



The Marque

SEPTEMBER 2005

- **President's Corner**

- **Meeting Minutes**
July & August 2005

Events

September 2005 Events:

7th - Membership Meeting at Fuddruckers
behind the Dayton Mall on Kingsridge Drive;
7:30 PM.

15 - 18; 6-Pack TRials - Little Switzerland, NC.

- **Event Reports:**
August 13th MVT Pool Party

- **MVT Officers**

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

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The President's Comments, September, '05

It continues to be a full summer and we are two thirds through. The Pool Party at the Ball's went very well, thank you. There was a four Elephant Ballet team that performed with swimming tubes, Duncan Clough put in a number of interesting appearances at the pool side, horse shoe pits and on the corn hole court. He was almost out done by his sister, Bridgett in all three venues. In attendance were the Ball's, of course, the Clough's, Carter's, Daye's, McKitrick's, Bolich's, Rutledge's, Young Mr. Gwinn and Audry, the Seto's and Dick and Barbara Wood, whom we hadn't seen in a while. The day, though hot, cooled enough after dinner to be comfortable. The steaks were as good as ever and we had enough side dishes and desserts to make it a feast. For the sports people, there was always the pool, which got used both before and after dinner, horse shoes way out toward the fence, which got used little, because it was in the sun, and only the stalwart could handle the heat. Close in was a Corn Hole game, shaded under the nearby trees. Alice Clough kind' a took that over and almost had a tournament going before others realized they were up against a real professional (and Olympic Champion) and bowed out, leaving only Ellis Ball to uphold the honor of the other guests. She bombed him out in about seven sets of throws. After dessert, Norma got out her dulcimer, Bruce, a mandolin, and Ellis, an acoustic guitar. This trio led songs for a while as the sun set in the west, and Ellis finally went in and brought out his electric guitar and sound board, and you just had to sit and listen to the good music that set-up produced. By Nine in the evening, it was breaking up, one swell day. You should have been there!!

Pictures...There are pictures elsewhere in the Marque that you need to see. Look for them.....

Things not only shaped up well for BCD Day, the early morning rain kept things cool and drove away few of the hardy souls who gathered at Eastwood Metro Park on the 6th on May. Final pre-registration was right around 167. The total number of cars was about 270. So, if the weather had been a little more

helpful, I feel sure we'd have broken last year's record attendance. I think we put this one in the win column. As far as I could tell, only two cars came, saw and left. Once drivers could see there were cars filling up the parking slots, they went forward and registered. The Tee shirts sold well and while we had some food left over, most of it had been consumed. The only sticking point was that the ballot counting went long again, a situation that will be resolved next year when we change to a single sheet of paper for the balloting, and set up teams of counters for each class. The vendors told us that they did well, which means, hopefully that most will be back next year; the RAF award went to our own Roy Owens and his nifty Spitfire. The Ranger award went to an MG. The class winners were all really good looking cars (well except maybe for "Diamond in the Rough" but then it's that kind of a class. Congratulations to Roy Owens for winning the Spitfire I, II, and III Class and to Mike Ross, who's GT6 won that class.

After things died down and the grounds got policed, so that it looked like a park again, the MVTer's repaired to Grindstone Charlie's for an evening repast. Food was good and the company excellent. A long day that started wet and ended as cool as could be!!

Got the little red car back into the running, the Thursday before the covered bridge tour. I keep thinking the rear axle is not quite located right, as I get squealing tires on some mild left and right turns. Haven't taken accurate measurements yet, maybe this week. Other than that the car runs fine.

Due to vacation, I will not be at the September meeting, but Randy is doing such a fine job, I don't worry about being absent. We are going to the Outer Banks for two weeks, to a rented house in Avon. We used to do this every other year when the kids were young. As they grew and left the nest, they had their own ideas about summer vacation, so we've not been out there for some four years. It'll be nice to go back.

In September we have no official events although Norma is thinking about organizing a

Loveland Castle run for either late September or October, in the meantime please support the Dayton Concours and the Indianapolis BCD, which is going to be at a Boy Scout reservation, a venue very much like Eastwood Metro. That show also draws some very nice cars.

Thanks for listening, Stan Seto

July 2005 Meeting Minutes

7-06-05

30 members present

Pres: Away with family.

Vice Pres: Away with family

Secretary Lois Bigler presided. Welcome to all, good to see several Triumphs in the Parking lot.

Membership: 43 members on books, 27 current paid. Time to pay dues!!!!!!!!!!!! Guest John Meyer

76 TR

Treasurer: Carolyn reported income and expenses

Sec'y: Minutes of June meeting with correction of folks attending Dublin show to include Macy's Mague's and Parker's approved as printed in Marque.

Marque Editor/Website: Still seeking replacement Marque editor

Events: -The Cloughs, Carters, Gwinns, and Setos attended TRA in Branson, Mo Bruce learned on trip that

Radiator on Stag was too small and encountered heating and speed problems. The team of Seto, Seto, Seto, and Clough took first place in the Lucas Olympics

The Biglers attended Mini Meet East in Columbus. Good show, many little British Cars July 8-9 Classic Cars & Hot Rods Cruise at Dublin Metro Center in Columbus

17- British Car Show Edgewater Park Cincinnati Carolyn and Phil Daye will lead the Caravan to Edgewater. Meet at 9:00 AM at Frisch's on Route 122 in Middletown.

23 Amphicar Swim In Celina Grand Lake St. Marys

26-30 VTR Rockford IL

30 Covered Bridges of Greene County tour led by Bruce Clough

August 6 British Car Day Eastwood Metro Park Dayton

13 Pool Party at Ball's estate. Will have tour starting at noon before pool party.

Old Business: BCD-from Randy, July 2 have 67 pre registrations. On Friday, August 5 we will meet at

Eastwood at 5:30 to do setup for Saturday. Could use volunteers to help with parking, food and

Drink concession, and ballot counting. There will be one last meeting on Tuesday, July 26 At Poelking Lane at 7:30PM. We have 3 sponsors this year The Celtic Isles Shop, Dayton Wire Wheel, and MG automotive.

New Business: None

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Next meeting August 3 at Fuddrucker's

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August 2005 Meeting Minutes

8-03-05

27 members present

Pres: Glad to join us for MVT meeting

Vice Pres: Happy to be here!!!!

Membership: 31 current paid members. Those who have not paid dues will be removed from Marque Mailing.

Treasurer: Carolyn reported income and expenses

Sec'y: Minutes of July meeting were not printed in the Marque. Secretary Lois Bigler reviewed, July and August minutes will be in September Marque

Marque Editor/Website: Replacement needed for Marque editor and website

Events VTR gathering in Rockford was well attended. Macys, Whites, and Allison attended.

37 Stags [largest number ever together and Ted appropriately displayed his antler head Piece] . Weather was too hot!!!!!!! Brought home several awards. Macys had a little wasp problem on trip to Rockford.

Bridge tour was good drive and nice day. August 6 British Car Day Eastwood Metro Park Dayton

12-13 Roadster Factory Summer Party
13 Pool Party at Ball's estate. New toys for the pool, bring your swim suit, musical instruments optional. MUCH FUN!!!!!!!

21 AH Drivers School Live Oaks Joint Vocational School

Sept 10-11 Farm Tour in Greene County. More information next month from Bruce.

15-18 Six Pack Gathering See Mike Ross

16 Car show Hara Arena

18 Dayton Concours Boonshoft Museum

23-25 British Car Days Indianapolis
Old Business: BCD-167 cars preregistered, anticipating wonderful weather and banner number of cars. Meet at 6:00PM on Friday evening to stuff bags and mark off parking areas. Meet at 7:30 on Saturday morning. Bring coolers and a bag of ice. If have not signed up to work a Specific job, just be there and we will find a spot for you.

New Business: There are three auto/motorcycle clubs that meet at Fuddruckers. Afun gathering of all three clubs is being planned by Fuddruckers yet this fall. Date not yet set.

REVIEW MARQUE AND/OR WEBSITE FOR PARTICULARS ON EVENTS:

50/50 Vic Bell

Next meeting September 7 at Fuddruckers

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**PHOTOS from MVT POOL PARTY
13 August 2005**





Summer Tour "05: Bridges, Shops, and Countryside

Bruce Clough

Normally I write a lot of prose about what happened on a tour. I have a feeling Stan & Norma are going to do this, so I'll just say it in pictures! This was a first in several areas: 1) this first time out for the Stag after revamping the cooling system, 2) the first time we had the entire Clough Clan in one Triumph, and 3) the first time Duncan sat in a front seat (the car seat could not fit in the Stag's back seat. On with the pictures...



Back Row at the British Breakfast Club parking at the Steak & Shake. The Stouidt TR3 closest to camera followed by Stag, TR7, yadda, yadda, yadda.. Note the sun. Note the long sleeves. IT was a cool morning!



Scott & Beverly's TR3A. Lost some coolant on the way to meet us. Was assisted on I-675 by one of Ohio's finest. Poured in more water and clamped the hose tighter. To no avail, they reportedly lost one of his cylinders and bailed before we got to the first bridge. This makes them candidates for "Press On Regardless" since they did make the breakfast!



Who owns the yellow Jag in the foreground? He certainly told Carol not to lean on his car when taking pictures. I was going to tell him that his car was far from perfect and to lighten up, but then again, it is his car, but it still was far from perfect. I guess I've got a different philosophy...



My frat brother Newkirk had one of these. He never could keep it running. I'd tune it, he would fart with it, I'd tune it... Maybe this was it? Naw, his had suicide handles and this one had a seat not held together with duct tape.



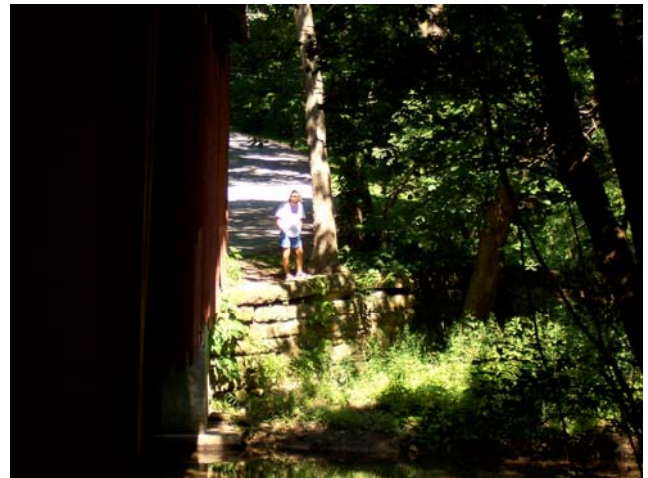
Ahhh, first bridge. Cemetery Road bridge is beck in the woods south of Yellow Springs. You have to park and hike. Jimmy & Marlene walked the dog. Duncan picked up rocks. Norma and myself were picking jewel weed. Note that it was warm enough by then to shed sweaters.



MVT heading into Charleton Mill Road Bridge. Okay, all except Marlene, who was busy in her Explorer making bids on ebay via the Greene County Covered Bridge WiFi System, just installed on all the bridges. Okay, so maybe I jest...



Line of cars at the Charleton Mill Road bridge. We drove past the Stevenson Road Bridge, but the signs indicated they really didn't want you to stop and get on the bridge. Fine, on to Charleton Road. Park in the shade. Enjoy the bridge. Take that, you Stevenson Road Bridge snobs!



View across bridge at another August MVT'er enjoying the view, or throwing rock, or contemplating suicide. Okay, maybe not the last one. Did I say Stan was yelling "Don't Jump!"? Note the shade. Feel the coolness of the woods, and hear the burbling of the creek. Don't get no better than this.



Raceman Roger blowing through the Ballard Road Bridge. This was after a very nice pit stop in Cedarville where we emptied bladders, filled stomachs (with fluid), and Jimmy got a real lease to replace the bungee cord he had been using.



Triumphs at neatsy-cutsey farm gift shop north of Spring Valley on US42. Yep, Apple Country Farm Market, the jewel of Spring Valley. They've just expanded and opened their upstairs to more country stuff. I spent the time chasing around Duncan, while the rest of the family, and tour folks, actually did some shopping. Ask Carol about the gourds.



Stag at Ballard Road Bridge. Green goes with green. Running good up to that point. No eruptions, no gurgling. All is at peace with the world.

After this we ran down to Spring Valley for a light lunch at the Spartan Spirit (evidently, Spring Valley used to have their own schools, and they were the Spartans), a decent restaurant. I had soup, Alice had soup, Bridgett had a grilled cheese sandwich, and Duncan had corn dogs. All ate everything. During the lunch Stan swapped a wheel to fix a wobble (another "Press on Regardless" nominee?), got film for a camera, and danced naked in the street. Okay, maybe the last part was fiction...



View from Apple Country Farm Market's front porch. Green & Blue as far as the eye can see. Okay, so there is a cell tower in the general direction of the next tour stop, the Engle Road Bridge.



At the Engle Road Bridge, I pulled into the parking lot. The TR3 owners, for some reason, decided to park on the road. Who do they think they are, sidescreen supremacists? A bit later on a couple of motorcycles came by and the guy on the Triumph bike stopped to take a peak at the 3's.



Heading back west on Waynesville-Paintersville Road. Look at the sky!



Another shot of the illegal parkers and the bridge. This was another bridge that they didn't want you in, but you could walk up to it.

After this bridge we headed off to Breezy Acres Apple Orchard where Duncan and Bridgett played on the swing, Marlene saw her dog bark at the friendly pup at the orchard, and the rest of us went in to the air conditioned store. I bought some apple butter that was probably over-priced, but you need to support the locals. Jimmy bought some other stuff that looked good, and



Family (almost) portrait. Try this in a Spitfire or TR4! Not shown was the sleeping Duncan.



Nixon Bridge south of Waynesville. Newest bridge, built in 1982. Crew went to inspect and watch some canoes launched. I stayed back with the sleeping Duncan.



The sleeping Duncan. What a tired trooper. After this photo the group came back from the bridge and we headed into Waynesville...



The first thing I saw in Waynesville. Okay, it's a girl thing. The men went next door to the Dollar Store. Wow. We then sat outside the fabric shack. We got a phone call from the Balls saying they would join us at The Dutchman for dinner. Wonderful!!



Lorna and Ellis joined us indeed. And the wait for a party of twelve was only 15 minutes on Saturday at 5 PM with a Cruise-In going on outside. Remarkable. Dinner was very Amish, and the apple pie had way too much cinnamon in it. The rest of the table spent the time singing "Turkey In The Straw". After dinner we went our separate ways. The Clough's walked through the cruise-in. I threatened that I was getting ideas for the Stag. Duncan wanted to play in the cars.



Car show at The Dutchman taken as we were leaving for home. They had about 200 cars there throughout the day. They were boasting they beat Middletown's attendance! They had a bad DJ, so it was like the rest of the cruise-ins I've gone to!

Tour Itinerary Recap:

Join British Breakfast Club

Visit Cemetery Road Bridge

Visit Stevenson Road Bridge

Stop At Café in Cedarville

Visit Ballard Road Bridge

Lunch at Spartan Spirit in Spring Valley

Visit Farm Gift Shop in Spring Valley

Visit Engle Road Bridge

Visit Breezy Acres Orchard

Visit Nixon Bridge

Visit Fabric Shop

Dinner At Der Dutchman

Visit Cruise-In

Indeed – a busy day. Thanks to those MVT'ers that made it a great day, and hat's off to the weatherman for the wonderful day. This went so well that I'm going to invite MVT'ers along as we do the Greene County Farm Tour on either 10 or 11 September. Mark your calendar now!

Stag made it through in flying colors, okay, so I have to fix the reverse lights, but for all intents and purposes that's flying colors... Hey, I can hear the turn signal so I know to turn it off!

Oh, Alice figured out how to jump in and out of the back seat. That "T" bar makes it very hard for adults to get in and out of the back seat, but if you can just jump out, who cares!

Finally, as we head into awards voting next year let's not forget two more "press On" regardless possibilities – Stan Seto & Scott Stoudt.