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June 2009

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Cutoff date for next month's Marque is the 20th.

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The President's Comments,

As the song says, June is bustin' out all over. We are well on our way planning for BCD 2009, our Twenty-fifth anniversary meeting and are hoping for a large turnout in spite of the economic times. One thing MVT needs is to support this year's event with volunteers for registration, parking, stuffing bags, food service/cooking and to work on scoring the votes, a job that last year finally got done in time for 3 O'Clock awards.

Also, June is Membership renewal time, and checks and cash are happily accepted.

The Spring Tour was run, and we had a very good turn out for this one afternoon event. We actually started with ten cars and two dogs, as both Scott Stout and I brought puppies along, his was a very pretty German Shepherd and mine was a very barfy English Shepherd. Hopefully he will out grow that habit. We went to various and diverse places in Greene County and Warren County ending up in Waynesville at our favorite restaurant for peanut butter pie. Oh, and because of that Ellis did not bring fudge, bummer.

I am sad to report that the man who organizes the Green County Farm Tour every year has retired from that job. So it looks as if September will be missing a driving event we all love, except for the occasional Pig Farm Lorna, Ooops, Lover.....

Elsewhere in this issue is a report on the BCD meeting held on 13 May. Attendance was sparse, but we got done what needed to be done. I have six registrations at this writing, well behind where we were last year. Each club

member is responsible to get his registration in and we'll have blank copies at the meetings this month and next.

Now that I have address labels out of the way and most all the parts, the TR's water system is about to be renovated, new heater coil, radiator, hoses and pressure cap. I also found a source for an alternator conversion kit. Cost is about \$130.00 and claimed to be just a bolt-in. Kit is based on a GM Camero alternator.

A big thanks to Don Bigler for filling in at the May meeting, I took a business trip to New Orleans, we were located within one block of Bourbon Street and arrived as the Jazz Weekend was finishing up. The place was booming and except for the damage seen on the way in from the airport, you'd be hard pressed to guess the town was almost out of business a couple of years ago.

Looking ahead, to June and TRA, I received a warning note from the registrar that the hotel is filling up, so if you are planning to go, you really need to start making arrangements.

Thanks for listening, Stan Seto

Triumph Across America Tour

-----Original Message-----

From: On Behalf Of Triumph Trans-America Information
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2009 7:45 AM
To: Triumph Trans-America 2009
Subject: [Triumph Trans-America] Latest news on Triumph Trans-AmeriCanCharity Drive

Hi, Everyone

Stagmeister Joe Pawlak and his Worshipful Company of Busted Knucklers have done it!!!! THREE CHEERS to them all. A truly incredible job! Last week there was footage on the website of the engine being fired up for the first time and this week there's about 40 secs on YouTube of the car making its first trip.

As Tim Buja wrote: "We took Uncle Jack out for a drive today. Visit the TTA website <http://www.triumphtransamerica.org.uk/> for a brief account of the work we performed this weekend. The TTA site also has a link to a 56 second YouTube video of the results of all of our efforts. You may also view it directly from this link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6b-eCEAbYnQ>

Now two bits of info from me. The route page has been updated in terms of what some Clubs plan to do to take part as the Drive visits their neck of the woods, so go have a look see. Also, I'm getting emails from people wanting to know how they can get their rallyboard. I'm just about to send out an Info Pack to all Club Co-ordinators and the instructions are there.

But to Joe Pawlak and the Team - you did well guys - you did EXTREMELY well.

Cheers, John Macartney

Originator of The Triumph Trans-America Charity Drive 2009
www.triumphtransamerica.org.uk

An event for full TRIUMPH Enthusiast participation
See the link.
Ask and you shall receive:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F0dkn4hQmO4>

A Nutty Resolve. R.L. Wakefield

The Mini tyres are here! I can finally get the little Mini on the road with the Spitfire. The tyres had to be sourced from 7-Enterprises out east. They came in a laughable and small box. Yet, there were four new Falken 165-10 tyres inside. I called in a favor from my local Goodyear dealer. The lads there are awfully good to me. They smirked at the size of my Cosmic ten inch wheels stating that the head on the tire machine was bigger than my wheel.

At home in the hanger later, I pressed the wheel onto the waiting studs. The openings in the wheel are deep and the stud was not quite peeking through the rim. Humm. I realized the I had a spare set of nuts from the number three Spitfire that may work. When I tried to fit them, they would not go into the hole or seat against the rim in a convincing way. Its time to measure obviously.



The wheel opening where the nut should go is 15 mm in diameter. The outside diameter of the Spitfire lug nut is 16 mm. If a briar were to "Bubba" those on, then stress cracking and permanence would be the curse of this day. The solution is to widen the hole in the rim. If the amount of material to be removed were more than a thousandth

of an inch, I would prefer a drill press for this job. As it is less than critical, a hand drill may do. At close inspection, the rim is made of a light weight composite of aluminum.

The opening could be reamed by the proper reaming bit. Then the lug nut would enter the hole and press the rim to the drum with a proper clearance of depth and diameter. Below are a handful of hand drill bits that may be right for such a job.



Note the stones on the right. Fine work can be done with these. I do not want to be all night so I chose a two inch long rotary file.



The file must be carefully moved while spinning. If the file goes at an angle, then the hole will not remain square. I was careful to make approximately the same amount of pressure and time on each part of the bore so as not to elongate a hole into an "out of round" hole. Four holes and four wheels later, I was ready to mount the wheels.

Once on the car, I checked the clearances inside the rim and around the steering arms for fit.



Lucky me, It fits. And my what a sexy Mini it has become! See for yourself.



Spring Tour Photos



Spring Tour Pictures by Stan

Bruce led a tour of roads less travelled. Here is the gang taking leisure in a rest area.

Spring Tour Continues



I wonder what the fascination was with that tree? Don't dogs do that at rest stop?



Oh, that's better. Here are the two dogs that came along, Stan's English Shepherd puppy and Scott's young German Shepherd.



What a pretty picture ! I notice that both drivers are careful parking upon the concrete stops. Good show lads.

MAY 2009

15 May AFM- Night at the Museum. A tour of open cockpits and stories.



Identify this panel first and win a prize.

Wow! I have NEVER seen so many people at our museum in all of my duty days at the museum. Here is a picture of the people-lock running down the main corridor by the book store.



If you were there, you know it was one big event.

16 May British Cars at the Market.
British Transportation Museum. Meet at 2nd St. Market. -



The rain came down early but that did not prevent MVT from showing some of its finer cars. Chuck & Chris, Bruce & Alice, Ted & Eden, Pete, and a host of anglophiles made merry at the market. The number was down just a bit from last year. Most of the shows are running a little light at this pre-summer stage. I bet that will change once school is out.

17 May British Car Show

There is no report yet from Columbus. 13-18 May-BCD meeting resolves T-shirt pricing. All guiding influences seem to be in alignment and the show is still go!

23 May Car show: Taj cruisers show at Lincoln Park. Web search Tajmagaraj.com

23 May- Kustom Cruisers show at the Big Boy Rt. 122 in Middletown.



I could not stay long as it was Kattie's brothers 50th birthday. The cars were still coming in at 1645 hrs.

25 May –Gasoline going up again.

31 May SCCA Points Event @ Kil-Kare

Yahoo ! Schools out. Time for cruising fun.

June 2009

6 June – Iowa British Car Show. Also British Car bash in Paducah Ky. Flyer available.

Save The Date!
Saturday June 6th 2009

The 2009 Mid-Iowa Brit/Euro Car Classic is rapidly approaching. Make plans now to attend. This year's extravaganza will take place on the first Saturday in June. Formerly known as the Beavendale Brit/Euro Auto Fest, the show attracts over 120 fine sports cars every year. Make plans now to spend June 6th with us as we celebrate our passion for British and European automobile craftsmanship.

This year's show promises to be bigger and better than ever. The destination will be the beautiful West Glenn Town Center in West Des Moines, Iowa. Truly a premiere location that complements the style and grace of this year's featured marquee: Triumph.

See the map on our website for directions. There's more room for more cars and people. Our classic car show will be surrounded by many shops, restaurants, hotels and entertainment. Everything to make your trip to beautiful central Iowa exciting and memory filled.

A new year brings exciting new changes to The Mid-Iowa Brit/Euro Car Classic. Friday night June 5th features an outdoor concert and party at The West Glenn Town Center. Automobiles from our show will be featured during this event. Maybe yours could be one.

Another exciting change this year is the addition of judging classes. Wax your car. Polish the wheels. Make her shine nice and bright. Impress the judges and you could go home a winner with a trophy from the largest British and European car show in the Midwest.

Don't miss the best car show in the Midwest. The 2009 Mid-Iowa Brit/Euro Car Classic will be the premier event for all enthusiasts of fine British and European automobiles. Register early for this exciting show. All the information is easily found on our web site listed below. We are always adding new information so check back often.

Feel free to forward this information to all of your car club friends. We would love to see them and their classic car at the show. We look forward to seeing you on June 6th at The 2009 Mid-Iowa Brit/Euro Car Classic.

Get the latest information on our website:
www.midiowacarclassic.com

As always, if you wish to no longer receive notifications about The 2009 Mid-Iowa Brit/Euro Car Classic, please reply to this email with the word "remove" in the subject line. We respect your privacy almost as much as we respect your passion for classic automobiles. Seriously though, just ask and we will remove your name from our list. Thank you.

10 June Hot Rod Power Tour visits Dayton. Of all places, the most motor dead place in town! UD arena parking lot. The Hot Rod magazine sponsored tour goes coast to coast. Many entrants do the whole tour. It makes me want to retire.

12-13 June Lemans 24 hour Endurance race. Speedvision usually carries much of this event live from the circe' de le Sarthe.

12-14 June Good-Guys show in Indianapolis

18 June MVT Slot Car Racing

Challenge! T/R Motorplex will host a no excuses contest of slot car racing testosterone. Track rental will be covered by an MVT member. Car rental is \$2. Details at meeting. A disaster plan includes moving the race to the Events Chairman's home.

26 June AF- Tattoo : The Air Force starts the 4rth of July off with the best air show in town. Band of Flight plays favorites as the aircraft make quality fly bys. This year, the men in blue will give us a look at an aircraft that we don't see much here in Dayton. The Lockheed ER-2 is a version of the venerable U-2 spy plane.



Big bad racer X-1 recruiting car.



ER-2 from Dryden.(NASA)

26-8 June Mid-Ohio Vintage Races
The featured marquee will be the Mini-Cooper this year.



Brian Smith has our grille badges. See him for yours.

July is getting hotter. Stay alert to coming events.

May meeting minutes.

Call to order @ 7:30 by Vice President Don Bigler.

V.P. had no report, Treasurer says \$2976.50 to start \$2645.50 to finish .

Secretary had no report.

Membership noted dues are due and we have 5 paid members.

Events chairman Randy Wakefield reported many events for May. Events for June should be listed in this issue.

Old Business: BCD is on course for our 25th anniversary, Send in your registration down loaded from the club web page. Carolyn and I are putting together the mailers for the show but, as in the past, there will be no mailers to current members.

Jimmy Carter is recuperating from surgery, Marlene is alone at home and cold use your help to get her around. 50/50 won by Mara.

Meeting closed @ 8:08.

BCD Committee – Second Meeting – 2009

The second meeting of the year was held at the Poelking Lanes on 13 May, 2009. In attendance were Skip and Jennifer Peterson and David Gribler representing the Dayton MG Club, and Lorna and Ellis Ball and Stan Seto representing Miami Valley Triumphs.

Skip reported that the Park contract has been OK'ed, that flyers requesting Door prizes is going out and that two sponsors have signed up. Skip plans to ask Mike McKitrick if he would be willing to sponsor again this year.

There was some discussion concerning the shirts. Strong sentiment to do the shirts locally, to reduce the number of shirts bought this year (In 2008 we had about two dozen left over and that was a well attended meeting) and do a good job on the art work. Vendor of choice was H&H.

Ace music has gone out of business. They provided the sound system we used. Skip plans to approach the owners to see if the speaker system and amplifiers might still be available. If not, we do need to find a source for a sound system.

The grill used at the event has finally fallen apart. Skip suggested the clubs get a new one, and had an ad for a large grill, eight burners, all stainless construction and it folds up for easy transport. Cost is \$400.00. We agreed to buy it and split the cost between the two clubs. The plan would be to store the grill at the Museum of Transportation. Flyers for BCD were printed and 300 were folded for mailing. Skip gave MVT those 300 plus about 500 unfolded. Stan printed about 630 mailing labels, some of which cover both MVT and MG Club members. The agreement is clubs will

furnish their own members with applications to reduce the mailing costs. Flyers will be mailed out weekend of 17th of May.

Meeting ended at 8:00 PM.

Next meeting will be on 30 June at Poelking Lanes.

Post meeting, Lorna Ball checked with H&H and said they could do the shirts but could only do six colors. Decision was to work it out with them.

Stan reports we currently have three applications, one MVT and two MG.

Web Page of the month!

Check out
Electricdreams.com

If you fancy that new MVT 500 Trophy for your display case, then you must select a proper racing car to compete with.



Check out the deals !



These are highly detailed 1/32 scale pieces of art. They are almost too beautiful to thrash.

More to come.

