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NEXT CLUB MEETING

Tuesday October 13, 2026

Start at 5:30pm through 8pm. Social event only.

FATE Brewing Co

201 E. Southern Ave, Tempe. 480 590-2395

6pm-8pm No Reservation set. Social event

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Prez Sez – October 2026

The votes are in and Triumphest 2026 was a resounding success. I am sure many of you in attendance, as well as I - were stopped by other attendees and offered words of congratulations DCTRA for hosting such a fun Triumphest '26. To review took a year of planning, the support of the entire DCTRA, as well as many official sponsors. During my Awards Banquet remarks I mentioned "...where would Triumphest '26 be without our sponsors?" well British Parts Northwest (Platinum), The Roadster Factory (Gold), LiteZupp Industries, LLC, Good Parts, Inc, Triumph Stag Club of the Americas, Triumph Wedge Owners Association, Bits of Triumph, Dayton Wire Wheels (Silver) and last but not least the City of Flagstaff. Sponsorship highlights included the Runyon family (The Roadster Factory), Marcia and Richard Good (Good Parts Inc), and Winnell and Mike Gorman (Bits of Triumph) event attendees - with the Mayor of Flagstaff, Honorable Becky Daggett attending the Awards Banquet and delivering welcoming remarks to all. How special could Triumphest '26 get? The banquet dinners served by the Little America staff were suburb from warm rolls then salad to main dish selections. At 7:45 the Awards portion began with introduction of Mayor Daggett of Flagstaff's welcome remarks to all - then Armand took over as the 'master of the mic' banquet MC (do you agree Armand could have been a DJ?) guiding the many presentations that followed. But wait - there is more – Triumphest '26 Chairman Ron Cole was quite surprised to receive a special thank you award for Ron's yearlong leadership and guidance of threading DCTRA through the maze of Triumphest '26 details required to be the success it was - presented by DCTRA V. Pres. John Carroll. The Awards Banquet attendees were treated and led in the famous Triumphest "sendoff rally cheer" by Julius Abellera. The sendoff by Julius got all attendees thinking of meeting in San Diego next October 3-6 for Triumphest '27 hosted by the Triumph Sports Car Club of San Diego (TSCCSD). Start your engines because you can register today at Triumphest2027.com.

Where would Triumphest '26 have been without the yearlong tireless energy and volunteerism of DCTRA membership? I am referring to the Triumphest '26 list of events Chairmen and Team members - namely (official event program as the reference) Carl M, Peteeb site Development), Dave Riddle (Autocross and Driving Rally), Chuck Kerzan and Mary White (Welcome Party and Banquet), Bob Mazer (Thursday Night Dinner Cruises), Scott Porter and John Nuss (Funkhana), Craig Kenyon (Tech Sessions), George Montgomery and John Carroll (Walking Rally and Crossword Puzzle), Scott Drysdale (Jar Contest), John Heisser (Vendors/Sponsors & Advertising and Goodie Bags), John Carroll (Program, Triumphest Logo Design and Promotional Flyer for 2026 Triumphest), Julian Anderson (Scenic Drives), Ron Gurnee and Kathy Nuss (Raffle), Pete Peterson and Bob Mazer (Funcours/Awards/Presentations), Patti Miller (Registration), John Truttman (Registration Envelops), Ron Cole (Regalia, Hotel Liaison and Triumphest 2026 Chairperson), Armand LaCasse and Roger Prior (Master of Ceremonies 2026) and last but not least George Montgomery (UFFDA). Wish to thank Kate Kelsey for listening to me all year (and then some ☺) about Triumphest '26, adding her assistance to the Registration, and "on the fly" leading the Awards Banquet (200 +) attendees in singing a surprise "Happy Birthday" to Michael Samuels (and another surprised banquet attendee) and then assistance in the "the cutting of the two large sheet cakes" for the still ravenous Awards Banquet attendees along with Mary White and Kathy Nuss. Armand LaCasse stepped up after viewing the situation and added, "two lines please -those wanting vanilla on the right, those wanting chocolate on he left." Quite a list of

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DCTRA volunteers and again with your collective help DCTRA made Triumphest 2026 happen.

The Tech Session, which was divided into two one-hour sessions were well attended – and led by Clebe Best (Classic Car Insurance) and Craig Kenyon (Triumph Fuel Injection Systems) were both standing-room only. Have sent session(s) photos to George.

Only two first aids during Triumphest '26 that I am aware of, and assistance was prompt.

Final observation – have you noticed that the Phoenix area ambient temperatures have dropped since we returned from Triumphest 2026? The obvious conclusion is that DCTRA needs to spend more time in Flagstaff ☺.

Have you thought of nominees for club officers – namely DCTRA offices of Secretary and Treasurer for 2027? I could go on but will finish by expressing my heartfelt thanks to Team DCTRA for Triumphest 2026!

Two days prior to T'fest '26 my MacBook Air (2013 Ed.) hard drive crashed, so have a new Mac and this Prez Sez was composed on the new system – have the MS Word Suite 2024 also, wow much to catch up on like the Business template I found for the T'fest thank you letters to our sponsors, etc. Reminder will be absent from the Oct. social meeting as Kate and I start on Oct 7 at ASU West, one of the 28-day county elections sites until 3 Nov.

Cheers and remember to drive your favorite Triumph as often as you can,
Roger

EDITOR'S DESK

October 2026

George M Montgomery

Well, Triumphest is over for another year, and for five years before we do it again. I hope you enjoyed yourselves. I enjoyed seeing old friends I've seen for the past twenty six years. Sometimes they get to be almost like family.

I did not get to take my car this year. With a death in my family and needing to fly to Oklahoma City for a funeral, and other personal problems, I didn't get even some simple tasks done as I should have. Partly I just didn't feel like it. My heart just wasn't in it. I still feel like I'm in a sort of funky mood.

Next week, on the 6th I will fly to Atlanta, GA to visit my daughter and her family for a week. Maybe I'll feel better then. I'll get to see my grandsons, attend the youngest's high school football game and maybe get to see my granddaughter and her husband. She is in medical school in Savanna at present. You have seen these three kids. They have each visited here and attended our meetings a couple of times. They were little then.

I finally have the newsletter finished. Obviously. I got a lot of photos from Triumphest. Some of the files members sent were fifty to a hundred in size. A couple of them were in Flickr and other such photo files. That's a great way to send a great number of pictures but they were new systems for me and it took me a while and a few emails and phone calls to

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learn to operate the formats. Even with instructions I still had to spend a few hours and posting, deleting and reposting. BUT, I finally "got 'er done" as Larry the Cable Guy would have said. I didn't get any stories, other than what is included herein, just photos. So, I just stuck 'em in here as best I could. I think you'll recognize the scene and the subjects. If your picture isn't included I'm sorry. I had several to chose from and did the best I could.

I see John C. has us scheduled to meet this month at the Fate Brewery out side on the patio. I hope to see you then. I fly back on the thirteenth, the day of the meeting, at 1 o'clock. I'm coming back at that time especially to see you. Hope you're there.

George.



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DCTRA Minutes
September 9, 2026

The September 9, 2026, Business Meeting of DCTRA was held @ FATE Brewery Co. Southern Ave. Tempe. Roger Prior, President, called business meeting to order @ 7:03 p.m. Members gathered earlier for "Stuffing Party" to fill "swag bags" for our upcoming Triumphest Event September 18.

Attendees: George Montgomery, Armand LaCasse, Pete Peterson, Dave Fores, Ron Gurnee, Scott Drysdale, Roger Prior, Ron Cole, Mary White, Chuck Kerzan, Michael Samauls, John Carroll, Kate Riley, Dave Riddle, John and Kathy Nuss, John Reynolds, Bob Holt, Tony Chapman

Minutes: The Minutes for June 9 Business Meeting were approved as they appeared in The Newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Armand LaCasse reporting Income from several dues being collected. Triumphest acct in good standing.

Events: John Carroll reporting that the Annual British Wheels on the Green will be held January 27, 2027. Registration for this event will open this October 2026.

Technical: Tony Chapman reminding everyone attending our upcoming Triumphest in Flagstaff is encouraged to check w/ him if they need assistance getting their cars ready. Dave Ker contacted The Club recently for help w/ his carburetor.

Triumphest Report: Ron Cole provided some interesting statistics: On this

date 2021, our club's previous Triumphest, we had 102 registrations - 152 attendees. Today we have 130 registrations and over 200 planning to attend. Registrations are still coming in. Ron & Armand displayed the new signage purchased for the event. Kathy Nuss asking for Volunteers to help sell Raffle tickets.

Motion to adjourn @ 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary A White Secretary

Membership Report

Scott Porter, Membership Chairman

The September DCTRA monthly meeting was well attended considering how closely the mtg was to Triumphest! The September 9th meeting in Tempe had 19 members attend. Along with the regular social activities, the group tackled "goodie-bag" stuffing in preparation for Triumphest! As was the case in August, one soul braved the heat to drive their Triumph to the monthly meeting, and this month my shout out goes to Dave Riddle - well done Dave!

I think we all agree that Triumphest was a great success! This was my first and I have certainly never seen that many Triumphs in one place at one time! There was also certainly a fair number of mechanical issues across the 100+ cars in attendance, and it was equally impressive to witness the unending willingness of people, strangers in many cases, to help: with tools, expertise, and their time to get folks "back-on-the-road". Again, [congratulations](#) to Ron, John, and Roger for leading the event - your 12+ months of planning and effort certainly paid off! [Congrats](#) also to all of the T-fest event organizers and to everyone in the club for rallying to make all the attendees feel welcomed and appreciated for participating. I hope everyone had a less eventful drive back to Phoenix, from Flagstaff, than my group did...

John Carroll, Michael/Judy/Josh Samuel's, and my wife Chistie and I decided to caravan back to Phoenix via Payson on Sunday morning. No sooner had we left Little America at 9:30a.m. than John's new TR-6 started having power issues. After a carburetor adjustment in a nearby parking lot, things improved albeit less than hoped for. What is likely a fuel pump issue continued as John nursed his 6 along Hwy 3; straights and downhills were fine, but on inclines the car continued to struggle for pulling power. Knowing his car would not be able to handle the intense hills between Payson and Fountain Hills JC called Lloyd Briggs to meet him in Payson. John did limp into Payson and as we departed he, and the 6, were parked under a

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shade tree, cold drink in hand, for the 90-minute wait on Lloyd and his trailer. (John, his TR-6, and Lloyd did get back to Mesa safely) ... This alone would have made the caravan exciting but wait there's more...

Approximately halfway between Flagstaff and Strawberry the trailer I was pulling with my GMC Sierra pick-up, with my TR-3A aboard, (a dead generator/battery that showed itself as I pulled off the freeway at the Sinclair in front of Little America on Thursday's drive up!) had the driver's side tire blow-out on one of the narrowest/no shoulder sections of Hwy 3! Literally 2 feet of shoulder; that was it. With John and Michael directing traffic, Josh and I changed the trailer tire like a NASCAR Pit Crew. 20 minutes from blow-out to back on the road. Thank goodness Armand's trailer had a solid spare, a solid jack, and solid tire changing tools! This alone would have made the caravan exciting but wait there's even more...

Michael's beautiful TR4, of Copper-State fame, developed an electrical issue. From the stop to fix the trailers tire blowout to the end of the trip, every time Michael turned off his car it would not start under its own power!? Luckily, Michael carries a starter/jumper box with his tool kit as it was used multiple times to restart his 4. I am sure Michael is getting his electrical issue sorted as we speak! This alone would have made the caravan exciting, but yes you guess it there's more...

Michael and Judy Samuel's son, Josh, flew out from Detroit to join in the fun of Triumphest. As a working professional Josh had a 4:20p.m. flight out of Sky-Harbor on Sunday afternoon. After the above-mentioned excitement(s) they needed "to get a move on" to ensure Josh would make his flight home to Detroit. Many of us know how steep and long several of the hills are driving between Payson and Fountain Hills. Judy's stunning Jaguar XKE now knows it too! There is one particularly long steep 6-mile-long climb on Hwy 87 approx. 30 miles west of Payson. When my wife, Christie and I crested that long hill with trailer in tow, there was Judy's XKE with the hood up parked on the summit with Michael and his TR-4 close-by! The XKE's temp gauge had pegged/red-lined during the climb, and they pulled over at the summit as steam/pressure escaped the radiator. Thank goodness after 15 minutes things cooled and the drive continued without further incident. (And yes - Josh did make his flight)! Any one of these examples would have made the drive eventful, and all the activities in one trip made our drive back from Triumphest unforgettable...

It was great seeing everyone in Flagstaff, again **congratulations** to all of DCTRA for the success of this year's Triumphest, and I think we are all excited for the coming cooler driving weather and getting our Triumph's back on the road more consistently!

Scott Porter Membership scottpor@hotmail.com.
DCTRA application form on page x

DCTRA AZ Events October 2026

After a successful Triumphest 2026 in Flagstaff, we return to normal life again. Thank you to everyone who volunteered and helped out. It was really a Team DCTRA effort. The next DCTRA Club meeting will be held at **FATE Brewery, 201E Southern Ave, Tempe, Tuesday October 13th Start at 5:30pm through 8pm. Social event only.**

DCTRA Meeting FATE Brewing Company Reserved Patio Garden.

- Taste of Route 66- 11am-6pm Saturday October 10th Hualapai Lodge Route 66 Park www.visitpeachsprings.com
- Vintage Wings and Wheels Commentative Air Force Museum Falcon field Hangers. Saturday October 31st 8am. Contact CAF website **(NOTE: To be confirmed)**
- Salute to veterans' truck and car show – Mesa Riverview Saturday October 24th 8am. at Mesa Riverview (857 N. Dobson Rd, Mesa, AZ) starting at 8:00 AM.
- West Valley Cruisers Car Club- All manner of cars including classics. October 2nd. Contact West Valley Cruisers Club.
- <http://www.arizonacarshows.com/carsaround hows.htm>
- <https://www.experienceprescott.com/events/annual-events/car-shows/>
- <https://www.flagstaffarizona.org/events/festivals/route-66-car-show/>
- **Ongoing Members Breakfasts. Every Friday** East Valley and West Valley. Contact John Carroll or Roger Prior for details.

Enjoy everyone.
John C | VP DCTRA



DCTRA Triumphest Award List

Here is the list of the Winners from the AutoX. Fast Time of the Day went to Mike Freeburn in a TR4A with a time of 46.001

Class	Driver	Best Time
Spitfire Mk1-MkIII	Jim Morrison	56.465
Stock TR2 and TR3	Dan Gaseau	49.934
	Steve Gaseau	53.821
Stock TR250 and TR6	Dave Will	47.968
	James Wells	48.275
	Tony Chapman	48.371
	Dave Fore	50.150
	Steve Chapman	50.399
	Russ Smith	50.773
	Scott Drysdale	62.468
	Jim Krumwiede	DNF
Stock TR7 and TR8	James TenCate	50.783
	Michael Hart	53.916
Stock GT6	Armand LaCasse	50.989
Ladies all 6Cyl	Amanda LaCasse	57.076
Modified TR2, TR3, TR4	Mike Freeburn	46.001
	Andy Corra	46.968
Modified TR250, TR5, TR6, GT6	Cregg Cowan	49.373
	Rich Weyland	51.527
	Joel Justin	47.653

Dave Riddle
602.692.5276

Thank You!

To DCTRA Members:

Thanks to all of the club members who donated the 230 prizes for our raffle. I was disappointed that several of the winners did not come to pick up their prizes either after the banquet or Sunday morning.

Since I am technologically challenged, I made several mistakes typing the prize list. I am forever grateful to Annette Cordova and Bev Peterson for discovering them so I could get them corrected.

Kerry Anderson, Ron Gurnee, Butch and Lana Koenig were kind enough to sell raffle tickets around the hotel. However, the bulk of tickets sold were in the registration room. Thanks, Patti Miller and her crew. All together we collected \$2,467 in ticket money.

I was grateful for the guys who worked diligently to make my computer and printer talk to each other: Carl Miller, Bob Jasper, Randy Koontz... Dave Fore was the first person who was successful and Tony Chapman had to remind the equipment later. Big kudos to Bob Mazer and Bev Peterson who printed all the prize lists for the tables. I was ready to go to Office Max to have them printed but they persevered.

I also appreciated the runners who made short work of delivering the prizes to the winners after the banquet: most of the people previously mentioned plus Deb O'Brien and Kate Kelsey. If you helped and I forgot to mention your name, I apologize. My memory isn't what it used to be.

Kathy Nuss

Christmas Party

Members:

My apologies for the early planning, but it's necessary to give everyone plenty of time to plan ahead.

This year the very kind and generous Samuels are willing to host as they did last year. We had a very successful and fun evening at their beautiful home. Just make a note now on your calendars for Saturday December 19th starting at 5pm.

Details and request for pot luck will begin in early December so please don't send any suggestions at this stage.

We wish to thank Judy and Michael Samuels for their generosity and kindness.

Mark your calendars....

Regards
John

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August Guest Speaker A presentation by Ron Cole

Our guest speaker at the August General Meeting was Ron Cole, a member of the Desert Centre Triumph Registrar of America and Chairman of Triumphest 2026.

Ron spoke about Triumphest 2026, which will be a particularly significant event as it coincides with the 100th anniversary of Route 66. Route 66 has long been synonymous with American car culture, making it a fitting backdrop for an event celebrating the Triumph marque.

"2026 is special in that we are celebrating the 100th anniversary of Route 66, which has always been associated with car culture."

Triumphest follows a similar concept to our own National Rally, with the various chapters taking turns to host the event.

As a gesture to strengthen the relationship between our clubs, Ron presented Ian with a Triumphest 2026 jacket, a gift from their Regalia. A wonderful symbol of the friendship that has developed between our clubs.



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Triumphest Technical Sessions

Editor's note: Roger Prior sent these photos taken of the technical sessions.



Clebe Best talks about classic car insurance Craig Kenneyon talks about fuel injection.

Triumphet Photos

George M Montgomery, Editor

Here are some of the photos sent to me by John Carroll, Collin O'Brien, Jululis Albellera, Patti Miller and Roger Prior. I didn't get them in an organized arrangement though. Sorry.



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Technical Idea

Got Grommets?

By Roger A. Prior, Jr

Recently while cleaning up the engine bay (in preparation for Triumphest '26) on my '73 TR6 it became apparent that some areas needing attention beyond the routine visual inspection and cleaning (not a "white glove" but routine cleaning).

Some backstory - remembering the PO's touting the TR6's "being original" was perhaps one of the most important "pre-purchase requirements" to me when locating a potential Triumph to purchase; that is purchasing a TR6 that was in more "original" condition, than a TR6 that had been mostly "refreshed". A TR6 somewhere in-between "frame-off" and "mostly original". Since taking ownership 5 years ago I had been struggling with aspects of the TR-6's "originality" vs. "renewed" status. Philosophically at some point the "originality" needs to give way to "renewed", for various reasons. The TR6 I purchased filled the bill. I purchased, and we have all been there. That is where the story begins, that is in the philosophical zone of what to keep original to the Triumph and what to "refresh". Want vs. Need.

Looking into the TR6 engine bay at the mostly small rubber seals mounted on the firewall, their condition ranged from "sort of ok" to "ghastly". Asking myself . . . "hummm, who knows how old these grommets are? yes on originality but functionality score of zero – and they look terrible". So, decision was made to "refresh".

Practically speaking the grommets serve vital purposes: 1) to "cushion" the variety of lines that need to go from interior to the engine bay, i.e., oil pressure line, speedometer cable, bonnet release and the crucial wiring harness that meanders from bumper to bumper needing to be protected and 2) to protect in most cases the sharp metal edges of the firewall. These edges were treated and painted in the factory, but in time may corrode under the "seasoned" grommets, so one is unsure what is going on with the circular hole in the firewall. Think for a moment about the vibration the grommets on Dave Riddle's completion prepped TR3 are constantly subjected to.

The procedure that I followed seemed reasonable, and you will might follow similar steps, or devise your own, once you begin if you have the supplies/tools on hand will minimize "the time on task". Once I began, which took about one week to complete as I will explain. Never ("knock on wood") have the tasks I do on the TR6 been an "emergency and the car is dead in the water", or "status Red" (military jargon) so far all have been PM in nature. In this case, the grommets may be useful for five or six years then need "refresh" once again to retain utility.

In order for the grommets to be effective the rubber needs to maintain flexibility (as defined as they arrive in new condition). Being soft and flexible will ensure whatever wire or cable is passing through will be protected by the rubbing caused by vibration and sometimes movement (bonnet release cable). The grommets also serve to seal the interior from engine bay aromas -as much as possible -but again we are dealing with LBCs, so we do not expect 100% on that criteria. One area worth a special mention -grommet wise is the big wiring harness grommet on the left side firewall which is constantly exposed to fumes/fluid from the fuel pump, brake system and hydraulic fluid reservoirs. This grommet in particular gets some serious physical/chem abuse over time. Mine was in extremely poor condition and had the consistency of "silly putty". Next worse shape was wiper motor shaft grommet felt like hard

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plastic but was rubber and was a challenge to replace due to the angle of the wiper shaft through the firewall, so go slow.

Reminder before any work task don your safety glasses, *remember them?*

First order a tube of your bodywork touch up paint from *TouchUpDirect.com*.

Required items before you begin, I would suggest rounding up the various sizes of grommets. I ordered various sizes from The Roadster Factory (TRF), namely the following:

	Price	Qty.
TRF Part # HAC1528 Talbot door mirror	\$2.50 ea.	2
600395	1.75	4
SLP222 Wiper shaft	3.00	6
61917	1.00	4
RG3 wiring harness	3.00	2

I generally order extras just in case, and these sizes covered all needs.

Once you have the grommets, I did each one at a time following these steps:

- 1) Remove old grommet, razor may help
- 2) Clean surround gently w/ isopropyl alcohol or similar on micro cloth
- 3) If rust present block per norm, then touch up paint, let dry 24 hrs
- 4) Apply wax over area, let dry and gently buff out
- 5) Apply Armor all to new grommet, slice grommet with razor half way thru
- 6) Enlarge grommet inner diameter as needed with razor
- 7) Place grommet over cable, and patiently place on the firewall – go slow
- 8) Flashlight will help (HFT has small magnetic base type)
- 9) New grommets look wonderful, and you did it yourself ☺

And lastly don't forget the rubber gaskets for your "Talbot style" mirror mounted on your left door (or both doors), as well as old AM radio antenna gasket (which I am still sourcing). As these gaskets age and harden they will not seal against the bodywork as they degrade - to prevent water seepage and actually begin to abrade the paint (remember the results of constant vibration) and maybe encourage a rust spot (underneath the gasket). My mirror and antenna gaskets had lost flexibility ages ago. The Talbot mirror gasket fit like a champ from TRF and took the time to replace the mirror (original to convex) while removed from the door.

Hope all that helps and I know that the next time you open the "bonnet" you will be checking out the condition of the Triumph's rubber grommets.

Roger

Our Web Master



Brunch Snob Chandler- East Valley 2026

By John Carroll VP DCTRA

One of the growing popular breakfast locations in the East Valley is Brunch Snob on the corner of Germann and S Dobson Rd. Chandler. It's a fun place with lively servers, delicious range of breakfast items, and a very large dining table that can seat over 15 guests. On this occasion we also chose to eat here and say farewell to Steve and Jane Chapman (Tony's brother and Sister-in-Law) who came over from England to attended Triumphfest and tour around on vacation. Safe travels you two. We had a grand turnout of 16 and enjoyed a fun time. As the weather has calmed down now, September and October is settling into a wonderful time for outdoor activity.



The hungry crew gathered ahead of our 7:30am breakfast.

We had 5 x TR6, 2 x TR4 and 2 x TR3. It was a beautiful morning to meet up. For those owners who live here, well done, you survived Summer. LOL. For those snowbirds, welcome back.



The ladies who joined us



Ignoring the annoying photographer JC.

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Calling All East Valley Car Clubs!

Join us for a day of classic cars, custom rides, great food, and community fun at Fellowship Square Mesa!

📅 **Date:** Wednesday, October 28th
🕒 **Time:** 10am - 1pm
📍 **Location:** Fellowship Square Mesa
6945 E. Main Street, Mesa, AZ

🏆 **What to Expect:**

- ✅ Classic, Muscle, Custom & Specialty Vehicles
- ✅ Delicious Chili Cook-Off Competition
- ✅ People's Choice Awards for Chilis & Cars
- ✅ Food, Fun & Fellowship
- ✅ Lunch for Provided by COVENANT
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Whether you're showing off your prized ride or simply enjoying the sights and flavors, we invite all East Valley car clubs to be part of this exciting community event!

🚗 **Car Clubs Welcome!**

Reserve your spot and showcase your ride, there is no registration fee. We just need a commitment of who will be here so we have the proper spaces available. Come connect with our residents, families, and fellow car lovers from across the Valley.

📞 **For Car Registration & Information:**

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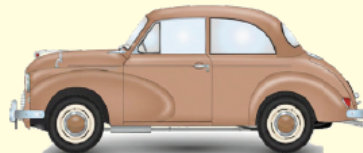
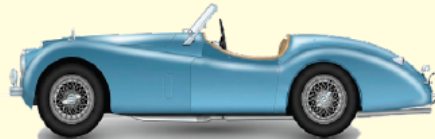
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SHOW DCTRA MEMBER CLUB TEE SHIRTS FOR SALE

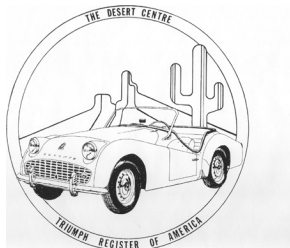
Currently, we have both Large and X-large sizes only.

Tee is a blended 50% cotton and 50% polyester.



\$25 each.

Payment is by Zelle or cash to John Carroll and I can bring it to the DCTRA Meeting. To use Zelle, you can send money directly to money@dctra.org. If you have questions, please call or email john.carroll@wbhsi.net. 480-622-8502

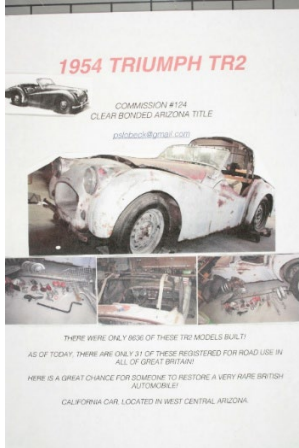


CLASSIFIED ADS:

For sale:

TR2.

1979 TR7 'Orange' color that needs much work also he need to get rid of, 'needs garage space more than the car' - he said is 'complete' comes w/ 2 extra seats - but sounds like needs much attention.



Phil Lobeck

Phone 928.210.2944

E mail is: pslobeck@gmail.com

1-26

Wanted Hello everyone, I'm back and now looking for a speedo for the Spit we're completing. I have attached a picture of the style that I am looking for. Also as long as I have your attention I am also looking for a left door latch for a MK1 or 2. I have also included a picture of the right latch...

.... Lou Figone 408-966-4175



9-25

For sale:

Set of 4 Pirelli Cinturato CN 36 175/70 r 15 tires. Came with set of wire wheels i bought. Seller said they had 500 miles on them. Excellent like new condition. I believe 2020 date code stored inside \$300

John Carroll / john.carroll.wbhsi.net / 480.622.8502

CLASSIFIED ADS: (cont)

For sale:

1977 Triumph Spitfire 1500 Convertible

Clean title in hand. Serious inquiries only.

This 1977 Triumph Spitfire 1500 received a lot of mechanical work during the past 2 years making it a reliable and daily driver if needed.

Chassis FM67122U

1.3 L engine

Four speed manual transmission

Tan Interior carpet and seats

Black new soft top

Monza style exhaust

Tires 175/70 R13

Interior: Redone, Heat insulation installed

Engine bay / Tunnel has been insulated for a better driving comfort.

Radio Bluetooth and 6 speakers + Kicker amplifier

Engine:

Compression ratio: 170 / 170 / 170/ 175

New custom Thrust Washers pinned

Weber carburetor + KN air filter (new jets installed)

Gearbox:

Completely overhauled

New Mainshaft, Synchros, Springs, Bearings, gaskets, 2nd gear 3 rails, clutch kit, Shifter rebuild kit, input shaft, Main bearing, Clutch hydraulic fluid flushed and replaced.

Other:

Manual fuel pump deactivated and electrical Hardi Pump installed near fuel tank with new filter.

Installation of a smith dual indicator water temp + oil pressure using copper lines.

New cigar lighter

Track rod end, Upper ball joint, Trunnion rebuilt kit, Front suspension bushing set poly, New shock absorber front, Rear control arm bushing kit, Leaf spring bushing, New front / rear brake hose, New trunk liner installed, New Alternator, Flushed and replaced brake hydraulic fluid, Installation of engine bonnet hydraulic lift kit, Kill switch, New dual horn, Rear lights LEDs installed, Wooden steering wheel

The car is fully functional with so many upgrade and repairs done. Strong chassis frame and body without rust. All lights are working, all dashboard lights and warning works perfectly.

CLASSIFIED ADS: (cont)

FOR SALE:

PARTS: All correct sheet metal for different models: TR2 (long door), TR3, TR3A and TR3B. **PROJECT CARS:** All bits and bobs to make project cars 90% complete. Prices for project cars: TR2 - \$1750; TR3 - \$1200; TR3As - \$500 & \$300; TR3B - \$1,000. I HAVE MANY OTHER PARTS – IF YOU NEED SOMETHING CALL. Call or text: **PETE** 602-615-3640

1956 TR3

1961 TR3A

1962 TR3B

1954 TR2

1961 TR3A

FOR SALE
TRIUMPH PARTS

PROJECT CARS
FOR SALE

PACKRAT PETE
602-615-3640

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)

5-24

For sale:

Gt -6 Clutch and pressure plate very slightly used. \$120
Gt -6 Standard Front Springs. \$50/ea. New never used.
Gt -6 /Spitfire Front Calipers. \$60 Each
GT-6 /Spitfire Two used diffs. 4:11 gearing. \$25
Gt-6/Tr-6 exhaust manifold. \$20 used clean
Gt-6 150 CD Carbs. Fully adjustable, clean. \$160 each
GT-6 Transmission, 4-Speed, only 50,000 miles. \$300
Tr- 6 Red fan. \$80
Tr-6 Rear Brake Pads. – semi metallic. \$60 in box
Tr-6 Tanoue cover like new. Black. \$20
Generator, good condition rebuilt, works. \$140
Starter Motor, slightly used. \$100
4 U-Joints \$25/ea.
2 Front Brake Discs. Sprt, or GT 6. \$35/ea.
GT-6 or Tr-6 fuel pump. \$20

Email

michaelbulfersport6@gmail.com

1-26

Dear All, I have the following Spitfire 1500 parts which I would be happy to give to a Spitfire owner who could use them:

- * Shift boot, Upper (Part # 680-720) - 1 of these
- * Seal, A-Post to Door (Part #689-485) - 2 of these
- * Original radio speaker - 1 of these

Email me if interested.

Julian Anderson

Triumph TR6

Julian@jajanderson.com

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).



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

CLASSIFIED ADS: (cont)

From: MICHAEL SAMUELS <samuelsma@aol.com>

Date: January 16, 2026, at 5:02:55 PM HST

To: Members <members@dcra.org>

Subject: Aluminum Silverstone wheelsFriends,

You may have heard me mention that I have a set of original magnesium American Racing Silverstone wheels for my TR4. I ran them for about 2 years but then got worried about cracking them (and got tired of the fact that they hold air poorly). I had a set of VTO Silverstone replicas made and have my magnesium ones in boxes in the garage. Dennis Wilson, the vintage Triumph dealer who sold me the '4, contacted me yesterday to say that he has a set of original aluminum (not magnesium) American Racing Silverstones for sale. There are 5 wheels and other parts including lug nuts and original Nokof brand spinners. The wheels and spinners are in need of restoration. Pics attached below. These wheels are 15 inch diameter.

These wheels and spinners fall into the "unobtainable" category. I would buy them, but I really don't need a third set of Silverstones. The cool thing about them is that they are a vintage item but they aren't brittle like my magnesium versions. Asking price is \$2200 for everything.

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LMK if you have any interest.

Michael



CLASSIFIED ADS: (cont)

Notice:

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

Help Wanted

Project Title – Master Technical Index (*TRiumph TRumpeter*)

Description – Create a master index of technical articles that have been published in the DCTRA *TRiumph TRumpeter* monthly newsletter from the beginning of recorded publication.

Seeking - DCTRA member with reasonable time to donate to this project. Has reliable internet access to the DCTRA website and able to search all previous monthly newsletters. Once the Index is created, will become an annual maintenance detail – for perhaps another club volunteer to assist with.

Will be working with MS Word and perhaps MS Excel. Roger will assist to get you 'on the road'.

Timeline for Completion – will depend on many factors. At the moment no target deadline.

Contact: Roger pls leave a voice mail ☺ 480-550-2906

DCTRA thanks you in advance.



Desert Centre Triumph Register of America MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

New Member ____Renewing Member ____ Information Update ____
Today's Date _____ MEMBER INFORMATION (please print):

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Annual Dues are based upon when you join DCTRA. Please check the dues option you want:

Joining period	____ One Year	____ Two Years	____ Three Years
January 1 st through June 30 th	\$40	\$70	\$100
July 1 st through December 31 st	\$20	\$50	\$80

Each membership includes one name badge. Additional name badges are available at the cost of \$10.00 each. Name as it should appear on badge(s):

How are you paying your dues? __ ZELLE to Money@DCTRA.org __ CHECK __ CASH

Do you want to be added to the Membership Contact email list? ____ YES ____ NO

Please scan and email, or return this completed form with the correct dues amount to:

Scott Porter, DCTRA Membership Chairperson

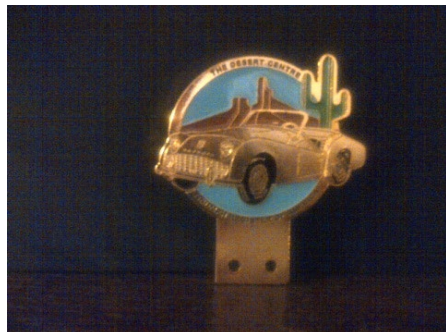
PO Box 12100, Scottsdale, AZ 85267

206-999-9977 scottpor@hotmail.com

We look forward to you joining DCTRA and sharing in our passion for the Triumph Motor Car!

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:

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.vtr2026.com
Triumph 2000/2500/2.5 Register	www.t2000register.org.uk
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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
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