

# The Marque – April 2024

# **From Lois**

Thank you to all the MVT folks who have sent concern, good thoughts, and prayers for Don.

It is good to have such wonderful caring friends.

Don is at Sanctuary Long Term Care facility. He is making progress but it is a long slow road, healing his surgical wounds, and learning how stand and walk. It was good to see and chat with many of you at the gathering at Francos.

Good company, good food.

THANK YOU!!!!!

Lois Bigler

# **April Events:**

- 3 Monthly Meeting
- 7 WineFlashMob CCV
- 13 A pleasant trip to Pleasant Plain
- 20 Spring Classic

# In This Marque

- State of the Club Address
- Welcome Pres Jeff
- The usual stuff

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# **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).

President: Jeff Barth, jsbarth45383@yahoo.com Vice President: Chuck White, triumph.driver@gmail.com

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Club Address – MVT, P.O. Box 144, Bellbrook, OH 45305.

#### Club Website:

https://www.miamivalleytriumphs.org/

We are also on **Facebook** at <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/16548932047</u> 51113/ - this is a closed group so you will need to request joining.

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

**Cutoff date** for next month's Marque is the 25th of the month or when the editor screams...

# **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/

# **National Affiliations:**



## Vintage Triumph Register

**MVT** is proudly a Chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register, the link to their comprehensive website is: <u>http://vintagetriumphregister.org/</u>.

The Vintage Triumph Register (VTR) is a North American Triumph car club of nearly 3000 Triumph owners and enthusiasts supporting and showcasing all models of Triumphs. Their awardwinning VTR web site has been assembled through the co-operative efforts of many VTR members and make the VTR site a current and accurate resource for Triumph enthusiasts worldwide. VTR publishes a bi-monthly magazine, The Vintage Triumph, which is filled with valuable historical and technical articles and industry news. In addition to the magazine, membership in VTR also includes:

- Access to VTR's staff of volunteer vehicle consultants
- Various VTR Triumph car club regalia
- Low-cost collector car liability insurance to members at costs far below regular insurance rates
- An annual convention, hosted each year by one of VTR's many local chapters.

If you are interested in becoming a member (you don't have to own a Triumph to join), please head to this website for complete information:

#### https://vintagetriumphregister.org/whatisvtr/

## Triumph Register of America



MVT is a Center of the Triumph Register of America, website: <u>http://triumphregister.com/</u>.

TRA was established to aid TR2, 3, 3A, 3B, 4, and 4A owners in the preservation, maintenance and enjoyment of their classic sports cars and is focused on growing local groups of TR2, 3, 3A, 3B, 4, and 4A owners. We believe that local used parts supply networks and local activities such as technical workshops or rallies provide the binding glue for our national organization. TRA is firmly a grassroots organization, which offers many advantages and services for individual members, groups, and local centers.

# **Other Clubs**

In addition to VTR and TRA, MVT members are also part of other model-specific clubs such as:

- 6-Pack (TR6/TR-250) <u>http://www.6-pack.org/j15/</u>
- Triumph Wedge Owners Association for TR7 and TR8 owners: <u>https://triumphwedgeowners.org/</u>.

We actively participate in activities of these clubs and their endeavors to preserve the marque.

# **Officer's Reports**

#### **President's Report**

This is being split into two sections, John Coutant's State of the Club Address given at the Awards Banquet, and new Pres Jeff's words for this month.

## State of the Club 2024

John Coutant



The last Pres giving his last speech as Pres...

Welcome to the Awards Banquet for Miami Valley Triumphs. This is a time to celebrate the success of the club in the previous year and all the people who contributed to and participated in that endeavor. One of the duties of President is give a "State of MVT" address at the Awards Banquet reviewing the previous year and to present awards. Since I am stepping down after four years as president you'll have to indulge me a bit if I look back at those four years to give some perspective to our major event of 2023.

When COVID arrived in 2020 the club moved to virtual online meetings and only a few events

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outside where everyone could maintain social distancing. We had been planning to host TRA in 2020 but we canceled and postponed to 2021. Unfortunately, in early 2021 there were too many questions unanswered early in the planning that we decided to cancel erring on the side of caution. We did not resume face to face general meeting until halfway through 2021. After two years of disappointment, the TRA planning team decided to pass on 2022 and regroup for 2023. Planning for TRA 2023 actually started in 2022 right after TRA 2022 in Gettysburg. Originally, we had plans for TRA in Lexington, KY but decided to return to Hueston Woods for TRA 2023.

January 2023 started out with a planning meeting for MVT events in 2023 and a TRA planning meeting which would continue every month up until TRA 2023 in June. The TRA 2023 planning committee under event chair, Bruce Clough, did a tremendous job. It was a week of events including tours and driving events, picnic dinner, tech sessions, auction, concours and participants' car show, and a banquet. Everyone that attended gave us lots of compliments and said they had a wonderful time.

So many people in the club helped out, even those who could not come for the entire event but did come up for a day to help out. It was a success and, though we planned only to break even, we had such great attendance that we made a small profit for the club.

We did a lot in 2023 besides TRA. Everyone loves to drive their Triumphs and we had a number of tours including ones by the Rutledges in May and the Barths plus Cliffords in August plus some classics like the Orphan Car Show tour, Farm Stand Tour, and Fall Leaf Tour later on in the Fall. That was not the only driving as several MVT members drove to Dillard, GA for VTR 2023 (site of TRA 2019). Both the Cincinnati and Indianapolis British Car Days were also attended by MVT members.

Speaking of British Car Day, one of our major yearly activities is Dayton BCD which we co-host with the MG club the first Saturday in August. After a dip in attendance, the number of cars returned to recent levels along with nice weather. We are getting use to the recent changes by Metro Parks and things seemed to go smoother this year. All in all, it was a success with good feedback from those who attended other than complaints about the food truck. So many in MVT came and helped pack entrant bags, registration, ballot counting, T-shirts and many other jobs. Thanks to all of you.

We mix a lot of social activities in with our tours but we also had a number of social events in 2023. We started the year in February with a Valentine's dinner followed by our Annual Awards Banquet in March. Social events in the spring and summer seemed to be many last-minute Wine Flash Mobs at Caesar Creek winery led by our illustrious events chair, Bruce. The Pool-less Pool party hosted by the Rutledges was a great get together in September with massive pork chops and cooler temperatures after moving from the heat of mid-summer.

As the year wound down we had the annual Guy Fawkes Burning in November. In December we had our annual Holiday Soiree, the last at Bergamo. This was followed later in the month by the MVT Ugly Sweater gathering. At the very end of the month, Mark and Adrianne Meade held a Happy 50th Birthday party for their TR6 at their home and everyone said it was great party to end the year.

One of the perks of being a member of MVT is that if you have a technical issue with your Triumph then knowledge and help are available for a few donuts and coffee. We had several club tech sessions during the past year to help with various electrical and mechanical problems. We also have to mention the ongoing tech sessions at the BTM, led by Jackson Galloway, on Project Yellow Jacket, the TR7 which now goes and stops.

We started the year with 58 memberships and ended with 55. Our membership chairperson, Valerie Relue, managed to keep most of the current members but welcomed several new members. Valerie developed a membership poster for display at BTM and a smaller version for Dayton BCD. We continue to attract new members via the website and personal contact with current members. .

In terms of finance, we started off the year with \$3754 in the treasury and ended the year with \$6410 with the increase due to funds from TRA 2023. The budget that our treasurer, Harry Mague, has kept us on normally balances income with expenses for insurance, web hosting fees, awards, P.O. Box, and social events.

One major source of income is BCD and this amount can vary due to car attendance and expenses. Also, we continue to see inflation increase expenses, as it does with each of us individually. It was the decision of the board and membership to keep the one-time amount of \$2755 from TRA as a rainy-day fund to cover any future deficits in the yearly budget. This will allow us to continue to fund our social and other events while keeping dues low for the members. Harry has also spent some considerable effort and time to incorporate the club and we are now incorporated as a non-profit organization at the federal and state level.

This year was an election for 3 of our 6 Officer positions. Two of the positions only received one nomination and we elected by 1 vote by the secretary - Jeff Barth as President and Harry Mague as Treasurer. There were two candidates for secretary, Clyde Collins and Stan Seto, and Stan was elected Secretary.

Last of all it is time to recognize those individuals who made an impact on MVT during 2023. We have 4 award categories for which people are nominated and voted on if more than one candidate.

- Press on Regardless Jeff Barth (for the efforts to get his Spit home from TRA 2023)
- Most Improved Jackson Galloway (for the work on BTM's YellowJacket/TR7)
- Keep it on the Road Chuck & Chris White -for driving to the VTR national meet, participating in club drives, and just driving their car.

 Marque of Distinction – Greg &Valerie Relue– efforts to support TRA 2023 with vendors and door prizes, vendors for BCD

That concludes the review of a great 2023. Thanks again to everyone who made it such a success.

#### John Coutant

## Hey, look, it's the new guy!

#### Jeff Barth

It's April and I find myself in new territory having to write my first monthly President's report for the Marque. I have a mix of emotions as I take the reins from the very capable John Coutant who has led the club through many different events and circumstances. At the same time, I'm sure John would agree, that the members of this club have the ability to make this car club one of the best. Thank you.



Last month we had our Award Banquet at Franco's, good food and fellowship topped off with the announcement/confirmation of officer positions, Stan Seto- Secretary and re-election of Harry Mague – Treasurer. Winners of the four annual club awards were also presented, Chris and Chuck White – Keep it on the Road, Jackson Galloway – Most Improved (Project Yellow Jacket), Jeff Barth - Press on Regardless and Greg and Valerie Relue - Marque of Distinction. As I assume the reins of this position though, I have to wonder about the decision making of the group to select someone like this as President.

Driving season is fast approaching and looking forward the calendar is full of opportunities starting with a lunch run to Plain Folk Café in Pleasant Plain on April 13th. These opportunities give us the ability to enjoy our favorite Triumphs and fellowship with friends on winding scenic backroads. Other great times are experienced when sharing our hands and talents in different garages getting cars ready to drive, or improving their performance.

Looking farther out on the calendar, I received my second notice earlier this week to sign-up for one of the Midwest's Best car shows in the area, 2024 Dayton British Car Day. Don't forget to go to this link and sign-up now:

#### https://www.britishcardaydayton.com/

One last item I have been thinking about as well. I know Bruce is always asking for articles each month for The Marque and I would like to challenge everyone to provide one or both of the following:

- The story of how or why you own(ed) a Triumph.
- A story of how many Triumphs you own, or have owned, which one is your favorite and why.

If everyone did this we could all learn a little more about each other and Bruce would have a bank of stories to pick from each month to add to the Marque.

Thank you for this opportunity and we'll see you at Archer's April 3rd at 6:30 for food and 7:30 for our monthly club meeting.

Jeff

### Secretary's Report/Last Month's MVT Meeting Minutes – 7 February 2024

Meeting called to order 7:22 by President John Coutant. 22 members in attendance

#### **Opening Remarks (John Coutant):**

Time to pass the baton, thanks all for the support

# Request for Changes / Additions to Agenda

None

#### Introduction of Guests/New Members

None

#### **Officer Reports**

President: Nothing to report

Vice President Report: Nothing to report.

<u>Treasurer</u>: As of 3/6/24 we have \$6093.04 in checking

<u>Secretary</u>: February minutes approval motioned by Patti, 2nd by Scott, approved by members

<u>Membership</u>: John announced Adrienne will be stepping in as Membership Chair and thanks her for stepping up.

Events:

- Past:
  - Thanks all who sent pics for Drive Your Triumph Day and a successful Valentine's Day event.
  - Project Yellow Jacket at BTM (Jackson) needs a bit of everything with your help
- Future
  - 3/23 Tech session at John Coutant's
  - 3/24 Possible tech session at Jeff Cross's
  - o 4/8 Possible Eclipse Party
  - 4/20 Spring Classic driving tour to New Richmond
- TRA and VTR June and September

#### **Standing Committee Reports**

<u>Technical</u> - none <u>Marque</u> - none

#### Spare Parts - None

Website - None

Memorabilia - Harry: None

<u>Event Committee Report</u>: British Car Day - John said we may have a beer truck, maybe a single vendor. Discussion ongoing

#### **Old Business:**

Chris White was making a statement, but due to the noise in the room the Secretary could not clearly hear it. If it was a comment that needs to be recorded we will update these minutes in the next Marque.

#### **New Business:**

None

50-50 Raffle

\$19 to Scott Stout

#### Adjournment

Passed at 8:16 PM

Respectfully submitted, Clyde Collins

#### Vice President's Report

Chuck didn't give the esteemed Marque Editor anything to put in this month, so you have two choices on what to read. If you don't like one, try the other. It can't hurt...

## **Report 1**



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Chuck

### Report 2



Hi, I'm just a horse, but I've been asked to deliver the Vice President's Report since Chuck seems not willing to do it, is lazy, or maybe doesn't have a lot to say, but since a horse is a horse, of course, I do have something to say:

#### Send hay.

That's it, now go out and drive those things that replaced us you ungrateful primates...

Respectfully submitted – *Trigger* 

**Treasurer's Report** 

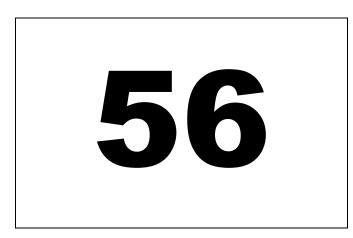


As of 1 March 2024, the club account had a balance of \$6093.04. For the month of March, the

club's income was 50/50 for \$19.00 and Memorabilia sale for \$60.00. Total income was \$79.00. For the month of March, the club's only expense was \$1956.66 for yearly Awards Banquet. As of 1 April 2024, the club's account balance is \$5115.30.

Respectfully submitted, Harry Mague

#### **Membership Chair Report**



The Membership Chair has been passed off to Adrienne Meade – as of now we are holding steady.

John Coutant

#### Marque and Events

Bruce Clough



The Marque <sound of Marque Editor ascending his soap box>

Some guidelines on submitting Marque articles (unless you want to buy me a new desktop, and I do have some ideas here) since I am using a circa 2011 HP Pavilion 23 updated as much as I can and using Office 21 (w/o the Evil Office 365).

- Pictures no bigger than 400kB, heck, 200kB is good enough.
- If you are submitting a form pls convert it into graphic format and see (1).
- If you are submitting a poster please submit it in graphic format and see (1).

If a picture comes in above 400kB I have to reduce it before including in The Marque or the Word 21 on this machine goes instupid. Don't ask me why, it's an MS/HP thingie. I could investigate, but that takes time away from yardwork and drinking bourbon. Reducing it entails the use of the clumsy photo editor that is included with Windows 10, or using Paint to save in a lessdense format. If you have a iPhone just email me your picture in "Medium" resolution – that will do the trick, If you have an Android platform I'm sure there is something similar. Due to the visual size of The Marque, any picture over 120kB in size is wasted bandwidth anyway, trust me on this...

If you send me a file that you want the format/arrangement to be maintained, but it is not a graphics file (and BTW, I like JPEG and GIF formats best), I have to print it out, scan it, then shrink the file size before using it. A bit of a pain that could be eliminated if you have mercy on your Maque Editor...

Thanks for listening...

<sound of soapbox being put away>

#### **Events Chair Report**

**No Eclipse Party** – The Rutledges had some things come up and plus it's silly to try and drive around that day anyway.

Events last month were great

Thanks to Chris for putting on the Awards Banquet which turned into "Let's make fun of Jeff" night at Francos courtesy of Patti, Jodi & moi. Francos is shutting down and a new owner is taking over, so hoping we will be there again next year.

We did manage to get a couple of tech sessions in – one was helping John Coutant with his TR3A electrical system, the other was helping Harry with a lot of things on Valerie's TR6.

Now with the advent of April the driving season starts in earnest.

- April 7<sup>th</sup> MVT returns to CCV
- April 13th MVT returns to Plain Folk Café
- April 20<sup>th</sup> Spring Classic driving tour

We're probably going to have some tech sessions fitted in there somewhere also, maybe quite a few, so keep checking your email.

See you this Wednesday!

Bruce Clough, MVT Events Chair



# **March 2024**

9 - MVT Awards Banquet -



A good time was had by all and thanks to Chris White for getting this together. The room was filled with MVT members, and fedoras thanks to Patti Clifford. The food was good and the drinks flowed. The jokes were bad, and the awards going to the very deserving. Thank you to all who came – and now for some pictures!



Jodi wondering what the life as a first lady will be like while the Rutledges laugh at dad jokes



The awards – maybe we should get some that spell something out!



The food was terrible, we couldn't eat any of it. All the plates looked like this every where one looked to. Just terrible <lol>



Keep it on the road went to the Whites and their driving of their TR6



Most Improved went to Jackson Galloway for the work he has been doing on Yellowjacket



Press on Regardless – Doesn't Jeff look splendid? Poor Jeff received a lot of

roasting besides the chicken accoutrements, Patti also arranged for everyone to have fedoras - we looked soooo spiffy!



#### **Marque of Distinction**

On Wednesday following the Awards Banquet, Alice, Harry, Chris & Chuck visited Valerie at her home where Chuck presented her with the Marque of Distinction Award for her and Greg. She was understandably emotional over this but wanted to express her appreciation for the honor and to thank all the individuals who have sent cards and other expressions of well wishes over the past several weeks. While Valerie is still not ready to participate in large groups yet, she has slowly started to reenter the social world. She says each day is getting a little better.



Fedora Central – we all feel very spiffy now!

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# 24 –Tech Session - We Help John Help Himself, or "Down the Pertronix Rabbit Hole"

#### John Coutant

For those of you who don't remember, this is a bit like a never-ending story of installing Pertronix electronic ignition in my '59 TR3A. Why do you want to do that? Points work fine and they are easy to work on and don't fail when something goes wrong electrically. I agree but points are mechanical and wear and that requires attention to keep the gap (and thus the timing) correct. Well, I replaced the points in my '70 Volvo 1800E over 10 years ago and they have worked just fine without need for replacement or adjustment.



John looking around for a few electrons we dropped...

So, in a weak moment I decide to replace the points in my TR3A. We had a tech session to install at Bruce's in August 2021. We could not install the adaptor plate as it was machined incorrectly (See October 2021 Marque for article). I never did get an answer from either Pertronix or Moss so I returned the unit to Moss (they refunded and apologized that they could not resolve). I finally ordered one from TRF in 2023 that was correct.

So here we are 3 years later ready to go again and that was one of the goals at the recent tech session at my house. First step is to remove the current points and condenser from the distributor. After everything is removed, a mounting plate to hold the Pertronix sensor is installed. This is where we stopped before. This time the fit was better but we still had to enlarge a few of the smaller holes to get a good fit. The Pertronix unit is then held to the mounting plate with two nuts and a ring with magnets is slid over the shaft of the distributor. Directions were to adjust the gap between the ring and the unit to 0.030". Of course, the gap was to big so some more drilling to allow the adjustment to close to thirty thousands. Then cut the wires to the Pertronix unit to length, solder on some fittings, and connect to the positive and negative side of the coil. Put the rotor and cap back on and good to go.



John making the plate fit



Hey, this plate fits!

Next is timing. It seems that a Pertronix unit is shifted a bit. TR3s are usually timed statically and we had an outline for that which we tried. It did not seem to be correct. It was getting late and so we timed it by ear. That ended up fairly close and a quick ride around the block seemed OK. With some time, we'll come back to the timing, probably trying dynamic timing at higher rpms. Stay tuned.



Little wires ready for modification...

One note in the instructions I overlooked was not to use with solid core wires. Why? Well digging around the internet it seems solid core wires do not suppress electromagnetic interference (EMI). With solid core wires the EMI/RFI is strong enough to interfere with electronic ignitions, even cause damage especially at high rpms. I had a set of solid core wires in the TR3 (which I did not know were solid core until after) but luckily one of the connectors broke and so we used my backup cap and wires (which I did not realize were suppression wires). I went to get a replacement set of suppression wires for my main cap and discovered it is not easy to get 7mm wires or understand if are suppression wires (they need to be 7mm to fit in the distributor cap as standard 8mm don't fit). I did manage to find a couple places that had black 7mm wires for a Triumph TR3.



Little wires being modified...

Stay tuned for timing the Pertronix ignition in a TR3 after we finish the tea party at the Mad Hatter's



Bruce laying on hands – demons come out you gotta have faith...

## 30 - Tech session at Harry's

Harry called a tech session on the 30<sup>th</sup> to work on Valerie's car – several of us showed up, enticed by coffee, donuts, and the challenge. We worked for several hours on various car systems. More help will be needed, so watch your email!

#### April 2024

## 3 – MVT Monthly Meeting

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have dinner and socializing at 6:30PM and the president usually ruins our fun by starting a meeting at 7:30PM.

# 7 – Caesar Creek Vineyards Opening



2PM – Caesar Creek Vineyards – No organized drive there, just show up and bring some lite appetizer.



# 13 - Lunch Run to Plain Folk Café

Are you ready for another run to the Plain Folks Café? I knew you were!

We will meet at Apple Country Farm Market, 2323 US-42, Spring Valley at 11AM. We will leave before 11:30AM and head south over roads less travelled to Pleasant Plain, crossing the Little Miami on some fun roads and maybe a stop or two on the way back.

# 20 – 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Classic Driving Tour

Time: 9:00; Location: New Richmond, OH - starts and ends on the riverfront in New Richmond.

Drive is split into two groups - spirited and leisurely. Entry fee is \$50 per car which includes a \$20 for food at New Richmond Restaurants.

Pre-registration and electronic signing of the waiver are required - no walk-ups.

https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/springclassic-driving-tour-xii-new-richmond-bandstandon-river-sports-023903

### May 2024

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11 - Rally - Hosted by John Clifford

**11- BTM Car Show** – information the last two pages of this Marque

18 - Tech Session - TBD

**30 - VTR South Central Regionals** – Continues to May – 1 June in St. Louis.

http://www.sltoa.org/vtr24info.htm

## June 2024

**5 – MVT Monthly Meeting** - The meeting will be held 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.

**8 – Tech Session** – TBD, but it's to get ready for TRA.

**17-21 - TRA National Meeting** – Mohican State Park, OH <u>https://www.triumphregister.com/tra-national-meet/</u>

## July 2024

**3 – MVT Monthly Meeting** - The meeting will be held 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.

Weekend of 13/14 – Mad Dogs & Englishmen – Gilmore Car Museum (just a bit north of Kalamazoo, MI)

#### https://gilmorecarmuseum.org/events/mad-dogsenglishmen-2024

This will be a weekend trip – details coming soon.

**27 – Ice Cream and Wine Oh My**... - This might be dangerous....

#### August 2024

2 - Dayton BCD Set Up – Assuming Eastwood Metropark

**3 – Dayton BCD** – Assuming Eastwood Metropark, and assuming the usual stuff.

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10 - Indy BCD - Clifford's lead the pack?

**10 – Drive Your Triumph Day Too** – Remember to drive your car, take a picture, and send it to me so I can squirrel it away for February 10<sup>th</sup> next year...

17 – Tech Session – at the White's

- 24 Orphan Auto Show Young's Dairy
- 24 Bellefontaine Hill Climb Revival

#### September 2024

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8-12 – Vintage Triumph Register National Convention 2024 – Nashville, IN,

https://indianatriumphcars.regfox.com/2024vintage-triumph-register-nationalconvention?fbclid=IwAR32tbAO5P2UhHr5jH5d8 VcTSpQZ0uEkEMJSUP5Ow3R-eC4-5CV1z6A\_ITs

14 – Cincinnati British Car Day

?? – Pool-less Pool Party – TBD

**28 – Farm (stand) Tour** – get your pumpkins and mums!

#### October 2024

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12 – John and Frank's Excellent Tour

**26 - Fall Foliage Tour & Halloween party** – Somewhere southeast of Dayton, for now...

#### November 2024

2 - Guy Fawkes Celebration - 2 November

**6 – MVT Monthly Meeting** - The meeting will be held at Archers Tavern Kettering, 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420, (937) 291-1015.

#### 16 – Tech Session

#### December 2024

**TBD – MVT Monthly Meeting** - The meeting will be held 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.

#### 7 – Holiday Soiree

**21 – Ugly Sweater Gathering** – They will be ugly.

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# **Technical Talk**

Edited by Bruce Clough

## Nothing this month

Yep, slow month – no tech articles submitted. That's okay, you are forgiven.

# My Triumph

## **Old Paint**

#### Bruce Clough

Pres Jeff laid out a challenge for us to come forward with articles about the cars we have, or have had. I guess I'll start it out with the newest into our stable – *Old Paint.* 



Just before COVID hit we bought this car out of Memphis, TN to replace the FrankenStag, which wasn't needed anymore since Bridgett and Duncan were pretty much on their own and not expected to require a back seat. After having a few Wedges, they no longer scare me and I appreciate them for their fine driving habits and lack of "beat the hell out of you after driving all day". I bought it off "Bring a Trailer" since it looked like a nice original Anniversary Edition TR7.

Boy I was wrong, glad I didn't pay a lot for it. It had been ridden hard and put away wet – hence its name. Originally I was calling it Carmine based on its color, but looking under its skin -Salvage title, 1975 TR7 dash, top too tight, and lots of bodged wiring, hard hit on the passenger front that required new fender and door as well as residual crumpling – meant it needed a new name. However, it was drivable, so over the last few years we have driven, and modified, it as we needed. It actually drives very nice, and the nice thing about a salvaged car versus an original car is that you can make mods to it to make it a more comfortable driver and nobody cares, including yourself – no guilt!

# **MVT Memorabilia**

The Club has the following fantastic, wonderful memorabilia for sale. Show your colors in public, on your car, or on you! If you see something you like, talk to Harry Mague! Look at all we have:



MVT Enamel Car Badge - \$30.00 – only a couple left – buy now!!!!



MVT Cloth Patch - \$12.00



MVT Pin - \$5.00



MVT Window Sticker - \$1.00



MVT Magnetic Signs – these can be easily cut so they are round. They are 12"x12", 11" in diameter if cut round. - \$12

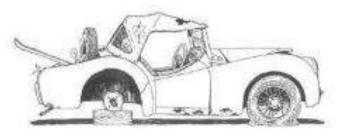


They look very spiffy on a TR7...

All the memorabilia is available at each Club meeting upon request. Please contact our MVT Memorabilia Manger, Harry Mague harrymague@aol.com

# **Classifieds**

Classified ads are free to MVT members and run month to month. We do not endorse anything in here, nor do we get any compensation in fees or royalties. As with the rest of life "buyer beware".



**For Sale** -Triumph TR6 Hardtop -Aftermarket snugtop from Long Beach California-Black , factory mint condition inside and out (headliner, glass, weatherstripping, etc.)Ready to bolt on and go. Mounting bolts included. NICE HARDTOP (I do not own a TR6) - \$150 Inquire at tryanity@gmail.com.

**For Sale:** Triumph TR3 original steel hardtop for sale \$300. Inquire tryanity@gmail.com

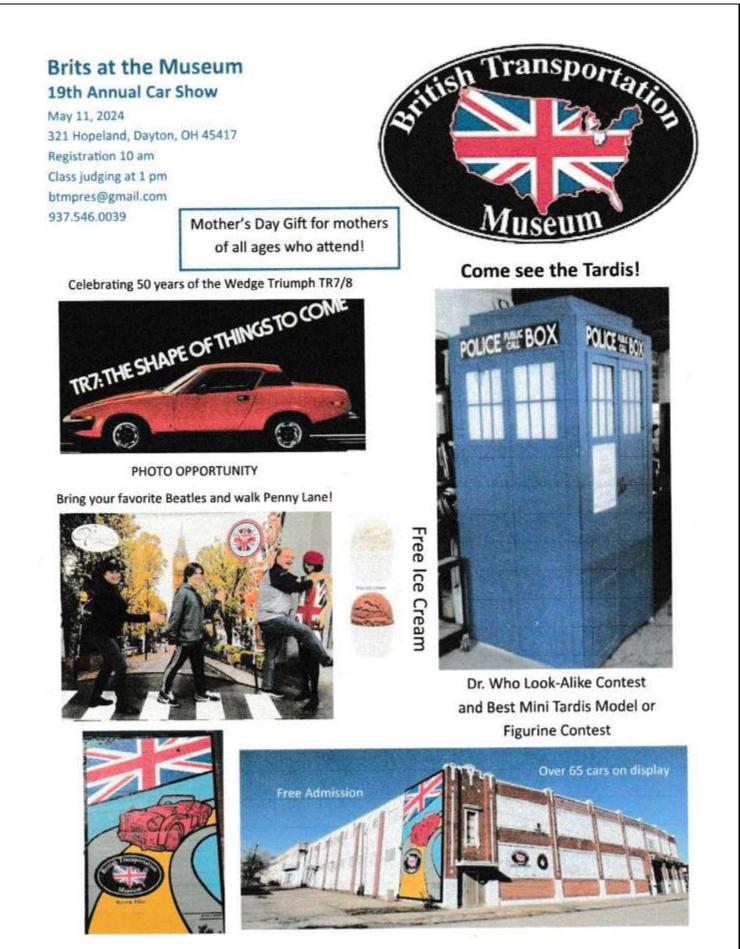
**For sale:** complete engine tranny, diff for TR6. Call Giuseppe 818-269-3240 or go to BTM.

TR7's for sale -



From Bruce Miller: "The seller lives in Preble Co., @ the corner of "Four Mile Straight Line Rd." & Fairfield-Concord Rd. Greg Issacs - Home phone: 937-465-1989. He wants to be rid of the brown TR7 (which I formerly owned) a/w/a red 75 TR7 coupe. It was a parts car for him. He says it runs, too; BOTH for \$2500.00."

The undersigned, Registrant, agrees to release, discharge, waive and hold harmless the Society for the Preservation of British Transportation in America Inc., The British Transportation Museum, members, any sponsors or persons associated with this event from any and all liability, including but not limited to, personal injuries and or property damage caused to me, by me, my party and or my vehicle while attending this event or while traveling to or from this event. I certify that I have full coverage insurance on my registered vehicle as required by law.	Make check payable to and mail to: British Transportation Museum 321 Hopeland St. Dayton, OH 45417 PLEASE READ AND SIGN	Vendor Registration: \$10.00 Total Enclosed	Registration after May 1: \$18.00 BTM Membership: \$30.00 -not required- -New members, please fill out BTM membership form- BTM Member Discount: -\$5.00	filiation:	City:State:Zip: Phone:email:	British Car Meet at the Museum Sat. May 11, 2024 REGISTRATION FORM -Show held Rain or Shine- Name: Address:
	For more information, contact James Dean 989-255-1384 or Pete Stroble, 937-546-0039 or email the Museum at btmpres@gmail.com. Visit the Museum web site at: www.BritishTransportationMuseum.org	Bring Family and Friends. Spectators are welcome free of charge.	Autojumble! Bring out your spare parts for sale. Mother's Day gift for all Mothers! Burgers & Brats by Giuseppe. Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream!	be at 321 Hopeland St. in front of the Museum. The show will be a People's Choice Judging event. The Meet runs from 9AM to 3PM. Registration will be limited to the first 100 cars. Come visit the 65 vehicles in the Museum collection plus tons of memorabilia. Take our TAPDIC for a chin. Walk down "Denny	The British Transportation Museum will hold its 19 <sup>th</sup> Annual British Car Meet on Saturday May 11, 2024. The Location will	Allowing the second sec



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