



# The Marque

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

## The Marque – February 2026



**Does anyone remember what grass looks like?**

### February Events

- **4 – Monthly Meeting**
- **6 – Chocolates and Bourbon in Tipp City**
- **21 – Valentine's Day Dinner @ El Meson**

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- **Jackson explains the meaning of "hold my beer"**
- **No tech articles at all – really?**
- **MVT Awards Banquet Info**

- **Last page, read it – orders from Harry**

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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).

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We are also on **Facebook** at  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/16548932047>

[51113/](#) - this is a closed group so you will need to request joining.

Please send comments/suggestions to: [miamivalleytriumphs@gmail.com](mailto:miamivalleytriumphs@gmail.com) or to the PO Box.

**Cutoff date** for next month's Marque is the 25th of the month or when the editor screams, usually the Sunday before the meeting...

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## National Affiliations:

### Vintage Triumph Register

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



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 award-winning VTR web site has been assembled through the co-operative efforts of many VTR members and making 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 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: <http://triumphregister.com/>.

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) <http://www.6-pack.org/i15/>
- Triumph Wedge Owners Association for TR7 and TR8 owners: <https://triumphwedgeowners.org/> .

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

## Officer's Reports

### President's Report



## What a difference a month makes...

*Jeff Barth*

Wow, what a month January has been. Beautiful sunrises and the hope for driving season to arrive soon.



Even my neighbor's daffodils thought it was time to start growing.



Plans were coming together on projects that had been in the making for a while.



**Lake Harriett, MN Art Shanty**

But Mother Nature had her own plans for the month as well.



So, shift gears and make the best of what you have been given and even try out something new. Perhaps new transportation? Or furniture?



We just take what we are given and carve out our best ideas.



Let's see what March has in store for us, but regardless, the driving season will soon be here, I hope. See everyone on Wednesday Feb 4<sup>th</sup> at Archer's for our monthly meeting, 6:30 to eat and 7:30 for our meeting.

## Secretary's Report/Last Month's MVT Meeting Minutes



## MVT January Meeting Minutes

Stan Seto

**MVT Meeting Minutes – January 7 2026, Archer's Tavern, 2030 E. Dorothy Lane, Kettering, Ohio**

### Call to Meeting

7:30PM

### Members Present

23

### Opening comments

President thanked those who came out. (We were on the front veranda of the building.) and said "There is no heat because the building furnace was out of service. Management claims it will be fixed by February".

### Agenda: Changes or additions

None

### Introduction of Guests and/or New Members

None

### Officer Reports

President – See above

Vice President – Thanked those who came out to the Jan. 2 Tech session and helped him pull the trannie and engine out of his TR6, for a Trannie rebuild. Invited members out to work on the yellow TR7 at the BTM location.

Treasurer – Club is in the Black, \$7365.20. 2026 Budget is on the last page of the January Marque. Please look at it. How it was determined will be subject of discussion at February Meeting and it will be voted then.

Secretary – December Minutes were published in the January Marque. There were no changes. Vote for acceptance was unanimous and vocal.

Membership Secretary –Current Membership – 53, the membership secretary requested for members to check current roster to ensure telephone numbers were correct.

Events Chair

- December – Events completed: Holiday Soiree, business meeting and brown bag auction were well done and appreciated by attendees.
- January – Ugliest Sweater contest was held and won, once again, by Carol and Roger Rutledge. Tech. session to remove J. Galloway's TR6 engine and transmission was accomplished. Planning for events in 2026 was successfully accomplished.
- February – We are looking for a volunteer location for the Super Bowl Game and Party. 10th is Drive Your Triumph Day. 21st Valentine's dinner, RSVP to Bruce. Limit of 20 diners.
- March – 7th is Awards Banquet at Jimmie's, RSVP to Chris White before 25 Feb.

## Standing Committee Reports

Technical – None

Marque – More Tech, Articles, remember to squeeze down pixels in Photo's

Spare Parts – Some discussion about cost to package and ship from England. Look before you buy. Chris Yanity still has spare parts for TR3's.

Web Site - None

Memorabilia – Yup, Harry's got it. Bring dinero's

## Old Business

Nominations for Staff:

- President: Jeffery Barth
- Treasurer: Harry Mague
- Secretary: Stan Seto

Nominations for Club awards

- Marque of Distinction: Scott Stout, Jeffery Barth
- Most Improved: Bruce Clough (Inca); Jackson Galloway (TR6)
- Keep It on The Road: Bruce Clough (TR3B); Mike Lorey (Spitfire)

- Press-On Regardless: Jackson Galloway (TR6), Stan Seto, (TR3B).

## New Business

None

## 50/50 Drawing

Amount: \$16.00, winner: Patti Clifford

## Adjournment:

Time – 8:07PM

Motion – Stan S., Second – Most of the audience.

## Club Awards, 2026

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### Candidates and Why

Our club has four awards it can give every year at the Awards Banquet in April. Candidates for these awards are volunteered by other club members starting at the December MVT Meeting, which is normally held at the Holiday Soiree, normally the first or second weekend of the month. Nominations are requested until the March meeting closes, and we ask for a vote that same meeting.

### So, what are the awards?

Marque of Distinction - Most prestigious in the club – a “member of the year” award - and should go to a person who most personifies the character of the club in the past year. Most nominees have served as club officers and have promoted and served the club at both internal and external events.

Press on Regardless – A driving award that is normally given to a person who perseveres through times of trouble during the club driving events or trips to faraway places, while representing the club, such as going to attend a National Meet, and always manages to complete the trip.

Keep it on the Road – A driving award to the club member who is able to drive his car from January to December, demonstrating good upkeep and the reliability it brings in this day and age.

Most Improved – Normal improvements are car performance or car appearance, for example: A

club member who has a car that does not run at the beginning of the year but has it running in club events by mid- or late year due to the work he has invested in the vehicle to obtain the better performance. A club member, who has a rather dilapidated car in January, and who has put time and money into the necessary area (seat upholstery, engine compartment, trunk, or body work) to materially improve the car's appearance.

When nominations are opened in December, any club member nominating another for one of these awards will also be required to provide a short 25 – 50-word paragraph explaining why he thinks the nominated individual deserves the award.

All awards will be considered on a case-by-case basis, as there can be all sorts of circumstances in a year.

## Nominees for Club Awards for 2025

### Marque of Distinction

- **Scott Stout:** For his willingness over the years to step in and lend a helping hand no matter what is needed, especially when things are not exactly working well. When you need help, Scott is there.
- **Jeff Barth:** Jeff promotes the club to everyone we see, dives his Spitfire year-round, is there to help at most events, has served as President for the past 2 years and is willing to continue in that position for another two years.

### Press on Regardless

- **Jackson Galloway:** Had events with his TR6 at VTR last year (2025). Failed work he had done gave him an instant sauna while driving the TR6. He patched it with heat resistant material, drove all the events, then drove home himself without a chase vehicle.
- **Stan Seto:** For staying on the Road and participating in TRA 2025 after he (1) suffered an ignition wire failure on the trip to the meet, and (2) lost a rear wheel/adaptor on a tour at the meet, but managed to get the wheel back on the

car, and participate in the rest of TRA 2025.

### Most Improved

- **Jackson Galloway:** He did not have a roadworthy Triumph prior to '25. He now has an impressive TR6, due to the fact that he has made multiple improvements to the TR6 prior to and since the trip to VTR in Wisconsin.
- **Bruce Clough:** Over the past year, in addition to several minor changes, Bruce has replaced the rear Axle and added disc brakes to one of their TR7s, installed new wheels and tires, rebuilt and added new electicals, improved access to fuel lines and fuel pump, upgraded the brake lights, improved the reliability and functionality of the emergency brake and refurbished the heater box. These enhancements have greatly improved the safety, reliability and performance of the TR7.

### Keep It on the Road

- **Mike Lorey:** Ran out of gas in his near spotless Spitfire, while on the John Clifford June Tour. Unabashed, Mike drove to a nearby gas station, returned with a lighter wallet but sufficient spirits to get to our final destination and a real fill-up.
- **Bruce Clough:** Has been experimenting electronically on his TR3B (Gray Ghost), to the point that it is a different car than when manufactured. He took it to TRA 2025, for Participant's Choice Voting. To Kalamazoo and back, no problems.

Last chance to nominate candidates for and of the staff positions or awards comes up at the February MVT monthly meeting at Archer's.

## **BCD Committee Meeting, 21 January 2026**

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Location: Poelking Lanes Bowling Alley, Knightsbridge Road, Dayton at 1900 hours.

Representing the Southwest Ohio MG Club: John Scocozzo, and Edward Hill.

Representing Miami Valley Triumphs: Bruce Clough, Alice Clough-Owen Clough, John Coutant, Jackson Galloway, Harry Mague and Stan Seto.

## **Topics Discussed:**

### Payments to the Park to reserve the shelter.

David Gribler has paid that bill.

Field Location for 2026: The Park suggested we use the soccer field as in 2025. As the use of this field is lower cost, the clubs agreed.

The soccer field area has no trees, if we have a hot summer day it was agreed to ask attendees to bring personal shade, such as umbrellas, small tents, and large brim hats. A "just before the event" e-mail will be posted to all registered entries, once the close-in weather forecasts are known.

### Date/Time:

BCD will be on Saturday, 1 August 2026, from about 0730 to about 1530 hours. Registration opens at completion of setup, ~ 0845 Hours.

### T-Shirts:

MVT will handle T-shirts and will choose the car or cars to be featured in 2026.

### Bags:

Harry Mague claims he has enough bags.

### Food Trucks:

The MG club has the responsibility to have food trucks on-site the day of the event. It has been agreed that they will work to have at least 2 lunch trucks, one of which will be asked to arrive before or by 0900 and be ready to provide coffee and Sweet Breads for the workers and any participants who are there. The second (and third?) truck(s) will be asked to be on site by 1100. There may also be an Ice Cream Vendor engaged from Noon or before and until the end of the event.

### The Sound Man:

He will be asked to mount his broadcast speakers higher into the sky to project his sound more completely over the field. This will also help us announce items to the field.

### Added Marques:

The Marques of Lotus and Land Rover will be added to the list of cars that can be awarded. A local Land Rover club member has approached the MG club wanting to use our event as a meeting place for this Marque. He is also contacting regional Rover clubs to invite them to the event. If successful, they could materially increase participation this year.

### Meet Operations:

Based on some complaints in 2025, we will endeavor to have club members at or near Registration to assign what class the not-pre-registered cars will go to as they leave Registration. Last year we had (MG club) members who helped "Not registered" cars get to their proper locations in the field, but this year, we'd like to tell the participants what class their cars are in and mark the cars to allow the field workers to position them. A work-in-progress, a scheme has to be developed to accomplish this. MG club members will be major in this.

### Handicapped Parking/Miata Club:

Handicapped Parking, as well as Miata Club parking, was discussed. It was decided to use area immediately next to the park entry road.

Handicapped Parking would begin by the first tree after the entrance onto the field and stretch south down the road to a second tree, which would give the handicapped cars about 150 feet of space. The only cars allowed to park there will have to have "Handicap" hangers on their rearview mirrors.

The Miata Club will be allowed to park along the inlet road from the second tree and on South toward the big hard surface parking lot just in front of the permanent Restrooms.

MVT will obtain some signage to mark these areas.

### Adjournment/Next Meeting:

Meeting was adjourned at about 2015 hours.

The plan is to meet every two months and, perhaps, every month closer to event date.

Next meeting will be at the same time and place on the third Wednesday in March.

#### Action Items:

- MG Club – Get food trucks under contract.
- If needed, tell Registrants to bring “Shade”.
- Contact “Sound man” and discuss speaker locations.
- Provide workers to classify cars leaving registration.
- MVT Club – T-Shirts, Select Featured car(s) and color.
- Make signs for “Handicapped” parking and “Miata” Parking. Note: To park in “Handicapped” slot the car, Van or SUV must have a Handicapped sign hanging from rearview mirror or a “wheelchair” emblem on license plate.
- Will provide a member to solicit and park vendors.

## Vice President's Report



### **Missing in action**

*It would have been Jackson Galloway*

Our VP is playing hooky this month on his article. This gives me a chance to ask ChatGPT about him and his actions.

#### **Question:**

*Hey trans, what can you tell me about Jackson Galloway and his ability to rebuild transmissions?*

#### **Answer:**

*As of my latest knowledge (up to 2024), there are no widely known public records, professional profiles, or notable mentions of someone named Jackson Galloway specifically recognized for expertise in rebuilding transmissions — whether in the automotive industry, motorsports, or specialized mechanical fields.*

*However, it's possible that Jackson Galloway is a local mechanic, independent rebuilder, or small business owner whose reputation may not be documented in public databases or online sources. Transmission rebuilding is a specialized craft requiring strong mechanical skills, precision, and understanding of hydraulic systems, torque converters, and electronic controls — so if he's known in your area for that work, it might be through word-of-mouth reputation or local automotive communities rather than national recognition.*

Looks like we need to press him to document!

## Treasurer's Report



As of 1 January 2026, the club account had a balance of \$7365.20. For the month of January, the club's income was \$16.00 from 50/50, and we had one early membership renewal for \$20.02.

Total income was \$36.02. For the month we had two expenses. First, a holdover expense from the Soiree for \$100.55 and we had to make a down payment of \$300.00 for Jimmy's Restaurant for the club Awards Banquet. Total expenses for January were \$400.55. As of 1 February 2006, the club's account balance is \$7000.67.

Included in the Marque is the proposed 2026 budget which was presented to the membership at the January meeting and voted on in the February meeting.

*(Editor's Note – the proposed budget is the last page of this Marque)*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Harry Mague*

## **Membership Chair Report**

And the number is:

**53**

*Adrienne Meade– MVT Membership Chair*

## **Editor's Report Bruce's Corner**

**Did he see his shadow – asking for a friend...**

*Bruce Clough*



I have a few thanks to give out as the year changes.

### **Events**

This month we have a few things going on. Yes, it might be cold outside, and yes, there might be huge piles of snow lying about, but we are not going to let that slow us down. Cool us down, yes, but slow us down, no.

First off, we are doing an impromptu visit to the Tipp City Chocolate and Bourbon tasting on February 6<sup>th</sup>.

Second, there will be no Superbowl party on the 8<sup>th</sup> since nobody stepped forward to host.

The 10<sup>th</sup> is Drive Your Triumph Day, so be ready to take those photos!

We have our Valentine's Day dinner at El Meson on the 21<sup>st</sup>. Thanks for all the interest – we have filled out the reserved spots and are looking forward to a great time.

Next month we have added a St. Patrick's Day Party – the Meades stepped forward - more info as we get it, but Michael is known for his alchemy...

One more thing - we're going to move the visit to the Plain Folk Café forward a week to 11 April. We have to deconflict with several other events.

### **Marque**

Happy to be here and be the editor!

## **MVT Events**

**Past**

**January 2026**



Scott Stout - it was a nice day for a drive...

## 17 – More fun with a tech session

Jackson Galloway

As everyone might be aware, I've decided to rebuild the transmission in my TR6. It's been making some bearing noises, and leaks all over, so it's overdue for service.

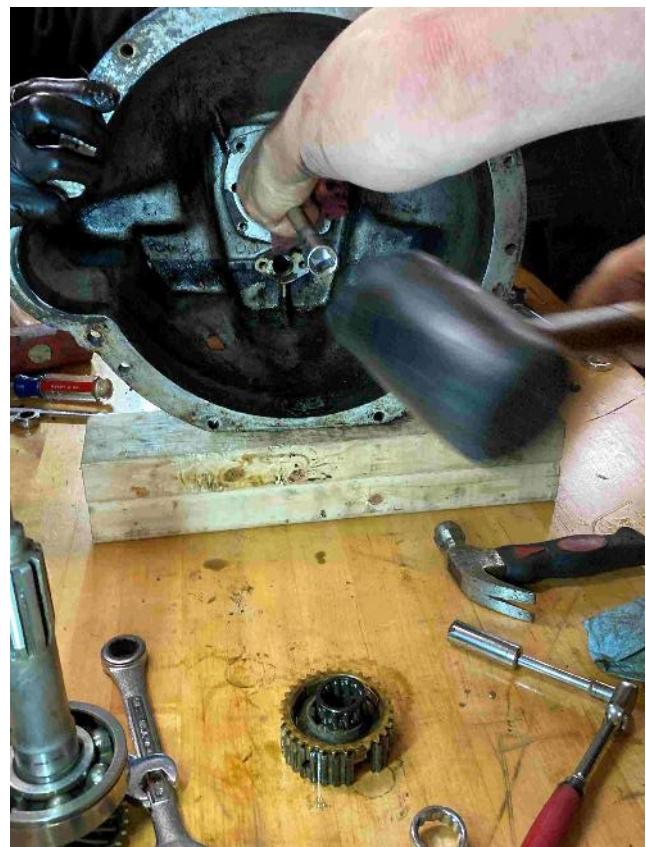
We had a club Tech Session on 17 January 2026 to begin the surgery on the transmission. Clyde Collins, Scott Stout, Mike Lorey, John Clifford, Chuck White, and Joe Nelson. I have to say what help they were! I've torn down and rebuild Honda automatic transmissions before, but this was a bit more finicky of a teardown.



Note the rubber mallet – this will be a recurring theme... we fully embrace percussive maintenance!

I wanted to start with pulling the J-Type overdrive off the transmission first, but was convinced to pull the shifter assembly off, and then drain all the oil out of the case. I should have done that two weeks ago, and let it drip, oh well.

Next was the overdrive unit, apparently there is a transmission case adapter between the transmission and the overdrive unit. You must remove the six mounting bolts and then gently persuade the unit off. We tried to take off the adapter and overdrive as one unit! Eventually someone (probably John) persuaded me to take the overdrive off where the six mounting bolts were, we then were able to split the unit off and use some long flathead screwdrivers to GENTLY pry the unit off.



You can never have too many hammers.

Next was the snap ring that was holding the transmission case adapter, and the adapter slid off without a hitch!

The clutch release mechanism was next. This has a single bolt that always snaps off, so in preparation I got out the old MAP gas torch! John

yelped and said something about oil and fire and where is the fire extinguisher? I was convinced that an attempt to remove the bolt was first order of business, and to my shock, Mike was able to back the bolt off without it snapping!

We then tapped out, GENTLY, the clutch release bar, and removed the fork from the bar. This led to removal of the front bearing plate and cover and a few snap rings. We (or I) made a mistake and took off the back plate snap ring at this time. Remember this...it will come back later.

Next was the front countershaft plate with two bolts, and then we had to extract the rear recessed head screw holding the countershaft and lay shaft in place. Try doing this without a #3 Posidrive and no impact screwdriver! It took three or four of us to do this. Two guys held the case, I held the largest screwdriver I had (probably a #2) with a wrench turning it, and one guy hitting the end of the screwdriver with a mallet I had. Amazingly enough after about 6 or so solid hits the screw turned and came off!



**Say what? Give up – never!**

We then tried to pull the input shaft, and it was good and stuck. No amount of Liquid Wrench and hitting the bearing back and forth enabled the front of the main shaft to come off. That is, until I realized the lay shaft and the counter shaft had to be removed, which then allows the gears on the counter shaft to drop. After a hit with the hammer on the bearing, I was then able to pull the front part of the main shaft off!



**Five men and a trannie – it's a wonderful thing.**

We then tried to remove the rear half of the main shaft, but the bearing just wouldn't go far enough in, and we didn't have enough space. Eventually, I remembered the videos I watched on YouTube, and you had to press the rear main shaft off the bearing in the case, then you could pry the bearing out. We re-applied the back plate snap ring, and rigged up my 12-ton press. This easily removed the main shaft from the rear bearing.



**Guess what? I got a fever! And the only prescription... is more hammer!**

From here, we worked the bearing up and down for a bit with some hammers and pry bars and got lucky enough to pull the bearing out! The rear main shaft came out easily now that we had more room to move it in the case. The reverse idler gear was easily removed along with the countershaft assembly.



John gets the shaft...

We found two tiny springs, and two small ball bearings at the bottom of the case. I'm thinking these are for the shifter assembly, but need to re-watch that video, and analyze the parts diagram to figure out where it came from. (*Probably syncho balls/springs – I see at least one of the synchro assemblies apart - Ed.*)

Either way, the case is stripped and stinking up my garage! I'm going to clean everything in the next week or so and then inspect the parts and begin ordering up all the various bearings, clips, seals, gaskets, and whatnot that it needs to get reassembled.

Expect a reassembly Tech Session in March, and thanks to all the guys who showed up! They kept me motivated to meet the goal of a full teardown!



**The smart ones ate donuts and stayed far from the splatter zone.**

## Future

### February 2026

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## 6 – Chocolate and Bourbon Experience

Bruce Clough

Okay – so this is not Triumph themed, but as an Executive Bourbon Steward I am apt to publicize some events as I see them. In this case Chuck White let me know about it, so I bought a couple of tickets at:

<https://downtowntippcity.org/wp-event/chocolate-and-bourbon-experience/>

Plan is to meet at the registration location, Mauk Cabinets by Design, 131 W Main Street, Tipp City, Ohio, United States, 45371, by 5PM and wander off from there.



## 8 – Superbowl Party:

CANCELLED! Never got anyone to host this, so life will move on...

# DYTD

## Drive Your Triumph Day

### 10 – Drive Your Triumph Day

Here is the communique from Rye Livingston:

*I'm currently in preparation mode to launch a new location for posting this year's DYTD photos—more details to follow. On this new site, I also plan to include photos from past years, organized into albums by year. In addition, for 2026, I'm going to try something new and sort the photos by Triumph model as well.*

*So, start planning a drive—or if you're in a winter climate, take a photo of your Triumph hibernating in the garage. If your car is in restoration or part of a winter project, take a photo of that too. Keep in mind that hundreds of Triumph owners from around the world will all be doing something with their Triumph on the same day. It's always great to see how everyone participates. The idea is simple: have fun with it.*

*Best Regards,*

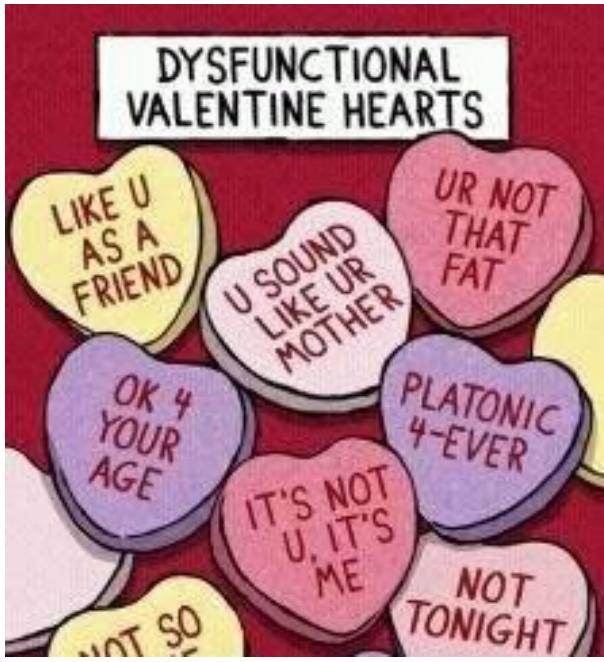
*Rye Livingston*

*Activities Chairman*

*Triumph Travelers Sports Car Club*

*1960 Triumph TR3A*

[\*DriveYourTriumphDay@gmail.com\*](mailto:DriveYourTriumphDay@gmail.com)



## 21 – Valentine's Day Dinner

We have dinner reservations at El Meson on the 21<sup>st</sup> at 6PM. We sent a request via email since El Meson's room only holds 20 and we currently have 20 folks coming with several more on the wait list, so thanks for filling this up so soon. It should be a good time, so bring those candy hearts!

El Meson - 903 E Dixie Dr, Dayton, OH 45449

<https://elmeson.net/>

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### 7 – MVT Awards Banquet

You are cordially invited to attend the MVT Awards Banquet!

Where: Jimmy's Italian Cuisine & Bar, 824 E Fifth Street, Downtown Dayton

When: Saturday the 7th of March.

- Social Gathering at 6:30pm,
- Dinner orders promptly at 7pm.

There will be a brief meeting after dinner followed by the highly anticipated presentation of the MVT Annual Awards.

If you plan to attend, **PLEASE email** Chris White with your RSVP with how many will be attending and dessert choice. Send your email to: midgen54@gmail.com NLT Wednesday, 25 February 2026.

**No verbal RSVPs, email RSVPs only!**

Your RSVP is important! Jimmy's does require a FIRM headcount for setting up the Banquet Room and for additional staffing required for the evening.

The Meal Details:

As a member of MVT, the Annual Awards Banquet is a perk of your membership! There is

no cost to you for your meal! Nada! The club pays for this - however, any alcoholic beverage costs are your responsibility!!!

Your complete meal includes:

- Choice of a House salad or Soup
- Garlic roll
- An Entrée of your choice from our selected MVT Menu (this menu will be at each place setting)
- A non-alcoholic beverage and ending the evening with a choice of \*\*Dessert – a Cannoli OR a Tiramisu - Dessert choices are full size!! – no minis as with Franco's!

However, Jimmy's has asked for a total count of Cannoli and Tiramisu ahead of time so that they have enough on hand for the evening – therefore **please include your dessert choice with your RSVP**. Thank you!!

Remember to **email** Chris your RSVP at: midgen54@gmail.com NLT Wednesday, February 25th!!

Thank you ahead of time for **EMAILING** Chris your RSVP for the Banquet.

Chris would like to thank those 21 MVT Members who have emailed her their RSVPs. She appreciates your emails!



**14 – Another Try at Crazy Jack's Car** – Tech session @ Jackson's! Putting the trannie back together again. Specific details TBD, but plan on a morning of donuts, coffee, and "hold my donut" moments...

**14 – St Patrick's Day Party** - Not to be outdone by Jackson, Adrienne and Micheal Meade have

invited us over to their place for some fun later in the day, and hopefully not too much green beer. Details are being fleshed out, but for now – Slàinte mhath!



**21 – Another Tech Session** - yes, but it's back with Bruce rather than Jackson. I have a big feeling Inca will be involved...

## April 2026

### 1 - MVT Monthly Meeting



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We will not vouch that April Fools Jokes will not be played, so stay vigilant!



**?? – Caesars Creek Opening Day** – stay tuned for a WineFlashMob – we are assuming it could be on the 4/5 April weekend, but we shall see!



**11 – First Spring Drive** – Plain Folk Café visit – always a great day to head towards Pleasant Plain! We will also cruise by Valley Vineyards and probably Secret Garden since we can.

Visit their website at: <https://plainfolklive.com/>.



**25 – One More Tech Session** – why not?

Jackson could be looking for more TR6 fun, Bruce will be looking at Inca's trannie, and others will be awakening their cars, so could be anywhere!

## May 2026



**2 – Crashing Dayton Cars and Coffee** – Plan is to meet and drive en-masse to the event – more details as we invent them.

### 6 - MVT Monthly Meeting



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**15/16 – Spring Carlisle** – join some of us for fun at the huge swap meet and show – Carlisle, PA.



**16(?) – Columbus British Car Day** – More info as it is available.

**TBD – Spring Tour** – Stay tuned for date and locations

## June 2026

### 3 - MVT Monthly Meeting



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**13 – MVT Rally** – should be competitive, should be fun! More details as they are developed. Prepare to drive!



**14 – Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance** – Ault Park – more info can be found at:

<https://ohioconcours.com/>



**June 15-19 2026 Monday-Friday**

<https://www.triumphregister.com/national-meet>

Bruce is working on the route there and back – on the way out we will be following the Oregon Trail. Get your boots and wagons ready.



The following is the December press release from Reid Trummel (PTOA – edited to fit):

## PRESS RELEASE

December 2025

### 2026 All Triumph Drive In & Triumph Register of America National Meet

#### THE ESSENTIALS

June 15-19, 2026, Madras, Oregon

##### Lodging reservations now open:

The Inn at Cross Keys Station - 541-475-5800

Bunk House at Cross Keys - 541-475-8668

Our two host hotels share a common parking lot. The Inn at Cross Keys Station is the headquarters hotel and location of meetings and the awards banquet. Rooms are filling fast – please make your reservations today to avoid disappointment.

#### EVENT SPECIAL GUEST

We are thrilled to announce that John Nikas, author, speaker, moderator and race driver will be our guest speaker. Described as "one of the best and brightest academic minds in the automotive space," John Nikas is an automotive writer who specializes in weaving social, cultural and economic themes into his compelling narratives about automotive history.



Recipient of many, many motoring writing and other publishing awards, John is frequently asked to speak or make special appearances at various automotive events around the world, which have included numerous stops at the Pebble Beach Concours as well as other prestigious automotive shows.

Known for his authoritative knowledge, quick wit and entertaining delivery, he has also been featured on television and news programs, including on ABC, CBS, NBC, Fox News, EXTRA!, L'Equipe, MotorTrend TV, Speedvision and formerly served as Executive Director of the Madison Avenue Sports Car Driving and Chowder Society in New York City.

#### July 2026

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##### Old mindset



##### New mindset



**18 – Tour d'Donut** – Details TBD, but I bet batter is involved...



25 – Prez's Car Show – Details TBD



31 – Dayton BCD Set Up – Eastwood Metro Park – 6PM

## August 2026



1 – Dayton British Car Day – Eastwood Metro Park

5 - MVT Monthly Meeting



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8 – Indy British Car Day – Indianapolis, IN

22 (or 29) – Bob Pool Orphan Auto Show – Young's Dairy

## September 2026

2 - MVT Monthly Meeting



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12 – MVT Northern Tour – Details coming...



**13 – Cincinnati British Car Day** – Fairfield, OH  
– details will be available at:

<https://www.bccgc.org/british-car-day>



**18-20 – Stowe British Invasion** – Details at the link below when they come available:

<https://www.britishinvasion.com/>



**Dayton Concours d'Elegance**  
at Carillon Park

**20 – Dayton Concours d'Elegance** – more information at:

<https://daytonhistory.org/events/special-events/dayton-concours-delegance/>

**26 – Farm Stand Tour** – Details TBD, but mum's the word...

**October 2026**



**3 – Secret Garden Tour** – get your fall decorations ready to go!

**7 - MVT Monthly Meeting**



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#### 14-18 – VTR National Convention

This year VTR National Convention moves to Kerrville, TX. It's not too early to plan your trip. Your events chair is already highlighting things along the way.

<https://stta.wildapricot.org/VTR2026>



**TBD – Trunk or Treat for Triumphs** – details TBD, but it sounds interesting

#### November 2026

##### 4 - MVT Monthly Meeting



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**7 – Guy Fawkes Fete** – roast the villain! Details TBD.



**15 – Last Tech Session** – okay, maybe, or maybe not...

#### December 2026



**5 – Holiday Soiree:** never too early to get your brown bags together – at the Xenia FOP as last year.



TBD – Ugly Sweater Contest – Details TBD

## Technical Talk

*Edited by Bruce Clough*

### Maybe not something this month...

No tech articles were sent this month, and with the weather being, well, not so great and Inca not being on the rack, I didn't think you wanted articles on the repair and maintenance of 30-year-old Cub Cadet snowblowers or rants on Polaris Ranger batteries and tires. So – no tech stuff. I did put in a few parts orders to Moss, and they actually had the parts, and actually sent them. I also dug out some NOS stuff I had in storage but didn't do much work. I am also going to modify our Harbor Freight little trailer to one we are dragging to Oregon and back – so ordered some parts for that, but no articles there. So, I'll point you back to Jackson's tech session description for techie stuff this month.

## MVT Merch

The Club has the following fantastic, wonderful merchandise 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 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 [harrymaque@aol.com](mailto:harrymaque@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". In addition, we run these until someone tells us not to, so things might be already sold, but then again, life is an adventure!*



**For Sale:** Transmission parts for a TR3A 3-synchro transmission in good condition. Can deliver in the area. \$250 OBO. Glenn Hamilton, 937-477-3298, [glennchamilton46@gmail.com](mailto:glennchamilton46@gmail.com) - Thanks. Let me know what else you need, Glenn



**For Sale:** TR3A: 1960 TR3 (built in 1959). There's a fiberglass hardtop and some spare parts that go with this. Asking \$15,000. This is Bud Graff's old car, BTW. Located in Middletown, Ohio. (513) 435-1111 Craig Moon

**For Sale** - Original TR3 steel hardtop. No dents - good window -no headliner -could use new paint-black-\$300 - Inquire [tryanity@gmail.com](mailto:tryanity@gmail.com).

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

**Wanted – TR6.** Ben Helm is looking for a TR6. Feel free to contact him at 859-391-7395 and/or [mayraben@zoomtown.com](mailto:mayraben@zoomtown.com).

**Cars for sale: 2 TR7s:** 1980 TR7 convertible, 5-speed; Russet brown & tan Tartan interior. Formerly A/C. Weber carbs (pair). New top (black vinyl; professionally installed). Interior dyed/painted black by prev. owner; correction in

process. Driver's door damage. This car purchased new in Dayton: per documents with car.

**For Sale – 1976 TR6.** 1976 TR6, 42k miles original owner. Runs well, just needs a few minor maintenance items the owner will fix. Asking \$20K. Car is near Georgetown Indiana (adjacent to Louisville KY).



Contact John Banet 812-725-3579,  
[j51.banet@twc.com](mailto:j51.banet@twc.com) - call text or email for pertinent info.

**Purposed Budget 2026 Miami Valley Triumphs**

<b><u>Expenses</u></b>						
<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Month</u></b>	<b><u>2023</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>	<b><u>2025P</u></b>	<b><u>2025A</u></b>	<b><u>2026P</u></b>
Awards Banquet	March	\$850.00	\$1056.00	\$1000.00	\$1663.00	\$1700.00
Year End Awards	March	\$355.00	\$295.00	\$400.00	\$444.00	\$500.00
Club Liability Insurance	August	\$250.00	\$315.00	\$250.00	\$315.00	\$315.00
Summer Party	August	\$325.00	\$250.00	\$350.00	0	0
Web Hosting	July	\$340.00	\$300.00	\$350.00	\$370.00	\$400.00
Post Office Box	August	\$194.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$210.00	\$220.00
Donations	Yearly	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$300.00	\$200.00
Christmas Party	December	\$160.00	\$230.00	\$250.00	\$202.00	\$210.00
Misc Expense**	Yearly	<u>\$545.00</u>	<u>\$45.00</u>	<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>\$369.00</u>	<u>\$210.00</u>
Summary		<b>\$3169.00</b>	<b>\$2840.00</b>	<b>\$3200.00</b>	<b>\$3873.00</b>	<b>\$3755.00</b>
<b><u>Income</u></b>						
Membership Dues	Yearly	\$1030.00	\$1175.00	\$1200.00	\$1045.00	\$1100.00
BCD Final Payout	October	\$1500.00	\$1800.00	\$1500.00	\$2100.00	\$1800.00
50/50	Yearly	\$185.00	\$200.00	\$175.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Brown Bag Receipt	January	\$207.00	\$138.00	\$150.00	\$260.00	\$250.00
Misc Income*	Yearly	<u>\$2865.00</u>	<u>\$335.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$394.00</u>	<u>\$405.00</u>
Summary		<b>\$5787.00</b>	<b>\$3648.00</b>	<b>\$3200.00</b>	<b>\$3999.00</b>	<b>\$3755.00</b>
<b><u>Annual Club Financial Status</u></b>						
2023		\$3754.63			\$6397.09 (\$2642.46)	
2024		\$6397.09			\$7233.15 (\$836.06)	
2025		\$7233.15			\$7365.20 (\$132.05)	

\*Misc Income includes Memorabilia, extra BCD Shirts, Donations misc income.

\*\*Misc Expenses over the year includes new members Name Tags, and other unforecasted expenditures.