



The Marque

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



Marque Editor – Fall 1984 tearing up a '66 TR4A in in-law's back yard. Fun had by all!

March 2018

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/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 Marque is the 22nd of the month.

MVT is a Chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register (<http://vintagetriumphregister.org/>) and Center of the Triumph Register of America (<http://triumphregister.com/>). We actively participate in activities of these clubs and their endeavors to preserve the marque. In addition to the above national clubs you also might want to check out 6-Pack (TR6/TR-250) <http://www.6-pack.org/j15/> and the North American Spitfire Squadron for Triumph Spitfire and GT6 owners <http://www.nasshq.org/>.

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/>

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Miami Valley Triumphs is a registered chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register and a local center of the Triumph Register of America. Membership is \$20 yearly and is usually paid in May. Non-renewing members are deleted from the mailing list.

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at a location as published on the MVT website or in "the Marque", and/or by Email. General membership meetings are at 7:30 pm with informal dinner starting at 6:30 pm prior to the meeting. Anyone interested is most heartily invited to attend. Triumph car ownership is not required.

Technical advice given within is the opinion of the writer and should not be construed as professional advice nor relied upon. They are not official advice of Miami Valley Triumphs, MVT officers, or MVT members. As with all maintenance and repairs the reader should do their homework and get multiple opinions.

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Officer's Reports

President's Report



Hope to see you at Archer's Restaurant on the 7th of March. I encourage anyone who knows club members who are not regularly attending, to give them a call of invitation.

For the first time in a long time the Awards Banquet will occur before the March monthly meeting. I am not sure if Bruce will try to publish the March Marque before the banquet or not. If he waits and publishes after the Banquet, we can include the Club Award winner's names. He will get this before the banquet, so we'll see.

Hats off to Lois Bigler, who annually sets up both the Holiday Soiree and the Awards Banquet. She's got it all down to a science. Thank You, Lois.

Two weeks ago I borrowed my son-in-law's second hand Ford F250 Extended wheelbase pick-up truck and drove 1200 miles to, eventually, Cypress, Texas to reclaim my engine and transmission for the TR3B. On the way down, I cut across Texas on Rte. 79, to New Braunfels, to visit a day with a guy I know who owns a Morgan, which he just got second or third hand from someone in Connecticut. Good looking car, TR4A

engine and a Jaguar gearbox. Cream colored body with black fenders, very stylish.

Now the two weeks prior to this trip, I had watched the ambient temperature for Houston, and it was mid-'70's to mid-80's. I packed accordingly. I was there 5 days and it never got into the '50's. The morning we took the Morgan out for a spin it was hi-thirties and the car just did not warm up and the engine quit every time I pushed the clutch in. Six miles later, we drove it back to the garage. Not real impressive performance. Will have to go back in the summer.

Drove to Houston and got the engine and transmission loaded without a lot of problem, and drove back to Cincinnati in pretty much pouring rain. Saturday morning got John Coutant and my son and son-in-law, and we unloaded the truck in a snowstorm, and got the rig into the garage. So, now as soon as I clean up the engine bay and frame some more, we should be able to re-install the engine in the car. I smell a tech session!

Also, the local ambient temperature in Houston, and here is back up into the 80's.

The officers for the next two years will not change, but we do have two candidates each for each of the four awards. A ballot has been prepared. We asked everyone to vote by the 28th of February so the winners can be announced on the 3rd of March.

Told Skip Peterson of the MG club that Miami Valley had discussed increasing the fee for BCD and had voted to maintain the price at \$15.00 with a free T-shirt for pre-registering. Looks like that's how we will go forward until we actually see a reason to increase the registration fee. First BCD Meeting will be on 6 March at the Poelking Bowling Lanes on Knightsbridge at 6:30 PM.

We still have only one pre-registration for BCD, so I hope John Scocozzo opens the website soon.

Best regards, Stan Seto

Vice President's Report

In lieu of a report this month the VP sent in a graphic:



I'm not quite sure what to make of this...

Treasurer's Report

As of 1February 2018, the club account had a balance of \$4265.23. For the month of February, the club's only income was from 50/50 for \$12.00. The club had the following expense: Web Renewal for \$120.00, \$4.86 Marque Expense and \$465.96 for the Awards. Total expense for the month was: \$590.82. As of March 1, 2018, Club's account balance is \$3686.41.

You humble servant Harry

Events Chair Report

We added a few events this month – received the info on the British Transportation Museum's car show as well as several other events – check out the listings.

Events Tsar Bruce

Membership Chair Report

Our MVT membership count holds steady at 44.

Thanks.

Valerie

Marque Editor's Report

Hat's off to Chuck for passing along the four pages of the 2nd The Marque ever published sent to Rex Spencer in Tipp City in June 1978. I have included these as the last for pages of this

month's The Marque – A blast from the past and even this old fart only recognizes a few names – bet our VP could talk about a few of them – we both could tell stories about Gary Goodman's daughter...

Thanks to John Coutant for a great article about a discrete alternator conversion for the TR3A – a great update option for those who want their cars to look stock, and Roy found an old TR3 ad.

Cheers – Bruce

Secretary's Report - Last Month's Membership Meeting Minutes (LM4)

The meeting was called to order by President Stan Seto at 7:33 PM with a hail to the Queen. There were 27 members in attendance.

Agenda Changes & Addition – none

Guests and/or new members – No new members or guests in attendance.

President –President Stan Seto said he is heading to Texas to pick up his transmission and bring it home. He enjoyed the club Super Bowl party at the Yanity's. He has been an Eagles' fan for a long time. Recommended the movie "The Shape of Water". Others recommended "The Post" and "I, Tonya".

Vice President – Dan Stinson was not in attendance.

Treasurer – Harry Mague reported we have \$4265.23 in the account. Our only expected expense is the Awards Banquet in March.

Secretary – Patti Clifford said the minutes were in the Marque and asked for additions or corrections. No corrections. Patti made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Bruce Clough. Motion carried.

Membership Chair –Val Relue reported that we currently have 44 members. A revised roster has been posted to the Marque.

Events Chair

Review of January Events

*Tech session at Jackson Galloway's where a few things were fixed and a few were broken.

*Thanks to Chris and Chris Yanity for hosting the Super Bowl party.

Upcoming Events:

- February 25 – Valentine's Day Dinner at Chop House 6:00. Currently have reservations for 22.
- Looking into the Buckeye Triumph Swap Meet – used to be in February, but have not seen any info.
- March 3 – Annual Awards Dinner at the Beaver Creek Golf Club, social starts at 6:15, dinner following at 7:00
- March 10 – Tech Session at John Coutant's.

Committee Reports

- Regalia – Harry Mague said will have the regalia items at the March Awards Banquet for anyone who would like to purchase something.
- Technical – It is reported that Mark Macy is working to provide triangular pieces for TR2 & TR3 doors. These pieces should be available soon.
- Spare Parts – Chris Yanity reminded all to post any items you need to get rid of on the website.
- Marque –Bruce Clough thanked everyone who contributed to the Marque this month. As always, if you have articles or pictures for the Marque, email Bruce at cloughowenclough@outlook.com. Please let him know if you find errors on the webpage. Our club email is: miamivalleytriumphs@gmail.com
- British Car Days - Stan Seto brought up the fact that Skip Peterson asked if we should raise the entry fee from \$15 to \$20, and should we still give a free T-shirt to the Pre-registered. A lively debate followed. Calling for a vote, the club voted

to keep the current entry fee and free T-shirt until such a time that the club cost to hold the event increased significantly, and by an almost unanimous margin.

Old Business – Nominations were opened for President, Treasurer, and Secretary. There were no new nominations. Current nominees are:

- President: Stan Seto
- Treasurer: Harry Mague
- Secretary: Patti Clifford.

Nominations were also opened for the Awards. There were no new nominations for Marque of Distinction, Keep it on the Road, or Most Improved. Jackson Galloway was nominated for Press on Regardless. Current nominees are:

- Keep It On The Road: Bruce Clough and Alice Owen-Clough
- Most Improved: Jackson Galloway and Harry Mague
- Press On Regardless: Jackson Galloway and Tim Moore
- Marque of Distinction: John Coutant and Harry Mague

Electronic ballots will be sent by email. Results will be announced at the March Awards Banquet.

New Business –John Coutant reported on the April Tour, which is scheduled for April 14. Each club picks a charity to sponsor for the tour. There are usually about 20 clubs participating. Last year, there were 120 cars on the tour. Our charity last year was the Dayton Food Bank and the club matched the participants' donations. We discussed this years' charity and nominated the Fisher House, Wounded Warriors, and Artemis House as possibilities.

Split the Pot –John Clifford won the pot of \$12.00.

Adjourn -A motion was made by Tim Moore to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bruce Clough. Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.

The next meeting will be March 7, 2018 at Archers.

MVT Events

Past Month's Events

February 2018

4 – Superbowl Party – Wow – what a game, and what a party. Festive feats galore - The meeting was called to order by President Stan Seto at 7:39 PM with a hail to the Queen. There were 24 members in attendance.



Notice nobody's watching the game? Only that Philly Phan Chris is smiling!



The food was fabulous!



There were multiple screens going on and people all over the place!



Valentine's Day Dinner participants before the Jello Shots were served



3 – The ever fantastic MVT Awards Banquet – And what a time it was. The culmination of another year Triumphant, with food, booze, coffee and a cake that somehow was not destroyed, but had a story attached to it (ask Lois). We launched first into gathering and conversations. Then food, then cake, then Stan, and finally awards! Weather was cool, but sunny. Again, the BGC folks did a good job with food – need to step up their game on the bourbon though...



25 – MVT Valentine's Day Dinner – Big time for all at The Chop House. Great turn out – filled their longest table and more! Glad to see folks think about other things than cars, oh wait, we do that all the time. Never mind!



Gathering – what a crowd!



Prez Stan giving the state of the club address, speaking of that, here it is!



As usual the club had a sumptuous banquet dinner...



And the cake was fantastic!

President's Remarks at Awards Banquet, Mar. 2018

Good evening and welcome to the awards banquet for 2018. Glad to see how many could make it tonight. There are 40 in attendance, the most we've had in year's.

We've just had an excellent dinner and we have to thank Lois Bigler for the great job she did reserving the facility and seeing to the catering for dinner.

I'd also like to take a minute to thank the club Officers and Secretaries for the jobs they did this past year in support of the club and its activities. Dan Stinson, the Vice President, Harry Mague, the club Treasurer, Pattie Clifford, the club secretary, Valerie Relue our Membership Secretary and Bruce Clough, the Events Planner and Co-ordinator. Thanks is also given to all those club members who pitched in on event such as BCD, the Super Bowl party, the pool-less party, the tech sessions and our rolling events.

My talk this evening is to bring to the membership the state of the club and to end with presenting the new officers for the next two years and the award winners who participated in the past year's events.

Let's start with the finances. We started 12 months ago with a balance of \$4686.51. We spend funds on getting the Marque out each month, supporting the web site, voting some Honorariums, renting the mail box and supporting this banquet and the Holiday Soiree. Offsetting expenses we took in funds from Split The Pot, the Brown Bag auction, Membership fees and BCD, which this year netted us \$1500.00, about as much as last year. We ended this February with \$4,265.23 in the bank, \$420.00 behind last year. So, financially no large change starting into 2018.

Membership, the club has had a pretty steady enrollment in 2017, hovering in the 40's for most of the year, and we ended with 44 members onboard. Some of the new members we have welcomed in 2017 are Clint Reese, Jackson Galloway, Linda and Greg Lowman and Jean and Al Smith. Welcome aboard. But we lost Mike McKitrick to Sunny Alabama (but he returns on occasion), Steve Houston and Randy Wakefield who did not re-up this year.

One of the reasons we are a sports car club is so we can hold Rolling Events. Bruce Clough has done a superb job in planning and leading some of the club driving events and Tech Sessions, and getting other members to also plan and lead these events. The Club did a heck of a lot of things in 2017 and we should have had a larger participation by club members on these drives. This past year we had some 8 or nine driving tours, including members who drove to the TRA and VTR National meets. We have had tech sessions every month at which 10's of doughnuts have been eaten and pints of coffee drunk.

We've had special events such as the Super Bowl party, the Valentine's Day Dinner, the Pooless party and the December Holiday Dinner, not to mention the Holiday Soiree and this Awards Banquet.

The club attended an Undercroft Player's presentations of "Until Beth do us Part" in downtown Dayton last winter and more recently in the late Fall "It's a Wonderful Life". We also became sponsors for this group and got advertising for the club in the last play.

BCD was a real fun event in 2017. The weather co-operated and I felt sure we were going to register 300 cars.....Alas, only 275 registered and we had 268 cars on the field. The event was run like clockwork by MVT and the Dayton MG Club. MVT brought in a Graeter's Ice Cream vendor (much to the horror of the MG Club Concessionaire's) and that vendor said he'd be back in 2018 so bring your Jack Hammers because their ice cream cups are frozen down to -275 degrees Fahrenheit.

Other things have happened in 2017, for example we do not talk a whole lot about the origin of Miami Valley Triumphs. Chuck White recently sent around an early copy of the Marque, which was given him by Mark Macy. That newsletter was dated June of 1978, and is listed as Vol. 1 Chapter 2 and addresses a couple of things, like reporting on the second meeting of the Miami Valley Triumph Sports Owners Association, the fact that they have more than 15 members, a requirement so they could be affiliated with a National club (the TSOA, probably). The letter author (club president, Art Mindermann) laments that they can't organize any rolling events, but can concentrate on Tech sessions and listing all the parts vendors of the day. I then wondered what Bruce would do with that situation?? The club did take part in a road rally put on by the Healey Club, with a mixed result, no one in the top five. I am not acquainted with any of the people on the then available phone list.

This old copy of the Marque stirred the Historical Chops of the club, and now we are looking around for old copies of the Marque for archival purposes and wondering what information Dan Stinson has as the last named Historian. Norma and I worked at publishing the Marque for a number of years in the late 90's (1996 - 2000), so I've found some of those copies, which are not on floppies, but can be scanned. So, if you have any historical data about the club, we'd like to get it archived for the future members.

The club is working on a vision for the future, suggested by Jim Sipos, it basically is get the youngsters of today interested in our cars of Yesterday.

The club also took on the task of sponsoring the 2020 TRA National event, and a small steering committee has been looking for and has, maybe, found a potential Meet site. This is something we are going to have to keep out of our publications, because it will not be announced until the end of the 2019 event, to be run by the Georgia club.

In summary I am happy to tell you that Miami Valley Triumphs is alive and kicking as much today as it was 40 years ago when founded.

Moving on, we've gone through another election cycle, the offices being President, Treasurer and Club Secretary. The current office holders have agreed to continue to serve for another 2 years, so the President is Stan Seto, the Treasurer continues to be Harry Mague and the Club Secretary is Patti Clifford. (Ask them to stand and be recognized.)

But wait, there's more.... The Club Awards are as follows:



Press on Regardless goes to Tim Moore.



Keep it On the Road was won by Alice Owen-Clough in a very tight vote.



Most Improved (Car, not Member) was awarded to Harry Mague in another very tight vote



And Marque of Distinction, as voted by the club was – John Coutant.

Further, in the voting for which Charity to support in the up coming Spring Driving Tour, the Run-away voter favorite was Fisher House.

That concludes the State of the Club address, and thank you for attending.

Please remember Daylight Savings time begins at 2 AM Sunday Morning, 11 March....

Be Careful driving Home

Upcoming Events

March 2018



7 - MVT Monthly Meeting at Archer's Tavern Kettering, 2030 East Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45420 (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.

10 – Tech Session - Roving Around Cincinnati Wrench – we are starting out at John Coutant's at 9AM to fit his front should, and then after that we are off to Prez Stan's to put the engine back in his TR3B – goal is to be at Stan's at, or before, 10AM. For later risers just meet us at Stan's. The Coutants live at 10350 Buxton Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45242 and Stan is at 1754 Lindenhall Dr., Loveland, OH 45140. There will be coffee and donuts!!!! For more info contact Bruce at

portabezi@hotmail.com or John Coutant at john.coutant@gmail.com.

April 2018

4 - MVT Monthly Meeting at Archer's Tavern Kettering, 2030 East Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45420 (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.

14 - Spring Classic Driving Tour VI (presented by Diehl Insurance).

Driving Tour on specialty vehicle appropriate scenic roads around southern Ohio.

Stops include an Amish Market where food and beverage will be available for lunch, including PIE! Or bring a picnic lunch and avoid the wait at the deli.

A second stop (tbd) will be included at one of the many attractions along the route that includes Earthworks, Historic Sites, Farms, Parks and scenic overlooks.

Driving portion is roughly 4-5 hours including stops, 140 miles traversing ridges and valleys, winding along the creeks and rivers through luscious spring vegetation.

Agenda:

- 8 am- 10 am; Coffee & Queue Up, hosted by Live and Play Cincinnati. American Modern Insurance Campus, 7000 Midland Blvd, Amelia Ohio, 45102
- Registration, waiver signing, driving instructions distributed 9:45 am;
- Driver and navigator safety meeting 10 am; First Car Club Out on driving tour
- 3 pm. - ? Cruise In on Front St along the river in New Richmond Ohio, reserved parking for tour participants, plenty of restaurants and pubs for refreshments.

21 – Tech Session - TBD

May 2018

2 - MVT Monthly Meeting at Archer's Tavern Kettering, 2030 East Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45420 (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.



19 - BTM Show. Come join the British Transportation Museum's 15th Annual Car Show, "British Cars at the Burg" for all British cars. The Show runs from 9AM to 3PM on May 19, 2018. Car registration is \$15 in before May 2012th and \$18 the day of the show. Registration will be limited to the first 100 cars. In addition to the Car Show, Miamisburg "Spring Fling" happens. The Festival consists of: The Parade, Arts and Crafts Booths, Commercial and Community Booths, along with Children's Activities and a Carnival. Over 20 Food concessions for a taste of "Fair Food." Free music and entertainment all weekend.

For more information and a registration form, visit the museum web site at: <http://www.britishtransportationmuseum.org> or contact Pete Stroble, Museum President at 937-429-0871. Hope to see some of your British cars at our show.

Registration form for the show is towards the back of the Marque.

20 - Columbus British Car Day – info has been posted at: http://www.buckeyetriumphs.org/?tribe_events=british-car-day

TBD – Need a volunteer to host a moving event!

June 2018

2 – Ft Meigs Show

6 - MVT Monthly Meeting at Archer's Tavern Kettering, 2030 East Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45420 (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.

14 - London To Brighton Run -

Week of 11 Jun – 2018 Bourbon Tour (not an official club events, but club members are invited).



18 – 21 Triumph Register of America National Meeting: Reservations are now available at Chetola Resort for Triumph Register of America's National Meeting 2018 (TRA 2018), hosted by the Triumph Club of the Carolinas (TCOC). The dates are June 18 through 21, 2018, with Concours on Wed. the 20th, Banquet on the 21st, and check out on Friday. We went with mid-week since June is a big wedding month. Individuals can check in 2 days early or stay 2 days longer at TRA price which is \$139/night for one bedroom lodge room – quite a deal for this upscale resort.

BIG note on reservations. The Lodge itself at Chetola only has 41 rooms. The majority of their accommodations are condos. They have one, two, three, and four bedroom units. They have

agreed to give us the same price per room on the condos as rooms in the lodge. So a one bedroom will be \$139/night, a two bedroom will be \$278/night, etc. Please take a note of that and visit their website (below) to see where the condos are in relationship to the Lodge – all are within walking distance. We can foresee 3 couples from a club getting a 3 bedroom and then it can become “party central” for the rest of the members of their club – hint, hint, nudge, nudge. Condos also have kitchens, multiple rooms with living space and most have a pull-out couch for more sleeping space, in other words, a deal!

When registering please mention that you are registering in the “Triumph Register Block”, registration phone number is: 828-295-5500. The resort website is:

<http://chetola.com/>

TCOC is planning on having a TRA2018 website up and running soon. If you need to contact anyone in that club prior to that message me and I will give you contact info.

Update on MVT Caravan to TRA 2018:

We will be leaving for TRA 2018 on 16 June which is a Saturday and fairly early in the morning since we will have a few stops along the way. Last time we went this way we stopped in Portsmouth, OH to take in brewery and quilt store. We could also go via Maysville for a stop in Ripley.

Night of the 16th we will be staying at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park in Kentucky. We stayed there on the way to TRA 2012 and it is a decent place. We will complete the drive to Chetola Resort on the 17th.

Returning we will pretty much do the same thing, leaving on the 22nd and getting back the 23rd staying at Jenny Wiley. The neat thing is that since we are talking a Friday and Saturday there will be lots to see along the way!

July 2018

4 - MVT Monthly Meeting at Archer’s Tavern Kettering, 2030 East Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45420 (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting

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February 2018

room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.

8 – Cincinnati BCD

17 - 21 VTR 2018. LaCrosse, WI. The following is information courtesy of Minnesota Triumphs on the meet:



“Nice day trip from La Crosse. Head up 61 for a stop at the Lark Toy store and pick up a few Christmas presents. Rated top 10 in the US. Next stop the National Raptor Center. Get up close to a Bald Eagle. Head over the river to WI and have BBQ at Pier 4. Head up the bluff for a great view from Buena Vista Park and finish off the tour with a wine tasting at Danzinger Winery.”

August 2108

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room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.

4 – Dayton British Car Day!!!!

11 - Indy British Motor Days

?? – Later August Tour – need host

September 2018

5 - **MVT Monthly Meeting** at Archer's Tavern Kettering, 2030 East Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45420 (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.

14-16 – **Mothman Festival Sojourn** – Point Pleasant WV and all points in between. Weekend of fun and “huh, what’s that?”

29 – **Farm Stand Tour XI** – get your pumpkins here!

October 2018

3 - **MVT Monthly Meeting** at Archer's Tavern Kettering, 2030 East Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45420 (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room literally behind the bar towards the Dorothy Lane side of the tavern. Dinner starts at 6:30, meeting at 7:30.

TBD – several other tours

November 2018

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17 – **Tech Session** - TBD

December 2018

1 – **MVT Holiday Soiree & Meeting** – Bergamo

16 – **MVT Holiday Dinner Night Out**

MVT Technical Corner

Dynamator Conversion for TR2/3/4 – John Coutant

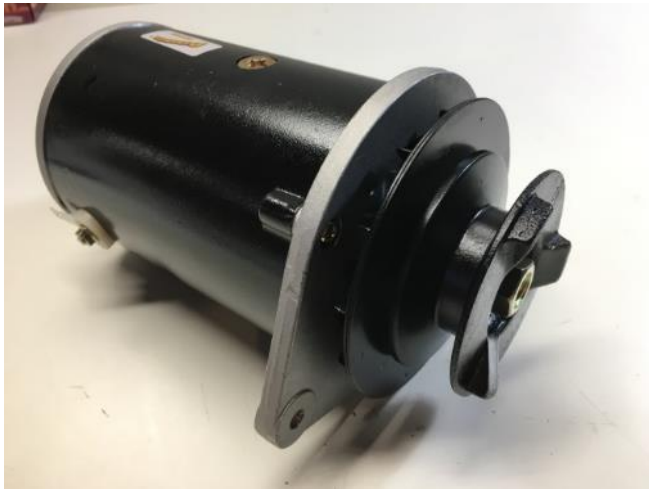
First of all, what the heck is a Dynamator? A Dynamator (AccuSpark-UK) is an alternator in a body that looks identical to an original Lucas 39 dynamo (generator) which was original equipment on TR2-4. As the maximum output of the original Lucas dynamo is only 19 amps, many people have converted to an alternator to supply more current to run things like additional lighting and electric fans for cooling. Alternator conversions are available from a number of the usual suppliers (e.g. Moss) and do-it-yourself instructions are available (our Bruce Clough presented at TRA 1995 which you can find online – Google it).

The reason I decided to go with a Dynamator was to retain a totally original look yet get the advantage of a 45 amp alternator. Prices for the Dynamator have dropped and I paid \$200 (including shipping). To keep the original look, I want to continue to use the wide belt. I could have taken the fan/pulley off my generator...

Dynamator Alternator

But Roy Owens gave me a spare set which I cleaned up and used. That way I could keep the original generator as intact.

Installation of the Dynamator is relatively straightforward as the mounting points are identical to the original generator. However when I placed both units together on the bench, I noticed that there was a slight difference in the



distance from the body of the Dynamator to the pulley compared to that of the generator. Careful measurement showed this difference to be small, about 0.100". To make sure the belt alignment was as close as possible, I took 0.100" off the hexagonal front mounting post on a lathe and compensated with 2 washers (that totaled the same thickness) between the rear generator mount and the Dynamator. This had the effect of moving the unit back into alignment.

When an alternator conversion is done, the voltage regulation is controlled internally in the alternator and the original control box is no longer needed. You can just eliminate the control box but if you want to keep originality as much as possible you can use a modified control box as a junction box. In fact Moss currently even sells such a modified control box for use with alternator conversions. I decided to modify an old control box that I had. As a guide I referred to a post on The Triumph Experience in the TR2/3 Forum by Barry Shefner.

This is what a control box looks like from both the side without the cover and bottom.



Original Control Box – side view

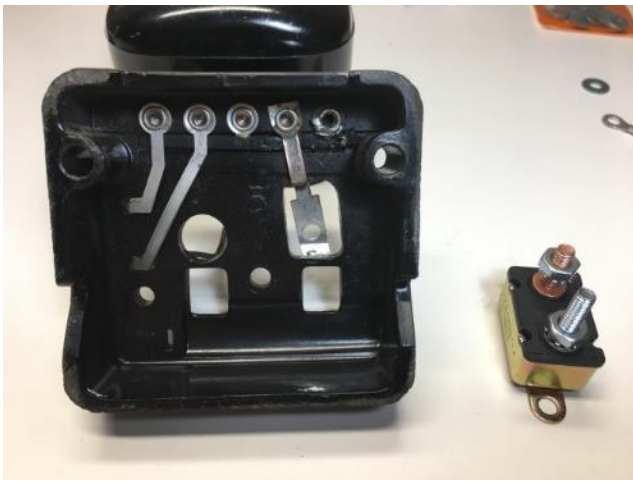


Original Control Box – bottom view

What is amazing to me is that these old analog systems worked as well as they did. Oh well, first step to get rid of everything as this box is on its way to becoming a fuse holder and terminal strip. When finished there will be only one input to a fuse and two outputs to the wiring harness. The other two positions will not connect to anything internal and only act as a terminal strip to connect wires within the wiring harness.

The fuse used is a 50 Amp Type 1 Fuse (auto reset).

This is what the bottom looks like after removing connections that were not need.



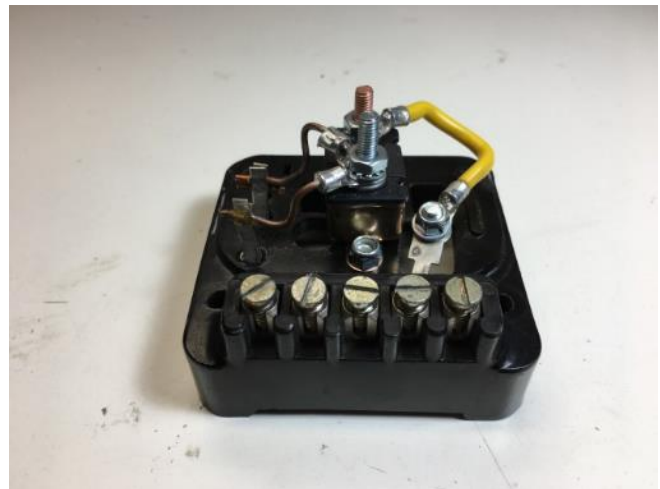
Modified Control Box and 50A fuse –bottom

The side view of the modified box shows not much remaining, just the existing connections that will be used to connect to the fuse. Ring terminal ends have been soldered to the existing wires.



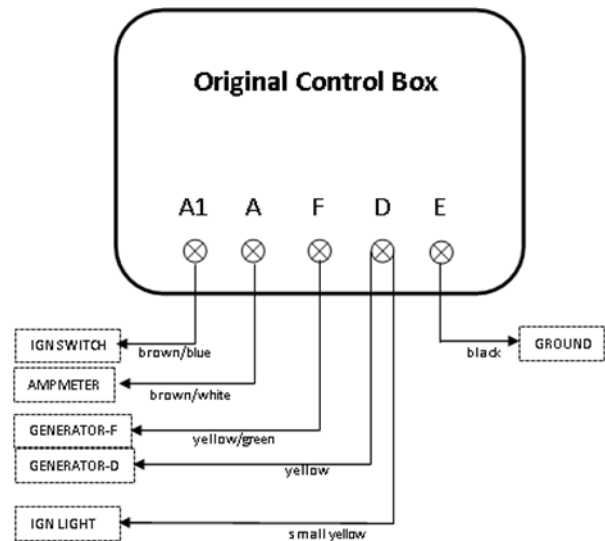
Modified Control Box – side view

The next steps were just to mount the fuse in the center of the control box. A short length of 10 gauge wire with ring terminals was run from the input side of the fuse to the flat connector on the right and the two wires with ring terminals to the output side of the fuse.



Modified control box complete –without cover

This is what the finished control box looks like. Put on the cover and you cannot tell it from an original one. Changes in the wiring for the original and modified control box are below. Only 1 wire needs to be moved.



There were a couple of other things that I did in connection with the Dynamator conversion. It was recommended to add an additional wire from the Dynamator to the modified control box to handle the additional amperage an alternator can produce. I ran a length of yellow, 10 gauge wire from the Dynamator to the control box along with the original wire. As part of the winter maintenance/upgrade I also replaced all my wiring harnesses (something I should have done 5 years ago when I restored the car) with new ones. I was able to install the additional wire and combine with the original wire, then wrap with wiring harness

tape so everything was hidden and original looking.

The other thing I did was make a shunt for the ammeter. The ammeter has a +/- 30 Amp range so with a 45 Amp alternator, more than 30 amp is possible pegging the meter. A shunt is a length of wire with a calculated resistance in milliohms to change the full scale range of the meter. Using some input from the forums, this calculates to be 7" of solid 14 gauge wire. If not correct this is easy to change.

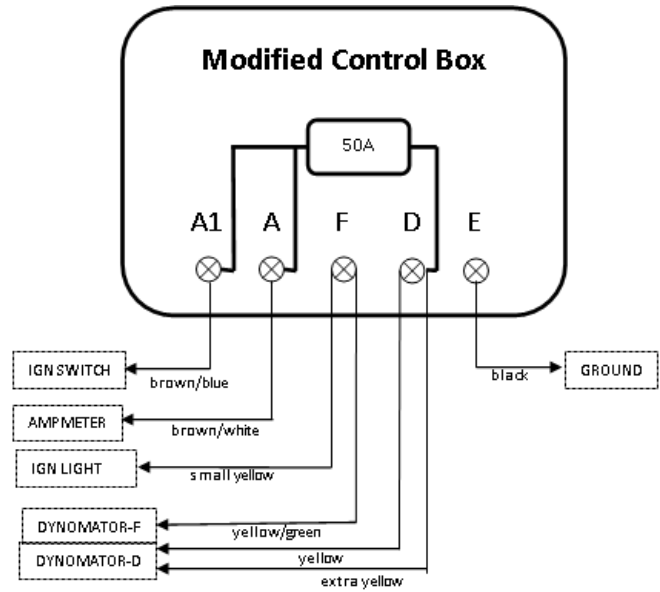
The Dynamator and modified control box are mounted on the car and new wiring harness installed and connected.



Dynamator installed

As you can see there is some additional work before I can give a performance check. The issue that started this, a leak in the radiator, has been fixed and is waiting reinstallation. While the front clip was off was an ideal time to do the electrical upgrades. In addition I am replacing the hoses even though they don't need it but it will give me an extra 5 years down the line. Also I am installing a Macy's hurricane fan as I am tired of watching the temperature gauge climb to the top while stuck in traffic. The reinstallation of the front clip is already scheduled in March for a MVT tech session.

We'll give an update in a future Marque on the performance.



Project Trashy

By: "Crazy Jack" Galloway
No report this month – see jack for the sordid details!

MVT Memorabilia

The Club has the following memorabilia for sale.



MVT Enamel Car Badge - \$30.00



MVT Cloth Patch - \$12.00



MVT Pin - \$5.00



MVT Car Flag - \$5.00



MVT Window Sticker - \$1.00

All the memorabilia is available at each Club meeting upon request. Pls 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".

WANTED - TR3 Luggage Rack in as new condition (No drill , Hinge pin mounted type) Contact Chris at tryanity@gmail.com.

Wanted – old unwanted Triumph parts. Starting to make art from old Triumph parts. Looking for smaller parts that you are keeping since you feel guilty about throwing them out. Especially electrical parts and smaller engine items. Contact Bruce at clough-owenclough@outlook.com – Thanks!

For Sale – 1974 TR6 – Nice straight car-excellent driver and damn good looking car. Contact Larry Tomlin for more information and pictures, tomlin48@att.net, 937 361 4398

British Cars in the "Burg" Sat. May 19, 2018

REGISTRATION FORM

-Show held Rain or Shine-

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Club Affiliation: _____

Make _____ Model _____ Year _____

Pre-registration: \$15.00

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The British Transportation Museum will hold its 15th Annual British Car Show on Saturday May 19, 2018. The Show will be a new venue, Riverfront Park, Miamisburg. In conjunction with the Museum car show, Miamisburg's Spring Festival will be happening. The Festival will have a Parade, Arts and Crafts Booths and a Carnival. Over 20 Food Concessions for a taste of "Fair Food". The Car Show runs from 9AM to 3PM. Registration will be limited to the first 100 cars. *Spectators are welcome free of charge. Tell a friend.* For more information, contact Tim Bosse, 937-974-4076 or Pete Stroble, 937-429-0871 or email the Museum at btmpres@gmail.com. Visit the Museum web site at: www.britishtransportationmuseum.org

Directions to the British Car Show in Miamisburg:

From Interstate 75 use Exit 44 to Ohio 725 to

Miamisburg. Ohio 725 becomes Central Avenue.

West Central Avenue to Riverfront Park

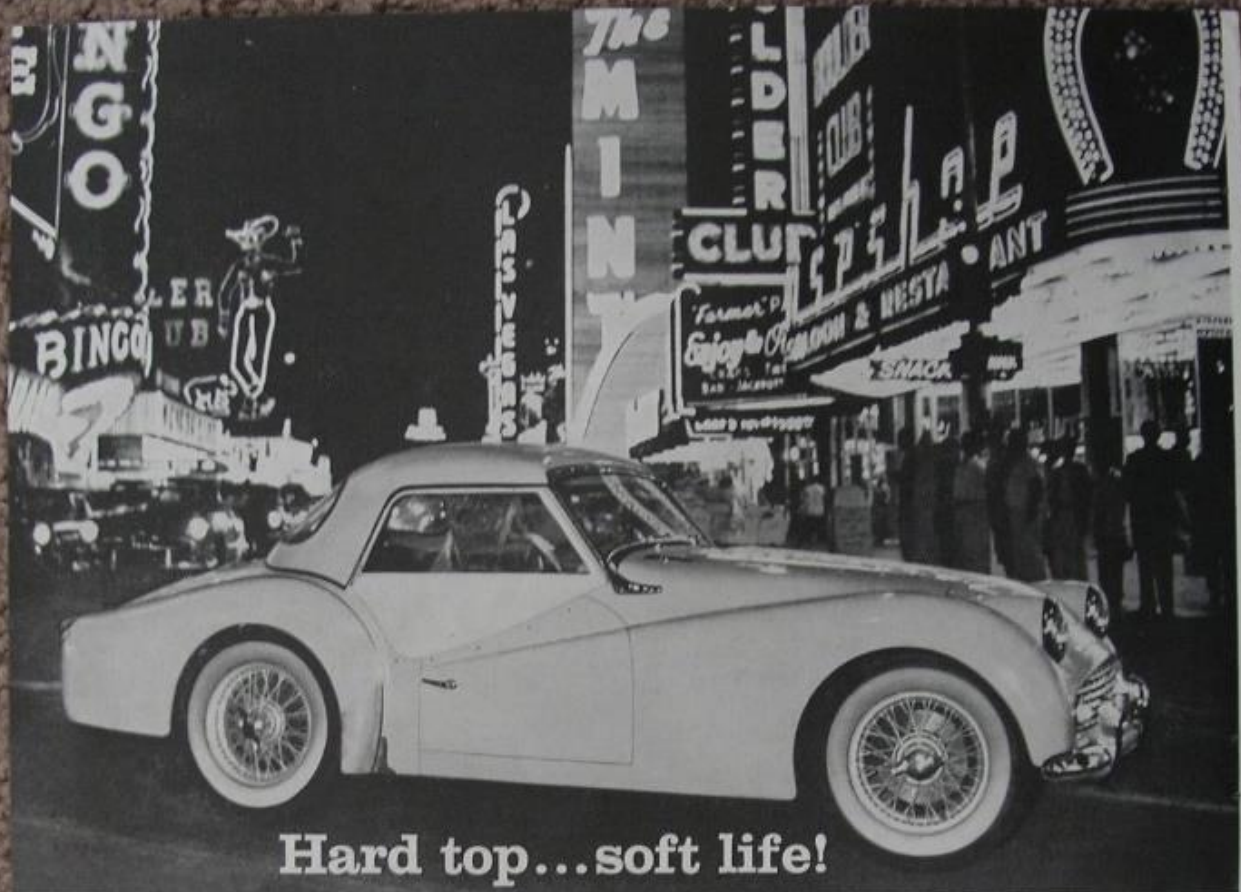
Riverfront Park

3 North Miami Avenue

Miamisburg, Ohio 45342

Join us at 3:00pm after the Car Meet for an Open House at the Museum's New Building at

321 Hopeland St., Dayton



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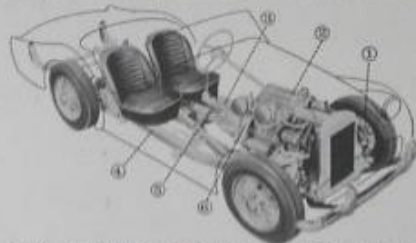
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At the second meeting of the Miami Valley Triumph Sports Owners Association, we met our requirement of 15 paid members to fulfill our affiliation agreement with the National Organization. At last we are on our way to reaching our goals, but the real work is only just beginning.

What we need to do now is bear in mind the fact that we are a "CAR CLUB", and must begin to function as such. As our club is only in its infancy, I can't see how we can do much in the way of Rallies, etc; during this season. What we can do though, is work together towards the organization of our Tech Sessions and Parts Suppliers, especially those that are willing to extend a discount to our Club. Let's face it, we all need something. As it stands now, very few of us are aware of what the other needs and so do not know if we are able to help each other, or not. To help in this matter, I am going to leave my phone recorder turned on 24 hrs. a day. Please, call my number (275-0631) and leave a message with your ideas and suggestions. Any and all input that you may have will be greatly appreciated by myself as well as the rest of the club.

All of us know someone, or know of someone that works on Triumphs, so let's talk to some qualified people and see if we can get some of them to donate their time to run some Tech Sessions and Workshops. Remember, the more help we get, the more we will all benefit.

Between now and our July meeting, I would like each of you to compile a list of all the Parts Suppliers that you are aware of. Include their name, address, and phone number if possible. I'm sure that there will be a lot of duplication, but from that we will compile a list as complete as possible, and see that each club member gets a copy. Also, make a list of the parts that you need yourself, and bring both lists to the July meeting. We are going to start to actively look for these parts, so that we might all be able to put our Triumphs back on the road.

Our July meeting will be held on Sun. July 9th, and will be in the form of a Caravan-Picnic. This should give all of us a better chance to get to know each other. The Caravan will begin at 12:00 NOON at the Taylorsville Dam on Rt. 40 east of Vandalia, in the dirt parking area where Rt. 40 and Bridgewater Rd. come together, and will end at Hills and Dales Park at the Shelter known as "TWIN OAK SHELTER". For those of you that will not be able to make it for the Caravan, a map of the Hills and Dales Park is attached to this newsletter, (courtesy of Neal Stonerock), and we will all meet there at 1:00 PM. The picnic will be held "RAIN OR SHINE" as we already have the Shelter reserved. If the weather is clear there will be plenty of outside activities as well. Remember though, we will have to leave Taylorsville Dam by 12:15 in order to meet our schedule, so please try to be on time. Thanks!

Also a donation of \$1.00 per car will be charged in order to offset the cost of this event by the club. Remember also that this is for the wives, girlfriends, kids, and anyone else who might be interested in our club, so bring them along.

I almost forgot. On June 4th, 4 cars from the Triumph Club participated in the Rally sponsored by the Austin Healey Club. They were Jim Luebke who got there in time to be the first one registered by the way, John Jennens who was the 11th car out, myself, Art Mindermann, was the 12th car out, and Rick Blake who was 17th car out. There were 19 cars altogether including one new Morgan.

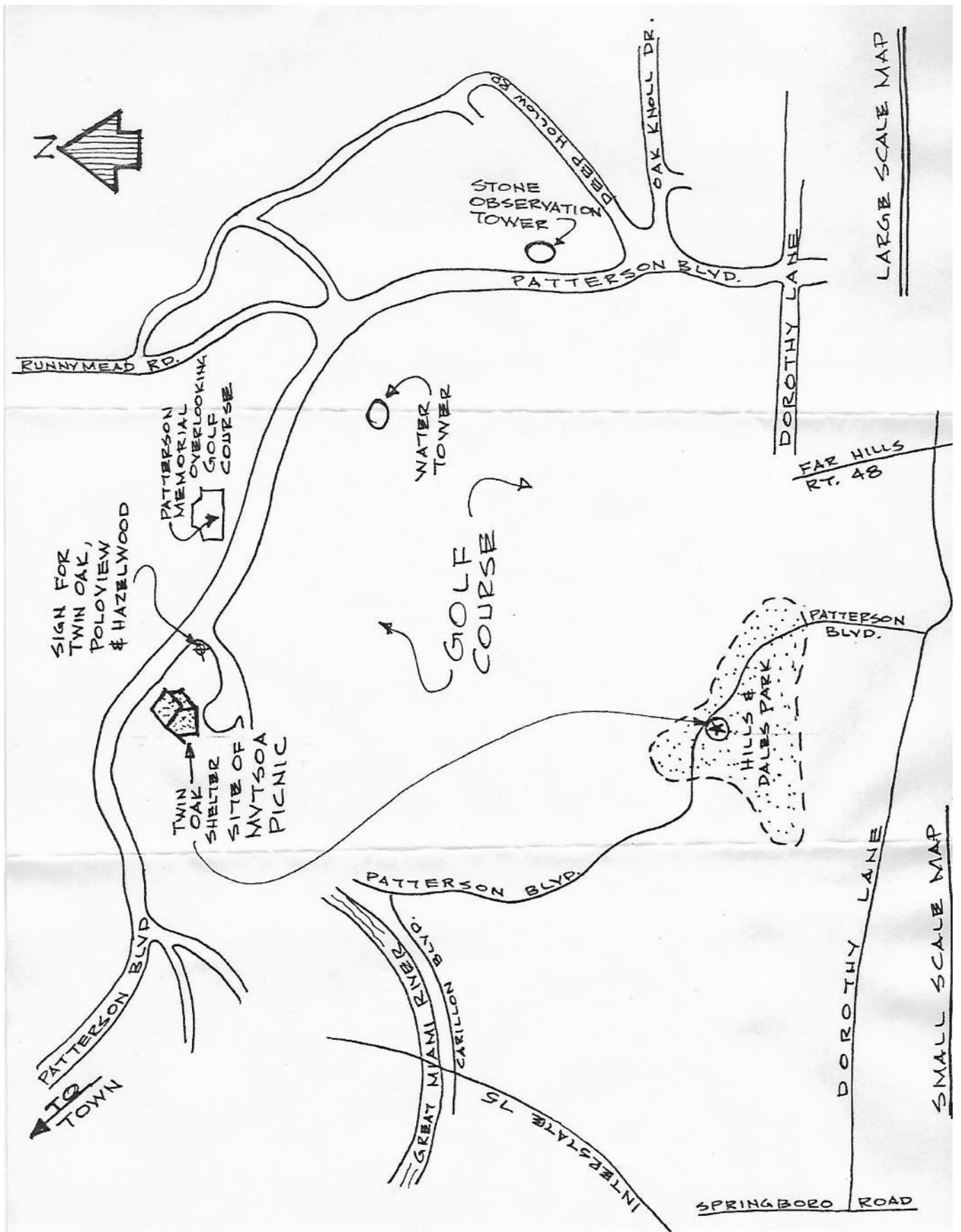
I had to drop out after only eight miles with a broken shifter, Jim was disqualified because of his odometer not working, John wound up in 7th place, and Rick was the third car to finish, but wound up in 6th place because of the point system.

That's about it for now. We hope to see each and everyone of you on July 9th, either at 12:00 at the Taylorsville Dam, or at 1:00 at the Hills and Dales Park.

Art Mindermann Pres.
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