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Smedley out on a "constitutional"

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February 14, 2012 @ 7:00 PM**

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EDITORS DESK

Dave Riddle



Went on a little road trip last weekend to instruct at a fairly new track (opened in 2010) just over the border in California, Chuckwalla Valley Raceway (about a 3.5 hour drive from Phoenix and just off I-10) . To find the track you literal drive to the middle of nowhere, Desert Center, CA, and turn right.

It was really a fun, track that a beginner could quickly learn and yet allow for considerable exploration and nuance in many of its corners for more experienced drivers

In addition to the ability to run AutoX events such as the events that Stu does with that side of the SCCA House there are also two other organizations that run on Road Courses instead of parking lots.

National Auto Sport Association (NASA) and the local group ProAuto Sports (PASA) Both of these groups run the three tracks at Firebird. East, West and Main. Additionally with the loss of the road course at Phoenix International the other track in the West Valley, Arizona Motorsports Park, is coming back on line this year. We also have another great facility here in the state down just past Tucson, Inde Motorsport Ranch (also a recent facility that is also about a 3.5 hour drive from Phoenix). If you have seen the show "Battle of the Supercars" on SpeedTV you will probably have seen this track as most of the epi-

sodes were filmed down there.

Both NASA and PASA are out at one of these tracks once a month so it really is amazing the opportunities that we have in this Metro area to enjoy motorsports.

In addition to "Race" and "Time Trial/Time Attack" (think muti-lap autox on a full road course) both groups have run groups for regular street cars. You start in Level 1 (this is the class I teach) and go out on track with an Instructor riding along to learn how to drive on a track. Once you graduate from this class you move up to Level 2 where you can drive by yourself. Both Level 1 and Level 2 will have limited passing zones and will not allow passing in the middle of a turn.

After you have gotten comfortable in Level 2 you can request to be evaluated to move up to Level 3. This will be a much faster group that does allow passing in turns. You can also take friends for rides once you progress to this level. The final Street Group is Level 4 which is for the really advanced drivers.



Cars cresting over the top of Turn 9 (the turn shown in the lower right hand in the aerial shot above). This is a blind, off-camber turn with a rise and drop of 12' in elevation

Prez Sez - Jan

George Montgomery

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas, and or Hanukah, or Kwanza, or whichever you celebrate. Charisse and I had a quiet one with both of our families scattered in Oklahoma, Texas and Florida. Ron Gurnee joined me in a Christmas dinner at our neighborhood activity hall. Charisse came down with some little bug that gave her stomach problems all day. She did not get to have dinner with us and only had ½ cup of chicken broth all day. What a bummer for Christmas.

We now have two more nominees for president. Gene Glenn and Ken Schmidt have thrown their hats in the ring and will be campaigning and running against me. I suggest that we hold bean suppers, fund raisers and campaign speeches so that we may each explain and expound on our individual platforms, just as soon as we can find a date and venue. I am quite familiar in this activity. As a young teenager, I used to help my uncle campaign as he ran for a county treasure position in Southern Oklahoma back in the early '50's. Wow, this is going to be exciting!

The Election Brunch and Business Meeting this year will be at the Landmark Restaurant on January 28th. Dave Riddle, our capable coordinator, has just confirmed the date. More details as to time and entrée choices will be forthcoming and probable announced by the time that you receive this newsletter.

I have enjoyed serving as your president this past year and thank you for allowing me to do so. I thank for your indulgence in letting me write such syncopated flatulence as this. It has been a real hoot. I appreciate the work of our secretary, Bev Peterson and for Deta Hampsch when she had to fill in. Their assistance makes my job so easy in keeping the agenda flowing and the Clubs records current. I also want to thank Matt Reynolds for his work as Events Chairman. It is his work that keeps this Club so active. I would also thank him for presiding for me last month when I could not attend. John Reynolds has

done excellent job again this year as our treasure. I think we all owe Marty Clark recognition for his many years as our Membership Coordinator. It has been a smooth and successful transition to Trudy Crable and her services updating the information. We also need to thank John Horton for his work as our AAHC, hobby council, Representative. His services really go above and beyond the call of duty. George Durkin and Marie Thompson, I want to thank for their work in coordinating Triumphest 2012. I have seen their report so far and it's going to be exciting.

If we don't get a campaigning dinner and speech night organized before the election, then, I guess Ken, Gene and I will just to wing it that morning.

See you at the Election Brunch and Business Meeting on January 28th.

Prez Sez - Feb

Thank you for your confidence in electing me your president for another term. This is an important position for this club, particularly with the upcoming Triumphest 2012 that we are hosting. Maybe you forgot about that. Too late now though! While we had a good slate of presidential candidates and either Gene Glenn or Ken Schmidt equally competent, that was before the election. I do like this job though.

We now have a big year ahead of us. The Triumphest 2012 Steering Committee has the overall structure laid out. The brochure is designed and distributed. The registration page is set and printed and online. There is a link to the hotel and Dave Riddle says that this is all live and online now. I've heard that some folks have asked: "Can we help? When can we get involved?" Well that time is now. George Durkin and Marie Thompson are now ready and will be asking for your help in staffing the onsite registration check in, the Funcourse judging and parking, the autocross flagging and timing, and the many other jobs that will need to be done. Call George and/or Marie and tell them what areas you would like to be involved. If you don't know all of the area (I don't. I've only been helping) call and ask.

If they don't hear from you, they will be calling you.

The Motoring Through Time Auto Show will be held next weekend on February 4th at Heritage Square, downtown Phoenix. It is one of Charisse and my favorites. There are not just British/European cars but American hot rods, customs and antiques; some interesting quirky metal and mechanical works of art. There are not only cars but camping trailers from the '30's through the '60's. It's a fun reason to ride the light rail (3 blocks away and no parking necessary) view the cars, then walk over to Seamus McCaffery's for a pint of Guinness or Bass Ale and some bangers and mash, shepherd pie, or lamb stew and boxty. If anyone would like to meet Charisse and I at Mesa's eastern most end of the Light Rail (that's Main and Sycamore NW corner) I'll call it a DCTRA event and will host it. The train ticket for an all day pass is \$3.50 and \$1.75 for a senior 65+. There is free parking at the Sycamore terminal. Call me at (480-290-1310) or email me at georgemontgomery@escapees.com if you are interested.

See you at the Business Meeting on February 14th. (if not at the Motoring Through Time)

Minutes of the December Meeting

Bev Peterson

Vice President Matt Reynolds opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at DENNY'S RESTAURANT at 670 N. Scottsdale Road in Tempe.

20 people signed the roster:

Jim Bauder
Pete Bowen
Mike Bulfer
George Durkin
John & Beth Horton
Betsy Kavash
Jody Kerr
Armand LaCasse
Stu Lasswell
Bob Mazer
John & Kathy Nuss
Pete & Bev Peterson

John & Matt Reynolds
Ken Schmidt
Roy Stoney
Marie Thompson

NO TRIUMPHS WERE DRIVEN TO THE MEETING! (THE WEATHER WAS AWFUL)

VISITORS: There were no visitors or guests.

MINUTES: The November 8, 2011 minutes were approved as corrected – the meeting date was missing.

TREASURER: John Reynolds reported on the club's account balances. The club received \$136 in dues. \$600 was paid out for Christmas charitable contributions.

MEMBERSHIP: Trudy Crable was not present. John Reynolds, reporting for her, said the updated membership list is on the website. Members should review it and notify Trudy of any changes or corrections. Club name tags can be ordered from him: they are \$5.00 for the pin back style or \$6.00 for the magnetic back.

NEWSLETTER: Dave Riddle was not present.

AAHC: John Horton reported on Senate Bill 1324 concerning collector cars and the garaging requirement. He said there is now a new category for "Limited Use Vehicles" that will be emissions exempt without garaging them. He also said Bill 1354 regarding photo enforcement cannot force you to identify the driver.

OWNERSHIP UPDATES: There were no updates.

EVENTS: Matt Reynolds reported on upcoming events. Bob Mazer distributed flyers for a Charity Car Show on February 11, 2012 in Tempe at his wife's workplace: The Centers for Habilitation (TCH). Check dates and get more information in the newsletter and on our website: www.dctra.org

TECHNICAL: Armand LaCasse had nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS: Gene Glenn and Ken Schmidt were both nominated for club president. No other nominations were made.

NEW BUSINESS: It was decided to consider the January 28, 2012 Champagne Brunch a combination Christmas Party and Election meeting. There will be no gift exchange.

TRIUMPH 2012 REPORT: George Durkin reported that the first registration has been received – from a Triumph owner in San Diego. You can now reserve your rooms at Little America - \$119/night. A church parking lot is being considered as a possible venue for the Auto Cross event. Marie Thompson urged everyone to come forward and join a committee.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Minutes of the January Meeting

President George Montgomery opened the meeting at 12:45 p.m. at THE LANDMARK RESTAURANT in Mesa.

32 people signed the roster:

Jim & Alice Bauder
Mike & Bonnie Bulfer
Virgil & Marlene Cole
Ron Cole – drove a TR
Gene Glenn & Barbara Conklin
Ron Gurnee – drove a TR
John & Cheri Heisser – drove a TR
John & Beth Horton
Jim & Sue Jane Hughes
Jody Kerr
Armand LaCasse – drove a TR
Stu Lasswell – drove a TR
Joe Minnick – drove a TR
George & Cherisse Montgomery
Jim Morrison – drove a TR
John Nuss – drove a TR
Pete & Bev Peterson – drove a TR
John & Pat Reynolds – drove a TR
David Riddle
Pam Rineholt
Ken Schmidt & Deborah Cooke

10 TRIUMPHS WERE DRIVEN TO THE MEETING!

VISITORS: There were no visitors or guests. One of our newer members, Mike Bulfer, gave us a short report on his 1964 Sports Six and his life as a Triumph aficionado.

MINUTES: The January newsletter has not been published so the December 13, 2011 minutes were not available for review. They will be published in the next newsletter and reviewed at the February meeting.

TREASURER: John Reynolds reported on the club's account balances.

MEMBERSHIP: Trudy Crable was not present. John Reynolds reported for her and asked everyone with expiring memberships to be sure to pay their dues.

NEWSLETTER: Dave Riddle has been very busy – he will publish a joint January/February newsletter prior to the February 14th meeting.

AAHC: John Horton said he has nothing new to report.

OWNERSHIP UPDATES: There were no updates.

EVENTS: Matt Reynolds was not present. Check dates and get information about upcoming events in the newsletter and on our website: www.dctra.org

TECHNICAL: Armand LaCasse talked about rebuilding a starter solenoid.

Ron Gurnee gave an update on the continuing saga of his TR7. He also spoke about a Haynes Manual he recently bought, "Men's Cooking: A No-Nonsense Guide to Buying, Cooking and Eating Great Food (Owner's Kitchen Manual - from hot starters to dangerous desserts."

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS: Since the other nominees for President withdrew, only George Montgomery was left. There were no other nominees for any other positions. Therefore, the incumbents were all unanimously re-elected by acclamation.

TRIUMPHEST 2012 REPORT: John Reynolds reported that Little America now has a link on their homepage for reservations and registrations.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.

February AutoX

Stu Lasswell

Saturday, February 4th was the date for the second event of AZ Solo's Spring Series, and we had a pretty decent turnout of Club members! I'm usually running alone out there, but last September John Nuss and Bob McIlvary joined me, so I guess that was the first DCTRA group effort.



This month I was joined by John Nuss (again), Gareth Parry-Jones, and Mike Bulfer, so with four members driving I consider this the first TEAM DCTRA outing! I will admit, however, that I was driving my Mini Cooper, and Mike had his track-prepped '95 Corvette, but John and Gareth each had Triumph Spitfires with which to defend the marque's honor!

John Nuss has a history of autocrossing dating back to his past in Ohio, and is staging his comeback to the sport. Mike Bulfer also has autocross experience... just not in the past 20 plus years! Gareth was a complete and total

"newbie", but showed a lot of enthusiasm to give it a try.

How did we do? Good news is, we didn't suck! Gareth went into this just assuming that his lack of experience plus a '79 Spitfire with maybe 50 horse power would yield a record slowest time of day! John showed a lot more confidence this time around, but his '64 Spit just seemed to be running out of steam (turns out he was only getting about 3/4ths throttle with the pedal floored). Mike had his work cut out for him pushing a much bigger car around a pretty tight course! All three nimrods were in the same competition class (Stock, Novice) and none of them turned out to be slowest.

John Nuss can say he beat a Honda S2000, a Mazdaspeed 3 and even a Porsche 924S! Mike beat them and John, plus several more, including another 'vette and a Subaru WRX STI! But the real surprise is Gareth beat all of them plus another 'vette, a Camaro and a Mustang GT! Actually, Mike and his Corvette had the faster raw time of the three, but the handicap system (rightly) gave Gareth the faster adjusted time.

Me? Well, I was faster than anyone else in Team DCTRA by over 10 seconds, but in my class I didn't fare as well as I would have hoped, only pulling a 4th place finish. I may just give up my hopes for getting a trophy this round, and join Team DCTRA in my TR3 next time out. Maybe Mike Bulfer will have his Sport Six licensed by then and we can be an all-Triumph team next month!

We were also joined by DCTRA member and Morgan owner Neal Miller and his son Mark in Mark's white TR4, who dropped by to take some photos and lend moral support. We had three Triumphs in attendance, and garnered a bit of attention for the club... one attendee had a GT6 at home and was quite interested.



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February 2012

- 11th TCH Charity Car Show-Tempe
- 12th British Breakfast Run
- 14th DCTRA Meeting
- 25th Chandler Classic Car Show

Coming Soon:

- Mar.11-Wheels of Britain-Register by Feb.18th
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Update Your Triumph Membership

Trudy has posted the updated membership list on our DCTRA.org website (see files section). It's updated through the January '08 Brunch meeting. She 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.

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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.

It came to me in the bed of Bill Close's pickup in



May 2007 and throughout the coming summer I was able to have the body media blasted, partially assembled and fitted to the chassis. Then the real work began. Body man Paul Barnes took on the lion's share of the initial work while I got-

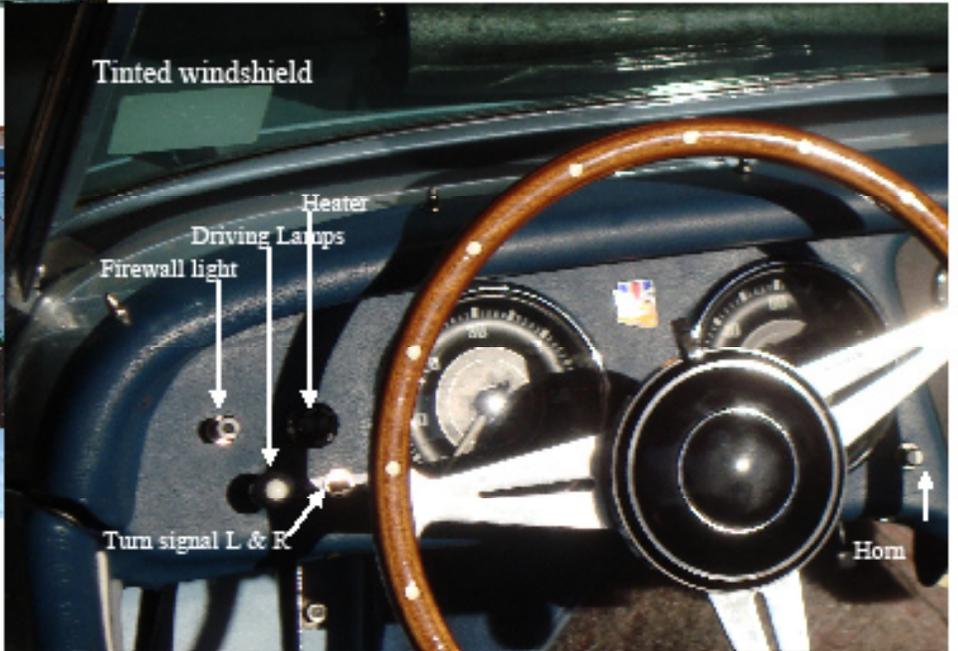


The usual 4-speed was replaced with a Bill Close Toyota 5-speed—perfect fit.



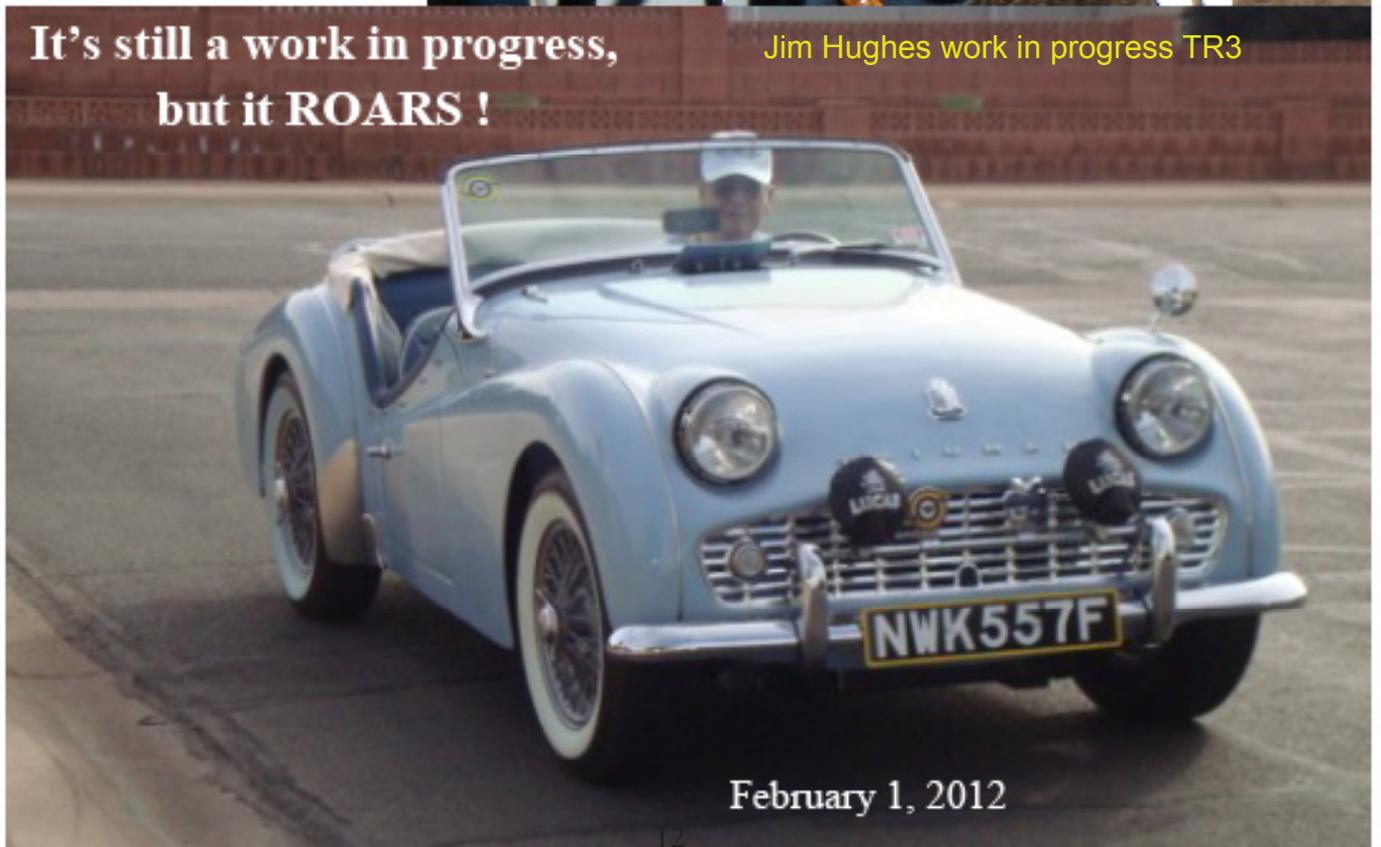
Some dash alterations (needed because of the rack and pinion steering) and the Moti-Lita steering wheel

Tinted windshield



It's still a work in progress, but it ROARS !

Jim Hughes work in progress TR3



February 1, 2012

Triumph Caravanning

George Montgomery

As many of you know, I was a member of the Central Oklahoma Vintage Triumph Register (COVTR) for 20 years, when I lived there. They had a group activity monthly called the SOB's (Saturday Out Bunch) that would take a day long trip to some quirky event or place. Trips taken to a hog calling, greased pig catching contests; out of the way, hidden BBQ restaurants; and a tractor festival are just a sample. We also took weekend trips around the state to other unusual places a couple of times each year. This was during the '80's; the Triumph dealerships had not been out of business very long. Some were still open and worked on Triumphs regularly. Triumphs just transitioned from a daily driver to a collectable, "store it in the garage" type of car. If a car broke down while on one of these trips, then everyone stopped while the skilled members assisted the owner sort out the problem and performed whatever road side repairs were necessary to keep that car running. This attitude I've noticed many times in the DCTRA also. We have many skilled members who are willing to share their knowledge in keeping these old hunks of metal running. The COVTR had a policy that when someone breaks down, everyone would stop and wait, till the hapless owner was assisted and running again. We did not want to leave anyone alongside the road alone.

In 1987, when the Vintage Triumph Register held its annual meeting in Georgia, two of our members drove together there and back. They had great stories and adventures of driving in the rain, getting lost from each other on the interstate and passing each other going different directions. They arrived back to OKC on the night of and during our monthly meeting. Oh, what a triumphant meeting that was! The following year, 1988, the VTR was to meet near Dallas, TX, only a 200 mi., 3 hr drive. It was the first VTR meet held west of the Mississippi River. We eagerly began to make plans to attend as a group. We had 25 members caravan there for a short 5 day trip.

The follow year, 1989, the VTR meeting was back on the East coast in Albany, NY. A long way away, but some of us were hooked. A handful of us made plans to caravan there as a leisurely drive on back roads and do some sight-seeing enroute. We took a ½ dozen Triumphs that year and spent 5 days just getting there. We stopped for a picnic on the banks of the Mississippi River and waded the muddy banks afterward. We viewed the Jefferson Davis Monument in Fairview, KY; a 350' obelisk very similar to the Washington Monument, only ¾ the size. We stopped at The Roadster Factory; Armagh, PA for a tour of the warehouse and the sales office. We did not drive on a four-lane highway until we got to Lexington, KY., and only then to avoid driving 200 mi. out of the way to get to a 2-lane mountain pass. On the other side of the mountain range we got back to the little 2-lane back roads.

What really made it pleasurable was stopping for the night, having dinner together, then gathering in someone's motel room for after dinner drinks and stories of the sights we'd seen that day. Things like the fellow in W. Virginia who lived on the side of a mountain, had 2 or 3 garages or car ports and at least 2 dozen (fast count at 65 mph) Volvos of various years and body styles. Off to the side, in a small pasture, were another 3-4 dozen that were obviously parts cars. The hotel that we stayed in Point Pleasant, W VA was over 100 years old and had once been owned by the Queen of Spain. It was on the banks of the Susquehanna River. A couple of our party were celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary. We toasted them with Champaign, then swam in the crystal clear river at midnight. We could clearly see our feet in waist deep water with just the moonlight.

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These places and sights enroute weren't particularly special; it's just the sharing of a weeklong adventure that made these trips such a bonding experience. Everyone began to feel that it wasn't just the destination, the VTR meet, that was the most enjoyable; but the trip getting there. One of our members remarked, "It's the cars that bring us together, but it's the people that keep us together."



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20K original miles, new top, never driven in the winter. Good condition, some rust, been sitting for awhile and Not currently road ready - \$2500 or best offer. I bought this car when it was 6 months old and shipped it here from Ohio.

Rick Humiston

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Phoenix, Az. 85048

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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

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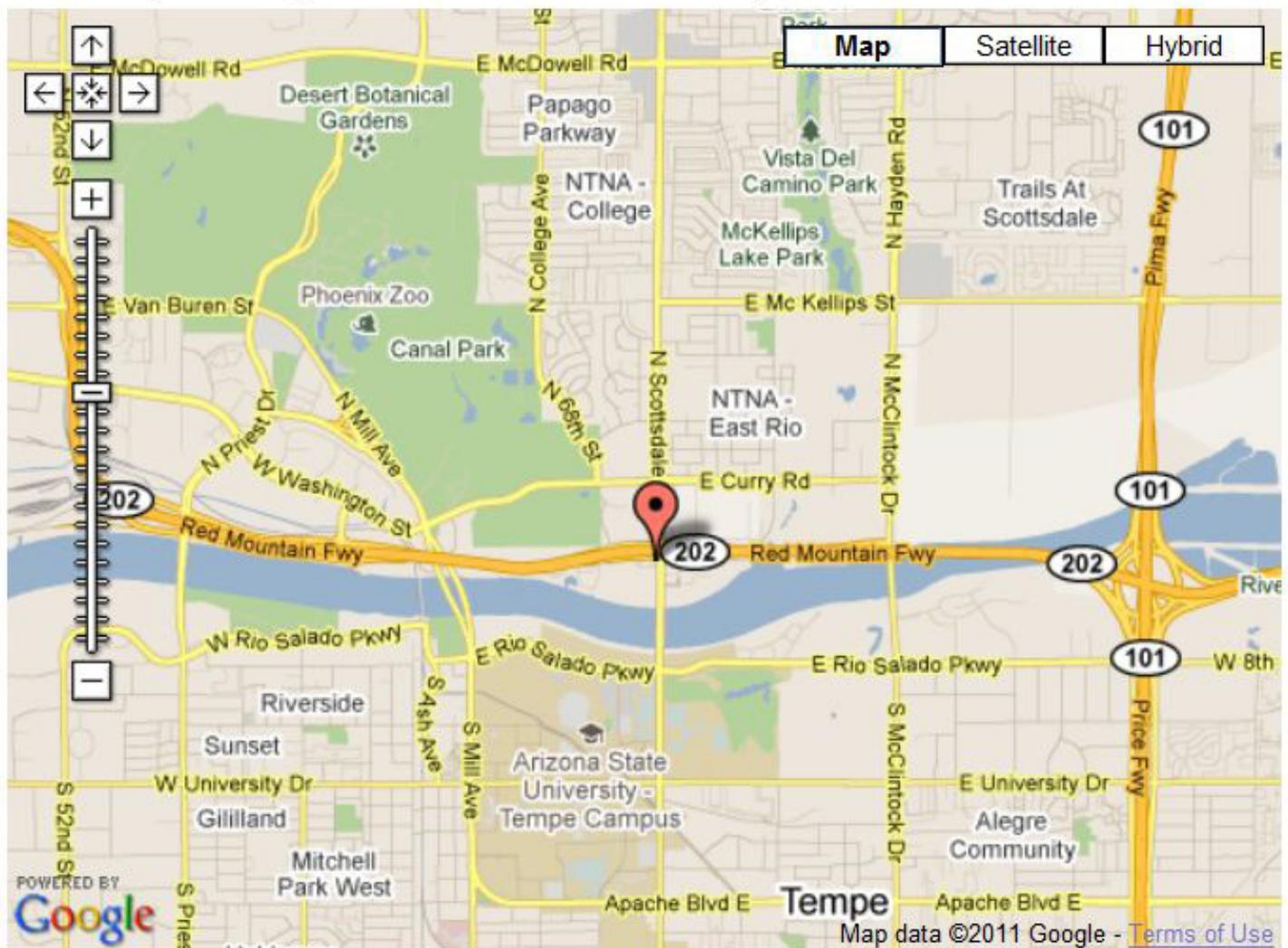
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Note that regular Meeting locations are on the second Tuesday of the Month:



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PLEASE, ONE FORM FOR EACH VEHICLE REGISTERED

Registration Is Limited to the First 125 Vehicles Registered or As Space Allows



WHEELS OF BRITAIN 2012

Sunday, March 11, 2012 at Heritage Square, 6th and Monroe Streets, Phoenix, AZ 85004

(Please Print Clearly)

Name (of owner) _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone () _____ Work Phone () _____

Marque _____ Series _____ Color _____ Year _____

British Car Club Affiliation _____

I am aware of the hazards inherent with motor vehicle events and specifically release and do indemnify the BME, Inc. and the City of Phoenix of the 2012 WOB car event from any and all liability from personal injury and property damage incurred by me and my guests while participating in the 2012 WOB. I also understand that my car should stay on the show grounds until all awards are presented and announcements made. I have read, understand, and agree to this release.

Signature _____ Date _____

Gates Open: 8:00 AM. Cars must be in place by 10:00 AM sharp.

Registration fee: \$25 per vehicle

Registrations post-marked by February 18, 2012 determine the vehicle classes and number of trophies to be awarded

Later registrations will be accepted after the post-mark date of February 18th, but must be received by March 2, 2012. Later registrations will not be used to determine field classes or increase the number of trophies awarded per class.

No day of event registrations accepted.

Make Checks payable to:

British Motor Enthusiasts

T-Shirt Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Registration Amount Enclosed: \$ 25.00

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Mail with your remittance to:

BME
4408 E. LeMarche Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85032

The British Motor Enthusiasts, Inc. hosts the annual Wheels of Britain event in March. Throughout the remainder of the year, the BME sends email information about monthly inter-club breakfast drives that local British car clubs or the BME may host, and local and regional events that may be of interest to the owners of British vehicles.

I am interested in receiving email information about the monthly breakfast drives and other local and regional events. My current email address is below.

My email address has changed. Please correct your records.

We will add you to our email list and/or update our records. Thank you. Please note that the BME does not share address information with other organizations.

Email address: _____
(Please print clearly)

Contacts:

General Information: Shirley (480) 985-2531, Betsy (602) 826-8338, or Marie (602) 971-7807

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The Event will be held, light rain or shine. The organizers reserve the right to postpone the Event under extreme weather conditions including high wind, monsoon type rain and hail storms.

This Event is an Open Display for All British Built Vehicles – from Show Cars to Daily Drivers

Gates open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 10:00 a.m. All vehicles need to be in place by 10:00 A.M. sharp. **Due to heavy pedestrian traffic, Heritage Square and the City of Phoenix request that vehicles remain on display until all awards are presented and announcements made.**

REGISTRATION

Registration: \$25.00 for each vehicle entry. **Registrations are limited to the first 125 registrations received or as space allows!** Please complete one registration form for each vehicle entered. Registrations post-marked by Saturday, February 18, 2012 will determine awards numbers and vehicle classes. Late entries post-marked or received after February 18, 2012 will have no affect on the number of awards presented or be used to determine a vehicle class. No entries will be accepted after March 2, 2012.

There will be NO day of show registrations

AWARDS: - Presented at 2:00 P.M.

- **Vehicle classes and trophies** will be based upon the number of registrations post-marked by February 18, 2012.
- **Masters' Class** – First Place winners of their designated Class from the Wheels of Britain 2011 show.
- **Best of Show** – To be considered for the Best of Show, the Wheels of Britain selection committee will request the owner to raise the vehicle bonnet and boot lid for display and inspection.
- **Spirit of Britain** – Representative of a vehicle kept running and driven for the pure joy of the driving experience. The vehicle must be *driven* to Heritage Square for the event. A Wheels of Britain committee selects the winner.

JUDGING – is by popular vote of the entrants with the exception of Best of Show and the Spirit of Britain awards. All decisions by the BME are final.

Dash Plaques: - will be provided to all registrants.

Trailer and Visitor Parking – There is limited parking available on city streets surrounding Heritage Square. The Heritage Square Parking Garage cannot accommodate trailers. Visitors may park in the parking garage adjacent to Heritage Square. Parking tickets can only be validated by a Heritage Square merchant after a purchase at that business.

Registration Acknowledgment: Registrants will receive a postcard approximately one week prior to the event. This postcard acknowledges receipt of your registration, provides your vehicle Class number and helps to expedite parking. After presenting your postcard at the registration table for your registration packet, deposit the card in a specially marked box at the registration table as your ticket to win one of the many door prizes that will be drawn throughout the day. ALL registrants are eligible to win a door prize. Lost or forgotten postcards cannot be replaced.

Please bring the postcard to the event. Postcards cannot be duplicated at the gate!

For information about the Wheels of Britain or the British Motor Enthusiasts, call Marie at (602) 971-7807, Betsy at (602) 826-8338 or Shirley at (480) 985-2531

PLEASENo Soliciting, Advertising, or For Sale Signs Inside Heritage Square

- All commercial advertising must be placed in the registration packets provided to each registrant. Should you desire to advertise, our fee is \$25 or an equivalent value in the form of a donated door prize. Advertising information and fee (check or door prize) should be delivered no later than February 24, 2012 to British Motor Enthusiasts, 4408 E. LeMarche Ave, Phoenix AZ 85032. Please provide 135 copies of your advertisement information for inclusion in the registration packets.
- There is no charge for announcing future car events; however all material must be inside the registration packets.

NO COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING MATERIALS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE EVENT.

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WHEELS OF BRITAIN 2012

Regalia License Plate



Pre-orders will be accepted for your Wheels of Britain 2012 regalia license plate

We are offering a commemorative license plate with the 2012 Wheels of Britain logo imprinted on a fiber-glass plate. This commemorative plate is offered on a pre-order basis only and will be available for pick-up at the registration table on March 11, 2012.

If you are interested in acquiring a commemorative event plate, please submit \$10.00 for each plate and submit your order with remittance to:

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The event logo will be placed on the back of a butter yellow (color) T-shirt. Wheels of Britain 2012, Heritage Square will appear on the front of the T-shirt. Your order will be available for pick-up at the registration table on the day of the event. Women style shirts will not be available this year; however, we are offering both long sleeve and short sleeve in a men's shirt.

Please indicate whether the shirt is long sleeve (LS) or short sleeve (SS). Indicate the size(s), the quantity desired and include this order sheet and payment with your vehicle registration.

Sizes	Short Sleeve Price	Long Sleeve Price	Style (SS) Quantity	Style (LS) Quantity	Total Number	Order Value Sub Total
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