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An absolutely gorgeous TR6 parked at Denney's prior to our meeting.

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## Prez Sez–March 2025

From the Desk of Roger Prior  
March 2025

I'll be trying out some writing styles as I settle into writing this 'Prez Sez' column for the monthly DCTRA *Triumph Trumpeter*. Eventually will land on a blend of topics, current DCTRA events, my random thoughts regarding our favorite topic - Triumph sports cars - and related topics which I hope you find enjoyable. Perhaps even informative ... time *will tell about that*.

Hope you have been enjoying some drive time activities in your Triumph this past month as we Arizonans are fortunate to have wonderful 'winter' weather for the most part.

The **wintertime multitude** of car events in Arizona are almost never ending and some of which have had descriptive write-ups from DCTRA club members in this newsletter. Many formal scheduled events (i.e., the numerous auto auctions, Scottsdale Concours d' Elegance) in addition to DCTRA organized events (drives and social gatherings). The club's new Vice President, John Carroll has been enthusiastically putting together drives and other events you will be hearing more about as this year unfolds. So, stay tuned.

**Speaking of events** - as always, the club invites you to write up a description of the events you attend (include photos if possible) – send to our Newsletter Editor George Montgomery – to be included in the upcoming issue of the newsletter, *Triumph Trumpeter*. DCTRA will enjoy reading of your experience, from your perspective.

**A First** (...for me that is) – Placed my first order with *British Parts Northwest*. Years past have when needing parts for my '73 TR6 been ordering from The Roadster Factory, Rimmer Bros. and Moss. Preferred TRF. Actually, had an account with TRF going back many years to maybe 1987 or so when I became owner of my first TR6 ('69) – this was the TR6 I sold before moving to Phoenix in October '93. Found myself looking through the BPN 'on-line' parts catalog for replacement 'snaps' for the current TR6 'boot cover'. I wound up placing an order for some small items (but no 'snaps') I plan on installing on the TR6 in the future. My order qualified for Free Delivery, which was great. The delivery time was faster than expected – 4 days – which is amazing – thank you UPS 'Big Brown' truck and driver. The TRF is slowly adding inventory since the devastating total loss fire, and I keep an eye on their growing parts inventory.

**Getting to know the DCTRA President** – Mentioned I would slowly introduce myself to the DCTRA. In the Beginning ... (...*just kidding*). Was born in Washington, D.C., where my parents met after WWII - as my father's career was beginning as a Geographer for the Defense Department. My two younger brothers and I grew up in nearby western Fairfax County, VA. The property frontage overlooking about 450 feet of Rt. 50. I will mention more about our pre-Civil War home on Rt. 50 as time goes on. Us kids were able to play baseball and football, fish for 'Sun Fish/Blue Gills' in our small pond, and learn about 'snapping' turtles and snakes. In time we would have as pets: many Beagles, many cats, a family of White ducks, a Mallard for the pond. At age 11 or so began mowing 2 acers of our lawn with the Graveley 'Model L' tractor – will pull starter. About this time one summer morning I noticed a neighbor 'peeling out' onto Rt. 50 in a TR3. That event is when my life took a turn, began a low-grade fever for...you guessed it. Not sure if it was the growl of the engine, the gravel being thrown rearwards or what...but my life was to be changed. Seeing the TR3 that day...spelled e-x-c-i-t-e-m-e-n-t. excitement.

To be continued...

Cheers...and keep driving your Triumph

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# EDITOR'S DESK

George M Montgomery  
March 2025

February 10<sup>th</sup>, Drive Your Triumph Day, was the first time in three years since I got to enjoy my TR6 except just watch it get dusty just sitting on my carport. Driving to the Sunnyside Breakfast Lounge was okay, but leaving there and following John Carroll heading north on Power Rd then on out on to the Bush Highway was a thrill. I had forgotten what fun it was to have the wind in my hair, to hear the roar of the engine as I powered out of a curve, the excitement of driving up a hill and not knowing whether I am to go straight, turn left or right until I crest the hill. I have driven Triumphs for sixty years: a couple of Spitfires, a TR4 and now this TR6. Each one had their own quirks and personalities. Each one provided memories that will never be forgotten.

The past three years was the longest period of not driving a Triumph and I almost forgotten the joy. Sure I've read about them, watched them on the road and even ridden in other DCTRA member's cars. But that's not the same as having your own fingers wrapped around that steering wheel. Having your seat feel the centrifugal force as you take a sharp curve in a road. The withdrawal I felt almost brought me to the point of considering selling the love of my life. Fortunately, Armand determined why the new parts weren't working and found the right one. Thankfully several DCTRA members banded together at another member's shop to put the clutch system in Jack right. I will forever be appreciative of their efforts and for saving my soul from further sinking into that abyss of not having a Triumph to drive. Thanks guys.

I hope to see you at our March meeting. I will again drive my Triumph there. Will I see you and yours?

George

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## March 2025 Membership Report:

We had a solid turnout for the February 11<sup>th</sup> monthly meeting; 23 attendees in all and 7 cars in attendance! With new members Rick and Toni Stratton and Kathleen "Kate" Kelsay our DCTRA membership ranks now stand at 159 memberships and 218 total members. As always, we continue to have the following items in our TR merchandise inventory: Grille Badges (\$25), License Plate frames, chrome or black, (\$15), TR Pins, 3 types, (\$10), and DCTRA Patches (\$5). I will have "the merchandise" above as well as extra DCTRA business cards and window decals at our next meeting. I hope everyone had a great Valentine's Day and that everyone with a drivable Triumph was able to get out on the road for "Drive Your Triumph Day". Cheers and hope to see even more folks at our March Club mtg and a parking lot full of TRs!

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DCTRA application form on page 25

# DCTRA Events March and beyond

**Mar 1st** – Ahwatukee Car Show. 9am-1pm. Mountain Park Church 16461 S 48<sup>th</sup> St, Phoenix 85048. [www.ahwatukeecarshow.com](http://www.ahwatukeecarshow.com)

**Mar 7th** – The Dwarf Car Museum Drive and Lunch. Meet at Broken Yolk Breakfast on Gilbert Rd/Germann in Chandler. Drive to DCM, lunch at Raceway Grill. [www.dwarfcarmuseum.com](http://www.dwarfcarmuseum.com)

**Mar. 11th - DCTRA March. Monthly Meeting** - Denny's 3315 N. Scottsdale Road - Time 6 p.m. Socializing/dinner & 7 p.m. Reg. Business Mtg then adjourn to parking lot for the famed Triumph car review - and more socializing

**Mar. 13th** – Robson Reserve Classic car show. 9508 E Riggs Rd, Sun Lakes 85248. 10:30-1:30pm. [www.robsonseniorliving.com](http://www.robsonseniorliving.com)

**Mar. 15th** – Bartlett Lake DCTRA luncheon. Meet at 10am Black Mountain Café & Lounge. 7211 Ho Rd22&23, Carefree, 85377. Drive to Bartlett Lake and return to meet for lunch at Mountain View Grill. 7033 E Cave Creek Rd, Cave Creek, AZ 85331

**Note:** Members ongoing Breakfast meets in East Valley and West Valley. Contact John Carroll for details. 480-622-8502.

**Note:** Check DCTRA Facebook Page for additional drives and gatherings throughout each month.

**April and beyond** - Stay Tuned - but have the advance word that the **Annual Highland Games will not** occur in '25. Will have more info on this ASAP.

## Regular Occurrence Events

**Second Saturday each month, October through April:**

**Cars and Coffee 8:00 to 10:00am**

The Shoppes at Casa Paloma, 7131 W. Ray Road Chandler

Hunts Donuts – **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday** University and the Loop 101

Cruz'n at Phil's - (**every Sunday**) Phil's Filling Station Fountain Hills, AZ

Cars N Coffee – **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month**, Mayo Blvd & Scottsdale Rd

Cars N Coffee – **2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month**, Alpio's at Troon

**NEXT CLUB MEETING: March 11, 2025 - a Zoom link may be sent out.**



## Desert Centre Triumph Register of America Business Meeting

February 11, 2025

The February meeting of DCTRA was held @ Denny's Restaurant Scottsdale Rd. Meeting was called to order by newly installed President, Roger Prior.

**Members present:** Mark Sapp, Tim Reiling, Julian & Kerry Anderson, Bob Mazer, Jim Dickey, Deb O'Brien, Ron Gurnee, George Montgomery, Roger Prior, John Carroll, Tony Chapman, Peter Peterson, Armand LaCasse, Scott Porter, George & Chris Durkin, John Reynolds, Betsy Kavash, Marie Thompson, Jon Berges, Mary White, Chuck Kerzan

**Minutes:** Approved as they appeared in The Newsletter.

Treasurer's report: Armand LaCasse reported success in collecting and paying the bill for our last month's Brunch. There was actually enough left over to pay for the champagne toast.

**Membership:** Scott Porter reporting we now have 158 members & 216 memberships. Scott spoke about a recent "phishing scam" some of our members received recently and warned never to respond to these or any online requests for money from anyone in the club.

**Newsletter:** George Montgomery was pleased to have driven his TR6 to the meeting this evening and on the February 10<sup>th</sup> "Drive Your Triumph Day".

**Events:** John Carroll described the recent Run to Globe Az and yesterday's Run to Penske Museum. John has contacted East Valley Institute of Technology to explore our club's possible involvement w/ their automotive apprenticeship. He's also looking into organizing a Charity Event for our club. There is a Veteran's Car Show in Prescott in April. "Concours In The Hills" has been postponed until April. Dave Ker's Tin Lizzy Ranch event in Buckeye is February 15. The Phoenix Annual Highland Games is having to re-locate it's venue.

**Technical:** Armand LaCasse shared all he's learned recently about TR3 fuel gauges. He's been impressed w/ the ease of navigating Rimmer's website. Chuck Kerzan detailed his work on what he thought was a blown clutch on his TR3. With John Heisser's assistance, they discovered it was the slave cylinder & piston, which they ordered from Roaster Factory. They also replaced the clutch & brake reservoir. Then, had to order new choke cable from Rimmer.

**Old Business:** Bob Mazer reported attending January's Concours d'Elegance in Scottsdale. 85 beautiful cars and 150 volunteers were needed to work the event.

**New Business:** Discussion held regarding possibility of establishing a Triumph Registry. Armand mentioned it's time to begin nominations for The Digger Davitt Award.

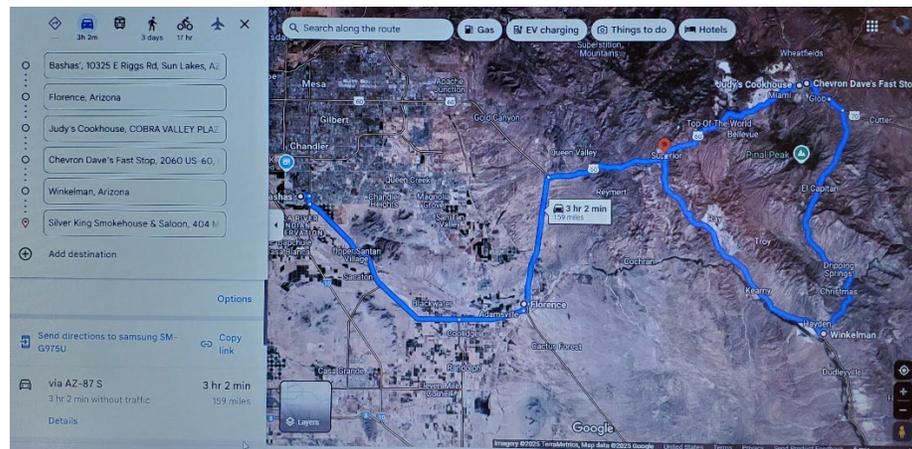
Motion to adjourn @ 7:53 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Mary A White Secretary

# Winkelman Loop Drive-Groundhog Day February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2025

Report by John Carroll VP DCTRA - Photos by John Carroll & Guests

After a conversation with a fellow DCTRA member prior to Christmas the idea of a drive to Globe and take a Loop around Winkelman would be a fun Sunday drive to tackle. So, I put together a drive that would take us along US60 to Globe and around the loop peaking at Winkelman and returning back to US60.

With the opening of the Renaissance Festival in Gold Canyon, the decision was taken to route an alternate drive to avoid any predicted traffic congestion.



Winkelman Loop 73miles

We met at Bashas in Sun Lakes, and headed East towards Coolidge and onto Florence, before heading North up to the US60 and our rendezvous point at Circle K. After a brief pit stop, it was time for a brunch at Judys Cookhouse. As there was around 14 of us with guests, it was a challenge, but the server did a fantastic job accommodating us all.



Bashas Meet 8:30am



Dave Riddle and TR3 #18

## Winkelman Loop Drive-Groundhog Day (cont)



Judys Cookhouse Brunch and our Server.



Chatting amongst ourselves after brunch

## Winkelman Loop Drive-Groundhog Day (cont)



Daves Rest Stop for the cars, who were all hungry for their lunch.

The journey continued heading South on 77 towards El Capitan, Dripping Springs and through the town of Christmas. Most of this drive was through many of the old Copper Mine operations from yesteryear and indeed many Mines that still operate today. The winding roads and hills are a real test for our cars.

At Winkelman Hayden we headed NW on SR177 through a large mining operation at Ray. The lookout viewing post was inactive and closed, so we continued and made a final stop at Silver King Smokehouse at the US60 interchange. There are more than 400 Active mines in the State of Arizona. It's well worth the trip.



State Route 77 Picture by Zoe Winkler.

## Winkelman Loop Drive-Groundhog Day (cont)



Open Pit Copper Mine from the air. Copyright Tom Cocanougher



Collective Group photo outside Silver King Smokehouse Saloon.  
Photo by Neil Miller

The journey was almost at an end and we finished our drive at Silver King Smokehouse Grill on Main St, Superior. Our thirsty travelers, rested up with cold Sarsaparilla and some adult beverages. Most of use drove back West along US60 which was mostly clear of traffic. Except Dave Fore and myself who chose the return through Florence and Coolidge. One of the extraordinary parts of this drive was along the entire 3.5hr drive we never lost sight of various mountains and peaks. What a beautiful State we live in.

Many thanks to Micheal Samuels for the initial suggestion to run this Loop and Dave Riddle for posting on Facebook, albeit with very short notice due to me. And thanks to the drivers and guests. It was a great trip. 😊

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# Tech Talk- I

## The Battle to Keep them Running

By John Carroll VP DCTRA

In the mid 1970's I was a Principal Avionics Engineer with British Aerospace in Cheshire. My role was to function test and review performances of the electronic instrumentation and aircraft avionics systems, during ground and flight trials.

The aircraft I focused on and flew in was the Hawker Siddeley Aviation Nimrod MKII. It was a Maritime Patrol Aircraft. Essentially a Submarine Hunter. They operated through 201 Squadron based out of RAF Kinloss, in Scotland and RAF St Mawgan in Cornwall.

During many of the flight trials we were kept busy. However, this De Havilland based Comet design from the 1940's was showing its age. During a break in the flight trials the captain came back to the galley to grab his cuppa tea and biscuit and chatted with myself and a fellow Avionics Technician. The young Tech couldn't resist telling the captain... "These aircrafts are getting a bit long in the tooth Sir, don't you think?" "It works, doesn't it?" "Yes Captain" Was his awkward reply.

This tech talk is warning to us all to inspect our ageing 50+ year old vehicles more often and even though "it works doesn't it" is true, my view is "it only works until it doesn't." Question is when will that be?

A recent incident was brought to my attention. Jon Lopas, who resides in Prescott, experienced this first hand with this 1972 TR6. The car was purchased as a restomod project. The car drove well and with a modified S10 V6 Engine was quite spirited when driving across the winding roads around Prescott Valley.

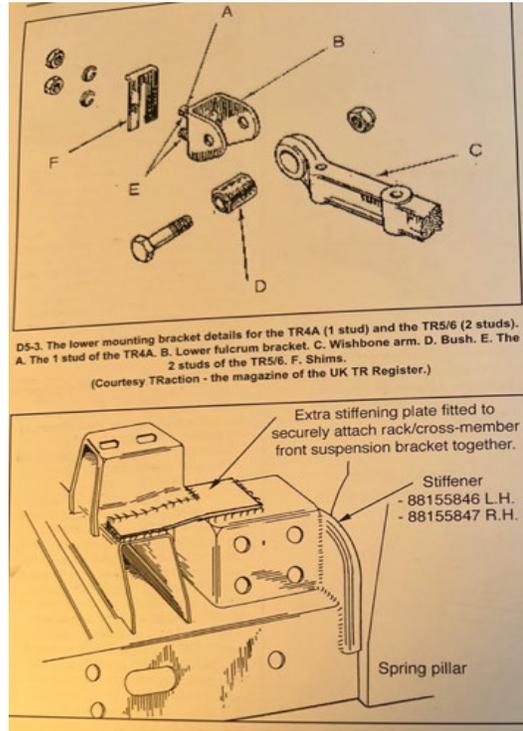
After a lunch in Jerome, he visited his local auto shop for a wheel alignment. They set an appointment and as he reversed out of his parking slot, the front suspension collapsed and jammed his front right wheel under the fender. Oh, dear he said. Well not really, but you can insert your own response.

Standing outside the car now he stared at the car open-mouthed. The shop helped him with a portable dolly under the front wheel and got the car back into a parking space until a plan had been formulated.



Jon's TR6 with its sad looking front wheel.

# Tech Talk- I (cont)



Wishbone Cross member suspension bracket

From researching into this, after November 1972 Triumph incorporated improvements to the front lower wishbone suspension bracket. They added stiffener plates that were welded to the cross-member box. However, despite this, the welds and general steel used will deteriorate over time.

The moral here is not to panic. Our cars are older and the advice is to inspect this area for any cracks or small fractures. It can be fixed.

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## Tech Talk- II Snaps

### Snaps for the Convertible Top 'Boot Cover'

Author and photos by – Roger A. Prior, Jr. DCTRA President

Although I have owned my current TR6 for approaching 4 years and have had the 'boot cover' that came with the car in place then the 'hood' stowed – the 'boot cover' snaps have had some 'fitment' issues. On my recent drive to the Tin Lizzy Ranch Roundup on Feb. 15th, the boot cover and lack of 'snapped snaps' became worrisome on the Loop 303 at speed. For whatever reason I said to myself "I am going to look into this and try to correct it."

## Tech Talk- II Snaps (cont)

On a recent quiet cool morning in February with the garage door open I began to inspect the 'boot cover' and hold down snaps, to the background music of *'Topsy Part II'* by Cozy Cole (of course) – My TR6 cover has a total of 13 snaps around the perimeter, with the seventh snap counting inward from either side located right behind the fuel filler cap. Found several issues – namely all of the male portions were metal (mine are screwed into the body work – but could have been riveted – [however screws (Phillips head) can checked for 'just so' snugness and be tightened if need be]. Also found that the 4 snaps that were holding fast had metal tops and caps (that snapped all the time with ease). The remainder were plastic, both tops and rounded button caps that were crimped to the vinyl. The plastic tops were not able to be pushed onto the bodywork portion. Three snaps of the nine were slightly off center from top and bottom – and by gently pulling together with fitment 'off center' – would not reach the distance to snap. These would be corrected also.

While giving the observations some thought – one question was 'Why would these 'boot covers' be delivered with plastic snaps? - seemed strange to me. As mentioned in the 'Pres-Sez' column I looked into the British Parts Northwest on-line catalog for the snaps and found information that answered my question. Basically the 'boot cover's' were delivered w/o snaps fitted in order for the owner to have snaps fitted onto his car. All cars had the metal bottoms slightly uniquely placed. Makes sense. Plastic snap tops were used for some reason on my TR6 boot cover

– and may have worked years ago (I will never know) – but the plastic portions need to be replaced. The 'boot cover' appears to be original to my TR6 looking at the markings on the underside of the vinyl material, and in wonderful shape. My vinyl 'boot cover' was lent to John Truttman so his Sun City West upholsterer could have it to make a pattern – for a new custom canvas 'boot cover' for his TR6. John's wonderful new cover was made with material to match the interior color - without taking mine apart in case you are wondering.

With some on-line searching I found some metal top portions that indeed fit (when snapped) onto the bottom portions, took some measuring. Having purchased a Hoover Press N' Snap tool some time ago (used from eBay) thought I would try one of the snap installment kits available from eBay (photo) which worked just fine once I experimented with proper adjustment on many 'sacrificial' snaps.



## Tech Talk- II Snaps (cont)

Have provided some photos of the vinyl 'boot cover', plastic snaps and the replacement metal snaps installed (photo).



I removed one plastic snap at a time with a set of small but very sturdy clippers aka side cutters used for electronic work (photo). Caution using snippers. **Safety glasses** to be worn during this step. The small bits of plastic will separate with enough force to shoot across your garage. Ask me how I know, one bit hit my cheek but did not draw blood. [TIP – is to drape a microfiber cloth across your hand while snipping the plastic.] Maybe three or four clips with the side cutters and the snap will break away and the button cap can be gently pulled through the small hole without damaging the existing hole in the vinyl. You do not want to damage the original hole while snipping. Then fit new metal snap parts (button cap and bottom) carefully through the vinyl and then into the snap tool socket – take a deep breath - and press very firmly with all your might depending on the metal material which could range from brass to stainless steel. Release the tool and inspect your work, QC. I would recommend **much practice** before you try installing the new parts on the 'vinyl boot cover', as the tool set-up may be tricky at first, and it really is 'all in the wrist'.

With time the process was being completed one snap at a time – slowly – I would do two - then take a break – then return – and keep moving – at that pace. No distractions while doing this task may help you also. This job may not be for everyone as a steady hand is needed. One false move when pressing the snap pieces together will cause you to redux. A drag. Now for my TR6 the snaps function greatly, the 'boot cover' will fit snugly as planned and look tidy.



# “My” Drive Your Triumph Day”

George M. Montgomery, photos by John Carroll and Bev Peterson

In honor of Sir John Black, the British executive working for Triumph who instigated the TR car series, five of us met for breakfast at the Sunshine Breakfast Lounge. John Carroll, Debra Cooke & Ken Schmidt, Dave Riddle, George Montgomery, unless I missed someone who didn't stick around for photos.

After visiting and a brief photo session, John led Dave Riddle and myself on a twisty, spirited drive on the Bush Highway and around Saguaro Lake eventually ending at the Penske Racing Museum. Julian Anderson, Pete & Bev Peterson and Armand LaCasse met us there.



After photos (again), some of us ventured upstairs to the café for a scrumptious lunch. The price was reasonable considering the venue.



This was the first time in three years that I had my TR6 out on the road for any kind of trip. It was Drive Your Triumph Day in 2022 that my clutch began to fail. I now have the car running smoothly and well. I had a fun drive on that trip. I also drove “Jack” to the February meeting for the first time since 2022.

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# Pancakes-in-the-Park

Report George Montgomery, Photos by Charisse Montgomery

On Sunday, Feb.9th Arizona, Shirley & Philip Blahak and the Mini Owner's held their Annual Pancakes In the Park, a fund-raising effort in aid of the Arizona Animal Welfare League.



Charisse and Bev enjoy their pancakes



George enjoys sitting in the sunshine



Shirley (on the left) sells tickets



Phillip flips his wonderful pancakes



Raffel tickets are sold for Valentine prizes



About half the attendees were DCTRA members

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# ARC Car Show – Sun City West

Report by John Truttman, Photos by Roger Prior

The Automotive Restoration Club of Sun City West put on another great show this year. I heard there were in excess of 500 cars on display! Some of these were quite eclectic. One was a golf cart that had been fashioned as a Flintstones car, complete with giant fake stone wheels and a Bimini top. Dominating the show were American cars of course, but there was a smattering of foreign cars too. Mine was one of them, my 1974 TR6. I spotted a BRG TR6, a red MGB, and a couple of Spitfires. Roger Prior showed up, but sadly his car did not. I highly recommend that you put this show on your radar for next year. There has to be more West Valley people in the club than me and Roger! I'd like to see a group arrive together, much like we do when we attend the Copperstate 1000 event, where we meet for breakfast, and afterwards motor together to the event. Perhaps our esteemed Activities Director, Mr. John Carroll will set that up. Until then, keep driving those Triumphs and motor on!

John Truttman



Truttman's beautiful TR6



A young couple admires the Spitfire

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# Triumphest 2026

September 17-20 2026  
Little America Hotel Flagstaff, Arizona

Greetings DCTRA Members:

September 2026 will be here before you know it and DCTRA will again put on a great event at Triumphest 2026. Of course we only put on a great event with the expertise of you, our members, volunteering to help out.

We are lucky to have many of our 2021 volunteers who have already committed to be Chairpersons for 2026. I'm pleased to announce a critical position has just been claimed by Patti Miller from the So Cal Club. You may remember that Patti assisted Kathy Nuss in 2021 and did a great job. Thank you Patti. Positions filled are:

Registration	Patti Miller
Web site development	Dave Riddle
Autocross	Dave Riddle
Welcome party and banquet	Chuck Kerzan/Mary White
Thursday night dinner cruise	John Reynolds
Tech sessions	Armand LaCasse
Walking rally	George Montgomery
Scenic drive	Julian Anderson
Advertising and goodie bag	John Heisser
Vendors/sponsors	John Heisser
Funcours/awards/presentations	Pete Peterson
Hotel liaison	Ron Cole
Driving rally	Dave Riddle
Triumphest 2026 logo design	Chuck Kerzan
Masters of ceremony 2026	Roger Prior/Armand LaCasse
Triumphest Chairperson	Ron Cole

While many of the roles have been claimed, we still have plenty of opportunities for you to help. The following responsibilities are essential for the successful execution of Triumphest:

Funkhana	(John Nuss can advise)
Photo, Model and Craft Contest	(John Nuss can advise)
Program development	(Ron Cole can advise)
Raffle	(simplified from years past)
Regalia	(Kathy Nuss can advise)
Promotional Flyer	(Ron Cole can advise)

We would love to hear from you regarding any of the 6 positions above.  
Thanks and let's make 2026 the best Triumphest ever.

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# BAOA Classic British Car Show / Rallye Announcement

(by Randy Koontz)

**Event:** 2025 Rio Grande Valley 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Regional Rendezvous

**Sponsor:** British Automobile Owners Association (BAOA), Albuquerque, NM

**Dates:** Friday, September 26, 2025, through Sunday morning, September 28, 2025

**Location:** Las Cruces, NM (with car event held in the historic Mesilla Plaza)

**Web Link:** <https://baoa.clubexpress.com>

I am a member of the BAOA and was very fortunate to have attended the 2022 Rendezvous event held in Taos, NM. The Rendezvous events are fun, and they provide a great opportunity to travel some of the beautiful backroads of New Mexico.

Per the BAOA website, the Rendezvous is “a weekend rally where we get together with both old and new friends for three days of dining and driving, sight-seeing, a car show, and overall British car camaraderie.” BAOA membership is not required to attend this event.

The scenic southern New Mexico roads near Las Cruces make for very enjoyable drives. I know, as I have driven them with Las Cruces based British roadster colleagues a minimum of at least six times. Since Las Cruces has an elevation of almost 4,000 feet above sea level, the weather is generally cooler than the Phoenix area.

If you enjoy attending car shows with Rallye’s, then I would encourage you to consider attending this event. If you’re into trailering your car, then I-10 might be the best route. If you enjoy driving your car to events, then you might want to join a “potential” caravan that may take mountain roads to avoid I-10 as much as possible.

If you think that you might be interested, please visit the BAOA website noted above for pictures of past Rendezvous events. If you review the pics from the 2022 event in Taos, you might recognize at least two DCTRA member cars.

More to come.....

Tyee Triumph Club invites you to the 2025 ATDI  
**September 11th-14th**



Red Lion Hotel Port Angeles, WA  
221 N Lincoln St, Port Angeles, WA

Please call the Hotel Directly at 360.452.9215 and press Option  
"0" - then request the special rate for the "**All Triumph Drive In**"

Plan to arrive Thursday Sept 11th so you can do a  
cool drive on Friday to Lake Crescent, Hurricane  
Ridge or backroads of Sequim and attend the Meet  
and Greet on Friday night at The Roosevelt pub -  
with live music!



# CLASSIFIED ADS:

**Free:**

John Truttman has a collection of shop manuals and competition manuals for various cars. He only wants them to go to someone who wants to use them.

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**For sale:**

I have the scissors lift that was a raffle prize from Triumphest 2007. One of the rams has developed a leak. Time to send it on. \$500 takes it.

John Nuss 602-989-0363 [jknuuss@live.com](mailto:jknuuss@live.com)



8-24

**Wanted:**

Triumph tr7 5 speed driveshaft  
Triumph tr7 5 speed brake drums, one or a pair.  
David Faulkner home # 480-656-4366

[rottendave@cox.net](mailto:rottendave@cox.net)

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**Sold**

**FOR SALE:** RevTec fan for Triumph TR6 1973

**Wanted:** Hey everyone, I am looking for a left door latch assembly for the MKII I'm building.... Lou Figone 408-966-4175



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## CLASSIFIED ADS: (cont.)

### FOR SALE:

#### 1960 TR3

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

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### Free to any paid up DCTRA member:

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



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

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

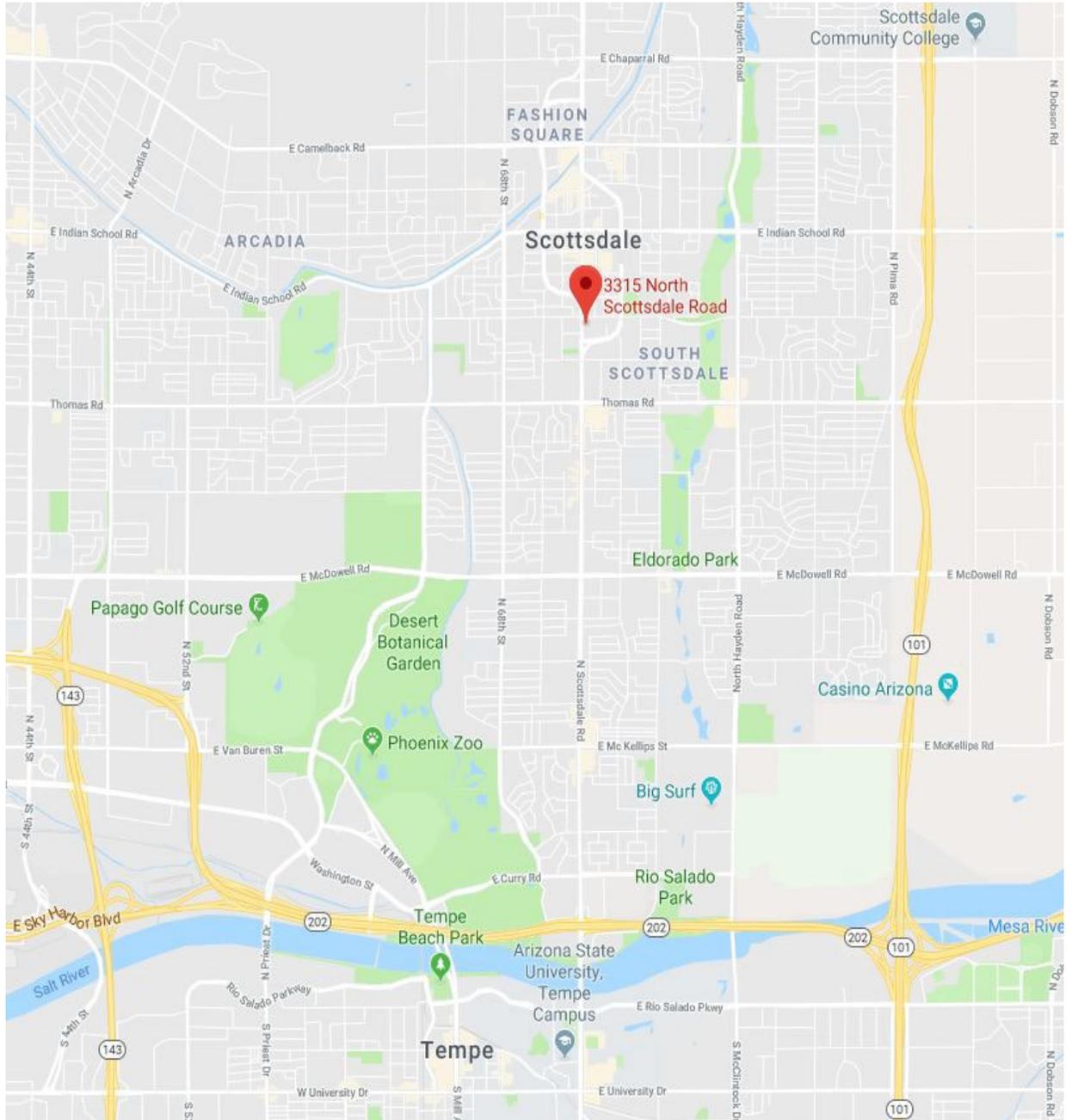
Have I placed an ad in this newsletter for you? Have you sold it or otherwise disposed of it? Please let me know so I can remove the ad.

Thank you,

George M Montgomery, editor  
[georgemonty32@gmail.com](mailto:georgemonty32@gmail.com)

# 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

Scott Porter, Membership Chairperson  
PO Box 12100; Scottsdale, AZ 85267  
206-999-9977 [scottpor@hotmail.com](mailto:scottpor@hotmail.com)

**NEW MEMBER:**

**RENEWING MEMBER:**

**MEMBER INFO (please print):**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Home

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Classic Vehicles Owned:**

Model	Commission #	Year
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)      Licenses plate frame

**PAID:**  
 Membership fee \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name tags @ \$6.00 each \_\_\_\_\_  
 Grille badges @ \$25.00 each \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lapel pins @ \$5.00 each \_\_\_\_\_  
 License plate frame @ \$15 each \_\_\_\_\_  
  
**TOTAL ENCLOSED** \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Space for more information:

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## Websites

Desert Centre-Triumph Register of America  
[www.dctra.org](http://www.dctra.org)

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