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The Gulf Coast Triumph Association, Inc. d/b/a the Texas Triumph Register (TTR) is an organization of Triumph owners and enthusiasts dedicated to the preservation and continuing enjoyment of the Marque. Membership is open to all who appreciate automobiles bearing the Triumph name. In addition to monthly meetings, the club sponsors rallies, shows, road tours, technical seminars, and social events.

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www.triumphregister.com
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On the Cover: Triumph parts sale and giveaway in Mike Hado's garage at the TTR July Monthly Meeting.

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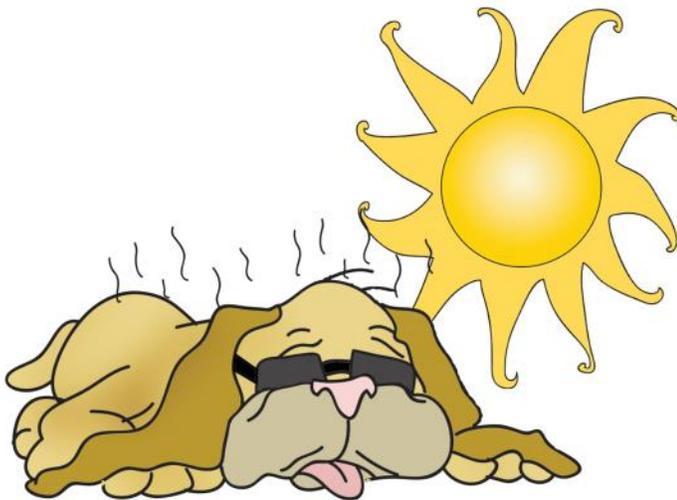
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Greetings folks, the Dog Days of Summer are certainly upon us and I hope all of you have all found cool places to hang out and remain hydrated. Early morning drives are about all we can tolerate when we have this kind of heat. That we have had more than 6 and sometimes as many as 8 Triumphs at recent Saturday morning breakfasts is evidence that those friends know how to persevere. No sweat....

Planning for SC Regionals in 2023 is beginning to pick up steam with every week that passes. Nine months to go and counting. If you are not yet connected to one of our committees and want to get involved with this exciting effort, please let me know and I will be happy to share the list of committees, what each does, and connect you with the chairperson. Everybody knows that committee volunteers always have the most fun at these events.

The 2022 VTR Nationals which are being held in Galena, Illinois are coming late next month. It's a good two-day drive or more to get there, but the weather is certain to be more pleasant. John Hanten and Nancy Money have volunteered to organize a caravan for those interested in making it to Galena. John & Nancy know more than a little bit about traveling to VTR Nationals. This will be their 10th National Event in 11 years....only missing the 2017 event due to Hurricane Harvey. Gratitude for representing TTR and congratulations to them for such an impressive streak. Reach out to John & Nancy if you're interested in joining them or meeting up at VTR Nationals.

Finally, those of you who were at our July meeting had the pleasure to meet Frank Lyons and hear his story as one of the 2022 spring semester recipients of the Russ Seto Scholarship at Lone Star College. Following his 20 year US Army Special Forces career he has now set his sights on preparing to own his own custom car shop by pursuing a



degree from Lone Star in the Automotive Technologies Program. A photo of Frank with his TTR ball cap is included in the coverage of the July Monthly Meeting later in this issue.

That's it for now. Be careful with the heat, stay hydrated and drive those Triumphs.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Hal'.



Everybody loves getting a new car. On occasion, when a new car joins our club, we get a new member along with it. Recently, Carol Barnwell took delivery of her 'new' 1965 TR4. Her first car was a 1965 TR4, but that was a few years before the TTR existed. This time, she quickly joined the club and hopes to take better care of this 'new' TR4. I had to tell one of her inquiring neighbors that this flashy red TR4 was not 'new', it is a used car.



Wondering Mechanic

an overhauled (but never installed) AC fuel pump. Both master cylinders appear to have evaporated their fluid. The substance in the fuel tank was probably gas at a much earlier date - the owner's handbook probably shows when it was last filled. Obviously, this new TR4 is not drivable at the moment, without a battery, clutch, brakes or an installed fuel pump.

With every 'new' car and 'old' owner, come a few surprises. The pictures showcasing the car did not clearly show the extent of detail given to the custom-built solid wood shelf behind the seats (the wood matches the dash board).



Custom-built wood shelf



Delivery of Carol's Car

Her TR4 has apparently been sitting in storage for a few decades. The previous owner was the original owner and took meticulous care of this car as evidenced by sale included documentation, hand printed with each task including the date and amount of time each task took. I plan to read it, even though it is just a paper backed book. The car was sold with a few unfinished projects, like

It is secured to the differential shelf by a pair of hinges allowing it to be tilted forward for access under it. Surprisingly enough, that structure was built to hold a very large speaker with a magnet bigger than the starter, and an amplifier wired to the Am/Fm Realistic (mono) radio.

Other notable features include:

- Both rear leaf springs have been carefully wrapped with a cloth, and bound by an intricate wire, wound the length of each spring. It was probably to keep the spring oiled, and small debris from causing squeaks.
- The engine bay includes an hour meter wired to the coil to track the time the engine has been running.
- Another light was added to the inside of the grill, powered with the running lights, to allow the grill to be back lit.
- The inside of the cardboard radiator air deflector was painted yellow, probably to enhance the lighting.
- The (missing) side terminal battery was still wired as positive ground with a heavy solid copper wire bolted to the body.
- The carpeting had been replaced with rubber backed, indoor/outdoor patio carpeting, multi-shaded red.
- A sticker on the rear window claims a graduation from MIT.
- There is a toggle switch mounted on a fabricated metal bracket attached to the dash support, that probably is connected to something...

Otherwise, this TR4 is amazingly stock but I can't stop wondering why the previous owner stopped working on his car. I doubt the book will tell.

Like their owners, some new cars are more interesting than others. At least one neighbor of Carol is ready to go cruising for dudes, and her granddaughter appears to have expectations for this TR4. Carol purchased her new TR4 so her dog might more enjoy the trips to the park. Are dogs included in the TTR as family members?



New owner Carol and her old car



Carol's granddaughter (possible future owner) checking out the car

Please welcome our new member Carol, and her new TR4 to our old club.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by TTR President Hal Sharp. Hal thanked hosts Marie and Mike Hado for hosting the meeting. There was a total of 26 people in attendance in-person, eleven proxies, and three Zoom attendees, constituting a quorum of 40 for club business.

Hal introduced Frank Lyons, one of this year's Russ Seto Scholarship winners. Frank provided an overview of his military career in Special Forces, and his plans for a career in the automotive field. Hal presented Frank with a TTR baseball cap and invited him to attend any of our events even if he is not driving a Triumph.

Approval of Minutes - M/S/A to approve minutes as published in last Bluebonnet.

Membership Report - Mike Hado - reported the membership count as of May 31 was 205 families, an all-time high for the TTR. However, there are still outstanding renewals so currently there are only 179 paid family memberships. We typically see this pattern each year.

Treasurer's Report - Mike Rouse - reported the inflows, outflows, and month-end balance.

Regalia - Hal Sharp for James Moore - no news to report.

IT - Hal Sharp for Bob Pennington - Hal reported that Bob believes he will be able to continue to provide IT support for the club from his new residence in Haifa, Israel, for both the website updates and 2023 Regional Registration support.

Special Events

- **2022 Falling Leaves Tour** - Mike Woodward - stepped through the agenda for the tour scheduled for November 18 - 20. This will be an event-packed tour and information will be provided in upcoming Bluebonnet issues as well as an event e-mail from Mike Hado.
- **Local Events** - Hal Sharp for David Fowler - reported on upcoming local events:
 - **Wings and Wheels Open Ramp Day at Hobby Airport** - Saturday July 16. See Houston MG Car Club website for details.
 - **Hot Nights Cool Tunes Concert** - Saturday July 23. See Houston MG Car Club website for details.
 - **Movie Night** - Monday August 15. Alamo Draft House showing of "The Italian Job". See Houston MG Car Club website for details.
 - **Autocross** - three potential dates in October for group Autocross at Police Academy venue. (Note - October 29 has been reserved following the monthly meeting.)

Breakfast Meetings - John Barrett - reported positive feedback on venues. The centrally located venues tend to attract larger groups.

New Business

- 2023 Regionals Event - Hal Sharp - reported progress in signing the contract for Sugar Land Memorial Park for the Concours event. The plan is to get the online registration live and operational in October. Val DeRuiter will be doing a quilt from Triumph shirts and can use contributions.
- Christmas Banquet - Pru Gruss- reported on confirmed reservation for a private room at the Chama Gaucha Brazilian steakhouse restaurant on December 4. Information and reservation details will be in upcoming Bluebonnet newsletters.
- Houston All British Car Day - Mike Woodward - described the event on October 8 and the crowded schedule that day with the Breakfast Meeting and the TTR Monthly Meeting currently scheduled in Bellaire. Mike would like to see if it would be possible to swap the October and November monthly meeting venues to keep everything on the north side of Houston.
- 2022 Monthly Meeting Hosts
 - August - Bob & Eileen Grover
 - September - Tim Maxwell
 - October - Dusty & Brandi Nicholson
 - November - James Moore
 - December - Holiday party
- Join VTR - Hal Sharp - reminded the group to join VTR if you are not already a member. Note - it is necessary to be a VTR member to attend the Regional or National VTR Convention.

Adjourn - M/S/A to adjourn at 3:55. Minutes recorded and edited by John Hanten

(M/S/A = motion made / seconded / approved)



TTR July Meeting Photos

August 2022

The TTR July Monthly Meeting was hosted by Marie and Mike Hado on a sweltering 102 degree afternoon. Several participants braved the heat and drove their Triumphs. Meeting highlights included:

- Triumph-parts garage sale and parts giveaway by Mike Hado
- Attendance by Frank Lyons Jr, one of the recent recipients of the Russ Seto Memorial Scholarship.

Photos from the meeting.....

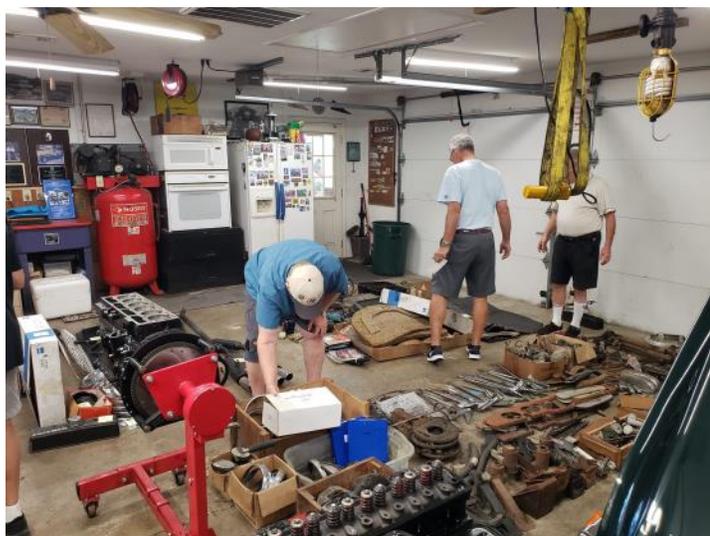


Meeting Hosts Marie and Mike Hado



TTR July Meeting Photos

August 2022



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TTR President Hal Sharp and Frank Lyons, recipient of the Russ Seto Memorial Scholarship, wearing their TTR ball caps



TTR Birthdays for August

Becky Przylucki	1
Cindy Rook	6
Carol Burnett	7
Mike Rouse	7
Kathleen Wilson	8
Sally Rouse	9
Sandy Steitz	9
James Powell	10
Jason Pollard	11
Jeff Davis	11
Ray Holtzapple	14
Debra Kovach	14
Brandon Mason	14
Mary Dee Neal	14
John Reynolds	14
Gary Weir	14
Tere Jeffries	16
Ken Wasilewski	16
James Jones	17
Risa Myers	17
Richard Dicks	18
Cissy Wakefield	21
Fran Carpenter	22
Charlotte Henley	23
Laurel Parker	23
Kim Conway	24
Susie Gough	24
Gloria Wilson	24
Melissa Farrell	25
Zora Bryant	26
Sharon Wortsman	26
Doris Vogt	28
John Payne	30
Carol Nelsen	31

New Members:

Carol Barnwell, Houston, TX - 1965 red TR4

Triumph Maintenance Trivia

By Mike Hado

During some recent maintenance on my TR3B, I was surprised when I counted the number of user-serviceable fluids there are in a TR2 or TR3. There are probably a lot more than you think!

By user-serviceable, I mean only those fluids that you can check the level or quantity of, top-up or remove, or otherwise have access to and inspect. This does not include "fluids" such as grease, air in the tires (I use Canadian air, of course, to minimize tire overheating) or oil applied to various linkages with an oilcan. Another example of a fluid that is not included would be the glycerin in the temperature gage bulb and tubing since it is not normally serviceable. I also did not count the water bottle in my door pocket or the sunscreen that I put on my shiny dome.

Note that my list is for a side screen TR only and other Triumphs may have more or less fluids for you to access and maintain, such as Freon. It also does not include the extra fuel used by TR6's trying in vain to keep up with TR3's on the open road.

I found no less than 11 fluids and challenge you to make your own list and try to match mine. If you think of any that I have missed, please let me know.

Good luck!

My answers are listed elsewhere in this Bluebonnet.

On May 21, 2022, TTR and the Houston MG Club competed in a charity golf tournament. Although the Houston MG Club won the tournament, the proceeds were evenly split with TTR receiving \$150 which was donated to the Russ Seto Memorial Scholarship Fund. Below is the letter from Lone Star College acknowledging the receipt of the donation and the kind of impact it will have on the recipients.



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July 12, 2022

Texas Triumph Register
Mr. Hal Sharp, President
P.O. Box 40847
Houston, TX 77240-0847

Dear Mr. Sharp,

On behalf of our Board of Directors and staff, thank you for your donation to one of our endowment funds. Your gift of \$150 dated 6/23/2022, in support of the Russ Seto Memorial Scholarship will truly make a difference.

This endowment will benefit the students of Lone Star College each year in perpetuity. Students will receive assistance for tuition, fees, and other expenses. Your investment will change these students' lives, allowing them to receive the education and training needed to either prepare them for further education or to secure a quality job in our community. We appreciate your commitment to our students, their education, and the programs of Lone Star College.

Generous individuals and organizations who offer financial support to our students allow us to sustain our critical mission to change lives and are very much appreciated.

Thank you again for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Nicole Robinson Gauthier, CFRE
Executive Director

Note: This letter is a receipt for your donation. In compliance with current IRS regulations, this is to acknowledge that no goods, benefits, and/or services have been provided to you in exchange for this gift. Your contribution is tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law. The Foundation is classified as a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) Type I organization under the Internal Revenue Code and the tax number is 76-0336902.

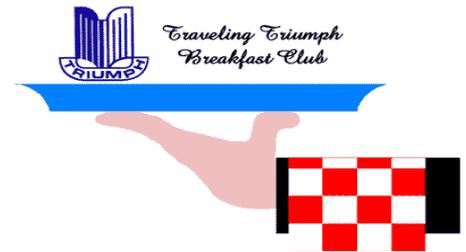
Breakfast Meetings

Saturday Travelling Breakfasts are back in full swing! See the schedule below and watch for Mike Hado's reminder email for confirmation.

NOTE; See the **TTR Meetup website** for specific information for all events:

<https://www.meetup.com/TexasTriumphRegister/>

Breakfast meetings begin between 7:30 am & 8 am for coffee & we usually eat Breakfast at around 8:00 am. **Car viewing after Breakfast.**



Date	Location	Address
• August 6, 2022	Harris County Smokehouse CY-FAIR 290	Hwy. 290 and Hwy. 6, Houston TX
• August 13, 2022	Midtown Bar and Grill	415 West Gray St., Houston TX
• August 20, 2022	Black Bear Diner - Katy	24600 Katy Freeway Suite 900, Katy TX
• August 27, 2022	Cypress Breakfast House	12344 Barker Cypress Road Ste. 120, Cypress TX
• Sept 3, 2022	Kelley's Country Cookin'	1100 North Bypass (HWY 35), Alvin TX
• Sept 10, 2022	First Watch - Meyerland	4938 Beechnut St, Houston TX

Events

- August 13, 2022 - **Monthly Meeting** - Bob & Eileen Grover hosting (Location details in club email)
- August 15, 2022 - **Movie Night with MG Club** - RESERVE NOW!!!! (See details in following pages)
- August 29 - Sept 1, 2022 - **2022 VTR National Convention** (See details in following pages)
- September 10, 2022 - **Monthly Meeting** - Tim Maxwell hosting (Location details in club email)
- September 23 - 25 - **BAOA Rendezvous** - Taos, New Mexico (details at www.baooa.org)
- October 8, 2022 - **Monthly Meeting** - Dusty & Brandi Nicholson hosting (Location details in club email)
- October 8, 2022 - **Houston All British Car Show** - (See details in following pages)
- October 29, 2022 - **Fall Autocross Event** (See details in following pages)
- November 12, 2022 - **Monthly Meeting** - James Moore hosting (Location details in club email)
- November 18 - 20, 2022 - **2022 TTR Falling Leaves Tour** - (See details in following pages)
- December 4, 2022 - **TTR Holiday Party and December Meeting** - (See details in following pages)

— Monthly Meeting
 — Driving Event
 — Car Show Event
 — Local Special Event

Alamo Drafthouse- The Italian Job, Mon. Aug 15th

Houston MG Car Club & Texas Triumph Register Presents:

THE ITALIAN JOB (1969)



6pm - Cocktails, Dinner, Meet & Greet

7pm- Showtime!

Cost- \$15 per person

You are cordially invited to join the [Houston MG Car Club](#) for the screening of [The Italian Job \(1969\)](#).

This is one of the most iconic car movies ever made and showcases the original Mini.

So, grab a co-driver and race on over and have dinner and drinks with 50 of your fellow MG friends, old and new.

****You MUST Pre-Register to Attend****

Register now on the [Houston MG Club Website](#)

2022 VTR National Convention Details

August 2022

The Vintage Triumph Register (VTR) is a North American Triumph car club of over 2,800 Triumph owners and enthusiasts supporting and showcasing all models of Triumphs. The 2022 convention will be hosted by the Illinois Sports Owner Association (ISOA), one of the largest and most active Triumph clubs in the country from August 29 - September 1, 2022.

Compete in an autocross challenge, participate in a Funkhana event, drive in a road rallye on our carefully selected back roads, and even learn about your car in our expert-led technical sessions. However you choose to spend your week, you'll get to enjoy it in the company of great people who are just as Triumph-crazy as you are.

See you in Galena!

[VTR2022 Information, Schedule, and Registration Links](#)

[VTR2022 National Convention video](#)

Host Hotel: [Eagle Ridge Resort and Spa](#)

Tucked among The Galena Territory's 6,800 rolling acres of pristine woodlands and open countryside, the world-class Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa offers "country elegant" hotel accommodations and villas amid breathtaking scenery, championship golf courses, and miles of hiking trails--all just minutes from the quaint shopping and dining of Galena, Illinois.

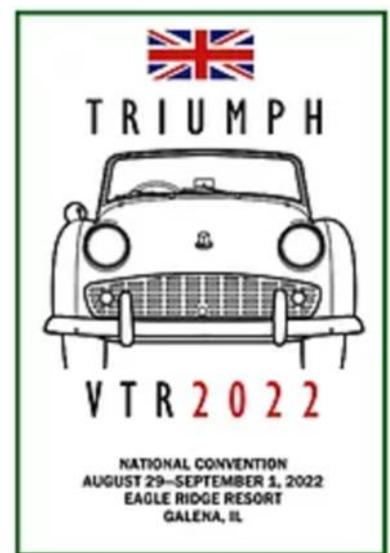
Eagle Ridge has numerous luxuriously appointed hotel-style rooms and suites available in the main lodge. In addition, there are plenty of villas available located on the resort property, close to the main lodge. These spacious villas come with full kitchens, an outdoor patio complete with a grill, and free shuttle service to the main lodge. Importantly, the single bed villas are available at the same low negotiated rate as the hotel rooms. Additionally, there are two bedroom, two bath villas available for sharing.

All of these accommodations on the resort property will go quickly, so please don't delay in making your reservations and registering for VTR 2022. Those who book accommodations and register for the convention before April 1 will receive \$25 worth of "Eagle Ridge Bucks" to spend at the resort.

Room Block Code: 69570B

Reservation Phone: (800) 892-2269

Open from 8am-6pm (until 9pm on Tuesday/Wednesday)



Please join us at [The Butler House](#) as the [Houston MG Car Club](#) hosts the **32nd Annual All British Car Day!**

The show is open to any era British Motor Vehicle (cars, motorcycles, military vehicles, etc.) All are welcome- Drivers, Concours, or Museum quality vehicles.

****** Multiple Award Classes and Door prizes ******



SCHEDULE:

Day of Event Registration 9:00 to 10:00am

Car Show 10:00 to 1:00pm

Judging 10:00 to Noon

Awards 1:30pm

REGISTRATION:

On-line Early Bird registration (\$35.00) until Sept 24th

Regular registration (\$40.00) from Sept 25th until Oct 2nd

Online registrations will be taken until Oct 2nd. After that date, registrations may be accepted on-site the day of the show, space permitting (\$45.00)

If you would like a T-shirt (\$25) you must register by September 24th

For questions contact:

Alex at 832-451-9833 or Gordon at 832-477-4393

Email: laverocka@gmail.com

We will accept registrations the day of the show, space permitting.

Register now on the [Houston MG Club Website](#)

2022 TTR Autocross Event - October 29

August 2022

Date:

Saturday, October 29th

Location:

Houston Police Academy

1700 Aldine Westfield (on the west side of IAH Bush Airport)

Cost: \$20 for TTR members, \$30 for non-members per driver

Track:

The track is a ½ mile road course that the police use for high-speed training and is a safe way to have a lot of fun in your Triumph. We hope you will join us. This will be a relaxed and fun event for beginner and experienced autocrossers!

Technically this is an autocross practice meaning there are no classes or trophies, however lap times will be captured for bragging rights!

Time: Arrive at 9:00 am for TECH INSPECTION and DRIVERS MEETING, out of towners are welcome to arrive late and will be accommodated. ***First Car out around 9:30 am - Track closes at 4:00 pm***

Feel free to spend the whole day with us or just come for a few hours. Cars will be grouped into “heats” meaning you will get 3 runs all within a 1 hour time period. Your heat might be in the morning or the afternoon, if you have a preference let us know. After all the heats, then you will have the opportunity to do all the extra runs you want.

Safety Requirements:

Car: Your car will have to pass a safety tech inspection, including: good brakes, tight wheel bearings, throttle return spring, good seat belts, battery strapped down, floor mats removed, nothing loose in the cockpit, etc. Generally if your car is safe for the road, it's safe to autocross.

Driver: You must have a valid drivers license, sign a liability waiver, and wear a helmet. Loaner helmets will be provided if you do not have one. Of course it's advised to have your own helmet so it will fit right and you can avoid sharing germs or sweat! You can find lot's of options online for as little as \$30. We recommend getting one with a rating of Snell SA2015 or newer.

Food:

Hot dogs will be provided, please bring your own drinks, chips, cookies, etc.

Be sure to bring a chair and SUN-SCREEN!

Volunteers:

Set up volunteers are needed, please arrive at 8:00 if you want to help.

Questions:

Ask Dusty. 281-871-9623

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Falling Leaves Tour Preview - November 18- 20

August 2022

Falling Leaves Tour



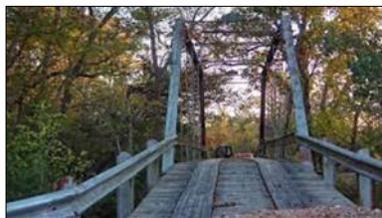
La Grange, TX
November 18th to 20th

This year the Falling Leaves Tour will head west, and establish an operating base in La Grange, TX.

Following are some of the planned attractions for this jam-packed tour and driving event!

Friday

- Pit stop at Newman's bakery
- Lunch at Newman's Castle (admission fees apply)
- Hotel - Best Western - La Grange (979) 968-6800. Make sure to mention you are with TTR to get the discounted rate of \$109.00 per night.
- Texas Timeless Classics tour
- Dinner at Las Fuentes Mexican restaurant.
- Live show at the Bugle Boy. (Admission fees apply).



Saturday

- Painted Churches tour
- Piano Bridge (hear your LBC sing!)
- Lunch - at Garden Co. in Schulenberg
- Shiner Brewery tour (Admission fees apply)
- Quilt Museum - downtown La Grange
- Rosemary's boutique winery - downtown La Grange
- Dinner - Sealand Seafood - downtown La Grange

Sunday

- Breakfast at hotel
- Picturesque drive back to Houston

Make plans now to be a part of this fun and historical tour. More information will be provided in the coming newsletters. Send in your RSVP to Mike Woodward at mike.woodward@sbcglobal.net.

Please join us for our 2022 TTR Holiday Party - more details to come



- **Date:** Sunday, December 4, 2022, from 1-4
- **Location:** Chama Gaucha
5865 Westheimer
Houston, TX 77057
(713)244-9500
- **Parking:** Designated car club parking for Triumphs, valet or individual parking available for lesser cars
- **Food Options:** All you can eat salad and soup bar with over 30 items, and all you can eat of different meat choices including bacon wrapped filet, marinated chicken drumsticks, lamb, pork and beef ribs, prime cut sirloin, Picanha, and pork sausage
- **Price:**

Full Buffet and Meat	\$40 per person
Salad Bar Only:	\$20
Kids - Ages 4-7	\$23
Ages 8-11	\$36
- **Extras** - Dessert, wine and bar drinks are an additional charge and can be paid separately at the party
- **Sample Dessert Menu**
 - Fresh Fruit \$11
 - Papaya Cream \$13
 - Creme Brûlée \$13
 - And many others
- **Toys for Tots Gift offering:** ~ \$25 gifts for kids or teenagers (unwrapped)
- **Left Right game (optional):** ~ \$25 gift wrapped per person to play



Private Room



Huge Salad Bar

Triumph



VTR SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONALS
APRIL 19-22 , 2023
SUGAR LAND,
TEXAS



CELEBRATING
70 YEARS OF THE TR2



2023 South Central VTR Regionals Information

August 2022

Texas Triumph Register invites you to 2023 Regionals

The Texas Triumph Register is pleased to extend this advance invitation to all of you to the 2023 VTR South Central Regionals to be held April 19-22 in Sugar Land, Texas. The theme will be a 70th Anniversary Celebration of the introduction of the TR2. Our host hotel, the Sugar Land Hilton Garden Inn, is centrally located very near to all of the driving event venues and provides spacious meeting and dining room capacity for all of the onsite activities. The Farm Roads of west Harris and Ft Bend Counties offer plenty of non-freeway driving opportunities on which to enjoy unique sights and attractions while taking your Triumph on one or more of the planned driving tours.

Please visit our website at [VTR South Central Regionals 2023 | Texas Triumph \(www.texastriumphregister.org \)](https://www.texastriumphregister.org) for the soon-to-be-available early registration information and full schedule of events. The Hilton Garden Inn has a limited number of rooms reserved for us for \$89 per room per night, including a free breakfast. Hotel reservations can now be made at:

https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/rooms/?ctyhocn=HOUSLGI&arrivalDate=2023-04-19&departureDate=2023-04-23&groupCode=scvtr&room1NumAdults=1&displayCurrency=USD&brandCode=HH&inputModule=HOTEL_SEARCH&ohwDeepLinking=true&srpName=

(Discount code is SCVTR)

As your club begins planning for next year, we hope you will put the South Central VTR Regionals on your schedule and make preparations to attend.

For general information contact Hal Sharp, TTR President and Regionals Chairperson - 832-423-7138

For registration specific information contact Mike Rouse, Regionals Registration Chairperson - 281-554-4878

We are looking forward to seeing you in Sugar Land in April 2023.

Best regards,



Hal Sharp
TTR President and 2023 VTR South Central Regionals Chairperson



National Affiliations

The Texas Triumph Register is a local chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register (VTR)/ Triumph Sports Owners Association, which is open to all drivers of Triumph motorcars; an area center for the Triumph Register of America, exclusively for TR-2 through TR-4A automobiles; and a chapter of the 6-PACK, dedicated to the enjoyment, preservation, and restoration of the Triumph TR250 and TR6 automobiles.

Membership in these national organizations is encouraged. Visit their websites at:

www.vtr.org
www.triumphregister.com
www.6-pack.org

Become a VTR Member

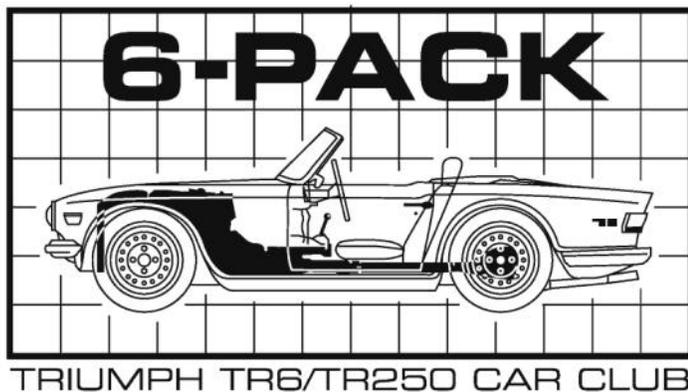
The Vintage Triumph Register has its benefits. A national club of Triumph enthusiasts spanning the globe needs you as a member. Affiliate club membership is not an automatic membership to VTR.



Some of the benefits:

- The Vintage Triumph Magazine - Our award-winning bi-monthly color publication.
- 2022 VTR National Meet in Galena, Illinois
- Access to a large number of local clubs.
- Website with reference material and members-only sections covering all Triumph models.
- Record Trace Certificates TR2/TR3/TR3A/TR3B. (Factory trace documents on other Triumph models no longer available)
- Clothing, regalia, exclusive items
- Specific vehicle consultants and experts

Sign up at <https://vintagetriumphregister.org>



6-Pack is a car club for the Americas that covers the Triumph TR6 and TR250 models. We offer a club with an annual subscription membership that provides access to extra parts of the forums, the club magazine and the ability to attend the TRials – the annual club gathering.

Enjoy your TR more!

ENJOY A TRA MEMBERSHIP:

- 4 National newsletters per year
- Annual National Meet
- Website (password protected areas for members)
- Concours judging standards
- Factory build records
- Technical support
- Contact information
- Shutterfly National Meet website

Join TRA Today!
www.TriumphRegister.com

TRA is a non-profit organization established to aid TR2, 3, 3A, 3B, 4, and 4A owners in the preservation, maintenance and enjoyment of their classic sports cars.

The club offers quarterly newsletters, an Annual National Meet, a website, Concours judging standards, factory build records, technical support, and contact information.

Traveling Triumph Breakfast Club

August 2022

July 2, 2022



Photos - Fred Wagner, John Hanten

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August 2022

July 9, 2022

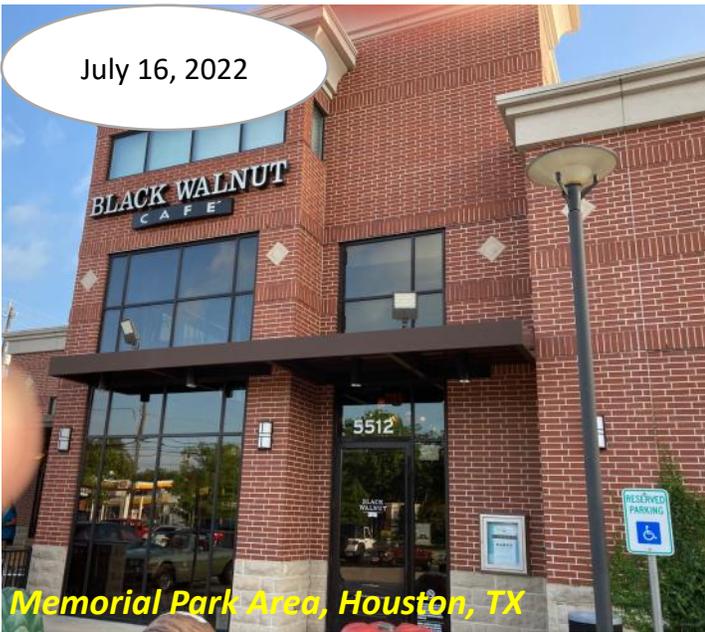


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July 16, 2022



Memorial Park Area, Houston, TX



Photos - John Barrett

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Partial List of TTR Regalia

<u>Item</u>	<u>\$</u>
Ladies Hats	12
Gray TTR T-shirts	15
Grille Badge	35
Men's Hats	15
License Plate Frames	20
Hat Pins	7.5
Iron on Logo Patches	5
TR-3 Coffee Cups	3



New - TTR screen-printed (two sides) garden flag to decorate your landscaping. Pricing to be ~ \$15. Please contact James Moore to express interest so he can aggregate a bulk order. A sample will be available at monthly meetings.

40th Anniversary Logo now available through Regalia section on the club website

For more information and availability of shirt sizes, or if you have ideas or requests for new items, contact James Moore, Regalia Master.

See website Regalia section for additional information and access to TTR Land's End Storefront for logo embroidered items.

Recent Triumph Auction Activity

August 2022

This month features recent Triumph Herald sales from [Bring a Trailer website](#). The site has additional sales information and detailed descriptions going back six years.



1964 Triumph Herald 1200 Convertible

Bid to \$10,500 on 9/10/20



1963 Triumph Herald 1200 Convertible

Sold for \$12,250 on 8/17/20



1967 Triumph Herald 1.5L

Sold for \$17,000 on 6/29/20



1966 Triumph Sports Herald

Sold for \$7,300 on 3/8/19



1964 Triumph Herald 1200 Sports Convertible

Sold for \$6,500 on 8/27/18



No Reserve: 1966 Triumph Herald 1200 Sport

Sold for \$8,300 on 10/11/17

August - Like last year I headed to northern Minnesota to escape the Texas heat, and visit friends and family up there. This year the visit included celebrating my father's 98th birthday, and he is still going strong. He gets around with a tricked-out walker and goes on solo strolls around the parking lot of his living facility which is shared with a restaurant, grocery store, and other small commercial businesses. His walkabouts always involve looking for coins along his varied routes, that might have been pulled out of a shoppers pockets with their keys. The edge of the parking lot is a particularly good spot for searching because coins that are lost mid-winter are likely to be found at the edge of the lot.....pushed there by snowplows periodically clearing the lot after frequent snowfalls. He keeps his treasure in a hand-thrown clay pot that he made, and keeps a tally of is findings to date. When he has enough, he'll head to the local store and purchase a six-pack of locally brewed beer to cart back in his walker and enjoy for the next week or so. What he doesn't know....is that my sister periodically visits the parking lot with a handful of coins to "salt the mine".

I mentioned last year after my visit that I had not seen any LBC's during the visit, and generally the only older sports cars up there ae rusted Miatas. This year, however, I did see a very nice MG Midget in the

the TR stops here



When Spitfire (cars) dream.

From the Archives - August 2012



parking lot of the local resort where we were staying. Like most resorts, it has an included bar and grille featuring local brews and a menu of unhealthy food, including Tater Tot Nachos. The driver of the MG had just come from the bar and was having some trouble, so I walked over to comment on his car and see what was the problem. He had owned the car for over thirty years, but couldn't get his seat belt fastened. He jammed the buckle into the snap, reversed it, and tried again, but it would not latch. I quickly assessed the situation and pointed out that he was trying to put the passenger belt into the driver's latch, and perhaps they are deliberately different to make sure that the belts are properly fastened. He was seated on his own belt, and after getting it free, it latched properly. He drove off into the sunset and I hope he made it home safely.

Looking forward, I plan to resume stories about featured cars (and their owners) and will be reaching out to members to volunteer to participate. And, as always, I welcome any contributed articles from any TTR members regarding your car, wrenching, Triumph history or trivia, or almost anything else you feel might be of interest to the club members.

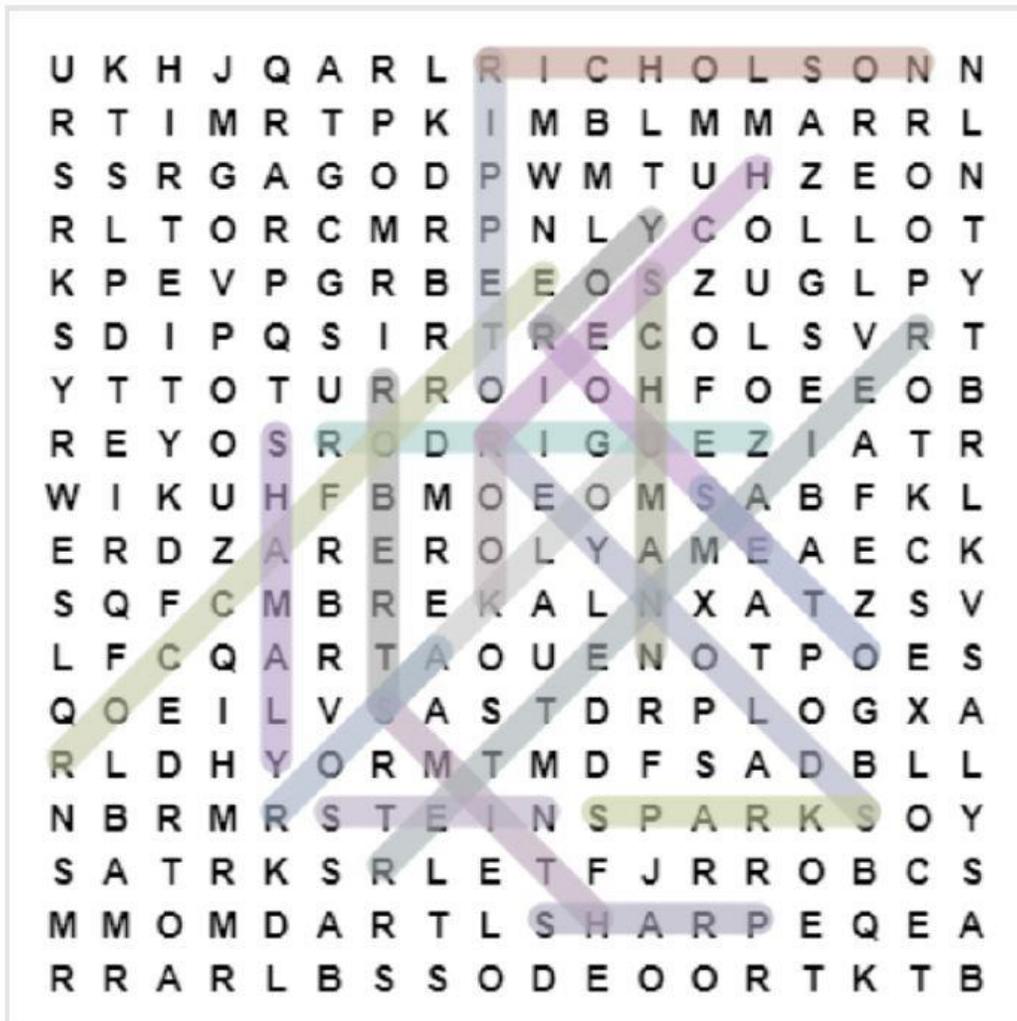
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Spoiler Alert - Solution on next page

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Answer to "Triumph Maintenance Trivia" on TR2/3 user-serviceable fluids:

- Engine Oil
- Transmission and Overdrive Oil (common casing)
- Rear Axle Oil
- Steering Box Oil
- Carburetor Dashpot Oil
- Brake/Clutch Fluid (common reservoir)
- Radiator Fluid
- Battery Water (even the "maintenance-free" can loose water!)
- Windscreen Washer Fluid
- Rear Lever-Type Shock Absorber Fluid
- Gasoline

TTR Membership Form

August 2022

TTR publishes a monthly newsletter, *The Bluebonnet*, and holds monthly membership meetings on the 2nd Saturday of each month except December (when we have our annual Christmas Party). For more information, contact Mike Hado (281.807.4780).

We look forward to meeting you!

Check one: New Membership Renewal Update

Member's Name: _____

Birthday (month/day) _____ / _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Birthday (month/day): _____ / _____

Street (or Mailing) Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Triumph ownership is not a prerequisite for membership; however, if you do own any Triumphs, please tell us about them:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Model</i>	<i>Commission No.</i>	<i>Color</i>	<i>Condition*</i>
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*O = Original, R = Restored, B = Being Restored, P = Parts Car

Dues: **\$30 per year per family.**

Make check payable to Texas Triumph Register and mail to Texas Triumph Register, P.O. Box 40847, Houston, Texas 77240-0847). Your cancelled check is your receipt. –or--

On-line payment option using Pay Pal available on our website!

