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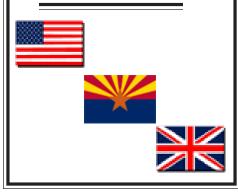
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THE PREZ SEZ

This is my last article as president. It was not an overly eventful year, however there were a few trials and tribulations to make this office interesting. Having the Brunch on Saturday instead of Sunday is probably a good idea and am looking forward to it. I would like to thank friends that were particularly helpful: David Riddle, our very capable webmaster and publisher; Marty Clark, who kept the membership records in excellent shape; Stu Lasswell who provided wise guidance; John Reynolds, who was always available to double the treasury in Lost Wages NV; Kathy Nuss, for her expert event planning, and Armand LaCasse, who helped ease the rough spots.

The toy drive was a success. I delivered a car load of toys to the Children's Hospital, thanks to those that donated them. They have gone to help children ease their long recuperative time in a strange place. Thanks All.

Looking forward, we have a Breakfast Run this month, and the Wheels of Britain show in March, always a favorite. We had talked about a DCTRA calendar, and I think it would be a good idea. I believe Marty was going to work on it. Let's send a picture to him of a favorite Triumph - we need 13 to make a calender.

One note, I particularly want to thank the Peterson's for inviting our group into their home for the Christmas party. I wish all a very happy New Year and a prosperous one.

John Horton

FLASH: AOL Email Addresses will no longer be allowed to subscribe to the DCTRA Email List



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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.

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Minutes of the December Meeting

John opened the meeting at 7PM with about 30 present, including one visitor- Don Becker with a '74TR6.

The minutes were accepted as printed.

Matt gave his father's tresurer report as his Dad was having surgery the next day. The checks to the charaties were sent out.

Dave did another GREAT job on the newsletter.

Membership will be caught up soon there will be a new membership list out on line soon.

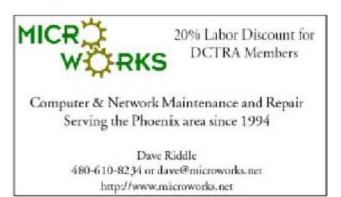
Kathy gave us a rundown of upcoming eventssee her article for a complete listing. PLEASE be sure to sign up on line for the Champaigne Brunch on Jan 17. This is a SATURDAY! Elections will be held . Nominations are Pres: Stu Laswell & Kathy Slabaugh, V-P: Kathy Nuss & Gene Glenn, Sec: Bev Peterson (Deta has withdrawn), Tres: John Reynolds. Absenttee ballots will be available on line. Both husband wife each have a vote.

A variety of subjects were covered in Tech Talk. Meeting adj-7:35PM

DCTRA Toy Drive

Toys collected by DCTRA & the Breakfast Run bunch for Phoenix Children's Hospital, loaded on their TR8 sleigh.





Driving Tips

Brakes and Braking

Want to be fast? Learn to brake "forward" not "backward"

"Backward" Light initial braking, pressing progressively harder toward the end.

This pitches the car forward and unloads the rear end prior to turn in and can contribute to a spin. Requires longer braking zones and increases corner entry time.

"Forward" High initial pedal pressure, modulate to keep wheels from locking up – threshold.



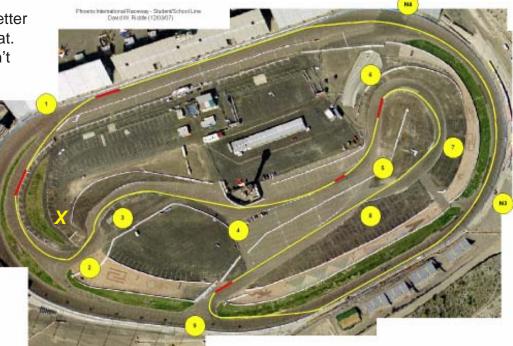
Shortens braking zone, decreases corner entry time, better car balance, better brake heat. When braking, BRAKE! Don't "sneak" up on a corner

Shifting

Hold the shifter "gently" Do NOT speed shift or "slam" the gears "Feel" the shifter in and out of gear. Redline is NOT a shift point. When NOT shifting get your

hand OFF the shifter and on the wheel!

No "jolts" in the upshift – keep it linear.







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You can access the account via a web interface at <u>http://www.dctra.org:8383</u> or you can use a regular email client like Outlook, Eudora, etc... There is even built in support for syncing with Outlook and PDA phones (Windows Mobile, Blackberry, etc...)

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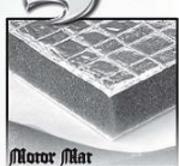
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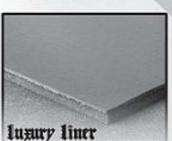
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Calendar of Events

The first **Sunday in January, the 4th**, the Arizona Mini Owners invite you to another driving event. Their Landmark Rally will start from the 5 & Diner at Superstition Springs, first car leaving at **2:00pm** so there's time for lunch there first.

No need to bring a camera this year as the photos will be provided and you have to spot where they are ! Here again a navigator who knows right from left would be very helpful. **Also please let us know if you are coming**, we will end up with tea and crumpets.

Sunday January 18th will be a breakfast run, organized by the BME. Meet at 32nd & Shea at 7:30 to leave at 8. No need to RSVP for this one.

Saturday, January 24th is the 15th Annual car show in Tubac, organized by the Santa Cruz Valley car nuts. All info and entry forms are available at <u>www.carnuts.org</u>.

Saturday, January 31. Day at the Track. See page 22

Looking way ahead there will be a car show in Gold Canyon on **Saturday, February 14th**, more on that later but mark your calendars.

The Highland Games will be at Margaret Hance Park again on **February 21st and 22nd**. Forms will be available at the lights tour.

Also the 10th Wheels of Britain will be at Heritage Square on **Sunday March 8th**. Forms will be out soon. The Caledonian Society of Arizona Presents 45th Annual Arizona Scottish Highland Games & Gathering SCOTCH TASTING! BEER GARDEN!



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Wild West Stag

Contributed by Chris Hansel

As you can see from the accompanying photo, our Emerald Green 1973 Stag, did a very un-stag like thing. It got into a parade on November 11th, Veteran's Day. The most allowed the parade queen to sit on the boot area of the car. Jack was in a fix, just aren't any droptops up this way. Why should there be? How in hell would a cowboy transport his horse, or ATV, in one of those things? Cannot put the old nag in the back seat. Well it turns out there were only two convertibles in Tonto Basin, the Caddy, and



interesting thing was we did not volunteer, we were drafted!

This all started a week earlier. My wife, Anne Marie and I drove the Stag, which we call Froggie, to the Tonto Basin Library to use the computer. Temperatures were still in the eighties so it seemed like the right car to take. I was sitting at the keyboard typing out emails when

this tall, lanky, dusty, stern looking cowboy asked me if I owned that car parked outside. Replying that I did, fearing for the worse, had I run over his horse? However, this was not the case. He smiled and replied, "Well, how would you like to be in the Veteran's Day parade this weekend carrying the parade Queen?

It turned out I was talking to one of our local legends, Jack Kerchum, President of the local veterans lodge, and former Maine, and combat veteran of Iwo Jima.

Jack had a problem. The regular parade queen car was MIA, a 1955 Cadillac convertible that

Froggie. Guess what Froggie; you are in the Marines now!

Well, everything turned out just great. The parade Queen, who we knew, is the owner of the only restaurant in town. She was fine about using an old foreign car. That roll bar works very well as a support for the person sitting on the steel boot. The steel boot was able to hold the weight with no problem. The crowd turnout was amazing. I think only about 1500 people live in this little Arizona town; about 400 to

500 were there. When the Stag crossed in front of the reviewing stand, the master of ceremonies announced to the crowd that this strange looking car was from England, and that it was no trailer queen having recently been driven from New Jersey to Tonto Basin just for this parade. Well, he rather made up that last part, but the parade was a success. In addition, Froggie, after 35



years, got his richly deserved day in the sun, far, far away from dear old England.

Cruise Night Locations

Albertsons Shopping Center - Warner and Lindsey Friday Nights

Scottsdale Pavillions near McDonalds Saturday evenings from 4:30

Mesa - 2nd Friday of each month in Downtown Mesa

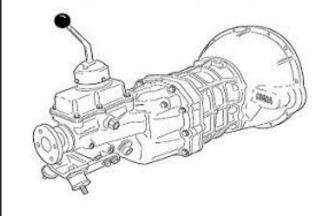
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Registration fee: \$5.00 Proceeds to benefit the GCUMC Youth Programs

All types of cars, trucks and cycles are welcome. Winners selected by popular vote. One vote per registration.

Classes:

Domestic Cars earlier than 1940 Domestic cars 1941 – 1959 Domestic Cars 1960 – 1979 Domestic Cars 1980 – 1999 Domestic Cars and Trucks 2000 – 2009 Trucks earlier than 1959 Trucks 1960 – 1999 Hot Rods British & European Cars Motorcycles

Hot dogs and drinks available for a donation.

Entry Form

Name:		Phone Number:		
Address:		2. 12		
Car Class:		Make:		
Model:	Year:	e-mail:		

I agree to hold Gold Canyon United Methodist Church harmless while driving to, during and from the show.

Signature

Date: _____

Make checks payable to: Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Mail entry form and payment to: 2325 S. Gold Ore Court, Apache Junction, AZ 85219 Page 12

DCTRA Christmas Party

Contributed by Bev Peterson with Photos by John Horton

The annual DCTRA Christmas party was held December 13 at Pete & Bev Peterson's house in Carefree, with club members making the trek up



the mountain from as far away as Apache Junction, Queen Creek and Peoria for the occasion. About 20 stalwart partygoers braved the threat of bad weather to attend. Pete's lighted TR3A and a driveway lined with luminaries



showed the location of a home decorated in "Triumph" for the holidays. The tree was hung with TR parts and memorabilia; TR parts decorated tables and shelves and even the fireplace; and TR posters, ads and models added to the décor.



Everyone brought a delicious variety of dishes, and the hosts prepared a ham and a rosemarycrusted turkey breast paid for by the club. The men proved to be skillful cooks as well as the women, notably Virgil's beans, Stu's pies, John's

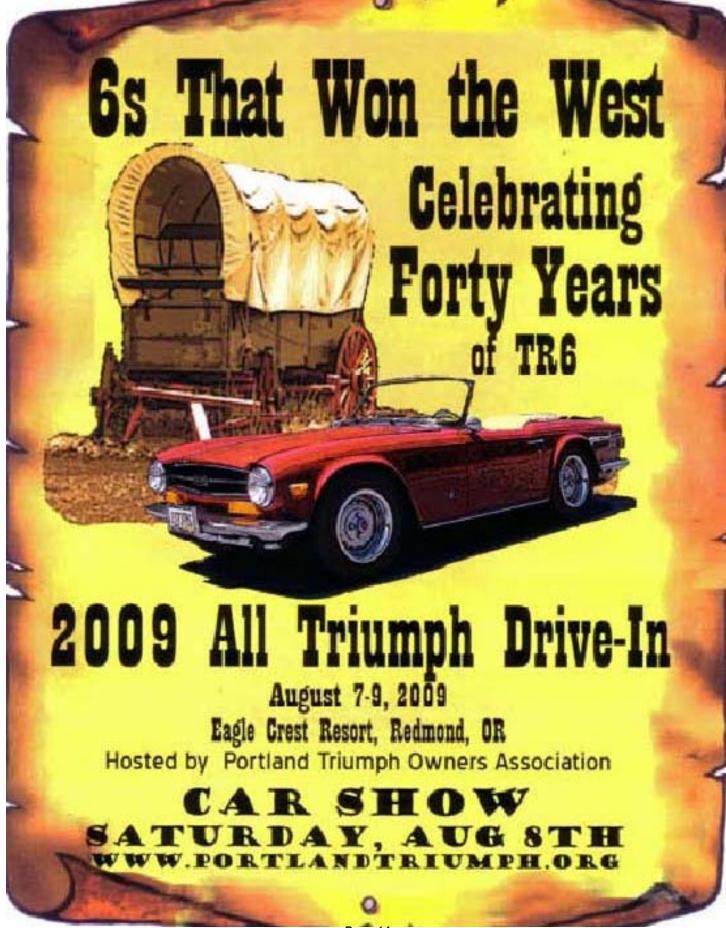


shrimp dish and Court's casserole. Along with cornbread dressing, salads, cakes, cobblers and cookies, there was no shortage of the club's specialty – FOOD. Needless to say, everybody ate a considerable amount

and there were very few leftovers to distribute at the end of the evening. The weather cooperated beautifully and people were



able to sit by the firepit on the patio as well as



inside.

The highlight of the party was the traditional "white elephant" gift exchange a lot of fun with the usual thievery and everyone trying to keep track of how many times a particular gift had been stolen. Some items changed hands rapidly while others sat forlornly in front of people who



desperately tried to offload their unwanted "elephant" onto some other unsuspecting victim.

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(I apologize if I've missed anyone)



I personally and publicly want to thank everyone for coming and especially those who pitched in to help me with the preparations and cleanup. It was a good time!



Redoing the Interior Panels of a TR3

Contributed by Jim Bauder

My brother Randy and I redid the interior of my now sold BRG '58 TR3 ourselves. I was always impressed with the panels done by Moss and the Roadster factory. However, I didn't think that they were really representative of the originals on the TR3s I had owned and driven in the 1960's, I had owned this car since approximately 1975 and it was fairly original (except for the color!) before we started the restoration.

Randy cut out the door and front and rear quarter panels from 1/8 inch un-tempered Masonite, (which I believe is almost unavailable these days!) using the originals as patterns. I had purchased enough vinyl from an upholstery wholesaler to cover the whole interior, including the dashboard so it would all match. I was very particular about the vinyl, because I wanted to match the original vinyl as closely as possible. The original vinyl was very thin, and very "hard", not like the expanded vinyl, we so often see today. I also insisted that it be very stable, not "stretchy", like the vinyl that is available today. I only spent around \$60.00 or so for enough to do the interior. Randy and I used brush on heavy duty contact cement for all of the panels. However, we used spray-on contact cement for the dash, but I would use the brush on type if I were to do it again, as the vinyl on my dash did lift in spots!

I replaced the completely worn out door pockets with the then available new flocked door pockets from the Roadster Factory. First we used fairly long (maybe ½ inch) 4-40 flat-headed machine screws in place of the very hard to install rivets originally used to hold the door pockets in place with Kep-nuts and large flat washers. However, we did not install the door pockets yet! Just the screws where they needed to go, then we laid cotton batting used for quilts, polyester would work also, but cotton was used in the originals to provide the small amount of padding as was used originally, next came the vinyl. We glued the vinyl down around the edges along with the contrasting piping trim, which I had custom made at an upholstery shop with very long 'tails', then we glued the vinyl around the inside edges of the hole for the door pocket access and and clamped everything with clothes pins, etc.. The next day or so, after the glue had dried we then bolted the door pockets in place reusing the same Kep-nuts and flat washers.

We also redid all of the rear cockpit capping pieces and the inner fenders with the same vinyl used on the other interior panels. I had an upholstery shop make new inner fender covers using the originals as patterns with the same white piping and cotton batting as we used on the door panels. I was able to *restore* the rear seat back by carefully cleaning the overspray that had been there for 25 or 30 years and removing lots of dirt and grime. After that we replaced the piping so that it matched the door panels too. The dash board, door top, and elbow cappings were all recovered using a leather 'kit' from the Roadster Factory.

It was a lot of work doing all of this interior restoration essentially by hand but certainly worth it as the finished car looked like it just came out of the factory!



Jim's recently restored TR250 on it's way to Triumphest 2008

Website Makeover

The DCTRA website gets a makeover!

The previous design was on-line for for two years. Time for an update. I had been working on a redesign on and off for a while but after getting a copy of the photo of Jim Bauder's restored TR250 I was inpired as to the color selection and other design accents.

Hope you like it.

This got me thinking that I would keep the design elements the same but just change the header photo and update the color scheme to match the photo.

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Therefore... If you would like to see your car featured like Jim's please email me a nice high resolution photo of your car. Give me plenty of background room around the car (meaning: don't zoom in on your car and make

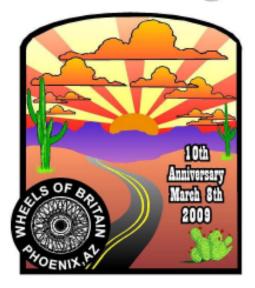
sure the background is "pleasing" and complimentary to your car) so that I can better crop and position the car within the header area.

It's a great time of the year to have the car out so get the out to a park, etc... and take some new photos!

I also added a free "Classified Advertising" section. Give it a try!



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REGISTRATION

<u>Registration:</u> \$25.00 for each vehicle entry. Please complete one registration form for each vehicle entered. Registrations must be postmarked by Saturday, February 21, 2009 to determine awards and vehicle classes. Late entries postmarked after February 21, 2009 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 4, 2009.

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 postmarked by February 21, 2009.
- Masters' Class First Place winners of their designated Class from the Wheels of Britain 2008 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.
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- Spirit of Britain (Murph memorial award) Representative of a vehicle kept running and driven for the pure joy of the driving experience. The vehicle must be <u>driven</u> 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. All decisions by the BME are final.

Dash Plaques: - will be provided to all registrations.

Trailer Parking – The Heritage Square Parking Garage cannot accommodate trailers. There is limited parking available on the city streets surrounding Heritage Square.

Registration Acknowledgment: Registrants will receive a postcard approximately one week prior to the event. This postcard acknowledges receipt of your registration and provides your Class number.

Your postcard identifies your vehicle "Class" 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. The card will also serve as your ticket to win one of the many door prizes that will be drawn throughout the day. <u>ALL</u> registrants are eligible to win a door prize.

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 or Shirley at (480) 985-2531

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 (check or door prize) no later than February 27, 2009 to British Motor Enthusiasts, 4408 E. Le Marche Ave, Phoenix AZ
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Member Profile

From "Members Cars" on DCTRA.ORG

Keith Davis '56 TR 3 & 74 TR6

I've been a Triumph nut all the way back to my senior year of High School, 1977 when I purchased a 1974 Pimento Red TR6, which I still own. While still living in Ohio I traveled to Texas, Colorado and took many trips up and down the east coast.

I moved to Arizona in 1999 and in 2001 came up against the AZ Emission test in which I failed numerous times. At this time I decided to restore the car. I have always enjoyed taking things apart, but the problem was it took me off the road for 3 years. This time I was able to get it thru emissions after discovering a bad cam shaft.

In May of 2006 I ventured away from Triumph's and purchased a 1958 BN4 Austin Healey to restore only to find a bent frame and other untold ugly stories with the car. Needless to say, I sold it 9 months later to someone that was going to make a street rod out of it and didn't care about the problems.

Which brings me to my latest purchase. After looking at an old DCTRA membership list I made a random call to a great couple in Tucson. After explaining who I was and that I was inquiring if they knew anyone who had a TR3 for sale. It turns out they had been thinking of selling their 1956 TR3. They purchased the car in 1958 in Tempe so the car has spent most of it's time in Arizona. The first year of the car's life is unknown.

The car is a Salvador or Winchester Blue with factory overdrive, and a steel hard top. The car has all of original rust fee panels except for the deck lid, which blew off while being transported to Tucson. I will need to replace or repair the bonnet, it was louvered back in the 60's. Is anyone looking for a louvered TR3 bonnet?

As you can see from the picture, I should have plenty of help and supervision from Mallard and Ladybug.



See page 27 for instructions on how to post your own TR Story on the DCTRA Website

Day at the Races

We are planning a "Day At The Races" on January 31st out at Phoenix International Raceway.

Meet at Phoenix International Raceway around 11am on the morning of 1/31

On arrival park in the area of in-field Turn 2 (track maps will be suppied to those who RSVP - see Yellow X on map on Page 5 of the newsletter). At Lunch time we will form up in the east end of the Cold Pits and when the last group race/DE comes off track and the workers break for Lunch we will take the cars out on track behind the Pace Car for a lapping session. Figure maybe six laps or about 15 minutes. Speed probably kept to about 50mph.

For those that think 50 will be too slow consider that every student I have ever had as PIR goes through the Oval portion of the track at no faster then 65 their first time out and this is in a session with no speed limit. I happened to watch a little bit of the last NASCAR race at PIR and saw that the telemetry off their cars was showing a speed through the part of the oval that you will be on being no faster then 110.

Then the cars would come back in and park in the same area near infield Turn 2. We will have lunch (sandwiches, sodas, etc...) and watch some of the races/groups from there when sessions start backup after Lunch.

Cost: FREE. Just have the club pay for the sub sandwiches and drinks.

NASA provides pretty good sub sandwiches (from Subway) for the Instructors for our lunch so could have them bring in a couple of extra platters for us and we just bring a cooler with drinks and anything else we would want to have.

All you would need to bring if you wanted was a chair to sit in and eat lunch. Then wander the paddock looking at some of the cool cars that are always out for these events.

Note: See track map on page 5



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Wheels of Wellness

A GATHERING OF HISTORIC RACE CARS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2009 AT 1-4 P.M.

The event will take place at The Wellness Community's beautiful 100-year-old home in downtown Phoenix. Tickets are \$150 (a portion of which is tax deductible). Your presence will help generate much-needed funds for their free cancer support and education programs. Please reserve your tickets by ordering online at www.thewellnesscommunityaz.org, or call Jenny Fisher at 602-712-1006.

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This unique charity event will bring together an elite selection of rare and beautiful cars. Highlights will be two of the thirty-six Ferrari 250 GTOs ever built. Chassis No. 3387 (above) was entered in the 1962 Sebring 12 Hours by Luigi Chinetti's North American Racing Team for Phil Hill and Olivier Gendebien, where it finished second overall and won the GT class. Chassis No. 3607 was owned by Count Volpi's Scuderia Serenissima and later Jacques Swaters' Ecurie Francorchamps. In the hands of Annie Soisbault, the Marquess de Montaigu, 3607 was first in the GT class at the 1965 Paris Grand Prix at Monthéry.

Other significant race cars appearing include: a 1953 Alfa Romeo 6C3000 CM raced by Jo Bonnier; a 1954 Jaguar D-type raced by Stirling Moss; and two rare "American specials"—the 1957 Townsend Typhoon Mk 2 and 1958 Echidna, one of only three built. There's also a 1960 Camoradi Corvette Le Mans racer; a local one-owner 1965 Shelby GT350; and the 1968 Monza 1000 Km-winning Gulf-sponsored Ford GT40. A total of 25 cars will be on display.

Be a part of this exclusive gathering-attendance is strictly limited to 300 people-and enjoy these historic cars in an intimate and relaxed social setting. Hors d'oeuvres, wine, and imported beer will be served. There will also be a silent auction of racing related memorabilia and luxury goods and services.

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DCTRA 2007 Membership Application & Renewal Form

Please print and return completed form to: John Reynolds, Treasurer 806 E. Campus Tempe, AZ 85282

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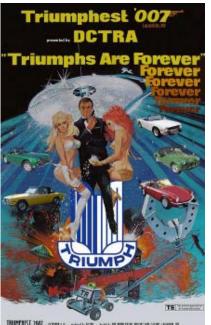


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January 2009 Election Brunch Location

For the past number of years the Annual Election Brunch has been held at the Landmark Restaurant.

> Date: Saturday January 17, 2009 Arrival time: 11:00am Foor Service: 11:30am

Menu Options for the Election Brunch

Salad Room = Fresh salad ingredients, assorted hot soups, hot appetizers and other sweet and exotic items. \$20

Beef = Flat-Iron Steak - Ten Ounces of flavorful USDA Choice (served MEDIUM)*. \$22

Chicken = Champagne Chicken - Sauteed Chicken breast accompanied by our popular champagne cream sauce. \$23

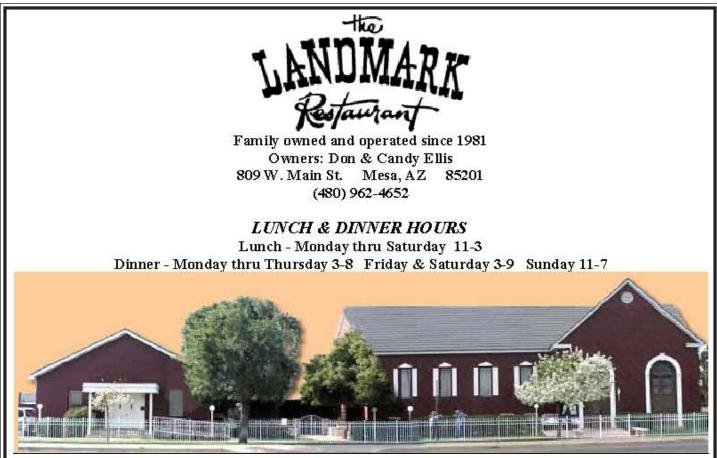
The Beef and Chicken entrees include a garden salad with a raspberry vinaigrette, mashed potatoes, a seasonal vegetable. Additionally, all three entree selections include beverage and dessert (New York Cheesecake)

*Note: Given the "banquet" nature of this event we are only allowed to request that the beef be served at a single temperature. Therefore MEDIUM is chosen to accommodate the widest range as opposed to Rare or Well Done.

Cost shown is per person and is payable to DCTRA.

Like last year an RSVP and Meal Reservation system will be placed on the DCTRA website or can be emailed directly to dave@microworks.net

We have to let the Resturant know the meal selections by 1/13/09. Any additional attendees that have not RSVPed with the meal selection prior to that date will be limited to the "Salad Room" (or course given the number of selections in there that is not really a limit).



Post Your TR Story to the Club's Website

All members that Register with the website (http://www.dctra.org) can post a profile and history of themselves and their car(s) along with a photo. Visit the site and on the membership page you can find a detailed step-by-step process (including pictures!) of how to do it.

http://www.dctra.org/files/How_to_post.pdf

Our Webmaster would be happy to post your info for you if the following sems to complicated. Just email him (dave@microworks.net) with the text you want and a picture if you have one.

Or...

You can follow the instructions below or go to *http://www.dctra.org/files/How_to_post.pdf* to open/download a PDF document that takes you through the process step-by-step with illustrations.

1. Login

2. Select "Write" from the menu at the top (your account must be upgraded from the initial level when the account was created - if you do not see the "Write" option send an email to <u>Dave</u> to have your account upgraded)

3. Fill in the Title box. For example enter your name: John Q. Public

4. In the Post box fill in a little bit about yourself, your car and how the two of you got together.

5. **DO NOT CHECK** the "Notify everyone (regardless of subsription).

Now to upload your picture(s) to accompany your post...

6. Select the "Browse" button on the right hand side of the field called "File" **See below for some**

advice on photos.

7. This opens the normal Choose File dialog box. Find the file you want to upload. Click on it and then select the "Open" button. If you want give the file a Title and a description.

8. Press the "Upload" button.

9. Leave the settings "Show Thumbnail" and "Link File" just like they are.

10. Now backup in the box where you typed your "Post" place the cursor where you want the picture to be located.

11. Press the button "Send to editor"

12. Over on the right hand side in the Categories menu place a check in the "Members Cars" box.

13. If you want people to be able to comment about your post leave the Comments and Ping boxes checked. Otherwise uncheck them.

14. Press the "Publish" button

Now you can "View site" and see your post in the "Members Cars" category!

A Note about posting and uploading your picture in your Member Posting. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE pay attention to the size of the picture you want to upload. Resize the image so that it is no more than 600 pixels wide. If you do not know how to do that feel free to email the picture to dave@microworks.net and he will resize the image and email it back to you.



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