



The Marque - July 2023

Marque Editor's Comment



My favorite position at TRA 2023...

This edition of the Marque has been put together a bit quicker than I would like, so it might be a little rough around the edges, with missing parts, typos, etc. We'll pick up any corrections in July...

July MVT Events:

- 5 - MVT Monthly Meeting
- 15 - J3P Tour

In This Marque

- Besides TRA 2023, not really all that much...
- Did I mention free beer?

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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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Club Website:

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

We are also on **Facebook** at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1654893204751113/> - this is a closed group so you will need to request joining.

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

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

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 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: <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.

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.

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/>

Officer's Reports

President's Report

It's all about TRA

John Coutant

It is clear that most everyone in MVT was focused on TRA 2023 during the month of June. So many of you contributed to the success of the event and without your help we could not have done it. The feedback from those who attended was very positive overall and for all the individual tours and activities that we had set up.



I have tried to thank as many people individually as possible but would thank to give a blanket thank you to everyone again for your work on TRA 2023.

Most of us are collecting our breath and trying to take care of all the things that we have had to personally postpone for the last few weeks. We will get back to a more normal routine for the club starting this month. We have a tour coming up after everyone recovers from the Fourth of July celebrations.

Then it is back in planning mode for Dayton British Car Day coming up all too quick on Saturday, August 5th. We'll be asking for help again as we need people for registration, ballot counting, parking, and other aspects of BCD that we are responsible for.

It is summer so keep driving those Triumphs when you can. Remember the cool of the morning or evening is a great time for a drive.

Secretary's Report/Last Month's Meeting Minutes – June 23

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

Twenty-six (26) members were present and no visitors.

Opening Remarks and Welcome – John Coutant

Request for Changes and Additions to the Agenda – None

Introduction of Guests/New Members – None

Officers Reports

- President – John Coutant spoke about the on-going need for volunteers to assist at the upcoming TRA 2023.
- Vice-President – Chuck White reiterated John's request for volunteers.
- Treasurer – Harry Mague stated the club has a checking account balance of \$2423.22.
- Secretary – Clyde Collins made a request for changes/corrections to the May meeting minutes as published in The Marque. No comments. Stan Seto made a motion (seconded by Bruce Clough) to approve the minutes as published, and membership voted to approve.
- Membership Chair – Valerie Relue stated our roster number is at 56, and we continue to collect annual dues. Individual e-mails will soon be distributed to those who have not paid.
- Events Chair – Bruce Clough discussed the following:
 - **May 7** - Wine Flash Mob at Caesar's Creek Vineyard; May 13 - Visit to Hueston Woods (thanks to participants); May 17 - TRA 2023 Meeting (thanks to participants); May 20 – Thanks to Roger and Carol Rutledge for the All Day bologna sandwich inclusive tour.
 - **June 6** – TRA 2023 Tech Sessions Dry Run; June 17 – Drop Off TRA 2023 items at Hueston Woods; June 18 – Preliminary TRA 2023 prep prior to Staff Mixer that evening; June 19-23 – TRA 2023 at Hueston Woods
 - **July 15** – The Jeff/Jodi/John/Patti Tour; July 22 – Dublin Car Show
 - **August 5** – Dayton BCD; August 12 – Indianapolis British Motor Day; August 26 – Bob Pool "Orphan" Car Show followed perhaps by Caesar's Creek Vineyard visit

- **September** 10 – Cincinnati BCD; September 16 – MVT Pool-less Pool Party; Late September – VTR 2023 in Dillard, Georgia

Standing Committee Reports

- Technical – Bruce Clough talked about his less than stellar experience with **Headlight Experts** involving an LED bulb “kit” with no instructions, an additional necessary purchase of clip adapters, and a no refund policy when he attempted a merchandise return.
- Marque – Bruce Clough requested that folks keep the articles coming in and also do their own write ups of any MVT tours.
- Spare Parts – Chris Yanity circulated a flyer from parts dealer Richard Ludwig as well as contact info for Automotive Archaeology owner Jeremy Chapin.
- Website – John Coutant reported the website is constantly evolving. Chuck White is working on an index of tech articles previously published in The Marque. This index will eventually be posted on our website with a link to each article’s location.
- Memorabilia – Harry Mague has it.

Event Committee Reports

- TRA 2023 – Bruce commented that volunteers are needed in various capacities. There are lots of registrations so it should be a good show. There is a need for more cones and clip boards.
- BCD 2023 – Stan Seto stated there are currently 47 registrations. He is preparing to mail registration forms to participants who prefer not to register on-line.

Old Business

- Discussion on Motion to Amend By Laws – Stan Seto referred to the Ballot Proposal for MVT By-Laws (pertaining to member contact in the event of a last minute cancellation) published in the June Marque and asked for comments. No comments.

The proposal will be published again in the next Marque.

- Discussion on MVT Poster for BTM – Valerie Relue distributed copies of proposed MVT advertisement poster for display at the British Transportation Museum and suggested purchasing an additional smaller poster for use at our BCD t shirt booth display. Input was sought re poster content and pricing was discussed. Scott Stout made a motion (seconded by Mark Senter) to purchase two posters. This was approved by membership vote.

New Business – None

Split the Pot – \$19 went to John Coutant.

Chuck White made a motion (seconded by Stan Seto) to adjourn the meeting. John Coutant did so at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted – *Valerie Relue*

Treasurer’s Report



As of 1 June 2023, the club account had a balance of \$2423.22. This is corrected for additional membership monies for \$40.02 occurring after the Marque was published. For the month of June, the club’s income was from 50/50 for \$19.00 and \$280.08 in membership renewals. We had no expenses for the month of June. As of 1 July, 2023, the club’s account balance is \$2722.30. Remember all, it is membership renewal.

Respectfully submitted, *Harry Mague*

Membership Chair Report

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We bid the Owens a great move to NC!

Valerie Relue

Events Chair Report



TRA 2023 is done, put a fork in it. Let's press ahead to BCD and beyond!

TRA 2024 – be there or be square.

Bruce Clough, MVT Events Chair

MVT Events

Past

June 2023



The Whole Damn Month

Or at least it felt like the entire month was subsumed by TRA. Since I don't have a lot of time to type, I'm going to do this in pictures with snappy headings. Thanks to all of MVT, and especially to those who were on site helping. All who attended had a great time. I'll talk a bit more at the meeting, and I promise not to volunteer us to do this again for a while... *Cheers – Bruce*



Did you know we also did weddings at TRA 2023? Leftovers Sunday for Saturday's wedding. Somehow those flower remains got stuck on Inca...



Parking lot Sunday evening as folks arrived - talk to Bruce about the trailer parking...



Early Breakfast Run Parking Lot – Thanks to Chuck and Chris for talking the owners into hosting – the restaurant did an excellent job!



Pres John telling them TR tales...



Picnic @ Miami U – Millett Hall Parking – fantastic being able to park on the wide walkways into the building



Covered Bridge Tour underway – look, a bridge! Thanks to John for organizing and the weather for holding!



Artistic shot by Frank – hotel staff loved it so much they asked for some use rights!



The awards all lined up to give out!



Another shot of the TRs in front of Millett Hall



Banquet centerpieces were reused from our abortive tries at 2020 and 2021 – thanks Chris!



All that was left of the registration room Friday before we left. All that work and this was all it came down to – lol...



Marking its territory...



One of many shots of the car show on the shores of Acton Lake – Chris Yanity in the foreground setting his autojumble display up – he made good money – ask him to buy your dinner!



Squirt guns at the ready for the MC at the banquet – squirt guns were out in force at TRA 1987 and made a strong comeback at TRA 2023...



I should say something about the food at the banquet – it was good. Alice and Chris had a few surprises hoisted on them during the banquet, but they handles them with ease!



Never got a good picture of Harry doing the registration thing – he had it all under control, so much that by the time I got around to taking a picture he had everything cleaned up. Just use your imagination...



The concours cars were fantastic this year. TRA has very strict judging guidelines and all the cars scored above 90 points.



Another shot of the Concours field



Kelleys' Long door TR2 - stunning car and Best of Show Concours



Saturday before TRA 2023 we staged our supplies in the registration room – lots of pop, beer, and food. Hat's off to those who bought and brought it all - Stan is working under the gaze of wise ones



More Early TR's – who would have thought?



Not all TRA participants had just two feet...



I needed a short picture for the bottom of this page column – this works fine.



The Sissons were from California, so they did the traditional Triumphfest display at their car!



Think this was more artistic Frank – a shot of Neil Johnson by his car



The Macys' brought a slightly modified TR3...



Chassis judging team hard(ly) at work!



Doug's Parts brought a few gauges to the Autojumble...



We had a great selection of TR6's at TRA 2023 – and all were very nice cars!



Look Duncan – some dirt – 20 point deduction!



Need a cup holder for your TR6?



PSA: No animals were harmed before, during, or after the execution of TRA 2023...



Jeff Krupp (left) talking to Don Cumberland(right). Jeff is the TRA Newsletter Editro and meet photographer. Don is just old (lol)...



Jeff Barth admiring John Lloyd's Spitfire – it is a fine automobile!



We had a lot of cars on the show field, but we still had 10 or so cars not in the show – here is one looking a bit lonely!



Hey look – it's our VP!



Our own Wendell Terrill (with an assumed family member) and his TR250



Editor's Favorite Early TR at the Meet – Brarry Cox's TR3A



All by their lonesomes – Wedge and Spit parking at the show...

second place Marcia Oot doing her winning run.



The Idle Threat Crowd was tough that day...



Scott Huey Sighting – honest!



Long-haired freak Bruce the Auctioneer selling White's Whirlygig – thank Alice for the pants! Did I mention we have free beer?



After the car show was over we ran The Idle Threat – an anti-autocross that judges how slow you can go around a course – here is



Lots of MVT Winners at the Meet – here are Bridgett & Payne taking first place in the Hotel Rally



Chicken Award went this year to a lucky individual that almost lost both front tires due to misalignment – how stylish!



And here is the Meet Registrar and Trusty Sidekick winning an Award (think it was second place in the Hotel Rally?) - full list of winners in next Marque



Stan Seto presenting Mike Hado with the Franz Bachmann Long Distance Award – This is presented to the person who drove their TR the longest distance to the meet. Franz died earlier this year, but when he was alive was know to drive his TR3A anywhere. Franz was a TTR FOG (Funny Old Guys) member and participated in the yearly FOG Tour along with Stan and Mike, so it was fitting for Stan to present this to Mike



All good thing must end - parking lot early Friday morning before the exodus – safe trip home everyone

So that was it – a week filled with fun that I just scratched the surface with a few pictures.

Everyone I talked to had fun – we certainly did, but I got less sleep than I normally do, so I felt a bit drained when we got home. We did stop at Laff's II just west of Middletown for lunch – great place, maybe we'll go there on a run sometime! More talk at the meeting, and again – thanks to all!

We have a new celebrity Uber driver...



Steve Solomon driving the Mayor of Dayton to lead the city's Juneteenth Parade in his TR3A

on June 17 – we hope Mayor Mims held on to the granny bar...

Future

July 2023

5 - MVT Monthly Meeting

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Agenda – July 5, 2023

Opening Remarks and Welcome – **John**

Request for Changes and Additions to the Agenda - **John**

Introduction of Guests/New Members – **John/Guests**

Officers Reports

- President – **John**
 - TRA at Hueston Woods
- Vice-President – **Chuck**
- Treasurer – **Harry**
- Secretary – **Clyde**
 - Approval of June's Minutes as published in the Marque
- Membership Chair – **Valerie**
 - Status update on membership renewal for 2023-2024. Dues accepted at meeting
- Events Chair – **Bruce**
 - Summary of TRA 2023
 - Upcoming events

Standing Committee Reports

- Technical – **Bruce**
- Marque – **Bruce**
- Spare Parts – **Chris**
- Website – **John**

Other

- Memorabilia – **Harry**

Event Committee Reports

- BCD 2023 - **Stan**

Old Business

- Discussion on MVT poster for BTM – **Valerie**
- Discussion on motion to amend By Laws - **Stan**

New Business

Split the Pot - **Harry**

Adjourn - **John**



15 - J3P (Jeff, Jodi, John & Patti) Tour

Away we go on another fantastic tour – We are gathering at Cafe 19 (19 W National Rd) in Englewood at 9:00ish and will wrap up by 3:00ish. Obviously includes a lunch. Other details to follow – look to email and Facebook (MVT Group) for those details!

August 2023

2 - 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.

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5 - Dayton BCD – Due to TRA 2023 we have not said much about this, but expect us to ramp up real soon (like 24 June) on this. Actually, we have a lot of stuff done, but we can always ask for volunteer help.

12 - Indy BCD

26 - Orphan Car Show & something tour

September 2023

6 - 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.

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11 - Cincinnati BCD - Aubrey Rose Foundation British Car Day, Sunday, Sept. 11, Noon – 3 pm in Village Green Park

Presented by the British Car Club of Greater Cincinnati. Live music by British Invasion from 1 - 3 pm, All British Cars Welcome to Display

70+ Awards by Popular Vote, Live Music, Food and Beer Trucks, Split The Pot, all proceeds Benefit Aubrey Rose Foundation

Entry Fee: Early Bird: Register before September 1st \$20.00 + FREE T-Shirt, after that \$25.00 per car. Registration is now open at:

<https://www.bccgc.org/bcd-registration>

14-17 The Wedge Shop Reunion at Stow British Invasion - TWS Gathering 2023 - Sept 14 - 17 - Stowe, VT USA

Join us for the premier British Car gathering in the Northeast! Our event will be alongside the British Invasion show in Stowe, VT.

[Show Info & Registration](#)

- Full schedule and host hotel info soon.
- Mix of back road drives, car show, dinners, driving events and socializing!
- Driving events (auto-x, dyno day) for all the on road cars, along with an off road driving event (back woods, dirt roads) for all the Land Rovers.
- Rover V8 Tech session by TWS (Clint & Woody Cooper).

Free T-Shirts and other swag for all attendees.

16 – Pool-less Pool Party - @ the Rutledges

17 - Fairborn Car Show



27 Sep - 1 Oct VTR 2023 - Dillard, GA

<https://vtr2023.org>

There will be a couple groups headed to VTR this year – if you want more info corner Bruce or John Clifford.

October 2023

4 - 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.

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14 - Farm Stand Tour

21 - LMRT/FFT/RWTGTVV Tour

November 2023

1 - 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.

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4 - Guy Fawkes Roasting

?? - The Last Tech Session

December 2023

? - Holiday Soiree - so let's talk about this. Can we find a different date so those of us that might want to go to Trans-Siberian Orchestra might be able to go?

? - Ugly Sweater Gathering - yes, we will plan another one of these at a watering hole around SW Ohio

Dayton British Car Day

Stan Seto

Dayton British Car Day (aka BCD) is August 5th, and it's never too early to prepare. Registration and other information can be found at:

<https://britishcardaydayton.com/>

Since this is an MVT event, and since we all want to support the club, I can think of no excuse besides a zombie apocalypse not to register.

It is still at Edgewater Metro Park, the registration cost has increased by \$5 to cover increased park costs, and to take advantage of the early-bird free t-shirt special you need to register by July 22nd.

Volunteers? Yes, we will need them. We will start asking for volunteers to help various jobs soon -

sign-up sheets will probably starting the rounds next month.

Remember - it's your show, so come out and support MVT and the hobby.

Ballot Proposal for MVT By Laws, June 2023

Stan Seto

Background:

At the May meeting there was discussion on the proposed ballot below. One set of changes has been submitted, considered and partially incorporated. If any Miami Valley Member has a suggestion for change, they may submit it to Stan (stans@fuse.net) in the next two months.

The June issue of the Marque will become the start of the ballot consideration. The second review will be in the July issue with the ballot that will be voted on at the August meeting if no changes are required.

Ballot Proposal:

4.0 – Meetings

4.4 To quickly communicate any very near-term meeting cancellations or some other important news item to the club members, the MVT elected officers will divide up the membership list, each officer calling a portion of the membership to provide the emergency information.

One way to determine the number of members that each officer will contact is: {Total membership minus No. of Officers} divided by No. of Officers. Value to be rounded to a whole number. If fractional value is less than 0.50, round down, if 0.5 or greater, round up..

Technical Talk

Edited by Bruce Clough

No tech articles this month – why?

TRA 2023

Cheers - Bruce

MVT Memorabilia

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



MVT Enamel Car Badge - \$30.00



MVT Cloth Patch - \$12.00



MVT Pin - \$5.00



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



MVT Car Flag - \$5.00



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



MVT Window Sticker - \$1.00

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: TR3 -3B steel hardtop for sale \$300, TR3 -3A rear seat with brackets \$100 Inquire - tryanity@gmail.com



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."



For Sale - I no longer need the following so they are for sale: One-ton engine hoist, good condition; used maybe 10 times. \$125. Engine stand, good condition, \$50. Or both together for \$125. Jeff John - jajohn1469@gmail.com