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The Peterson's sunset view

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

Sunday January 12, 2020
ELECTION BRUNCH & BUSINESS MEETING

Starts @ 11:00 a.m.

Spoke & Wheel Restaurant

8500 N Central Ave; Phoenix, AZ

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Cover: The Peterson have some beautiful sunsets. Photo by Armand LaCasse.

Prez Sez – January 2020

John Nuss, President

Well, the final Prez Sez of the year, the decade, and this administration. Sounds kind of final to me. But I'm looking forward to a different job with the club. I have some ideas for events and now I get to drive the cars to "prove" the route. In the meantime there are other things to take up club time: monthly meetings, Triumphest planning, various events around the Valley and driving and servicing our cars. It has been fun, frustrating, challenging and rewarding to officiate at the Denny's Restaurant on a nearly monthly basis for several years. Now it is time let some else enjoy the benefits of serving the club.

Seriously, it is time for some younger, older, more experienced, less experienced members to volunteer. You know who you are!

Good news: Tilly is on the road. Playing detective, member Bob Holt and I used wires, continuity testers and volt meters to determine that as far as we could see the brake lights and turn signals should work. We replaced the LED bulbs with the standard bulbs with no change. Then just as we ready to quit for a while, we saw the edge of the bell shaped connector was just barely touching the taillight base. After all the time spent with the above mentioned stuff, it seemed too easy. But a bit of tape and a twist of the metal strap and the car has not lost lights or blown any fuses. Now if I can get the other Spitfire on the road, I can tackle the Herald again. It never ends. But it's a hobby, it's fun, I like laying on the floor, I like twisting around under the dashboard...

See you all at the Spoke and Wheel January 12, 2020 for the DCRA Election Brunch.

John

EDITOR'S DESK

George M Montgomery, Editor

Another year has come and gone. I enjoy watching the reviews on TV of all the news events that have happened the past year. Some are tragic and disturbing, some beautiful and gratifying. Such is life. But it is a time to reflect where we have been and have done.

What I enjoy more is the start of a new year. Yes, I am one who appreciates setting goals; looking at what I have accomplished the past year and structure ways to meet the goals that I missed last year. I like self-evaluation and attempting to stretch out of my comfort zone and try something challenging. Can I do it? Do I have the skills and resources to do it? Do I have the determination to carry through something difficult? Is it worthwhile?

We've heard a lot of talk of needing new officers for our club for this coming year. Some of our members may have been thinking maybe it's time for them to step up to the plate and serve their club. Do they have the skill set to accomplish being the president? I can tell you after serving in each of the different offices, president is the easiest. You get so much support from other club members. Bev Peterson wrote up a typical agenda page to follow for each meeting. That makes it so simple. She also shared her previous training on how to conduct meetings. This information, for me anyway, was invaluable. Ask any of the past presidents, the most difficult part is writing the Prez Sez column each month. We have an editor who won't let you forget it. He will bug you each month for it. But he is immensely helpful to draft a column to help get you started. Is this the year for you to step out and accept a challenge?

We'll see you at the Election Brunch on the 12th.

George

Calendar of Events

DCTRA & British Auto Events 2019:

Jan 12th – Election Brunch at Spoke & Wheel (on North Central @ 11am
Jan 14th— (No meeting at Denny's this month
Feb 8th – Automotive Recreation Club of Sun City West – show & swap meet.
Mar 7th -- Highland Games British Car Show (Registration deadline Feb 28th)
Aug 31-Sept 4 – VTR 2020 Galena, ILL.
Sep 10-12, 2020 -- Triumphfest San Diego, CA

Regular Occurrence Events

Hunts Donuts – 3rd Thursday University and the Loop 101
Cruz'n at Phil's - (every Sunday) Phil's Filling Station Fountain Hills, AZ
Cars N Coffee – 1st Saturday of the month, Mayo Blvd & Scottsdale Rd
Cars N Coffee – 2nd Saturday of the month, Alpino's at Troon
Cars N Coffee – 3rd Saturday of the month, Penske Auto Museum
Pavilions McDonald's - every Saturday night. 101 & Indian Bend.

January 2020 Membership Report:

DCTRA Membership Chair, Marvin Miller

There are no new members to announce since the last meeting. However we have had one who has asked to be removed from the Club roster since he sold his car and wishes to drop out.

This brings the club membership total to 103 Memberships with 153 Members.

And once again the reminder that several Memberships expired December 31. If you have forgotten what year yours expires, let me know and I will gladly look it up. Email reminders will commence in early January to those members whose memberships expired in 2019.

Annual dues are \$20, \$37, or \$55 for 1, 2, or 3 years respectively. Cash or check made out to **DCTRA** is accepted at the monthly meetings, or you may pay using PayPal from the website www.DCTRA.org using the "Shop" then "Shop" "Checkout" buttons. If you'd rather mail a check in, my address is listed on the membership application form at the end of the newsletter.

Marv Miller
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(602) 380-5564

Application form on page 12



Minutes

Desert Centre Triumph Register of America December 2019 DCTRA Meeting Minutes

The December 10, 2019 meeting of The DCTRA was called to order by President John Nuss @ 7:13 p.m. @ Denny's Restaurant Scottsdale Rd.

Members present: Dennis Barnes, Jim Bauder, Philip Couture, Bob Duffy, Anthony Dymond, Dave Faulkner, Greg Freeman, Ron Gurnee, Rick Hartman, John Heisser, Craig Kastoll, Betsy Kavash, Chuck Kerzan, Mary White, Randy Koontz, Armand LaCasse who drove his GT6, Bob Mazer, Marv Miller who drove his TR6, George Montgomery, John Nuss, Pete Peterson, John Reynolds who drove his TR6, Marie Thompson.

Minutes: Correction noted to last month's Minutes re location of the club's Annual Christmas Party. The party is being hosted by Pete & Bev Peterson.

Treasurer Report: Armand LaCasse reporting a few membership fees collected. And our selected Christmas Charities have been paid.

Membership: Marv Miller reported 104 memberships and 154 members. Marv reminded members that renewals are due the end of this month Dec 31. Yearly individual membership is \$ 20.00 and can be paid for 1 or 2 or 3 years. A membership for 3 years is \$ 55.

Events: John Horton reported the following upcoming events: Dec. 14 Club's Christmas Party @ the home of Pete & Bev Peterson @ 4:30. There will be a Gift Exchange. Dec 15 is The Legends of Speed exhibit @ The Phoenix Art Museum. Dec. 21 is The Christmas Lights Tour. January 12, 2021 is our Election Brunch @ The Spoke & Wheel Restaurant in Phoenix.

Technical: Jim Bauder told of an issue with leaking coolant on a recent trip to San Diego and was offering a new sealant tape.

Old Business: Ron Cole continues working with Little America in Flagstaff as the venue for our club's hosting Triumphfest in October 2021. Ron has a block of 100 rooms for Thursday night Oct. 14, 2021.

New Business: A reminder that the Election Brunch Jan. 12 is also our Monthly Business meeting and that Denny's Restaurant needs to be notified that we will not meet there January 14.

The slate of Officers for this next year is incomplete as John Horton stated that he plans to step down as Vice President as does John Nuss as President. John Horton then nominated John Nuss for Vice President. John Nuss accepted the nomination. There are presently no candidates for office of President.

Motion to adjourn heard and passed @ 7:38.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary A. White, Secretary

Christmas Party

Story by Editor. Photos by Armand LaCasse & George Montgomery

Pete and Bev Peterson were gracious enough this year to open their house for DCTRA's Christmas party. There about 30 members attending. After the customary garage tour to puruse Pete's latest project, the men returned to the house to start a scrumptious dinner. After dinner we visited until presents were opened. We followed our usual White Elephant gift exchange.



Everyone is waiting for the opening of presents.



Our host, Pete, opens his present.



Chit chatting before opening presents



I think someone is looking for a present to steal.

There were many nice gifts brought. Several were appealing enough to be "stolen" by other members, othes were gag gifts and were real keepers: a redneck Christmas tree, and a 1959 TR radio. The radio keeps returning every few years to be recycled again. The Red-neck Christmas tree was new this year.



Christmas Party (cont)



Ah, a valuable prize! Will It be stolen.



George and his "Red-Neck Christmas Tree"



Dian Gold found a special prize. It was stolen several times.



Our lovely hostess.

NEXT CLUB MEETING

Sunday January 12, 2020

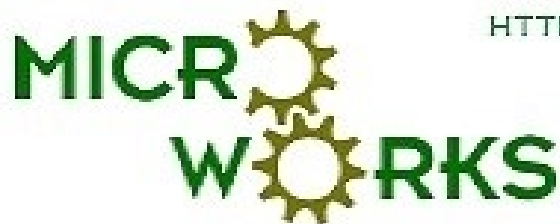
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FOR SALE:

1964 TR4A \$25,000 OBO. Completely original, 65,000. Engine never rebuilt, original SU carburetors and 4 speed transmission. Located in Sun City Grand
Call Rod Arnold – 480-370-1065
10-19



Wanted:

Wanted TR250 or TR6 (no 3 / Very Good) condition that is looking for a good home, garage kept and will be well fed. You can reach me at timothyemaxwell@gmail.com
Tim Maxwell, Texas Triumph Register Member, TTR Houston, TX
0818

FOR SALE:

Triumph seat covers

Hi. My husband and I used to be members of the club many, many years ago but my husband always had health issues, so we were unable to participate. We used to have a beautiful burgundy 1974 Triumph Spitfire. The car found a new home, but we found out later that we still had 2 black front seat covers in black with a white Triumph logo. I am writing in the event that anyone in the club would be interested in purchasing them. I would sell them, for \$50. They were never used and are in perfect condition. My cell is 602-740-1088. Thank you.
Jill Burns, wburns@strategz.com

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FOR SALE:

For sale one axle trailer, new aluminum runners, ramps and a 2,500 pound electric wrench, Asking \$750.00.
John Horton - 602-705-8678

triumphshoppe@gmail.com, 12-19



For sale: Clutch Master Cylinder – new
For '63-'80 Spitfire \$30

David Faulkner - 480-656-4366
rottendave@cox.net

12-19

CLASSIFIED ADS: (cont)

FOR SALE:

1966 Spitfire Mk II, Great body, runs good, clean title, needs bushings in transmission replaced. I have poor health, need to be sold \$6,000 obo.



Harold Berger, Phone (513)-594-9235
bsberger@cox.net
10443 W. Roundelay Circle; Sun City, AZ85351
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FOR SALE:

TR6 Roll Cage. \$475.00. I cleaned it up. Sanded it down to remove paint. And applied 2 coats of grey primer. I was going to spray paint it black, but it's ready for someone to choose their color.

Please contact me either on email at:
john.carroll@wbhsi.net
or text at [480 622 8502](tel:4806228502)
John Carroll. 03.2019



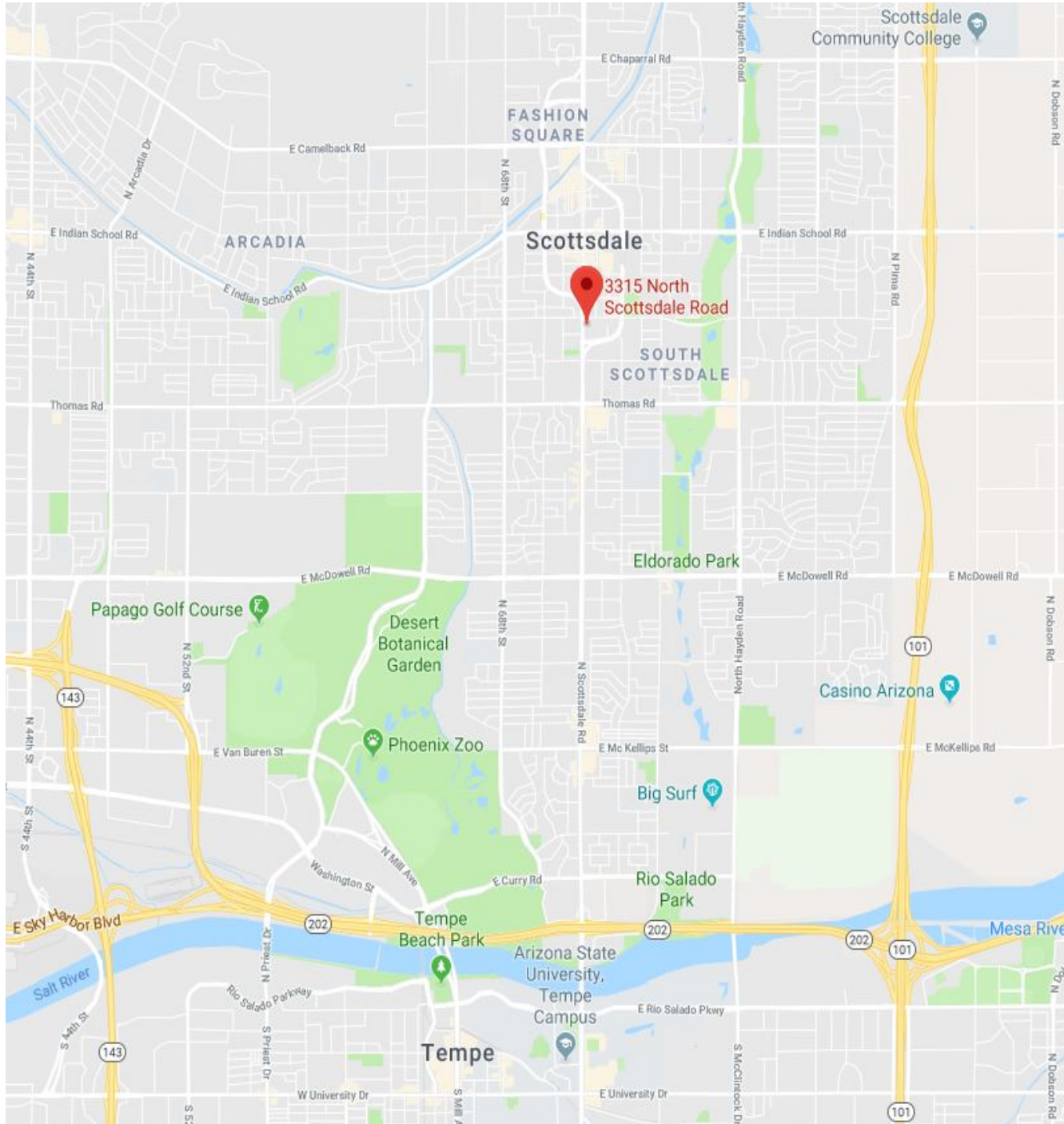
1975 Triumph TR-6 (Java) Commission No. CF398454, Complete frame off restoration
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Many upgrades, too many to list here. Webbers and Overdrive. Leather seats
Car is in the Dallas/Fort Worth area Asking: ~~\$29,500.00~~ Reduced to \$25,000

Contact me for other questions:
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DCTRA Club Meeting Location:

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

At: **Denney's Restaurant**
3315 Scottsdale Road; Tempe, AZ





DCTRA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE PRINT and return completed form with the correct amount of dues to:

DCTRA

Marvin Miller, Membership Chairperson

780 W. Coolidge St. Phoenix, AZ 85013

Phone: 602-380-5564 Email: miller2993@cox.net

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NEW MEMBER:

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RENEWING MEMBER:

MEMBER INFO (please print):

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____
Home Cell

Email Address: _____

Classic Vehicles Owned:

Year	Model	Commission #
Year	Model	Commission #
Year	Model	Commission #

Each household membership includes one name badge. Additional name badges are available at the cost of \$6.00 each.

Name wanted on badge(s): _____

Do you want added to the Membership Contact list YES _____ NO _____

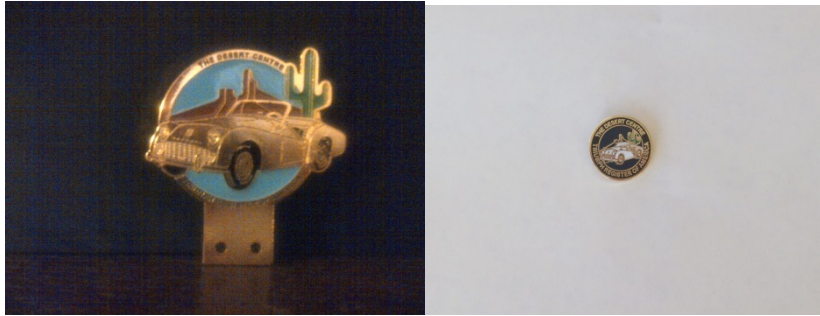
How are you paying your dues: CHECK _____ CASH _____ PAYPAL _____ (add \$2.00 process fee)

PLEASE NOTE:

If a new member is joining between January 1 and September 30- One-year dues are \$20.00, two-year dues are \$37.00 and three-year dues are \$55.00. If a new member is joining between October 1 and December 31- One-year dues are \$25.00, two-year dues are \$42.00, and three-year dues are \$60.00. This allows everyone's dues to become payable on January 1 of the appropriate year.

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)

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