colorado life. Finally, add some excitement those presidents never experienced—an exhilarating raft trip on the Arkansas or Colorado River, followed by a ski lift ride up a spectacular mountain with a mile-a-minute alpine slide trip back to the bottom.

Triumph in the Rockies III—don’t miss it! Additional information is available at <http://vtr2011.com> and on the Rocky Mountain Triumph Club, LLC website at <http://rockymountaintr.org/>. Hotel information can be found at <http://beaverrun.com/>.

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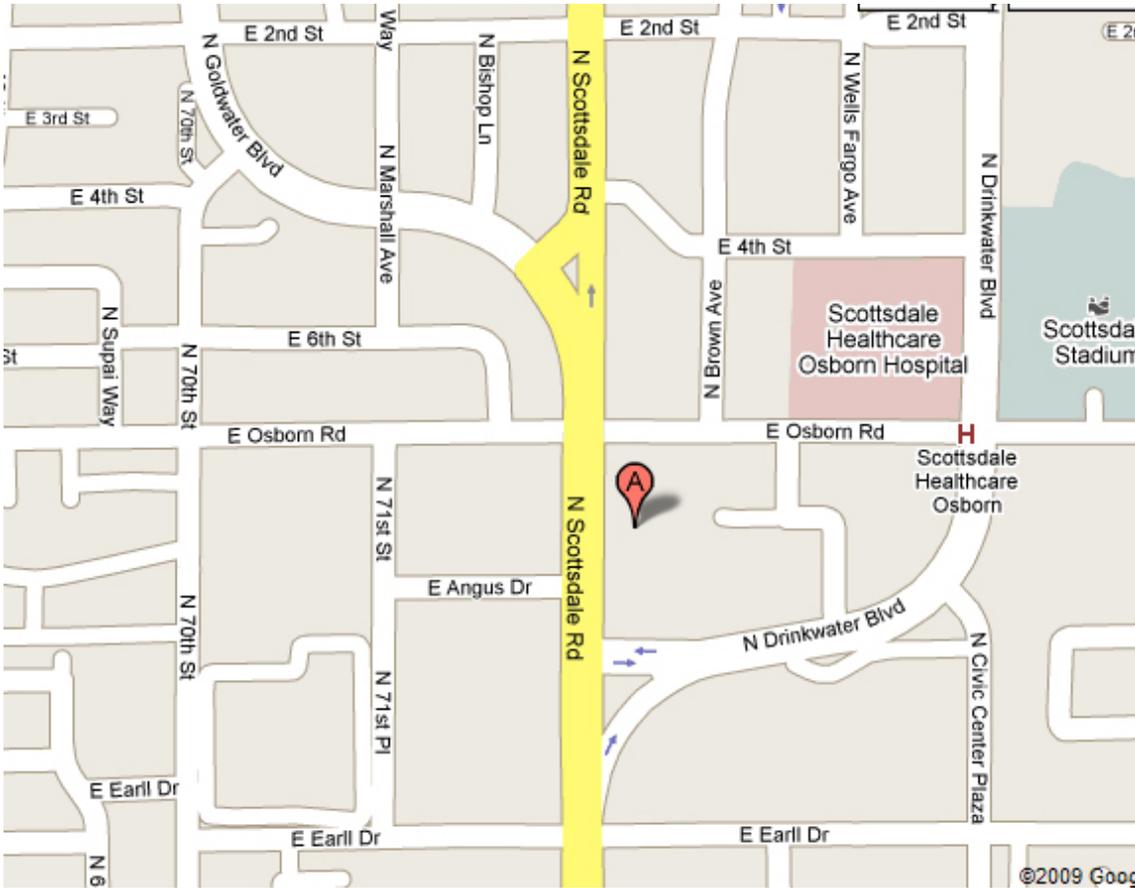
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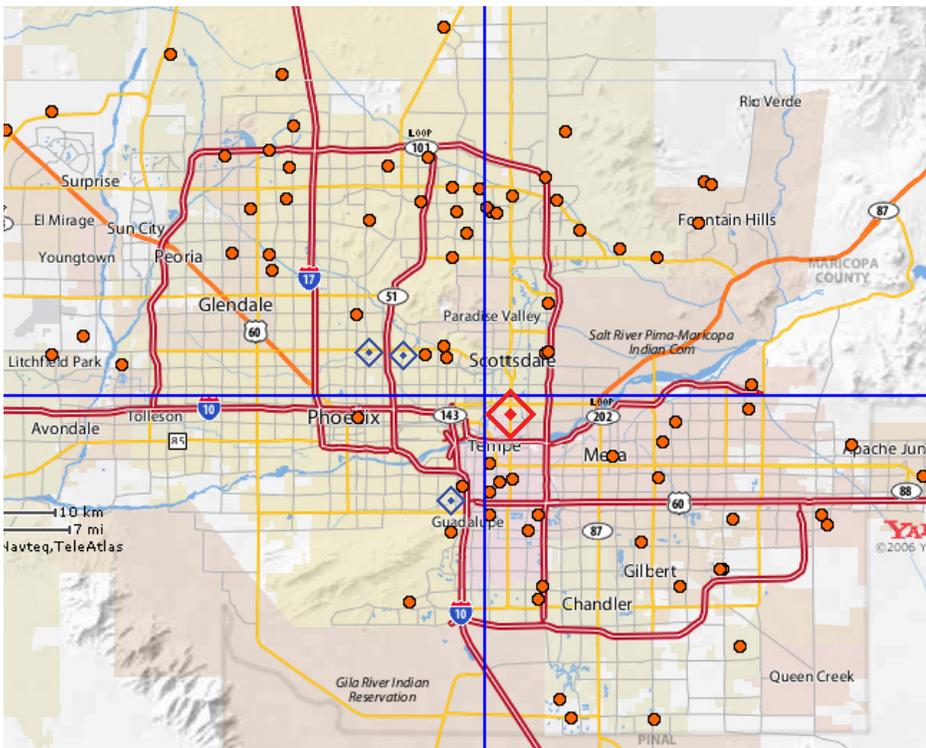
Regular DCTRA Meeting Location!



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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