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Cover: New member on the Triumph TR6 owners & Fan group on Facebook.

Prez Sez – February 2026

From the desk of Roger A. Prior, Jr.

In order to better assist George Montgomery and meet publishing deadlines, this month's column will be different in respects due to events occurring late in January. As a reminder, aside from not being an M.D. I am also not Johnny Carson's 'Carnak the Magnificent' the 'mystic from the East', and as much as I would like to as I am writing my monthly column - unable to comment on events that have not occurred though in the month of January.

The DCTRA Events Calendar is full of items you may wish to attend and even participate – thanks V. Pres. John Carroll. John is not 'Carnak the Magnificent' either that I know of so please lend a hand and inform John of any events you hear of so he may include in our monthly Events Calendar – 'pop up' events do occur and may even short notice emails may be required during this busy Winter season of auto related events for enthusiasts.

As we are rolling into 2026 now and 'setting the table', much to 'dwell' on regarding keeping Triumphest '26 'on track'. Event Chair, Ron Cole and his Triumphest '26 Leadership team, are taking an almost daily pulse of all facets of the many necessary time sensitive details with your help. Extra help is always welcome – so if you have 'extra time' on your hands and wish to pitch in please give Ron a call. DCTRA's hosting of Triumphest '26 will be enjoyed as a true club event the more of us club members are involved.

George is helping me every month by watching my punctuation, as I am not a member of The Society of English Majors either – 'where does that apostrophe go'? Thank you, George. It's wonderful for the club to have a published writer hold down the tasks involved with our newsletter, *TRiumph TRumpeter*.

Volunteer activities with the Arizona Concours d' Elegance January 17-19th. This was my fourth year as a volunteer doing the Friday morning shift from 07:00-13:00. DCTRA Bob Mazer and crew did a fine job of keeping the arriving entrants registered and parked in the garage. My two jobs Friday were 1) to help set up the up the rolls of orange plastic bird stop with volunteer Steve Loy then 2) traffic control attendant as trailers were unloaded. I returned Sunday to enjoy the awards ceremony and take many photos of the 'field of dreams'. On Friday listened to entrant Lyman Scherer telling me the story of his difficulties renting the 3500 series trucks (no manual transmissions please) he needs for his car activities (all trucks had been reserved by U.S. Forestry Dept.) While setting up the bird stop with Steve – he told me of his professional involvement helping prepare 'at least' five entrant's cars for this Arizona Concours and helping other owners get ready for last season's Pebble Beach. If his schedule will allow Steve *may be able to give a presentation* to DCTRA at a future meeting this year. Steve seemed to know everybody at the Concours. Note – A feature article will appear in a future newsletter regarding the Concours with many photos.

From the desk of the Miscellaneous Musings Dept. I look forward to the short month of February beginning with Groundhog Day as relating to springtime weather for us in Arizona.

As promised, this column will be short as I am already tardy in sending off to George for the 15th monthly deadline but wanted to include DCTRA involvement with the Arizona Concours.

Cheers and keep driving your favorite Triumph often.

Roger A. Prior, Jr.
DCTRA President

EDITOR'S DESK

George M Montgomery
February 2026

Those of you who did not get to attend our Election Brunch last week missed a pleasurable event, in both food and charming host and hostess. Scott's eight car garage was over-flowing with delightful vehicles, any of which would fit in my imaginary ten car garage. (A game I have entertained myself with since I was in high school.) He was only missing a 1957 Ferrari Testa Rosa and a 1965 Ford Mustang.

Our elected slate of officers make it easy for me in preparing and formatting our newsletter. I only have to change one appointed position, that of Tony Chapman as our Technical Advisor. I think Armand LaCasse has held that position almost since I joint the Club in 1999. At least since John Horton.

There are a plethora of activities going on this month. In looking at John Carroll's list of events, there's something going on each weekend from the Drive Your Triumph Day, TR and MG joint Noggin & Natter, Concours in the Hills-Fountain Hills Lake and Dave Ker's Tin Lizzy roundup, plus various other car shows, and breakfast runs and coffee meets. Is it a wonder that fall, winter and spring are my favorite seasons?

However, winter is a tough time to walk my dog in the mornings. *Oh, just let him out into the backyard.* You say. He's blind and almost 12 years old so he must have a leash on him and walked down the steps and out to the sidewalk. *Well, wait until 9 or 10 am and it warms up.* But, he hasn't been out to pee since 9 pm the night before. Can you wait 12 hours? Any way he's a very cute little dog, a Boston Terrier, and a lot of fun playing tug. He's a loving little guy and leans against you to hug while you scratch him.

Our meeting (location mentioned elsewhere within this n/l) happens to fall on the same day as Drive Your Triumph Day. It'd be great if everyone could drive their Triumph (at least if it's running) to the meeting, either to the K-1 Race or to the Four Peaks Brewery. We could have an outstanding group photo to Rye Livingston's website. I hope to see you there either way.

George.

DCTRA Events February and beyond 2026

- **Noggin & Natter Triumph & MG Saturday February 7th.** 10am-12pm. 1610 Glendale Ave, Phoenix, 85021. Joint participation event at Beatitudes Campus North central Phoenix and parade through the Campus. Contact Dennis McAliister to confirm your attendance. dmcall@cox.net or 602-791-7774

DCTRA Meeting Details Tuesday February 10th (Also Drive Your Triumph Day)

- 4pm - 6pm K1 Racing Karts 2501 E Magnolia St, Phoenix, AZ 85034. Details to follow.
- 6:30pm -8pm Four Peaks Beer Garden- 1340 E 8th Street, Tempe, AZ 85281

The K1 Race is purely for those interested and will cost \$80 per person each.

Everyone else meets at 6:30pm at Four Peaks

The DCTRA will subsidize the K1 Kart event prior to the meeting.

The costs per person will be \$35 (DCTRA \$30 + Driver \$35).

- **Drive Your Triumph Day- Tuesday February 10th.** Take your beloved car on a simple drive to the grocery store, or to a park. Take a picture of it . Or if it's under repair take photos of that and share it with Rye Livingston of TTSCC who will announce a new web location for everyone's photos and cars Nationwide and indeed Worldwide. To be advised.
- **Concours in the Hills-Fountain Hills Lake. Saturday February 14th** Phoenix Children's Hospital Charity Event. 10am-3pm. Registration \$85
 - <https://phoenixchildrensfoundation.org/signature/concours/>
- **Tin Lizzy Ranch – Dave Ker Invitational. Saturday February 21st** Come along and enjoy Dave's hospitality and on-site museum. Dave and Aaron will host us. Address is: 22519 W Lower Buckeye Rd, 85326: Contact Dave directly to join in the fun. 623-341-6386 or email davidterry1909@gmail.com
- **Casa Paloma Cars & Coffee 2nd Saturday every Month until April 2026 8am-10am. All Welcome.** Meet at Casa Paloma Plaza 7131 W Ray Rd, Chandler 85226
- **Ongoing Members Breakfast. Every Friday** East Valley and West Valley. Contact John Carroll for details. 480-622-8502. <https://arizonacarsandcoffee.com/>

Check this web site out for various C&C and Car shows around Arizona

www.arizonacarshows.com

NEXT CLUB MEETING: February 10, 2026 - a Zoom link will be sent out.

February 2026 Membership Report:

By Scott Porter

DCTRA's January 2026 Election Brunch had 37 in attendance. Christie and I enjoyed hosting, having such a beautiful sunny afternoon, and thank you to everyone that was able to attend. It was exciting to have 10 Triumph's parked in the drive; my neighbor texted me that Sunday evening, asking why he wasn't invited to "my amazing Triumph car show"... Christie and I loved all the energy at the meeting, for the all the cars and each other. This is definitely an amazing group. It was wonderful having so many significant others attend the meeting as well. Thank you spouses for your support. I think we are all glad Armand could attend the meeting, albeit as a picture cut out on a stick, and thank you, Roger, for the effort and fun! Finally, another big round of applause for Pete (and Bev's) win of the inaugural "It Leaks Award". I hope the award finds a place of honor in your home garage... The club continues to make progress on refreshing our Triumph memorabilia in the run up to this year's Triumphfest, thank you Ron Cole, and we continue to have the following items available: Grille Badges (\$12), License Plate frames, chrome or black, (\$7), TR Pins - 3 types (\$5), and DCTRA Patches (\$3). As always, I hope this update finds everyone well and Happy Valentines Day to you and yours.

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Annual Election Brunch

DCTRA Minutes

January 25, 2026

The Annual Election Brunch was held @ the home of Scott & Christie Porter, Scottsdale. An abbreviated business meeting was held and called to order @ 1:05 pm by Roger Prior, President.

Members in attendance: George Montgomery, Ron Gurnee, Kate Kelsey, Debroah Cooke, Roger Prior, Butch Koenig, Craig Kenyon, Deb O'Brien, Pete and Bev Peterson, John Heisser, Rick and Linda Hartman, Ron Mazer, Chuck Kerzan, Mary White, Chris and George Durkin, Randy Koontz, Annette Cordova, Tony Chapman, Micheal Samuel, Mark Weinburg, Scott Drysdale, John Carrole, John and Kathy Nuss, Scott and Christie Porter

(Yes, there's only 29 names above, 8 folks did not get on the attendee list. How do I know you ask? We served 37 glass of Champagne at the election brunch toast! Scott Porter, Membership)

Treasurer's report: In Armand LaCasse's absence, his 2025 income and expense report was posted.

Election of Officers: The current slate of officers was announced @ December 2025 meeting. It was agreed that those currently serving would be carried into this next year. Ron Guidry then made a motion to re-elect those officers currently serving. Motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

New Business: Roger announced that Tony Chapman will take over as the club's new Technical Advisor to replace Armand LaCasse who is currently serving as Treasurer.

Roger also announced that Craig Kenyon will conduct the Tech Sessions @ the club's upcoming Triumphest in September.

John Heisser presented the banner he's had since the 2012 Triumphest.

Business meeting and Brunch concluded w/ traditional champagne toast and many thanks to our hosts Scott and Christie Porter.

Motion to adjourn @ 1:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Mary A White Secretary

Extra Car Show

Hello DCTRAland,

There is a car show at Heritage School in Mesa February 28.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/heritage-academy-downtown-mesa/2026-car-show/1848600219356611/>

It is a smaller show, but the entertainment is enjoyable. Show your car and listen to talented high school choir kids.

Kathy and I attended last year and enjoyed the kids, talking with other enthusiasts, and the food was pretty good, too. It is a fund raiser for the school music program.

The other is a request from Robin Rost, one of the directors of the Phoenix Children's Chorus. The group is performing a fund raiser on Saturday, March 7. The show is called "British Invasion," and Robin, sponsor of the above-mentioned car show, thought a couple of British cars would be an appropriate addition to the event. She is asking to have two British cars parked near the entrance of the shrine auditorium from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Any takers?

<https://www.phoenixchildrenschorus.org/gala>

Phoenix Children's Chorus British Invasion
552 N. 40th St. Phoenix
Cars in place at 4:30 until 6:30.

John Nuss

Election Brunch Meeting – January 25th, 2026

Hosts: Christie and Scott Porter-Scottsdale

John Carroll, VP, DCTRA.

Each year we gather at the first monthly DCTRA meeting to have a formal board meeting and social get together. This year we switched things up and decided to keep it a DCTRA Lite meeting. This opened up possibilities for different locations and venue to host us. Having spent and made several calls around the Valley to local restaurants and meeting locations, I spoke with Scott Porter our Membership Secretary about hosting us in their beautiful Scottsdale home.

Scott and Christie Porter were delighted to provide their specious yard to have multiple Triumphs parked up and a simple but delicious selection of food, curtesy of the DCTRA Club. And so, we gathered on NFL Playoff Sunday at their stunning home.



DCTRA Election Brunch Group Gathering

Roger Prior our President make a simple short and effective introduction and covered the basic principles of every DCTRA meeting. Ron Gurnee made a proposal that the current board of officers remain for the next year's session. It was seconded and approved. The 2026 current board positions are as follows:

DCTRA Board Members 2026

Roger Prior-
John Carroll-
Armand Le Casse-
Mary White-

President
Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary

Roger introduced a new member to take over the Technical Adviser Role. Tony Chapman, who lives in Paradise Valley, will be that person. Once we toasted the new board members, we judged, or rather I did, a fun, silly idea of a "It Leaks Award". Every vehicle has the

Election Brunch Meeting (cont)

same absorbent material under its car for a few hours. The resulting decision was the TR2 of Pete and Bev Peterson. It was a fun way to celebrate our cherished LBC.



The cars line up for their playdate



Beautiful Backyard setting



The 2026 Team, including our missing Treasurer



Team DCTRA 2026

Triumphest TR Parts Requested

To: members (members@dctra.org)

Time is creeping up on us. We are encouraging members to donate any new or working triumph parts, gift baskets or anything you would enjoy receiving as a prize for our raffle. If your prize is not perishable, please bring it to our next meeting. If you are donating something perishable, please bring a description so we can make the cards to place on your donation.

Thank you so much for your generosity in making this the best Triumphest raffle ever!

Ron Gurnee, Raffle Host

Post Holiday Gift Breakfast- Friday, January 23rd, 2026

By John Carroll, VP DCTRA

One of the many breakfast locations I rotate through each week is Egg n Joes in Chandler. For this occasion, we met at 7:00 am and enjoyed some chat about our cars as is the usual drill. We sat down to enjoy a delicious breakfast when Craig Kenyon asked me to officiate with a short introduction of a raffle. The cool part is everyone was going to be a winner.

We each drew a number and the box Craig donated was effectively an Advent Calendar of small wine bottles. As you can see once the little bottles were allocated the horse trading soon started.



L-R Rick Hart, Keith Davis, Bob McIlly, John Carroll, Craig Kenyon
Todd Schiller, Tony Chapman, Dave Turner. (Not in the picture were John Reynolds,
Randy Kootz and picture taken by Lloyd Briggs).

Many thanks to Craig and Linda Kenyon for the generous gift which we all shared. We like these kinds of unique breakfasts.

John Carroll, VP, DCTRA.



Noggin and Natter Event – Triumph & MG

February 7, 2026

Want to participate in a low-stress and fun classic British car event? Then, plan ahead and bring your LBC to the Beatitudes Campus in North Central Phoenix and share memories and stories with a robust group of seniors who are very interested in this era of cars.

The Beatitudes Campus has 600 residents, most of whom are active in the community, volunteer around town, and love to share stories. We will have dedicated parking for 30 cars in the entrance parking lot along Glendale Avenue. (Possibly room for more if interest is strong). Parking “marshals” will guide all cars to their special spots.

Show Details:

- Saturday, February 7, 2026
- Show from 10am to 12pm. Arrive after 9:30am.
 - Address is 1610 W. Glendale Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85021. (Marshals will assist with parking.)
- There will be food and refreshments supplied by the campus.
- 60’s Music will be provided.
- In addition to residents, the event will be open to the local neighborhood.
- At 12pm, we will “fire up our engines” and conduct a slow parade through the 38-acre campus as we exit on 17th Avenue.

Event host: Dennis McAllister

If you plan to join us, you **MUST RSVP** with name, car and co-driver (if any), to dmcall52@cox.net. If there are any questions, Dennis can be reached at 602-791-7774 (cell).

Our Web Master



Tech Tip for February 2026

Article and photo by Roger Prior

The following Tech Tip was previously published in the **Haggerty Drivers Club** magazine, Issue #92 (July – Aug 2025) p.135 and featured in the article entitled “The Things I Carry-Tools and parts to get you unstuck” by Rob Siegel.

Quoting from the informative article . . . “SPARES - For fuel delivery, I pack a fuel pump, fuel filter and a length of rubber fuel hose. If your car has an electric fuel pump switched on by a relay, it’s good to know the relay’s location and the pinout of the socket, and to bring a short jumper wire with male spade connectors at both ends so you can jump pin 30 and 87 and bypass the relay. For the charging system, a spare voltage regulator is smart as they’re more likely to fail or wear out than the alternator. I recommend using a cigarette-lighter phone charger that displays the voltage. That way if it reads 12.6 volts when the engine is running (instead of the 13.5 to 14.2 volts it should be reading), you’ll know that your alternator isn’t charging your battery.” Close quote.

Additional Note from Roger – personally I have installed a standard 12v cigarette lighter outlet under the TR6 dash and plug in a phone charger that displays the battery voltage as Mr. Segal suggests. This way I can peek at the display anytime and see what the battery voltage is – pretty handy, convenient and quick. Please refer to the accompanying photo. In addition, kudos to article author Mr. Rob Siegal, noted longtime “author of eight automotive books, including *Memoirs of a Hack Mechanic* from Bentley Publishers”. For years I owned several BMW 2002s and a 1970 BMW 2800 (all were previously owned ☺) and enjoyed Rob Siegal’s tech articles published in the BMWCCA monthly publication **Roundel** entitled *The Hack Mechanic* for over 35 years.



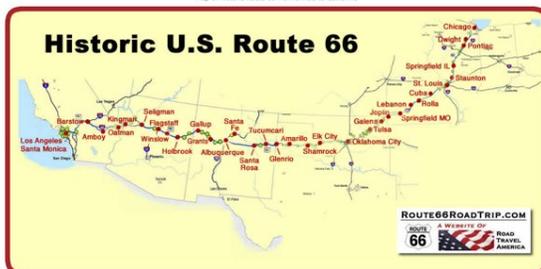
Celebrating 100 years of Route 66

Wynnell Gorman, Bits of Triumph
V.P Southwest Texas Triumph Club

US Highway 66 also known as Route 66 or the Mother Road, stretches 2448 miles from Chicago, IL to Santa Monica, CA. Those miles are captured in these states: Illinois with 301, Missouri with 317, Kansas with 13, Oklahoma with 432, Texas with 186, New Mexico with 487, Arizona with 401 and California with 314.



66 Map from Beginning to End, from Chicago to Santa Monica
Map of Historic Route 66 from Illinois to California



Route 66 however, is not just a road; it is a journey through American history, culture and natural beauty with the National Park Service playing a vital role in preserving its legacy. Whether you're interested in historic sites, scenic landscapes, or the stories of those who traveled this iconic highway, Route 66 offers something for everyone.

Route 66 had its official beginnings on November 11, 1926 when the Bureau of Public Roads launched the nation's first Federal highway system. Like other highways in the system, the path of Route 66 was a cobbling together of existing local, State, and national roads. The highway quickly became a popular route because of the active promotion of the U.S 66 Highway Association, which advertised it as "the shortest, best and most scenic route" from Chicago through St. Louis to Los Angeles.

In its early days it became an affordable pathway for people to travel west away from the 'Dust Bowl' and Great Depression woes. Its maintenance was provided as part of the Great Depression public works program. By 1938, it was the first highway to be completely paved in the U.S. as reported by the Federal Highway administration.

During World War II, it became a vital military mobilization corridor and provided a way for workers to relocate to California, Washington & Oregon for jobs in the defense support factories.

During the post war years, more Americans owned cars and with no more travel restrictions, Route 66 was an adventure, not an escape. The famous song, "Get Your Kicks on Route 66" was written by Bobby Troup in 1946, recorded in 1956 by Nat King Cole, & then re-released by Chuck Berry in 1961 capturing the excitement of travelling on Route 66.

"Store owners, motel managers, and gas station attendants recognized early on that even the poorest travelers required food, automobile maintenance, and adequate lodging. Just as New Deal work relief programs provided employment with the construction and the maintenance of Route 66, the appearance of countless tourist courts, garages, and diners promised sustained economic growth after the road's completion. If military use of the highway during wartime ensured the early success of roadside businesses, the demands of the new

Celebrating 100 years of Route 66

tourism industry in the postwar decades gave rise to modern facilities that guaranteed long-term prosperity.”

In 1956, President Eisenhower signed the Federal -Aid Highway Act, to build interstate highways. These interstate highways would not follow Route 66's established path by towns but cut through the countryside with the shortest distances possible. During the 1950s - the 1980s Interstate highways I-55, I-44, I-40, I-15, and I-10 replaced Route 66 and made it obsolete. In 1985, Route 66 was officially decommissioned.

That said, historic Route 66 is not entirely gone today. In 1990, Congress recognized that the famous Route 66 had "become a symbol of the American people's heritage of travel and their legacy of seeking a better life." Then, in 1999, President Bill Clinton signed a National Route 66 Preservation Bill that provided \$10 million to preserve and restore features of the iconic road. And in 2008, the World Monuments Fund put Route 66 on its list of the 100 Most Endangered Sites, which has also spurred efforts to preserve the road.

Though it's decommissioned today, the famed highway is far from forgotten. According to *Smithsonian Magazine*, 85 percent of the original road remains drivable, and many of its most iconic roadside attractions are still in business.

Taken from National Park Service.



Standing on the Corner



Welcome to Arizona

Winston Churchill loved paraprosdokians, figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected.

If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
War does not determine who is right - only who is left.
Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
They begin the evening news with 'Good Evening,' then proceed to tell you why it isn't.



MEMBER NEWS

In Memoriam: Bill Lynn

Honorary VTR Member and Triumph Technical Expert

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Bill Lynn, a longtime and deeply valued member of the Vintage Triumph Register. Bill passed away on January 23, 2026, leaving behind a remarkable legacy of service to our Triumph community.

For many years, Bill was instrumental in preserving and sharing the technical heritage of our beloved Triumphs. He was the primary author of the comprehensive *"TR2 Guide to Originality,"* a definitive reference work that he continuously revised as new information became available and included more than 140 reference photos. This guide became an invaluable resource for TR2 and early TR3 enthusiasts seeking to restore their vehicles to original specifications.

Bill's dedication to accuracy and historical preservation was evident in his extensive research, which drew upon Triumph factory spare parts catalogues, repair manuals, factory service bulletins, and collaboration with many other respected Triumph experts. He worked closely with technical consultants Bill Redinger and John Saunders, among others, to ensure the information shared with our community was both comprehensive and reliable.

Beyond his technical contributions, Bill served VTR with distinction for many years on VTR's Board of Directors and as membership secretary. In these leadership roles, he helped guide the club's direction while ensuring that new members were welcomed into our community.

Many VTR members will also remember Bill for his faithful administration of the club's Factory Trace certificate service. For years, he processed factory traces for Standards, Renowns, 1800 & 2000 Roadsters, and TR2/3/3A models, providing members with invaluable documentation about their vehicles' original

specifications and build history. His commitment to this service helped countless members better understand and properly restore their Triumphs.

Despite his extensive knowledge and expertise, Bill maintained a humble approach to his work, once noting that he didn't "hold myself out as an expert or authority." This modesty, combined with his willingness to collaborate and share knowledge, exemplified the spirit of community that makes VTR special.

Bill's contributions to the preservation of Triumph history and his years of service to fellow VTR members will not be forgotten. Our thoughts are with his family and friends during this difficult time.

The Vintage Triumph Register has lost a dedicated historian, a generous volunteer, and a true friend to all who share the love of Triumphs.

Notice of Board Position Vacancy: Vice President, Business Services

Due to the recent vacancy in the Vice President of Business Services position, the VTR Board is seeking qualified candidates to fill this role for the remainder of the current term, which concludes in December 2027.

Position Overview: The Vice President for Business Services is responsible for matters pertaining to the financial interests of The Vintage Triumph Register, including regalia, assets, and public relations. This position also involves conducting an annual inspection of the organization's income and expenditures alongside the President, as outlined in the Treasurer's duties.

Nomination Process:

- Nominations (including self-nominations) are welcomed from all eligible members
- Please submit a brief statement of interest and relevant qualifications
- Include contact information for the nominee
- Nominations must be received by **Tuesday, February 3, 2026**

Submission Instructions: Please send nominations to davepilcher@yahoo.com with "VP-Business Services Nomination" in the subject line.

The Board will review all submissions and announce the appointment shortly thereafter. We appreciate your consideration of this important leadership opportunity.

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Okemos, MI 48864, United States

DCTRA MEMBER CLUB TEE SHIRTS FOR SALE

Currently, we have both Large and X-large sizes only.
Tee is a blended 50% cotton and 50% polyester



\$25 each.

Payment is by Zelle or cash to John Carroll and I can bring it to the DCTRA Meeting. To use Zelle, you can send money directly to money@dctra.org. If you have questions, please call or email john.carroll@wbhsi.net. 480-622-8502



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2026 DCTRA Membership Dues

By Armand LaCasse, Treasurer

The Executive Board and other DCTRA leaders met on Saturday afternoon November 15, 2025, for an in-depth discussion about the future of DCTRA. We realized we need to collect membership dues for 2026 to support the growth of DCTRA.

We have not collected membership dues for five years. During this time, our main bank account balance has dropped by \$8000 from its highest amount. We want to invest in DCTRA to grow, and this now requires a positive cash flow. Additionally, we need to update our membership rolls to determine how many active members we really have.

Membership renewal dues for most members are due in January 2026. Long-term members have received value beyond their original membership expiration date, so their membership renewal date is also January 1, 2026. Members who recently joined DCTRA for multiple years, or members who have paid their membership dues in advance for more than three years, will probably have a membership renewal date beyond 2026. Please contact Scott Porter, our membership chair, if you are concerned about the January 2026 membership renewal date.

Membership renewal dues are increasing. It has been at least eight years since the dues' structure was updated. New and renewal membership dues effective January 1, 2026 are:

- One-year dues are \$40
- Two-year dues are \$70
- Three-years dues are \$100

Please complete a renewal DCTRA Membership Application so we can ensure our records are accurate. The current DCTRA Membership Application is being updated, so please wait to do this!

We now accept Zelle for electronic payment of dues. Please use your online bank account access to send money via Zelle. The DCTRA email for a Zelle payment is Money@DCTRA.Org.

You may mail a check and your membership renewal application to DCTRA, PO Box 12100, Scottsdale, AZ 85267. (Please **DO NOT USE** PayPal since they take 6% of each transaction.)

Please ask one of the DCTRA officers if you have any questions.

CLASSIFIED ADS:

For sale:

TR2.

1979 TR7 'Orange' color that needs much work also he need to get rid of, 'needs garage space more than the car' - he said is 'complete' comes w/ 2 extra seats - but sounds like needs much attention.



Phil Lobeck

Phone 928.210.2944

E mail is: pslobeck@gmail.com

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Wanted Hello everyone, I'm back and now looking for a speedo for the Spit we're completing. I have attached a picture of the style that I am looking for. Also as long as I have your attention I am also looking for a left door latch for a MK1 or 2. I have also included a picture of the right latch...
... Lou Figone 408-966-4175



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1960 TR3

It's been covered for many years. Needs restoration. I was always intending to restore but got into sailing and never got back to it. Now I am 88 years old and Parkinson disease keeps me from getting to restore it now. Car is metallic red. Clyde Bauer 8527 E Vernon; Scottsdale, AZ. 480-949-9003 / 602-510-6413 (cell)

CLASSIFIED ADS: (cont)

For sale:

Gt -6 Clutch and pressure plate very slightly used. \$120
 Gt -6 Standard Front Springs. \$50/ea. New never used.
 Gt -6 /Spitfire Front Calipers. \$60 Each
 GT-6 /Spitfire Two used diffs. 4:11 gearing. \$25
 Gt-6/Tr-6 exhaust manifold. \$20 used clean
 Gt-6 150 CD Carbs. Fully adjustable, clean. \$160 each
 GT-6 Transmission, 4-Speed, only 50,000 miles. \$300
 Tr- 6 Red fan. \$80
 Tr-6 Rear Brake Pads. – semi metallic. \$60 in box
 Tr-6 Tanoue cover like new. Black. \$20
 Generator, good condition rebuilt, works. \$140
 Starter Motor, slightly used. \$100
 4 U-Joints \$25/ea.
 2 Front Brake Discs. Sprt, or GT 6. \$35/ea.
 GT-6 or Tr-6 fuel pump. \$20

Email

michaelbulfersport6@gmail.com

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Dear All,

I have the following Spitfire 1500 parts which I would be happy to give to a Spitfire owner who could use them:

- * Shift boot, Upper (Part # 680-720) - 1 of these
- * Seal, A-Post to Door (Part #689-485) - 2 of these
- * Original radio speaker - 1 of these

Email me if interested.

Julian Anderson
 Triumph TR6
Julian@jajanderson.com

Free to any paid up DCTRA member:

I was cleaning out the garage and came across what appears to be a car bra for a TR6 earlier than my 1975 (perhaps a year where the front turn signals are above the bumper). If someone is



interested in it, please let me know.

Julian Anderson: julian@jajanderson.com (480) 577-4312 11-24

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CLASSIFIED ADS: (cont)

From: MICHAEL SAMUELS <samuelsma@aol.com>

Date: January 16, 2026 at 5:02:55 PM HST

To: Members <members@dctra.org>

Subject: Aluminum Silverstone wheels

Friends,

You may have heard me mention that I have a set of original magnesium American Racing Silverstone wheels for my TR4. I ran them for about 2 years but then got worried about cracking them (and got tired of the fact that they hold air poorly). I had a set of VTO Silverstone replicas made and have my magnesium ones in boxes in the garage.

Dennis Wilson, the vintage Triumph dealer who sold me the '4, contacted me yesterday to say that he has a set of original aluminum (not magnesium) American Racing Silverstones for sale. There are 5 wheels and other parts including lug nuts and original Nokof brand spinners. The wheels and spinners are in need of restoration. Pics attached below. These wheels are 15 inch diameter.

These wheels and spinners fall into the "unobtainable" category. I would buy them, but I really don't need a third set of Silverstones. The cool thing about them is that they are a vintage item but they aren't brittle like my magnesium versions. Asking price is \$2200 for everything.

LMK if you have any interest.

Michael



Notice:

Do you have a Triumph or some Triumph parts to sell? **This is the place for your ad.** Are you looking for some unusual Triumph parts? **You can place a want ad here.** The DCTRA shares this newsletter with many other Triumph Clubs so your ad will have lots of exposure.

Have I placed an ad in this newsletter for you? Have you sold it or otherwise disposed of it? Please let me know so I can remove the ad.

Thank you,

George M Montgomery, editor
georgemonty32@gmail.com

Help Wanted

Project Title – Master Technical Index (*Triumph Trumpeter*)

Description – Create a master index of technical articles that have been published in the DCTRA *Triumph Trumpeter* monthly newsletter from the beginning of recorded publication.

Seeking - DCTRA member with reasonable time to donate to this project. Has reliable internet access to the DCTRA website and able to search all previous monthly newsletters. Once the Index is created, will become an annual maintenance detail – for perhaps another club volunteer to assist with.

Will be working with MS Word and perhaps MS Excel. Roger will assist to get you 'on the road'.

Timeline for Completion – will depend on many factors. At the moment no target deadline.

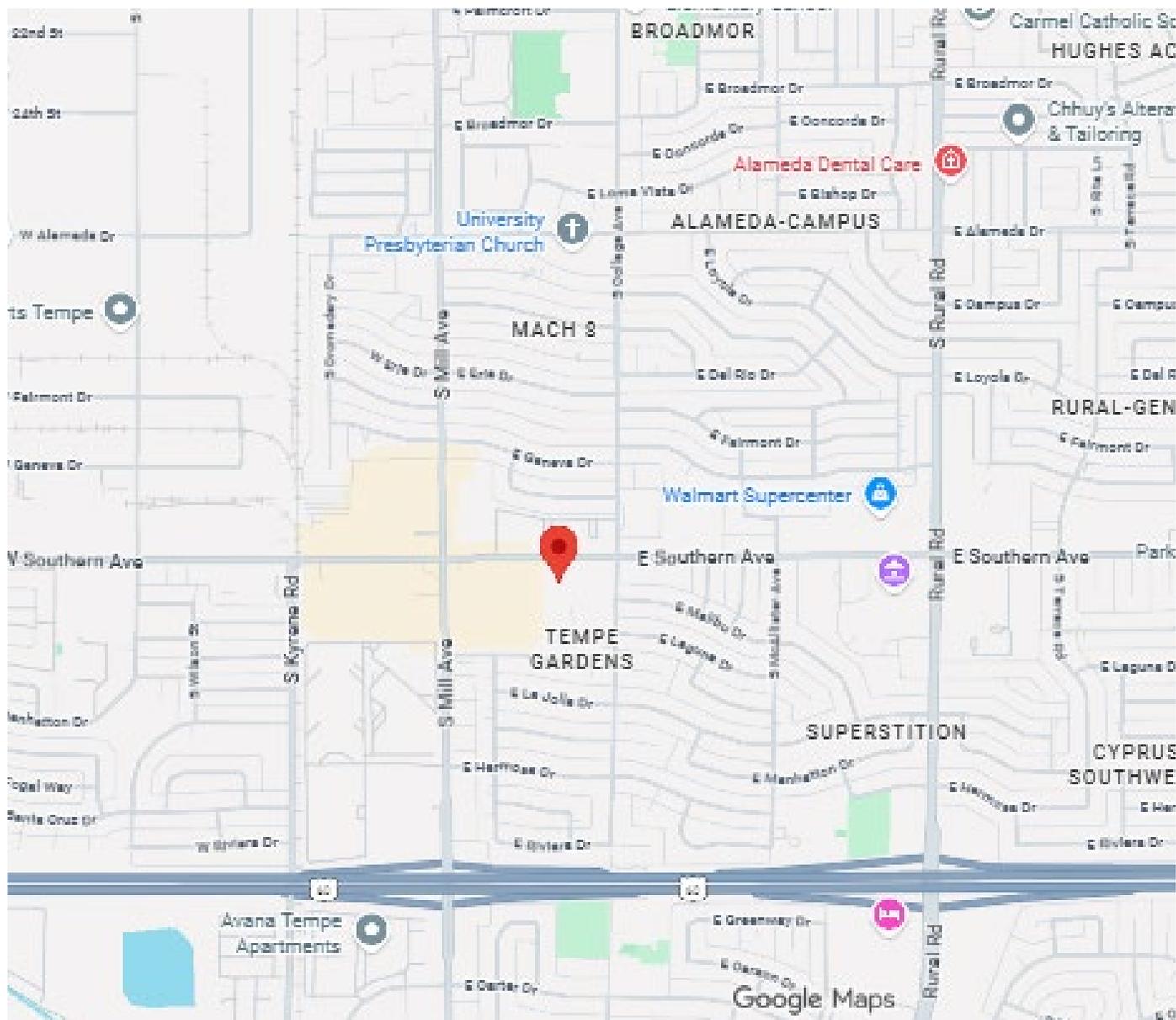
Contact: Roger pls leave a voice mail ☺ 480-550-2906

DCTRA thanks you in advance.

DCTRA Club Meeting Location:

Note: Regular business meets are held on the second Tuesday of each month at:

To be decided each month



Desert Centre Triumph Register of America

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

New Member Renewing Member Information Update

Today's Date _____ MEMBER INFORMATION (please print):

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Classic Vehicles Owned:

Year	Model	Commission #	Month/Year Acquired
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Annual Dues are based upon when you join DCTRA. Please check the dues option you want:

Joining period	<input type="checkbox"/> One Year	<input type="checkbox"/> Two Years	<input type="checkbox"/> Three Years
January 1 st through June 30 th	\$40	\$70	\$100
July 1 st through December 31 st	\$20	\$50	\$80

Each membership includes one name badge. Additional name badges are available at the cost of \$10.00 each. Name as it should appear on badge(s):

How are you paying your dues? ZELLE to Money@DCTRA.org CHECK CASH

Do you want to be added to the Membership Contact email list? YES NO

Please scan and email, or return this completed form with the correct dues amount to:

Scott Porter, DCTRA Membership Chairperson
PO Box 12100, Scottsdale, AZ 85267
206-999-9977 scottpor@hotmail.com

We look forward to you joining DCTRA and sharing in our passion for the Triumph Motor Car!

Regalia

We also have Grill badges (\$25.00 each), Lapel pins (\$5.00 each) and License plate frames (15.00 each) available for purchase.



Grille badge (3 inch diameter)

Lapel pin (3/4 inch diameter)

Licenses plate frame

PAID:

Membership fee _____
 Name tags @ \$6.00 each _____
 Grille badges @ \$25.00 each _____
 Lapel pins @ \$5.00 each _____
 License plate frame @ \$15 each _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

Additional Space for more information:

Websites

Desert Centre-Triumph Register of America
www.dctra.org

Triumph Sports Car Club of San Diego	http://clubs.hemmings.com/sandiegotriumph
Portland Triumph Owners Association	www.portlandtriumph.org
Tyee Triumph Club(Seattle)	www.tyee.triumph.org
British Columbia Triumph Registry	www.3.telus.net/bc_triumph_registry
All British Field Meet (Portland)	www.abfm-pdx.com
Vintage Triumph Register	www.vtr.org AND www.vtr2007.com
Triumph 2000/2500/2.5 Register	www.t2000register.org.uk
Rimmer Bros	www.rimmerbros.co.uk
Stag Owners Club	www.stag.org.uk
TR Sports 6 Club	www.tr-register.co.uk/news.htm
British Auto Works (OR)	www.britishautoworks.com
British Wire Wheel	www.britishwirewheel.com
Save Our Cars	www.saveourcars.org
British Car Forum	www.britishcarforum.com
Triumph Travelers Sports Car Club	www.triumphtravelers.org
Southern California Triumph Owners Assn	www.sctoa.org
British Motor Heritage Group	www.heritage-motor-centre.co.uk
6-Pack –USA Club for TR6/TR250 Owners	www.6-pack.org
Okanagan British Car Club (B.C.)	www.obcc.ca
Vintage Sports Car Club of Calgary (Alberta)	www.vsgcc.ca
Moss Motors	www.mossmotors.com
Small auction and forum	www.britishcarauction.com
Classic Autosport Magazine	www.classicautosport.net
International Spitfire Database	www.members.cox.net/spitlist
British Motor Club of Utah	www.britishmotorclub.org
Columbia Gorge MGA Club (Classic Gorge Rally)	www.columbiagorgemgaclub.com
Victoria British	www.victoriabritish.com
Triumph Register of Southern California	www.socaltriumphs.org
Hill Country Triumph Club	www.hillcountrytriumphclub.org
Tucson British Car Register	www.tucsonbritish.com
Central Coast British Car Club	www.centralcoastbritishcarclub.com
Texas Triumph Register	www.texastriumphregister.org
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