



The Marque

"All the news that's fit to soak up oil"



Oh my...

July 2018

Events this month:

- Cincinnati British Car Day – 8th
- British Biscuits and Tea Meet – 14th
- MVT Pool-less Pool Party and Tour – 14th

MVT Club Info

Miami Valley Triumphs is a non-profit club founded to preserve and enjoy Triumph and Standard automobiles. You do not have to own a Triumph or Standard to be in the club, just be interested in the preservation of the marque. For more info on joining the club and dues please contact the MVT Membership Chair (contact info below).

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<https://www.miamivalleytriumphs.org/>

We are also on **Facebook** at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1654893204751113/> - this is a closed group so you will need to request joining.

Please send comments/suggestions to: miamivalleytriumphs@gmail.com or to the PO Box.

Cutoff date for next month's Marque is the 22nd of the month.

MVT is a Chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register (<http://vintagetriumphregister.org/>) and Center of the Triumph Register of America (<http://triumphregister.com/>). We actively participate in activities of these clubs and their endeavors to preserve the marque. In addition to the above national clubs you also might want to check out 6-Pack (TR6/TR-250) <http://www.6-pack.org/j15/> and the North American Spitfire Squadron for Triumph Spitfire and GT6 owners <http://www.nasshq.org/>.

MVT Monthly Meeting

MVT Monthly Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at Archers Tavern Kettering, 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420, (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room off the bar at the front of the tavern. We have dinner and socializing at 6:30PM and the president usually ruins our fun by starting a meeting at 7:30PM.

<http://archerstavern.com/archerstavern/>

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Miami Valley Triumphs is a registered chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register and a local center of the Triumph Register of America. Membership is \$20 yearly and is usually paid in May. Non-renewing members are deleted from the mailing list.

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at a location as published on the MVT website or in "the Marque", and/or by Email. General membership meetings are at 7:30 pm with informal dinner starting at 6:30 pm prior to the meeting. Anyone interested is most heartily invited to attend. Triumph car ownership is not required.

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Officer's Reports

President's Report



The President's Car in the TRA 2018 Car Show

Hope to see you at Archer's Restaurant on the 11th of July. I encourage anyone who knows club members who are not regularly attending, to give them a call of invitation.

Ran the engine of the '3 for the first time on Memorial Day weekend. Started fairly easily and went straight to 2500 rpm. Turned it off, loosened the distributor mount and restarted it. Backed the distributor up a couple of degrees and got the idle down to 1000, and just let it chug for awhile, slowly filling the garage with the smoke and oxides that come from all the gasket sealers and loose puddles of WD40 and silicone lubricant that went into the assemble process. It was pretty smoky when the little old lady who was walking by showed up shouting "Fire, Fire! Get everyone out!" It took a minute of explanation to get her back on the ground. I'm lucky she didn't hit me with her cane. Got the car out on the road the following Tuesday and ran it 50 miles on local roads and part of I-275. There were no problems.

Took the time to put the car into traveling shape, as TRA was coming up.

Hooked up with John Coutant on Saturday morning 16 June. We drove to Hillsboro to meet the Dayton crowd (Clough's, Harry Mague, the Rutledge's and the White's) for the run the Blowing Rock, NC and the Triumph Register of America National meet. From Hillsboro, we went south and east to Jenny Wiley State Park in eastern Kentucky and completed the trip on Sunday, rolling into Boone, NC during a rainstorm, which we were in for the last 9 miles to the Hotel, the Chetola Resort, a limited access hotel-restaurant complex with out buildings that were condos of one sort or another. From Loveland it was about 425 miles, with the Dayton group traveling an additional 30 odd miles. There's probably an article with photos in the Marque so I will just comment that the meet went fairly well. The setting was mountainous and we were only a half mile from the Blue Ridge Parkway and the commercial part of Blowing Rock was only a quarter mile from the hotel entry which in turn was about a half mile from the hotel, so a long walk into town. There was, however a large strip mall just around the edge of the hill the hotel was on, and a lot less than a quarter mile and it had a pretty good ice cream store in it.

So we drove the events and we had the car show and at the awards banquet MVT did pretty well. Arts and Crafts, Harry took second for a stained glass Triumph and Bruce took third for a TR Grill with an electronic photo viewer, cycling last year's TRA pictures. John Coutant and his (younger) brother, Richard, took first in the Funkana and Bruce and Duncan took third in the Poker Rally.

In the Participant's Choice car show, Bruce took first in the "Other" category and Alice took second. John Coutant took first in TR3A, I took second in TR3B and Harry Took first in TR6. Concours Best of Show was won by Tonda Macy and her/his TR4 hardtop, all white and hard to look at that sunny morning.

Our trip back was the reverse of the trip down, and we stopped at JWSP on the return. The weather (always have to comment on the weather) good going down, and up until the last day, sunny hot and humid. It rained just prior to

the banquet, and on the two day run home, we were in and out of showers, which is a real pain when you drive TR3 (side curtains). It was, however, a fun trip and we stopped at several winerys and distilleries both coming and going, so we had a lot of spirit(s).



On the road at TRA 2018

Registration entries for BCD continue to roll in electronically and by mail, we are well over 50.

The year continues to be young, July is packed with events, so polish up your Triumphs, change the oil and filter and make sure the brakes and all your lights work and let's go to some of them.

Best regards, Stan Seto, Stan Seto

Vice President's Report



This is not the VP – wonder what he is contemplating?

Treasurer's Report

As of 1 June 2018, the club account had an actual balance of \$2712.29. For the month of June the

club's income was from 50/50 for \$14.00, \$100.00 from annual Club membership and we received \$120.00 in donation for John Coutant's entry in the Spring Tour. Total income for the month of June was \$234.00. The club had only one expense for the month of June, \$240.00 donation as a result of the Spring Tour to the Fisher House. As of 1 July 2018, Club's account balance is \$2706.29.

You humble servant Harry

Events Chair Report



Great time at TRA 2018

Summer is at high tide – by the time you see this we have probably already been to the Cincinnati BCD on the 8th. We have a Pool-less Pool Party on the 14th and VTR starting on the 17th. I added a Cheese & Wine Drive-in on the 28th

All the “failures” the Cloughmobiles had on the way back from TRA have been fixed and the cars are ready to go!

Events Tsar Bruce

Membership Chair Report

Our MVT membership currently stands at 44. If you haven't already submitted your \$20 renewal dues in person or via mail, please be sure to pay in the near future. Thank you!

Valerie

Webmaster Report

None this month – our Webmeister John Coutant has it all under control at <https://www.miamivalleytriumphs.org/>

Marque Editor's Report

An extra week to get ready doesn't help when you're coming back from a trip and the rest of the family is very busy also. We got a lot of TRA National Meeting pics, a few events this month, and Dayton BCD prep to do. See you at the meeting on the 11th!

Cheers – Bruce

MVT Events

Past Month's Events

June 2018

6 - MVT Monthly Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Stan Seto at 7:38 PM. There were 27 members in attendance.

Agenda - Changes & Addition – none

Guests and/or new members – No new members or guests in attendance.

Officer Reports

- **President** –President Stan Seto said 2018 continues to be a bad year for him, as he has lost several family members and friends. His Triumph was started on Memorial Day Weekend. Amid all the smoke of a new engine starting he heard a voice say “it's on fire, get out!” from a lady passer-by wanting to know if she should call the fire department. John Coutant helped with wiring and Stan was able to get the wiring all set to go. He hopes to have it on the road this coming weekend.
- **Vice President** – Dan Stinson is having problems with his TR7 wiring. His battery was dead so he replaced it and he and Mary went for a drive. When they returned home and turned off the engine, he noticed light from under the closed

headlight cover. The headlights were still on and would not turn off. He is still looking for the short in the wiring and may need a tech session if he is unable to correct the problem himself.

- **Treasurer** – Harry Mague was absent, but his monthly report was in the Marque. Stan Seto said the club is still in the black.
- **Secretary** – Patti Clifford said the minutes were in the Marque and asked for additions or corrections. No corrections. She made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Tim Moore. Motion carried.
- **Membership Chair** – Val Relue reports that we now have 44 members. Dues were to be paid in May and we still have 19 members who have not paid. Please send your membership fees to Val Relue
- **Events Chair**
 - May - Thanks for the help at the Tech Session and donuts at Roger Rutledge's. British Transportation Show at Miamisburg was nice venue. Had some rain but still a good show. Chris Yanity reports that the Columbus British Car Show seems to be getting smaller
 - June: 2 – Ft Meigs Show; 14 – Indiana Car Show tour from London Indiana to Brighton Indiana (<http://www.ibcu.org/london-to-brighton-run.html>); 18 – 21 – TRA National Meeting in Blowing Rock NC. (<http://triumphregister.com/tranational-meet/>) See Bruce if you want to caravan.
 - July: 8 – BCD in Cincinnati. Meet at the Bob Evan's at I75 and 121 (Middletown Exit) if interested, 11-14 – British V8 Annual Meet (<http://forum.britishv8.org/read.php?10,60174>); 14 – 2nd annual Pool-less Pool Party at Ellis'. There will be a drive before the party; 17 – 22 – VTR in La Crosse Wisconsin

[\(https://justbritish.com/event/vtr-national-2018-la-crosse-wi/\)](https://justbritish.com/event/vtr-national-2018-la-crosse-wi/)

Committee Reports

- **Regalia** – Harry Mague was absent. Email him if interested in purchase.
- **Technical** – Bruce Clough said if you have a STAG, you are in trouble if you need new calipers! His recent experience with purchasing them resulted in a huge core and return fee!
- **Spare Parts** – Chris Yanity Says both Victoria British and Moss have sales going on right now. He also mentioned an article that Val Relue wrote about the MVT club, which she said she knows nothing about! He will bring the article to the next meeting. Stan Seto said if you are interested in a car Jeff Barth reported a friend has a TR6 with 40,000 miles he is selling. Email Jeff if you are interested. Bruce Clough also knows someone selling a 1970 TR6. Email him if interested.
- **Marque** – Send your articles for the Marque, email Bruce at cloughowenclough@outlook.com. Please let him know if you find errors on the webpage. Our club email is: miamivalleytriumphs@gmail.com.
- **British Car Days** – Approximately 50 cars have registered so far. There will be one more meeting in July.

Old Business – John Coutant asked the club to match the donation to the Fisher House for the donations made to the Spring Classic Tour. Ted Allison made the motion to match the \$100 donation and Carol Rudledge seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business - None

Split the Pot – Jodi Barth won \$14.00

Adjourn - A motion was made by Tim Moore to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John Clifford. Meeting was adjourned at 8:21 PM.

The next meeting will be July 11, 2018 at Archers. The meeting will be a week later than usual due to the Fourth of July Holiday.

Submitted by Patti Clifford, Secretary

Triumph Register of America National Meeting – several articles from those who went!

Article 1: The Story In Pictures

Bruce Clough

Since I am also the newsletter editor I am too lazy to write up an article, so I will instead annotate pictures. The easy way out. Suffice to say all had a good time and all survived the visit to the Old Pogue Distillery (not sure about the Cararra though...). This year it was just Alice, Duncan and I since Bridgett was in a wedding. That meant more luggage space for all – nice! Lean back and enjoy...



The Dayton area folks met at the Tim Horton's in Xenia – 6 cars were leaving from Xenia with more joining up later – this was going to be a good caravan!



We met up with John Coutant and Stan at Hillsboro. Getting in and out of this gas station was an adventure!



The drive from Hillsboro to Portsmouth was fantastic – twisty-turny roads with clear views. This is on OH73 near to Portsmouth. If you ever get a chance to drive OH 247 from Hillsboro to Seaman – do it!



We had a light lunch on the first day at the Portsmouth Brewing Company – here is some of their cask-condition ale conditioning in Four Roses Bourbon barrels...



From Portsmouth we took some twisty-turny roads through Northeastern KY. Near Grayson on KY9 Roger pulled the 3B over due to overheating. He had lost a lot of coolant, but from where? The water bottles came from everywhere to fill him back up...



A bit past Grayson we found a quilt shop with air conditioning. Which was good...



...since Roger figured out his radiator cap needed replacement, so we hung out at the quilt shop while he went and got a new cap.



Just a bit past the quilt store after we turned on a very twisty side road I heard a noise that sounded like a U-joint going, but Duncan isolated it to the front right wheel. I thought that the wheel might be loose (but the sound was much higher pitched than what I would expect for a loose wheel) but since the calipers were replaced I needed to check those. After a sweaty 15 minutes we were back on the road again – just a loose wheel – but I got back the chicken I gave Roger!



After a few more twisty roads we ended up for the night's stay at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park in Prestonsburg, KY. This is one of the locals welcoming us. The place was packed with family reunions, but check in was quick once we got around the computer malfunctions...



We've stayed at Jenny Wiley before, and one rule of thumb is you do not eat the buffet. You eat off the menu and take your chances. Here we are waiting our turn at chance....



Day 2 on the road was interesting. You learn many things. Did you realize that they are building Ziggurats in KY?



Since we were now in the mountains the views were fantastic. A bit humid, so things were hazy, but the views were still great!



As I am want to do, I find wineries to try their wares. This is one we found on the way to Chetola in Virginia not far from Abingdon, VA off US58.



Right before Boone NC our weather luck ran out – we were driving towards a thunderstorm, so up came the tops and in went the sidecurtains!



We arrived at Chetola Resort without further issues, and even the rain wasn't very hard. Chris, Chuck, Alice, Duncan and myself had rented a condo, and that didn't quite work out as planned, but that is a story for another place with bourbon.



Chetola Resort is built into the side of a hill overlooking a lake. Here is a shot from the registration area down on parking, with Harry, John, and John's brother Richard (yes, there are Coutants all over the place) discussing the fishing.



Since we were staying in a condo, we headed across the street to a Food Lion to pick up some food. Here is a delicacy I could not talk the gang into...



The not-so view from our deck of the condo we ended up in. Complete with dead birch tree.



Monday morning we got up, ate some breakfast (I headed to a local outlet mall to get shirts, another bourbon story there) , and then

took a drive to Linville around Grandfather Mountain. Here we are starting out down The Blue Ridge Parkway.



A shot of Grandfather Mountain as we drove by. Elevation up there is a bit more than a mile above sea level.



We stopped a bit north of Linville at a BBQ place called The Peddlin' Pig. Fantastic food. Here is a group shot...



On the way back to Chetola we stopped at Grandfather Mountain Winery. Wines were okay, but we ended up buying a tawny Port that we not even out for sale yet! From the winery I took the crew on some back roads to the resort – I think that road, which was Tail-Of-The-Dragon worthy, ended up on a Coutant YouTube video. That evening, which we don't have pictures of, we headed into Blowing Rock NC for dinner. MVT'ers were spread out over several restaurants – we ate at a place called The Speckled Trout.

Factoid: Blowing Rock is populated in the summer by Florida folks escaping heat and humidity...



Tuesday morning started with a Breakfast Run to Boone NC. Here is a shot of some of the folks driving...



...and here is a shot of the parking when we got there – the low clouds were not rain clouds, just early-morning low clouds (which since we were already 3500 feet above sea level were even lower...)



The breakfast food at the Daniel Boone Inn wasn't anything to write home about, but we were hungry...



After we got back from the breakfast run we did some more shopping, napping, lounging around, car cleaning and exploring. Later that afternoon was the Concours Judging School, Auction parts drop-off, TRA Reception and National Meeting (at the national meeting) - this is a shot of the actual meeting in a meeting underway. After this we talked to folks fairly late into the evening...



This is a shot of the car show setting up from the Judges Gazebo – there are two shows within this show – the judged Concours for TR2 through 4A cars and a Participant’s Choice show for all Triumphs. Duncan and moi were the Chassis Judging Team – nice to work with Duncan since he tends to be less distracted by pretty cars than dad...



John and Rich at the car show.



Something you do not see everyday – a TR4 Dove brought to the show by ex-VTR President Vernon Brandon



Vern also brought his Francorchamps!



Macy's brought there freshly restored early TR4. Don't want to kill the suspense, but this car won Best of Show in Concourse. A fitting billboard for Macy's workmanship.



After the show we tackled a bad alternator on John's car – this is the same custom alternator that he just put on the car. I think he has some words about that. Anyway, this took a little while, but the generator and control box Betsy shipped overnight to him went back on and worked perfect...



The Carnes also brought their aluminum body TR3 to the show. This one-off had just been completed not long ago. Nice car and gave me a few ideas for The Grey Ghost...



And all that good work was rewarded!



After the car show as a period of winding down and waiting for the auction – this is what

the auction looked like from behind the auctioneers...



And this is what it looked like in front of the auctioneers. I think I like the back better. We had over a hundred items in the live auction and they also had a silent auction going on. We had to get done by 10PM and we did!
Sold!



Thursday morning started with another breakfast run, this time to a ski lodge. Here are the TRs heading up the mountain to the lodge...



Here is the parking at the lodge for the 2nd Breakfast Run. Again, low dark morning clouds but no rain.



TRA 2018 goes with the ski slopes in the background.



Ted Tracy needed a hole in his valve cover plugged after the original fell out. Just so happens a bourbon bottle cork fits....



That afternoon we headed north on The Blue Ridge Parkway on a Poker Run. The skies were gray with showers in the area, but we didn't get wet. Here is a look out over the mountains to the east and the Yadkin Valley.



The northernmost stop on the Poker Run was a small church with some amazing frescos painted by a renowned Fresco artist. ! We also found several nice shops to stop at on the way back. Turns out Duncan and dad came in third on the Poker Run! Way to go son!



Chetola is a weird place – high end resort, but has its banquet facilities under a huge outside tent. Right before the Awards Banquet the heavens let loose with a gullywasher. We had made it into the tent by then, but the wait staff got soaked getting the food prepped and in the tent.



Shot of the banquet tent - quite comfortable and the rain had stopped! The award ceremony launched and MVT brought home 9 awards, which by club per capita attending was the most by any club. Way to go MVT!



The MVT awards...



Day to head home – one last morning coffee looking at the shrubbery out the deck before we hit the road.



...and awardees!



Since the day was threatening rain tops were up as we left Chetola...



Did we mention Harry's daughters showed up? We didn't? Well, they did and did keep dad in line!



First stop on the way home was, wait for it, another winery! Who would have guessed!



Next stop that day was lunch at a micro-brewery in St. Paul VA – if you are ever out that way YOU NEED TO STOP! Sugar Hill Brewing Company. Write that down.



Next stop was Winery 4 – this picture was just before the heavens let loose...



Final stop for that day was back at Jenny Wiley State park. This time everything was screwed up, but everyone got a room. More bourbon talk...



Dinner try #2 at Jenny Wiley – or maybe it was breakfast, dunno, just know not to order off the menu!



The first stop after we got going was actually a bit of a drive – the Echo Valley Winery that is just on the edge of the Appalachian Plateau - you can see the start of rise of the Plateau, known as “knobs” from the winery’s patio – nice view!



At the bar at Echo Valley Winery – we didn't have a lot of time to taste the wines due to a 2pm tour at the Old Pogue distillery – we will head back there again.



Tasting room at Old Pogue – the 5ths of their bourbon will run you \$100 if you can find them - here they were \$110, but there is a story behind that and it's due to KY law...



This is John Pogue – the almost one-man show that runs the Old Pogue Distillery in Maysville KY. BTW – the distillery is literally in the side of the hill coming up from the Ohio. It has a torturous driveway that only Bruce and Carol Rutledge were brave enough to try.



After the distillery we crossed into Ohio and headed for a late lunch/early dinner at the Rockin' Robin Soda Shop in Ripley. We parked across from the restaurant along the river and were joined by a hoard of Mayflies – harmless, but they liked Inca's bright colors!



One more stop before home – The Village Restaurant in Waynesville for Peanut Butter Pie. Yum. We bought an entire pie, and what was leftover fed Bridgett for a few days!



Back home again – fantastic trip and looking forward to next year, speaking of next year...

Article 2: Mini Chickens at TRA 2018

John Coutant

The trips to and from TRA on the back roads always produce great, curvy roads, good wineries, food, and great company. Speaking of great company, traveling in a group with a huge collective knowledge of Triumphs is one of the pluses of a MVT trip as hundreds of miles in 50 year old car can produce a problem or two. This year the MVT gang had a few issues but I have given them only mini chickens as none was serious enough to leave one of us stranded on the highway.



Cluck #1

Mini chicken number one was Roger. The trip down to North Carolina was hot, really hot. Afternoon temperatures were 90 deg. and the climb up into the mountains did cause the cars to work a bit. Roger noticed the temperature getting really high so we stopped for to check it out and add some water. Found out the rubber seal on the radiator cap was missing so we all waited in a quilt store while Roger found a 7 psi cap and got some 50/50 antifreeze to top off. That seemed to do the trick and he had no problems the rest of the trip.



Cluck#2

Mini chicken number two was Bruce. We were on this great, curvy road when Bruce came on the radio that he felt something was wrong with the front suspension. So everyone stopped and the diagnostics began again. After jacking up the car and removing the tire to check the suspension, it seemed the wheel nuts were loose. Double checked the suspension anyway, mounted the front wheel again, and torqued down the all the nuts (including the one behind the wheel – *hey, I resemble that remark!* – Ed.), and we were off again. Everything felt good and the wheels stayed on the rest of the trip.



Cluck#3

Third mini chicken was John. We arrived on Sunday night and then spent Monday exploring the Blue Ridge Parkway. On the way back to Chetola Lodge, John's brother said "Is that big red light meant to be on?". The new alternator (that

looks like a generator) which was installed over the winter looked like it failed. The ammeter showed some charging at high rpms but it was definably not working correctly. So a sheepish call to John's wife to ship the original generator and control box overnight was made. John ran the car on Tuesday with no problems. Wednesday was the car show so with the TR3A in the car show and John judging the concours cars, FedEx showed up and the box appeared in the passenger seat. Following the car show everyone gathered under a shade tree to lend a helping hand or tool (thanks Stan for that box ratchet) or kibitz. It was pretty much unbolt and bolt back in since they were the same configuration. Quickly done and even enough time to head to the Funkana after getting cleaned up. Moral – old school can be good school.



Cluck#4

Fourth and last was Alice. On the last day of the trip in the morning as we were packing up and getting lined up Alice noticed that a rear tire looked low. Before we could get a gauge someone found a drywall screw in the sidewall. So time to unpack the freshly packed trunk of the TR7 and dig out the original spare and put it on. It was short work to change the tire and check all the other tire pressures. The group then headed home without any other challenges. All in all a great trip. Looking forward to next year's trip to Georgia.

We even have a video record!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OLdyF1jEOLA&feature=youtu.be>

And a link to a local newspaper story:

<http://blowingrocknews.com/triumph-ant-visit-to-blowing-rock/>

TRA 2019 Blurb

One of the not-so-well kept secrets is that next year TRA National Meeting will be held in Dillard, GA, which is also in the Blue Ridge Mountains, but in far north Georgia – On US 23 almost to the NC border. It is also a resort town, but at a lower altitude. The date of the meeting will be in May to give both lower temperatures and less tourists! This will be an issue with me since the rest of my family cannot attend due to school. We shall see how it goes!

Post-Mortem



Harry was looking dapper most of the drive. Harry's two daughters joined us in Chetola and they kept dad busy doing things like vegan dinners and zip lines.



Harry was complaining his car was running rich the whole time – I think I found the culprit!!!! <smile>

16 – British Biscuits and Tea Meeting

Was held next to Archers in Kettering. Some shots of the MVT'ers in action! The July event is on the 14th – what a great way to kick off a pure-MVT day!



Well, the Moores were there...



...and the Cliffords...



..and the Stouts...



...and the Stout's dog!...

This month's Events - July 2018

July 2018



CINCINNATI BRITISH CAR DAY JULY 8, 2018

NEW! AWARDS DONE BY POPULAR VOTE BY
CAR OWNERS!!

- DOOR PRIZES
- COFFEE/DONUTS
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BY 7/1/2018

8 – Cincinnati BCD On behalf of the British Car Club of Greater Cincinnati, I would like to invite you and your club members to our British Car Day on July 8, 2018. Registration fees are \$15 through 7/1 and \$20 thereafter. Hope to see you on the 8th, Greg Thomas.

Note that they have gone to a popular choice format for voting.

For MVT'ers in the Dayton Area we will caravan down. Meet at the Middletown Bob Evans (SR122 and I75) at 8AM for breakfast, we leave for Harbin Park at 9AM.

11 - MVT Monthly Meeting at Archer's Tavern Kettering, 2030 East Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45420 (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy

Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.



11-14 - BritishV8 annual meets are for all enthusiasts of performance-modified British sports cars. We're informal. There's no Club here, and there's no Car Show either. There certainly aren't any Judges. Just come prepared to have fun and to share ideas about improving some of the world's most wonderful automobiles. Bring a friend and bring your camera!

The twenty-second annual British V8 meet will be held in and around Dayton, Ohio from July 11 through July 15, 2018 at the Holiday Inn Dayton/Fairborn across the street from Wright State University. The overall theme of this year's meet is aviation. There will be visits to The Museum of the United States Air Force, Waco Field, and various historically significant sites related to the Wright Brothers.



14 - July's British Biscuits and Tea Meet, Hosted by David Johnson, Saturday, July 14 at 10 AM - 12 PM, Parking lot east of 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420



14 – Pool-less Pool Party

Stay tuned for more information on this event. We usually have a tour to the Ball's where we will pretend we are swimming where their pool used to be. The club buys the steaks which are cooked by Chef Ellis oh so perfectly, and MVT members bring in pot-luck food. BYO Beverages.



Chef Ellis wants to see you at The Pool-less Pool Party!



17 - 21 VTR 2018. LaCrosse, WI. The following is information courtesy of Minnesota Triumphs on the meet:



“Nice day trip from La Crosse. Head up 61 for a stop at the Lark Toy store and pick up a few Christmas presents. Rated top 10 in the US. Next stop the National Raptor Center. Get up close to a Bald Eagle. Head over the river to WI and have BBQ at Pier 4. Head up the bluff for a great view from Buena Vista Park and finish off the tour with a wine tasting at Danzinger Winery.”

28 – Cheese & Wine Drive In. Caesar’s Creek Winery, 962 Long Rd, Xenia. Arrive 2PM, pls bring some cheese and crackers and we will buy the wine!

August 2108

1 - MVT Monthly Meeting at Archer’s Tavern Kettering, 2030 East Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45420 (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.

3 – BCD Preparation – Eastwood Park off Woodman Drive. Show up at 6PM to help pack registration bags as well as mark parking spaces and to yap with all the other British Sports Car fanatics that will be there!



4 – Dayton British Car Day!!!!

Yes, it is next month. We will spend some time at the meeting talking about this. If you have not already please register – the link is below.

Just a reminder of a few things for the club:

1. We need your help – sign-up sheets for volunteer opportunities will be coming around at the July meeting.
2. We need to register your car and show up!

You can already register on line at <http://www.britishcardaydayton.com/>, so lets get registrations in!

9-12 Little Old Ladies in Tennis Shoes – Undercroft Players Production
www.undercroftplayers.weebly.com

11 - Indy British Motor Days – Zionsville, IN. For more information pls go to <http://www.ibcu.org/indy-british-motor-days.html>



The Roadster Factory

16-18 - TRF Summer Party - The Theme This Year is “County Fair”— more information on the TRF website: <https://gar.zeni.net/trf/SPform.php>

25 – MVT August one-day tour: “Ring Around Dayton – What happens when you take a day to drive around Dayton? What might you see?

What might you visit? Where might you stop? Simple – come see. We meet at 9am at the Tim Hortons on East Dayton Yellow Springs Road in Fairborn just east of I-675, on the road by 9:30. Prepare to drive!

September 2018

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14-16 – Mothman Festival Sojourn – Point Pleasant WV and all points in between. Weekend of fun and “huh, what’s that?” There will be wineries, there will be interesting stores and parks, and there will hopefully not be a Mothman.

We leave at 9AM on Friday the 14th, drive to Point Pleasant to take in the museum, head back to the Ohio side of the Ohio for dinner and lodging – wineries along the way as well as fun festive sights! At this point lodging is TBD but we will know it soon.

Saturday we head to the festival – hang out at the car show for a while, do the festival things, and head out around noon for a unique hot dog place and eventually end up in Portsmouth (OH) area for the night and maybe the Scioto Ribber.

Sunday finds us heading home via roads less travelled with a few more stops to boot!

Join us if you dare!!!



Dayton Concours d'Elegance at Carillon Park

16 - Dayton Concours D'Elegance – For more info pls head to <http://www.daytonconcours.com/>. We have a significant number of MVT members that go to this, and work at it.

29 – Farm Stand Tour XI – get your pumpkins here! We will start late morning and end up somewhere scrumpscious for dinner.

October 2018

3 - MVT Monthly Meeting at Archer's Tavern Kettering, 2030 East Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45420 (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.

TBD – several other tours

November 2018

7 - MVT Monthly Meeting at Archer's Tavern Kettering, 2030 East Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45420 (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.

17 – Tech Session - TBD

December 2018

1 – MVT Holiday Soiree & Meeting – Bergamo

16 – MVT Holiday Dinner Night Out

MVT Technical Corner

We are blessed to have several tales of woe and tribulations this month – aren't old British Sports Cars fun?

Project Trashy

By: "Crazy Jack" Galloway

Episode 8

I'd like to claim this is the last of the TR7 story, but I cant. It seems that sometime in early March 2018 I decided to go crazy. I bought a wrecked 1999 Honda CR-V from a Copart Auto Auction. If your familiar with this business, you know the danger of perusing their website. If your not, the simple idea is when you wreck your car, the Insurance Company pays you for your car, and then they sell it to another party for disposal. Copart is one of the various companies that will purchase wrecked cars, and then resell them. Sometimes you can buy a car from them without a dealers license. As it turns out, I did buy one, and boy was it a MAJOR lemon. I ended up spending the better part of the next three months working on it to get it running again, and then, as of 27 June 2018, getting it legal by having the State Highway Patrol inspect it to validate I hadn't used stolen parts or duct tape and bailing wire to repair it.

All this excitement has distracted me from the main story of TRashy. Most of the work the group already knows about. We had a Tech Session back in early April, whereby the timing was finally set! It only took 3...or maybe 4 of these sessions to finally get to this point. Much laughter was had when we used my wife's nail polish to mark timing

marks on the front of the engine. I say its pretty, and makes the car feel better. Unfortunately, the rear carburetor has a throttle shaft that is slightly bent and is binding when you give the car gas. What this means is the car likes to rev, and stay revving! This can be a problem for longevity of an engine that good ole Uncle Ron might have maintained...

We also tore down the doors for a light restoration. I took the doors to a local metal prep shop and had them media blasted. From there, the owner's father painted the doors a nice bright white primer color to match the nice bright white trunk lid. Too bad the dull white paint really looks dingy now. Since then, nothing else has been done. The owner is in town, and I have been stubbornly refusing to work on the car for free since then. We also are waiting on new door seals for the window tracks. It seems one place on earth has them, but they are back ordered until Judgment Day arrives.

I guess it is time to refocus my efforts back onto the TR7 now that the Honda is legal again. I have a few random repairs on the Honda, but nothing that will put it up for days or weeks at a time on jack stands (I hope). The desire for a new project is rising in me, and I hear Chuck White has a nice GT6 that is ready to get back on the road. Maybe I should finish up these two cars quickly. I know my wife would appreciate one less project in the garage!



By Bruce Clough

TRA 2108

In general, the drive to and from TRA 2018 in the FrankenStag was uneventful. Yes, it's underpowered, so I was doing a lot of shifting in the mountains, but I knew that would be the case. One thing I did not expect was starter issues.

On the way back from TRA my starter started to act up – spinning without engaging. Never needed a push, but I always parked where I could be pushed easily. Ever since the TR7 engine has been in the FrankenStag it has had a high torque aftermarket starter from TSI in it. That has not been that long really!

Once home I took the starter apart (after ordering a new one) and discovered it was not the solenoid, but the pinion gear/drive gear assembly.



Aftermarket High Torque Starter Drive Assembly

The inion should rotate freely in one direction, but be turned by the larger drive gear in the other. There is an internal clutch that allows that. In this case the pinion could turn in either direction. Ted says this is usually due to backfire, but I know this car has never backfired. Mystery...

As of this writing the new starter is in the car and waiting for me to try it out. I ordered a new pinion mechanism to rebuild the old starter as a spare. Hopefully I will not ever need it...

The MVT Store: MVT Memorabilia

The Club has the following fantastic, wonderful memorabilia for sale. Show your colors in public, on your car or on you! Look at all we have:



MVT Enamel Car Badge - \$30.00



MVT Cloth Patch - \$12.00

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WANTED - TR3 Luggage Rack in as new condition (No drill , Hinge pin mounted type)
Contact Chris at tryanity@gmail.com.

For Sale - 1974 TR6 - Nice straight car-excellent driver and damn good looking car.
Contact Larry Tomlin for more information and pictures, ltomlin48@att.net, 937 361 4398



MVT Pin - \$5.00



MVT Car Flag - \$5.00



MVT Window Sticker - \$1.00

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