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"Please Dad, don't I get to drive?"

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

November 13, 2018

BUSINESS MEETING

Starts @ 7:00 p.m.

Denney's Restaurant

3315 Scottsdale Road; Tempe, AZ

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Cover: Ben Montgomery sitting in Jack the TR6. Photo: George Montgomery

Prez Sez – November 2018

John Nuss, President

My brother, a model railroad enthusiast, gives me his issues of Model Railroader and the Nation Model Railroad Club newsletter. Even though we work in much different scales, we still have a lot in common. We share quite a bit: the ability to justify spending great amounts of cash, a willingness to talk, at length, about historical accuracy, and a grudging awareness that our interests require a huge investment of time. A recent editorial in the Model Railroader addressed that issue.

Seems more than once it is very late and I have an early morning obligation, but just a few minutes more and the job is complete. Therein lies the rub. Weary eyesight, eagerness to finish, tendency to yawn, and a misread instruction and now I have much more time needed to complete the task. So maybe it is better to take a break, get some rest, and attack with a new perspective; give the project time. Sometimes it is a matter of hours, days, even weeks. Our brains may be working on solving a problem and we are not conscious of it.

I was attending a meditation session while I was working at a community mental health agency. The presenter was using a Tibetan bell to get our attention. As we were to rid our minds to attain the state of nothingness, I heard the sound of the bell then had a fleeting vision of the flange bolts on the rear axle of the Spitfire. Previously I had heard an odd sound from the rear of the car and there was a small clunk as the car moved from a stop. There was the answer. The presenter was angry because I shared that piece of information. He said we were not supposed to think of anything. This from a guy who says we cannot control initial thoughts or feelings.

Looking ahead, the British Cars on the Green, monthly club meeting November 13th, and DCTRA Christmas party on December 2nd. Hope to see you soon!
In the meantime, drive those Triumphs!

John

EDITOR'S DESK

George M Montgomery, Editor

I am starting a new feature this month of including in the "Technical Corner" section of our newsletter a question or two that one of our members posted on our bulletin board asking for technical help and the solutions suggested. Let me know whether you like this item.

I am including the full posting and entry blank for the British Wheels On the Green. The registration time has closed but those who would like to attend as a spectator may like a repeat of date, time and location in case they have lost their original information.

Ron Cole and Julian Anderson have volunteered to host our Christmas party this year at Ron Cole's home. It will be on Sunday, December 2nd. More details will be provided later. Stay tuned! At our next meeting we would like to have our nominations for officers for the new year ready. If you would like to step up and help with one of the offices please think about it and speak up. Some of the positions have been held by the same people for several years and I am sure they would like a break.

Our next business meeting will be on November 13th. Can we count on you being there? If you can't make it, send me an email: georgemonty32@gmail.com. See you there.

George

November 2018 Membership Report:

DCTRA Membership Chair, Marvin Miller

Membership Report November 2018

Our newest member, Lloyd Briggs joined us at the October business meeting. Lloyd lives in Chandler and is not new to working on older cars. However he is new to TR's and has recently acquired a 1972 TR6 to spend quality time with. He is anxious to learn and I'm sure he'll have plenty of questions as time goes on. Welcome to the Club Lloyd!

Our Club Membership total is now 106 with 160 Members.

The order for name badges came in and are ready for pickup at the November meeting. You should have received an email if your badge is available.

See you at the Business Meeting November 13!

Marv Miller
Membership
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Application form on page 15

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November 13, 2018

Dinner & Social Hour Starts @ 6:00 p.m.

Business Meeting Starts @ 7:00 p.m.

Denney's Restaurant

3315 Scottsdale Road; Tempe, AZ





Minutes

Desert Centre Triumph Register of America October 2018 DCTRA Meeting Minutes

The October meeting of The DCTRA was called to order @ 7:02 at Denny's Restaurant in Scottsdale by VP John Horton in the absence of John Nuss.

Members present: Jim Bauder, Pete Bowen, Lloyd Briggs, Cal Busenitz, Philip Couture, George and Chris Durkin, Dave Frisby who drove his TR6, Ron Gurnee who drove his TR7, Rick Hartman who drove his TR6, John and Beth Horton, Betsy Kavash, Chuck Kerzan, Mary White, Armand LaCasse who drove his GT6, Bob Mazer, George Montgomery, Dave and Denine Mure who drove their Spitfire, Deborah Cooke who drove her Spitfire, Marie Thompson.

Guest: George Montgomery introduced his 8 year old grandson, visiting from Atlanta, Knox Klepper.

Membership: Marv Miller introduced our newest member Lloyd Briggs from Chandler who says he'll have a TR6....eventually. Marv reported that we have a membership of 106 and 160 members. 23 present this evening.

Marv presented the new/revised application for membership. The draft was approved.

Newsletter: George Montgomery explained that he purposely delayed last month's newsletter to include pictures from Triumphfest in Sacramento Sept. 27 - 30.

Treasurer's report: Armand LaCasse reported on The Club's history of charitable giving. Last year we donated \$ 250.00 each to Andre House, Hospice of The Valley, and St. Vincent de Paul's. 2016 we donated \$ 500.00 to each of the above. John Horton asked for a motion to increase this year's donations to \$ 500 to these 3 charities. George Montgomery suggested some research to find 3 local charities as St. Vincent de Paul's is a national organization. The motion was tabled pending further research and discussion.

Old Business: There were some interesting stories from Triumphfest. Ron Gurnee told of his mechanical trials driving there and back. Deborah Cooke had a wonderful time. And Jim Bauder told of his Judging experience.

New Business: John Horton called for Nominations for 2019 Slate of Officers. All current officers were nominated.

John asked for volunteers for hosting this year's Christmas Party. Armand LaCasse suggested finding a public park in which to hold our party this year where members would be able to bring their

cars.

Beth Horton recommended the documentary "Vintage Roads" on Acorn TV.

Chuck Kerzan showed us the new 10 inch Club patch now available for \$ 75.00 each. He has 4 available.

Events: John Horton reminding us of British Wheels on the Green, November 6. November 17 is the MG Club in Wickenburg. January 19, 2019 is our Annual Meeting for the Election of Officers at The Spoke & Wheel, 8500 N. Central Ave.

The meeting was adjourned @ 8:15 pm.

Motion to adjourn passed at 8:15 pm

Minutes Respectively Submitted

Mary A. White, Secretary

Calendar of Events

DCTRA & British Auto Events 2018:

November 4, 2018 - MG Club Wheels on The Green, MG Club, 9875 N. 85th Avenue; Glendale AZ

November 10, 2018 - Jaguar drive out west 08:30 at the Wigwam hotel

November 13, 2018 – DCTRA Business Meeting. 7pm (6pm for dinner and social)

November 17, 2018 - Bandara Picnic in Wickenburg AZ, MG Club

November 22, 2018 - Thanksgiving Day Parade @ Fountain Hills?????

December 2, 2018 – DCTRA Christmas Party – Ron Cole's house. Details TBA.

December 22, 2018 – Christmas Light Tour

January 6, 2019 – Election Brunch; Spoke & Wheel; 8500 N Central Av; Phoenix

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.

Technical Corner

By DCTRA Members

Editor's note: This is a question a DCTRA member posed on our DCTRA BB and a solution proposed by a Club member in a previous month. If you are not a member set up to access the bulletin board, contact Dave Riddle at: Dave@microworks.net.

Question:

Hi,

After last night's meeting I went to start the car and the starter made a strange noise, I never heard before, but it started. Got home and tried to restart it made some grating noises, but finally engaged. I'm thinking its time for a new starter. I'm thinking a gear reduction unit. Any tips on pulling the old starter out and installing a new one, without taking out the interior to get to the top bolt?

Rick Hartmann

Answer:

I went through this a couple of years ago, Rick. You might get some more life from your current starter by greasing and oiling the dry bits. The starter gets mighty hot near the exhaust manifold and seems to melt the lube out over time. You'd be taking a chance, but it doesn't cost anything if you're doing the work yourself. The risk you're taking is an extra remove/install of the starter.

1. Remove the air filter & pull the starter. Mine came out the top past the carbs. The top bolt is a bugger.
2. Grease the shaft for the starter gear. Oil or grease on the front end of the starter motor (under the plastic cap)
3. Reinstall starter. Insert the top bolt from the engine side, use some electrical tape on your spanner to hold the nut for the top bolt on the flywheel side. Even tie some string or thin wire to the spanner for when it slips out of your hands. It will. You might even use an extendable magnet for when the nut falls off the tape. Persevere.

This has saved me from purchasing a new starter. My starter motor was strong, but the mechanical portion was dry. Lube is good.

Marv Miller

Remembering our Members

George M Montgomery

Pictured below are two of our long time former members. Does anyone remember who they are? There is an award given at Triumphest each year that is named for one of them. The other has written several books about maintaining and modifying our Triumphs. I believe they are founding members.



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British Wheels On the Green

Dear British Car Owner,

British Wheels on the Green 2018 is November 4 at Peoria Centennial Plaza.

Although we have many beautiful cars, this is very much a **come as you are** gathering of British cars manufactured up to 1990. The plaza opens at 7:30 a.m. with vehicles in place 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The dead line to register is fast approaching. On-line registration closes October 15. Mail registrations must be postmarked by October 12.

You will find all the information you need at <http://www.britishwheels-az.info/>.

It would be great to see you and your car again!

British Wheels on the Green **November 4, 2018**

The AZ MG Club 2018 *British Wheels on the Green* car show is November 4 at the beautiful Peoria Centennial Plaza, 9875 North 85 Avenue, Peoria, Arizona. We are inviting owners of British cars manufactured up to the year 1990. Judging will be provided by peers as well as a *People's Choice* award.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION \$30 **VEHICLE:**
Postmarked no later than October 12

Mail registration deadline is October 12
Register and pay by www.britishwheels-az.info
On line registration deadline is October 15

**REGISTRATION
CLOSED**

- The organizers reserve the right to limit vehicle entry.
- Vehicles must be present to receive awards.
- **No Exceptions Closed Gate Policy.** Show entrants are required to leave their vehicle in place for public viewing and for the safety of show guests until the conclusion of awards at 1:30 p.m.
- The number of awards per classification will be determined by **ADVANCE REGISTRATION** on the October 12th deadline.

Those who register will receive an acknowledgement receipt of registration. Please present acknowledgement to the staff before parking your car on the day of the show.

PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES @ www.britishwheels-az.info

Questions?

Contact Delores Bean (623) 975-3823
or email: dmdjbean@gmailcom

PLAZA OPENS AT 7:30 A.M. WITH VEHICLE IN PLACE 9:00 A.M. - 1:30 P.M

RAIN DATE: November 18th

PLEASE MAIL YOUR COMPLETED REGISTRATION TO:

**British Wheels on the Green - Arizona 2018
c/o D. Bean
8809 W. Bloomfield Rd.
Peoria, AZ 85381**

Registration	#	@ \$30.00 per vehicle	
2018 Poster	#	@ \$3.00 each	
T-Shirt	#	@ \$20.00 each	
(Circle Size) S M L XL			\$ TOTAL

CHECKS SHOULD BE PAYABLE TO "MG Club"
THANK YOU

Please print clearly

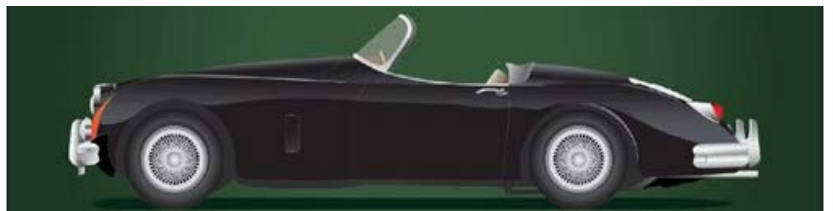
Name of Owner _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

EMAIL _____ Marque _____

**REGISTRATION
CLOSED**



CLASSIFIED ADS:

1971 TR6 Available for Purchase:



This car was restored by British Car Service prior to being purchased by the current owner in 2004. After purchase, boot liners, interior

carpets, seat upholstery, convertible top, wood instrument panel, belts and hoses were replaced, and the car was painted, among other things. Subsequently, work has been done on wiring, odometer has been replaced, etc.

Lucas battery, tools, grille badges, and other regalia. - It won a Gold trophy at Triumphfest 2004, Lake Tahoe, Nevada. It won First Place for Triumph TR6 at Wheels of Britain 2005, Phoenix, Arizona. Letter of valuation set value at \$17,000 in 2004. Asking \$17,000 within DCTRA (non- DCTRA: \$18,500). Contact Pam at pueblodesign@gmail.com for more photos, questions, etc.

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FOR SALE:

Top for TR3

White on top is where I started to sand. The top hasn't been repaired. I'll take \$350 for it the way it sits.

Now Reduced to \$100



Mark Sapp (602) 625-8491

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FOR SALE:

4" simple vice - \$5; 1,500 pound ATV hydraulic lift - \$50; Spare tire 185SR15 redline tire – FREE

I am selling 6'5" by 12 feet two wheel trailer for my daughter. it cost almost \$2,000 She wants \$1,500.

John Horton - triumphshoppe@gmail.com, 602-705-8678

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CLASSIFIED ADS: (cont)

FOR SALE:

TR7 top, fiberglass, appears to be in good condition and some assorted TR7 parts- including a set of TR7 carbs. The owner is a former club member, also selling the Renown. One hundred dollars takes all the TR7 parts. The same person is helping the widow so call Don Johnson 602-931-2859.



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FOR SALE:

1959 TR3A. A restoration, but a few years old. The gentleman that restored is willing to part with it. It started easily and drove around the neighborhood. The underside is clean, no rust and no oil or grease visible. Comes with a lot of extra parts. The car is being sold by the owner's son-in-law and daughter; Mesa, AZ. \$20,000. Call Mike West 480-325-3246.



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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

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FOR SALE:

1975 Triumph TR-6 (Java) Commission No. CF398454, Complete frame off restoration
~74,000 miles, but only 1000 since restored, Original Java green with black interior
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 \$26,000

Contact me for other questions:

Jack Morris
(C) 817.401.2549
jack@ppitx.com

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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:

Triumph seat covers

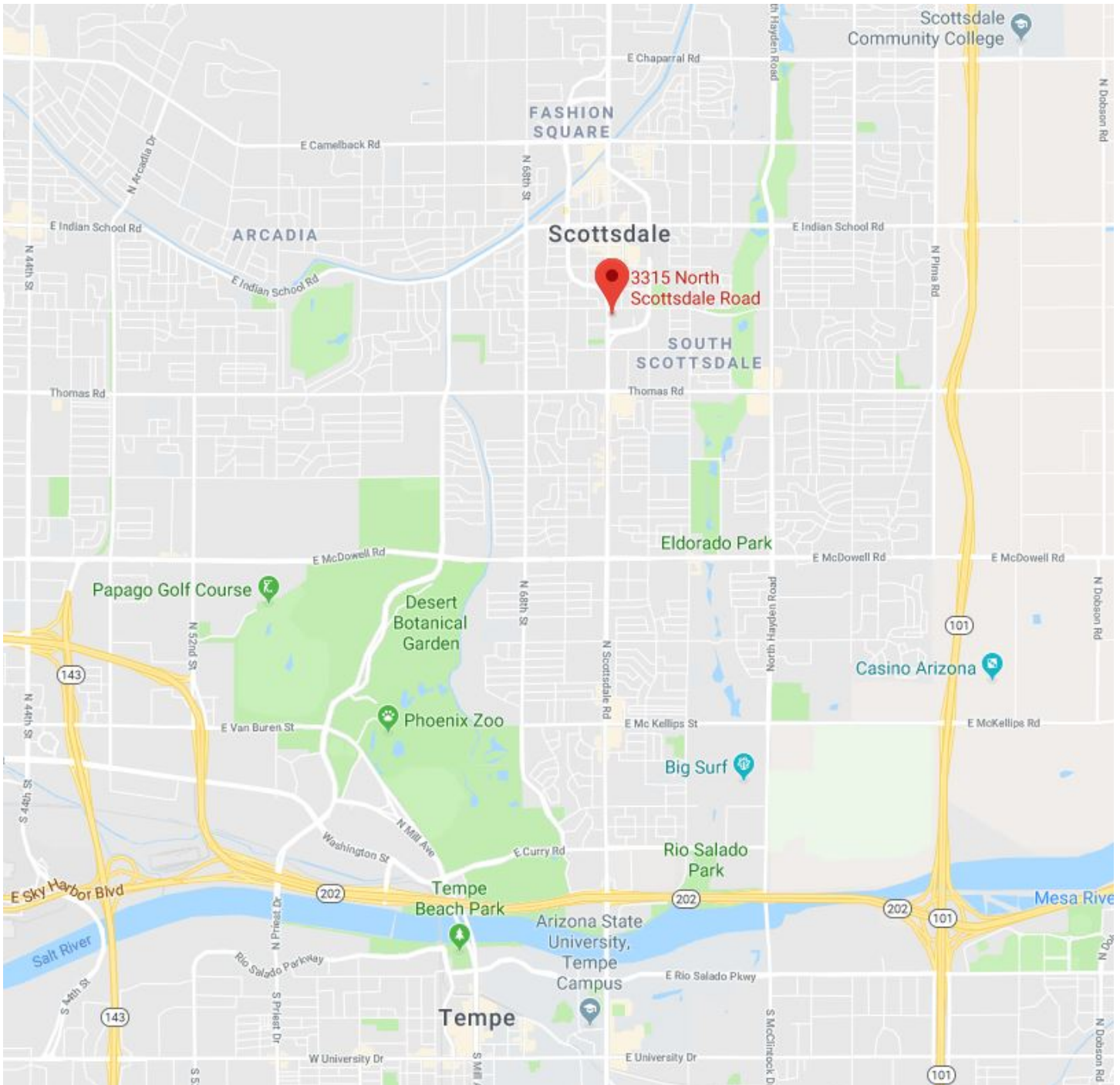
Hi. My husband and i used to be members of the club many, many years ago but my husband always had health issues so we were unable to participate. We used to have a beautiful burgundy 1974 Triumph Spitfire. The car found a new home but we found out later that we still had 2 black front seat covers in 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 the, 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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Notice:

If we run an ad here for you and you sell the item, please **let us know when it has been sold** or at least no longer for sale. I'm sure that you don't want potential customers to keep calling you but if you don't let us know... we won't know. Don't just telephone but send an email so we'll have a record of it. Thanks, Editor.

DCTRA Club Meeting Location:





DCTRA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE PRINT and return completed form with 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:

☐

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
Tucson British Car Register	www.tucsonbritish.com
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