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On the Cover:

**Linda Nicholson 's
TR4a fording a stream**

NEXT CLUB MEETING:
July 12, 2011 @ 7:00 PM
Denny's Restaurant

650 N. Scottsdale Rd., Tempe, AZ 85281
Come Early to Socialize with other Members

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- (3) GEAR SHIFT KNOBS—BLACK
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Prez Sez

George Montgomery

I just returned from a 10 day trip to Oklahoma. I first attended my high school's 50th Reunion for the Class of '61; that's 1961. I drove there in the Suzuki because the TR6 was not ready for the road yet, and had plenty of time to think. It's a two day drive.

I reflected on the cars of that time and of my favorites. The big Austin Healeys and MGAs were some of my preferred, with their classic shape. I also liked the Morgans and the T-Series of MGs. I liked their retro look with clam shell fenders and vertical radiators. The Triumph TR3 was funny looking, different, with their bug eyed headlights. By the time I graduated from HS, though, I had learned to like them; almost bought one. Got used to them, I guess. Their design had begun to appeal to me. But, when the TR4 came out, ugh. It had that funny lip that curved over the headlights; weird looking and not aesthetic. The Spitfires, to me, were always beautiful though. They had a flowing body design that would rival any Italian car. I guess it would. It was by an Italian designer. I've owned three Spitfires within the last 46 years and one for 30 years.

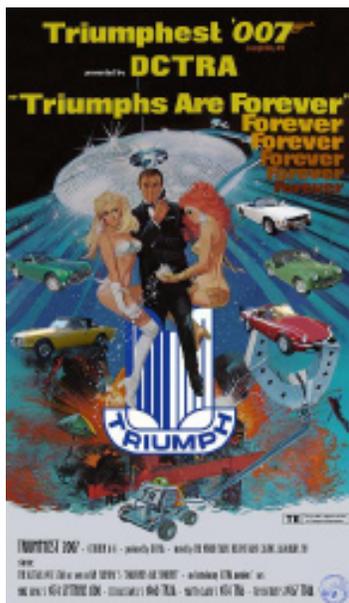
By the mid-'60's I had a 1964 TR4. Loved it. I thought, by then, that it was a stylish looking car and thought the full synchro-transmission, rack-n-pinion steering, and front disc brakes were great improvements over the TR3. I grew to love the body style, even the lip over the headlights. It was now "distinctive" looking. Then came the TR6. It emphasized the boxy look of the current styling of Triumphs. I wasn't pleased, but, most of the Brit cars were going to this squarish design. I did like the big 6 cylinder engine though. I finally became use to the design, learned to like it, and now even have one of my own; a pretty white car. When the TR7-8's came out, I thought they were spacey looking, a little too futuristic looking. I revolted and even wanted to go back to the retro-look: Morgan's and early MG's. Then it was pointed out to me by an engineer how difficult it would be to maintain today's speed with clam

shell fenders.

I guess the gist of all of this rambling is that I am slow to change, take it cautiously and with reservation. I now like each of the Triumphs body styles and their uniqueness. They have each become classics in their own right. I particularly like the TR3's cut down doors, the TR4's size and lip over the headlights (funny now after these years) and the engine and suspension of the TR6. I even recognize the TR7 as a modern classic. Just look at Ron Gurnee's beautiful TR7. If I could build my own TR, I would use a TR6 chassis and stretch a TR3 body over it.

As some of you know, I have been having trouble with a fouling spark plug for a year now. It caused me trouble on the B.E.A.T last year and even worse this year. I just received the head back from a machine shop where I had it re-built and it is now ready to reinstall. I have also received a new carpet set from a man in Virginia that I found on the 6-Pack web site. It is identical to my original honey tan carpeting. I have also found a set of seats, in the original chestnut color. The seats won't be here until the 8th of July. Maybe I can get them installed before the next meeting. It's awfully hot out there. My carport is not air conditioned.

See you at the meeting,



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Minutes of the June Meeting

Bev Peterson

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

35 - people signed the roster:

Jim Andres – drove a TR

Pete Bowen

Bob & Penny Branton

Bill Close – drove a TR

Virgil & Marlene Cole

George & Chris Durkin

Gene Glenn

Ron Gurnee

Deta Hampsch & Lee Loftin

John & Beth Horton

Jim Hughes

Simon & Marie Kotsailidis

Armand LaCasse

Stu & Debi Lasswell – drove a TR

Bob Mazer

Ed May

Joe Minnick

George Montgomery

Frank & Ann Montone

Linda Nicholson

Kathy Nuss – drove a TR

Pete Peterson– drove a TR

Ron Price – drove a TR

Matt Reynolds – drove a TR

Dave Riddle

Ken Schmidt

Roy Stoney

7 TRIUMPHS WERE DRIVEN TO THE MEETING!

NO VISITORS

MINUTES: The May minutes were approved as corrected.

TREASURER: John Reynolds was not present to report so Matt Reynolds reviewed the club's

account balances.

MEMBERSHIP: Marty Clark was not present to report on membership.

NEWSLETTER: Dave Riddle reported on the newsletter. There were many favorable comments from several members.

AAHC: John Horton reported that the AAHC is closed down for the summer.

OWNERSHIP UPDATES: NO REPORTS.

TECHNICAL: John Horton reported on how to make a tool and repair plastic connectors. Stu Lasswell told about participating in an autocross event last weekend. He also commented that he has a welder in his garage but now he needs a teacher. Linda Nicholson reported that Tom Tucker Tires on Camelback can balance tires while they are on the car. British Bob (Branton) announced that he is shaving \$20 per hour off the regular cost of labour at C.A.R.S. until the end of July. He added that Rimmer Brothers has many unobtainable parts not normally found in the U.S.

EVENTS: Look for events information in the newsletter and on our website: www.dctra.org

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business.

TRIUMPHEST 2012 REPORT: There was nothing to report.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Based on notes taken by Deta Hampsch -
Submitted by:
Bev Peterson, Secretary



DCTRA Membership Application

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

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Original 1976 TR6 for sale with very good condition factory Topaz (orange-yellow) paint and only 70,983 original miles since new. Interior and soft top are also in good condition. Has circa 1976 dealer installed luggage rack and racing stripes. The frame is rusted under passenger side and the rear-end clunks under acceleration (U-joints? Differential?). Car has not been driven or started since 2008. \$4000, as is. Call John at 602-762-1320 or email jlindly@cox.net for more information or for photos.

1976 triumph TR7 belonged to Zane Horton. Car was rebuilt years ago by a former DCTRA member with a 1982 Olds 3.8 Ltr V6 and auto transmission.

New tires, new overheat fan with manual control, rebuilt brakes, new exhaust system. All lights work.

Interior: Recovered seats. Yellow paint on hood is cracked; rest of body can be rubbed out, Radio with working speakers.

Car runs very well, and with the V6 it should be reliable with parts availability.

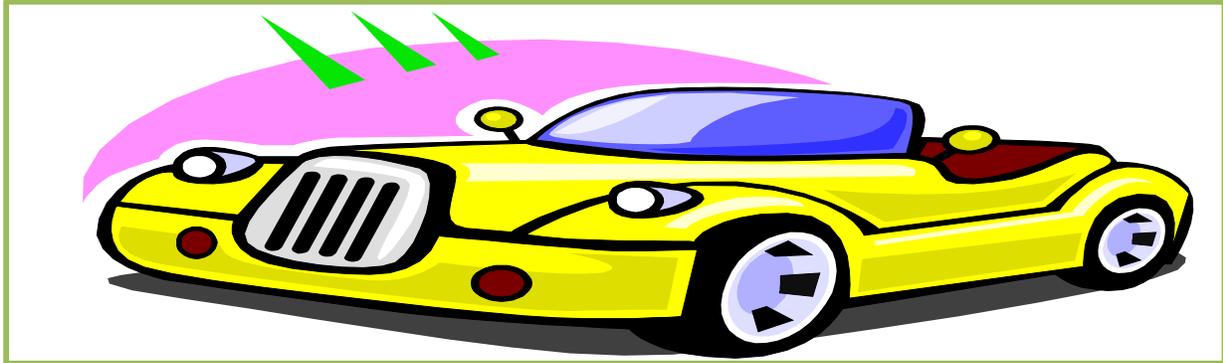
The air conditioning is in place, however it needs electric leads to finish it. Many spare parts. It is available for 2,500.00. John Horton 602-705-8678



1979 Spitfire For Sale
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Gene Glenn, 602 320-2281, E-Mail: Gene@GMT-RE.com

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• Pulley Hub	69.95		
• Crank Pulley	43.95	New Smith Lucas 30 amp meter,	
• Crank Bolt (N/A)	<u>49.95</u>	#30-0-30	N/A
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TR33 to TS13045	N/A	very good condition, Set Price	\$168.95
• TR6 peddle box			
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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)

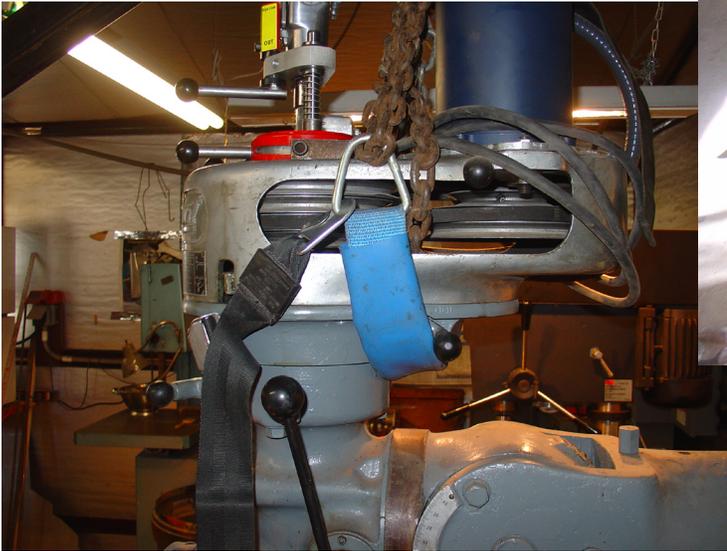
Phoenix - Hotrod Jokers Cruise-In and Car Show - Ramjets Speed Shop (13701 N. Cave Creek Rd.) - 1-4pm - free hot dogs and beverages - Info: Ron 602-574-4059

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

Where to Stop Rebuilding?

John Horton

I rebuilt my daughters, Spitfire from the ground up, A TR7 with a Mercury V6 for my other daughter from a derelict car found on the



The Bridgeport milling machine has been the workhorse in industry for over 65 years. Hundreds of thousands were manufactured.

street. My 76 TR7 with a Toyota 18R engine. Not to mention the Locost 7 that took almost 4 years.



They come in various sizes from the smaller one I have to many ton monsters. No machine shop could function without one.

I also rebuilt a number of other items including chain saws, electric tools, and all the normal things that quit. Whilst building the Locost, Armand and I noticed that the Bridgeport mill-

The table would move about an inch when "locked" in place and some of the drive functions did not work. Sooo on January 1 2011 we decided to rebuild the Bridgeport. Now a milling

machine weights about 2700 pounds and comes in large heavy chunks. Another factor was the previous owner who sold it to me on Ebay had painted it with a large MOP.

gear chains and levers.

We found a number of the “Gibs” or table spacers were worn and did not hold the parts tightly enough for accurate work. We both are amazed that a machine that is 55 years old has enough available parts to put it back in proper working order.

Also there are a lot of adjustments that will keep it in tolerance order. On June 5th we installed the head and drive motor and it started right up. Sounds like a car, right? Since I bought the mill, I added the digital readout for accuracy and Armand & I added a lubrication system for all moving parts. A cooling system is in the works. As the machine is very complicated and HEAVY, Armand pitched in to help make this happen. I want to thank Armand LaCasse for his help with this project.



We took the mill apart into almost manageable pieces. Then stripped all the interior parts out. I think I went thru about two gallons of epoxy stripper. After priming and repainting the parts, We started the rebuild. We found a number of parts were just not there. We found them on the



web and bought a manual on the mill. Armand commented that it would have been impossible to do this without the manual. The head is VERY complicated with a lot of small inter connected

Calendar of Events

To add or host an event, contact Matt Reynolds, VP and Activities 480-968-6078 / bsatr6@yahoo.com

DCTRA Events July 2011

3rd-DCTRA 3rd of July Party

8th-Gunslinger Car Show-Holbrook

9th-SEMA National car collector day-Glendale

12th-DCTRA Meeting

17th-British Breakfast Run-Phoenix

23rd-Sweet Wheels Car Show- Snowflake

AUG 6th- Tucson Motor Show

AUG 6-7th- Prescott Antique Auto Club Car Show

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Membership

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

Update Your Triumph Membership

Marty has posted the updated membership list on our DCTRA.org website (see files section). It's updated through the January '08 Brunch meeting. He is still accepting digital pictures of your car(s) to include on this list. Club members voted to remove unpaid listings, so these will no longer receive club emails. If you would like your membership to be renewed, bring your payment to an event, meeting or mail a check (made out to DCTRA) to our Treasurer, John Reynolds, 806 E. Campus, Tempe, AZ 85282.

Recommended Vendors

A "Vendors" menu option has been added to the website. Selecting that menu option will show you a listing of vendors (services, parts, repair, etc...) that DCTRA members have had experience with and are recommending to other members.

If you have a Vendor to recommend you will notice at the bottom of the list that a form has been provided for you to fill out. When we receive your completed form we will add your recommended vendor to the list.

Press Release – For Immediate Release



To all Vintage Triumph Register Member Clubs:

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

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

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

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

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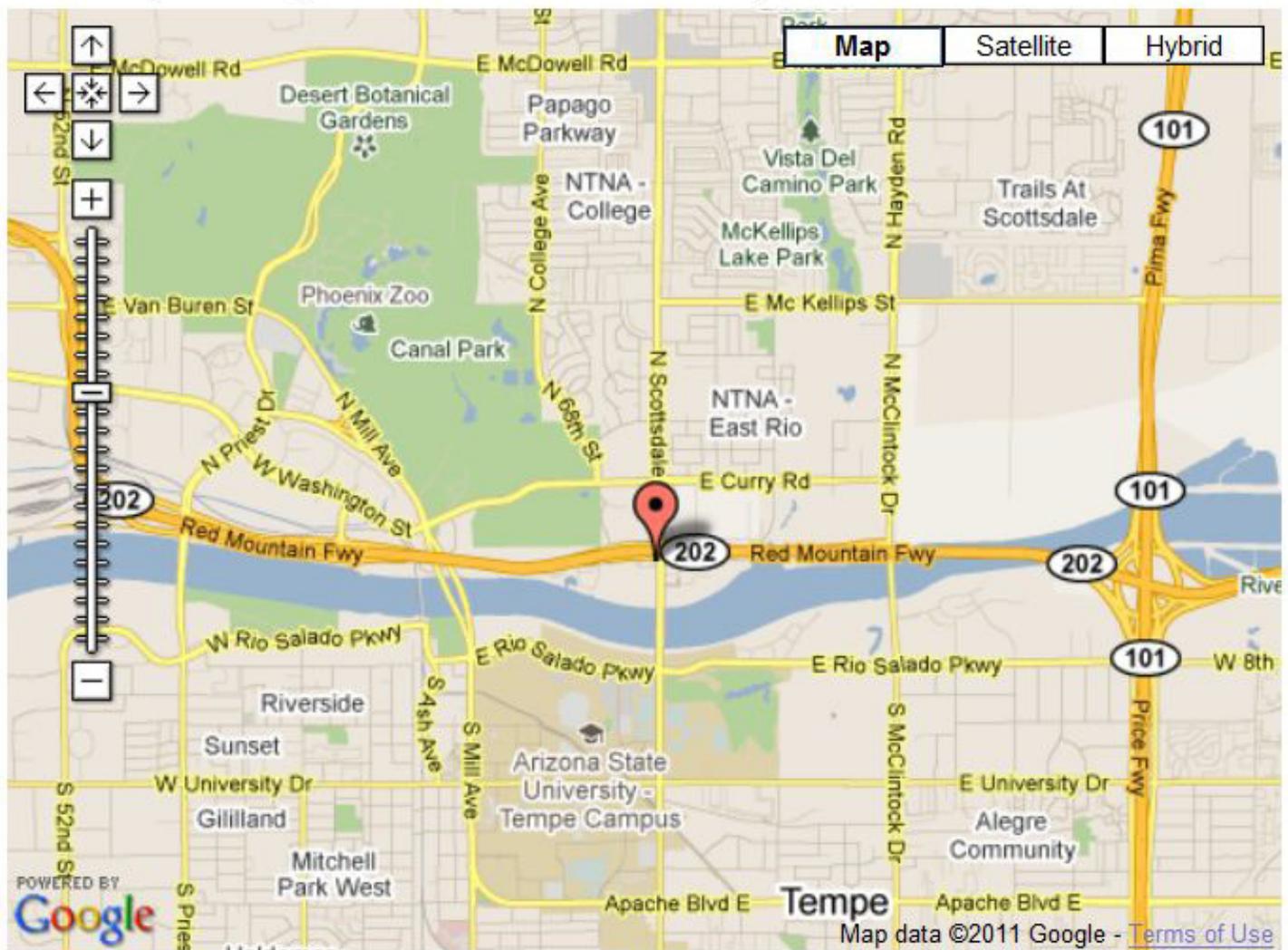
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