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Duncan Wood's 1936 Gloria Southern Cross

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

October 10, 2017
BUSINESS MEETING
Starts @ 7:00 p.m.

Denney's Restaurant

650 Scottsdale Road; Tempe, AZ 85281

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Cover: 81 years old and still and still quite the athlete. The car is 81 yrs.

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Prez Sez – October 2017

John Nuss, President

It is over! We have reclaimed our living room, guest room and garage! Many thanks to all who made it possible by planning, working, and attending. All at the same time it was fun, rewarding, frustrating, and not necessarily restful. Automotively it was a success. The Herald went on and off the trailer easily and the Spitfire behaved well driving to the event and driving home.

The Presidents' Meeting went well with reasonable discussion. Those present believe we came up with a good solution in light of the ability of the various clubs to participate. Triumphest will be in Sacramento in 2018 and return to Santa Maria in 2019. There will be no Triumphest in 2020; DCTRA will host the 2021 event. Since there are three clubs participating, the San Diego group unable to host, alternate years seemed the best choice.

Our suggestion to have ask for help from VTR was not received well. Two California clubs have hosted Triumphest in connection with VTR said it doubled the work of the local group. They were quite upfront about that and agreed that it seemed VTR made demands and the club members did the work. I was glad that with two members of VTR in the meeting, they spoke so forthrightly.

In our own club, it is time to consider officers for next year, a location for our Christmas party and choices for any charitable donations.

Take every opportunity to drive your Triumphs.

John

EDITOR'S DESK

George M Montgomery, Editor

I think this has been one of the best Triumphest ever. But, then, I sometimes do have a short memory. I enjoyed it anyway. Jack ran beautifully up to Flagstaff and back again. He even ran well during the autocross at that high altitude and not even adjusting the carburetors, I, however, could not stay on course, kept missing pylons and gates. I won 3 DNFs! I should have arrived earlier so I could walk the course. That used to help, but I was younger then. With Jack's new paint he did look good, didn't he?

Most everything went smoothly, at least was taken care of immediately so that any interruption was minimal and few noticed any difference. I heard a lot of comments of how well organized and managed the whole event was. There were a lot of positive feedback. I think the Steering Committee: John and Kathy Nuss, Bo Shaw and Mike Blachut did an excellent job of organizing this event as well as all of the Committee Members: Dave Frisby, Bob and Mary Holt, Armand LaCasse, Pete Peterson, Chuck Kerzan and Mary White, Bo and Laureen Shaw, Chris and Ann Hansel, John Reynolds, Craig Kenyon, Pam Rineholt and Dave Riddle. Good show folks.

This has been a lot of time and effort and I hope no one got too burned out. Under the new system of Triumphest hosting rotation that President, John writes about in his Prez Sez column, above, we get to do this again in 2021. Rest up!

The 1936 Gloria Southern Cross is owned by a good friend of mine, Duncan Wood, Red River Triumph Club. I have known Duncan since the early '80s when our Central Oklahoma Vintage Triumph Register would have a joint meet just north of the Red River, the border between OK and TX. We had some good times there. I have always enjoyed meeting with Duncan and his wife Shiela. It was a real treat to see them both here at our Triumphest.

I look forward to seeing you at our next business meeting October 10th.

George

September 2017 Membership Report:

DCTRA Membership Chair, Marvin Miller

Membership Report October 2017

We have had some new members added to the roster since the business meeting in September. John Taglia, Sarah Busenitz, and Robert Giacomazzo. Please welcome them to the club and I'm sure we all look forward to getting to know them and their cars. I have no additional information on these members at this time, and am attempting to contact them for further details.

These 3 new members bring our Membership total to 104 with 156 Members.

Attendance at the September meeting was impressive; 36 members with 3 visitors. I believe at one point it was standing room only.

See you at the October 10 meeting

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Minutes

Desert Centre Triumph Register of America September 2017 DCTRA Meeting Minutes

The September 12, 2017 meeting of the Desert Center Triumph Register of America was called to order by the president, John Nuss, at 7:00 pm at Denny's Restaurant, Loop 202 & Rural Road, Tempe, AZ.

Members present were Clebe Best, Mike Blachut, Pete Bowen, Michael & Bonnie Bulfer, Bill Close, Phil Couture, Ron Gurnee, Chris & Ann Marie Hansel, Rick Hartmann with a TR6, Craig Kenyon with a TR6, Chuck & Mary Kerzan, Bob Mazer, Marvin Miller, George Montgomery, Dave Mure, John & Kathy Nuss, Gareth Parry-Jones, Brian Peek, Mark Peters, Pete Peterson, John Reynolds with a TR6, Dave Riddle, Pamela Rineholt, Bo & Laureen Shaw, Roy Stoney, and Marie Thompson with a TR6. Visitors present were Maggie Austin, Simon Parry-Jones, and Julie Holden.

John Nuss brought Kroil, aerosol - \$10, non-aerosol - \$8, and passed around a mystery part with a prize for the best guess. The Denny's gift card prize was won by John Horton for identifying the rubber shock absorber bushings.

Minutes: The minutes of the August meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was accepted.

Membership: 101 memberships, 153 members.

Newsletter: George reported nothing new.

No Hobbyist Council news. A dinner meeting is usually held at the museum this time of year.

Events: someone on the west side is looking for a Spitfire. Triumphest is coming up. British Vintage Voyage will head south. 5th Anniversary Car Show at San Tan Village, British Wheels on the Green in Peoria on November 5th, Highland Games in Phoenix on March 3rd – 4th. It was voted to participate in the Christmas Parade in Carefree on Saturday, December 9th as a DCTRA club activity; entry fee is \$25/club; Pete invited participants to a get-together at the Peterson house afterwards.

Tech: John Nuss described the fun of watching Armand LaCasse welding Triumph parts. Bob Holt talked about recycling to make parts, e.g. a nut to recycle a TR3 door handle.

Triumphest: Currently 135 registrants, among whom are 3 from MN, some from SD, NJ, OK, TX, NM, etc. There will be some new cars to see!

Old Business: There will be a discussion of the future of Triumphest during the Triumphest Presidents' meeting; one idea being holding Triumphest every three years, with smaller local meets in intervening years. Give John Nuss other ideas for discussion.

New Business: Dave Riddle announced that the teen driving school will be starting up again in November; it gives students advanced driving skills for safety. Chuck Kerzan asked that photos for display at Triumphest be dropped at the Registration table.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,
amela Rineholt, Secretary

Calendar of Events

By Clebe Best

Editor's note: If you have had a favorite event or activity (ice-cream run, a drive for breakfast or dinner, a Hare and Hound Rallye, etc.) in the past that is not on the calendar let Clebe know and that you will help him to organize it and help put it on. I'm sure that he would appreciate your assistance.

DCTRA & British Auto Events 2017:

October 10, 2017 – DCTRA Business Meeting. 7pm (6pm for dinner and social)

October 14th & 15th 2017 - British Vintage Voyage, sponsored by Arizona Mini Owners.

October 21, 2017 - Tucson Classics Car Show <http://cruisinarizona.com/flyers/102117tccs.pdf>

November 4, 2017 -WeMAR Salute to Veterans Car Show and Swap Meet at the Peoria Sports Complex 9am-2pm

November 5th, 2017 - The British Wheels on the Green; at Peoria Centennial Plaza; AZMB club

March 3rd & 4th, 2018 – Highland Games @ Steele Park, PHX.

On-going events:

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

Cars N Coffee – Show & Tel Coffee Shop Cave Creek, AZ (every Saturday)

Saturday Night cruise @ Kmart, Power Rd & Hampton.

Scottsdale Pavilions Saturday evening car show 101 & Indian Bend.

Impala Bob's Falcon Warbirds Breakfast Cruise – every third Saturday

Car Corral - 4th Sat. of every month. Buy or sell a car in a relaxed atmosphere. Cave Creek & Pima



Triumphest 2017 Recap

Triumph has come and gone. Everyone involved is relieved to have some empty space in their homes and/or garages and free time to attend to other details that incur in the course of living. Now it's back to a normal life.

The event was quite successful from the comments heard during the week.

Funkhana:

The Funkhana was designed by John and Kathy Nuss and operated with the help of Mike Blachut. 1st Place was won by Cecil Wise and 2nd Place by Ken Schmidt and Deborah Cooke.



Autocross:

The Autocross was designed by the Jaguar club and organized and ran by Dave Frisby and Bob Holt. 1st Places in their class were Mia Gans, Cecil Wise, Mike Piggott, and Jim Tencate. The Best Time of the stock cars was Jim Tencate. The Best Time of the Modified cars was Mike Piggott. The Best Time for Prepared cars was Cecil Wise.



The beginning of the autocross



Jim Morrison making a good show



A beautiful TR3



Some contestants were beautiful, others... well, just ran very good.



This Spitfire had a GT6- 6cyl engine



A TR4 in a hard right turn, all wheels down on the ground.

Driving Rallye:

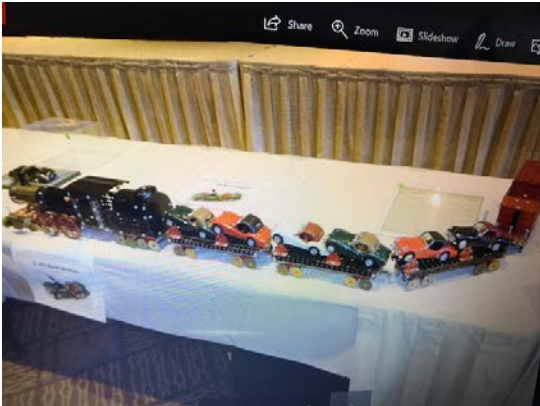
Dave Riddle, designed and ran the driving rallye. It ran from Little America north through parts of Rt. 66, east to Wenona, west to the Riordan Mansion State Historic Park, and south to Lake Mary. I don't have any results but understand that every enjoyed the beautiful, scenic drive.



Dave Riddle, Driving Rallye Master

Walking Rallye: George Montgomery designed and scored the Walking Rallye. There were 18 participants. Those who competed in it found it easy, at times, and very tricky at others. I don't have the results, yet, except that Bob and Mary Holt came in 2nd place.

Photo and Craft:



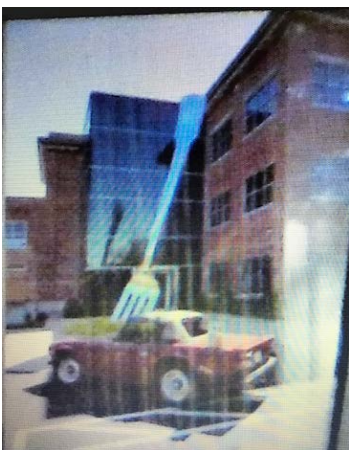
Kit Built Model – Ron Lambrecht



Scratch Built-Don Williams



Diorama – Don Williams



Humorous-Cecil Wise & Mia Gans



Racing-Dan Sendek



Artistic-Jim Cain

Funcours: The Funcours was organized by Pete Peterson and Bob Mazer. The awards for DCTRA members are as follows:

Participant:

Bob and Mary Holt
Pete and Bev Peterson

Bronze:

George M Montgomery
Brian and Betsy Peek

Silver:

Kathy Nuss
Jim and Denise Morrison
Steve and Debby Freeman
Dave Frisby

Peoples' Choice

Keith Davis

Gold:

Bo and Laureen Shaw
Robert Mazer
John Nuss
Ken Schmidt and Deborah Cooke
Steve and Karen Wylie
Clebe Best
George and Chris Durkin
Mike D'Olimpio
John Reynolds
Ron Gurnee
John and Cheri Heisser
Craig Kenyon
Al Elisco
Rick and Linda Hartman
Keith Davis
Pete Bowen
Julian and Kerry Anderson
Dave Fore
Mike Anderson



Funcours judging is underway.



Bob Holt's Little Girl was not yet completed but still made an appearance



Triumphs on display



Kathie Nuss's Hattie was looking good.



Deborah Cooke's Smedley- nice.



Clebe Best's Deep Purple will put your eye out.

Miscellaneous Photos:



Always discussions about cars and engines



Dave Frisby and Canadian friend relax and take a break.



Just a good-looking couple



1935 Gloria Monte Carlo, Presidents Choice



Digger Davit winner Jim Bauder

Banquet: The banquet was organized and arranged by Chuck Kerzan and Mary White.



It was a very pleasant dinner, beautiful surroundings and excellent service.

CLASSIFIED ADS:

FOR SALE: Triumph TR-3 parts

Bill Close (602)254-5351
Chino Valley, AZ (near Prescott)

Rear back glass for TR-3 Factory hardtop (2)
new Monza Exhaust, middle pipe, rear muffler with dual tailpipes, new many
seat tracks, 16
steering wheels, adjustable, (3)
steering wheels, none adjustable (3)
many nice TR-3 horns
heaters, reconditioned, very nice, 2 maybe 3 and parts
wire wheel hubs with knock offs, many are new, some used but excellent (12)
knock offs for wire wheels, many
chrome valve covers, used but nice (5)
small lights, front and back, (12) no license lights
speedometers (12)
tachometers (12)
small gauges (20) various types
traffickers, one or two new in the boxes, some used but complete, also parts
Late TR-3 roll bar tool kits
original jacks and ratchets
cranks for starting, several
crankshaft bolts, several
TR-3 exhaust manifold, looks brand new
road draft tubes,10
rocker arm assemblies,15
e-brake handles, several
stainless steel header,
dual 40 DCOE Webers, TR-3 manifolds and linkage, with air cleaners
luggage racks, I have 3, good chrome. the kind that bolts through the rear deck lid front aprons, wide
mouth, TR-3, not rusty but need body work, not bad
front apron, wide mouth, fiberglass, I don't think that it has ever been installed gas tank straps TR-3
windshield stantions, just back from the platers, cost \$125 to plate, sell for @125.00 TR-3 top frames.
one new in the box,2 or 3 others with tabs that hold down the straps TR-3 dashes, one is brand new
never used,2 or three others
TR-3 top dash pad,3 or 4
lots of speedometers (14) and tachometers (15), small gauges 20
many other parts, fenders, hubcaps, heaters, lots of other parts, I had a solvent tank so I cleaned
most of the motor parts, parts are stored inside in large see through
containers on 15 big racks with 5 shelves per rack.
I have one TR-3 that I need to finish but I know that I need to get rid of all these parts.

CLASSIFIED ADS: continued

1971 TR6 Available for Purchase:



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 \$20,000 within DCTRA (non- DCTRA: \$22,500). Contact Pam at pueblodesign@gmail.com for more photos, questions, etc.

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

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 \$300



Mark Sapp (602) 625-8491

FOR SALE:

Gene Walenty of Glendale, AZ has 3 TR-7s for sale; 2 coupes and 1 roadster.
623-931-9159 or 623-247-0355

Wanted:

I may need to replace the main wiring harness on my '72 TR6 (CC 79064 U). I'd like to avoid spending \$450 or so for it, though. Does anyone have a used harness or know of another source for one?

Riley Gay

rsgay1@gmail.com

330-719-8779

CLASSIFIED ADS: continued

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.



FOR SALE:

1962 TR3. 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. The car is being sold by the owner's son-in-law and daughter. Call Mike West 480- 325-3246.



For Sale:

1960 Triumph TR-3A, restored, featured in Sports and Exotic magazine in April 2012, red with black interior, driven maybe 100 miles since restoration, chrome wire wheels, new unused side curtains, tonneau cover, car looks brand new, I started with the best rust-free car that I had ever seen, full book of restoration pictures. \$32000. OBO, (602)524-5351, Bill Close

1962 Triumph TR-4, original AZ car with only 49000 miles, low serial # 19XX, only 3 owners, featured in Sports and exotic magazine March 2015, no rust, light blue, new black interior and top. luggage rack, hardtop, drives great, \$26,000. OBO, (602)524-5351, Bill Close.

CLASSIFIED ADS: continued

FOR SALE:

Beautiful, shiny black 1952 Triumph Renown; right hand drive, three speed transmission. The interior is tan with refinished wood on the dash and window surrounds. It appears to be an Arizona car with no rust on the undercarriage, no evidence of severe fluid leaks on the car or the floor of the garage. There are some bubbles in the paint on the left hand rear door, and the chrome is not perfect in that same area. The car started and drove smoothly around the neighborhood. The brakes, being drum brakes, took more effort than one might be used to, but seemed appropriate for the year of the car. The owner believes the the condition and rarity of the Renown makes her price \$19,500.

The car is being sold by a family friend, Don Johnson 602-931-2959, in Arizona



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DCTRA Club Meeting Location:

Note that regular Meeting locations are on the second Tuesday of the Month:



Denny's Restaurant
650 N. Scottsdale Rd.
Tempe, AZ 85281



DCTRA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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DCTRA
Marvin Miller, Membership Chairperson
780 W. Coolidge St. Phoenix, AZ 85013
Phone: 602-380-5564 Email: miller2993@cox.net

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 #

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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:

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We also have Grill badges (\$25.00 each), Lapel pins (\$5.00 each) and License plate frames

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Grille badge (3 inch diameter) Lapel pin (3/4 inch diameter)

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Lapel pins @ \$5.00 each _____
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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
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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
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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
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