

THE CLEAR HOOTER

The Newsletter of Central Coast Triumphs

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

NOW NEW MEETING DAYS
1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

- 5 GENERAL MEETING
BOB'S BIG BOY IN VENTURA
DETAILS INSIDE
- 10 SUNDAY BRUNCH
EGGSCEPTIONS IN CARPINTERIA
MORE DETAILS INSIDE ???
- 17 BEGINNERS RALLY
VERY LITTLE DETAILS INSIDE
COME TO THE MARCH MEETING

APRIL

- 2 GENERAL MEETING
BOB'S BIG BOY ??
- 13 2ND ANNUAL ANN ST. HILL CLIMB
DETAILS, DETAILS, DETAILS....
- 14/21 SUNDAY BRUNCH ???
WHEN AND WHERE FIND OUT THE
DETAILS AT THE MARCH MEETING!!!

MAY

- 5/12/19/26? SUNDAY BRUNCH
HAVE YOUR SAY AT THE MARCH MEETING
- 7 GENERAL MEETING
BOB'S ???
- 19 VENTURA ALL BRITISH CAR MEET
DETAILS INSIDE

JUNE

- 2/9??SUNDAY BRUNCH??
- 4 GENERAL MEETING
- 8 MUSEUM TOUR
MAKE PLANS FOR THIS ONE!!!
DETAILS INSIDE!!!

ALL CLUB EVENTS ARE UNDERLINED

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

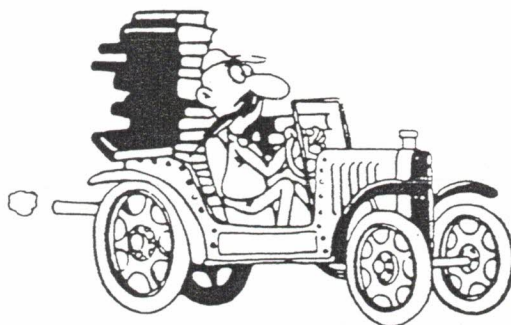
Well, February's Newsletter is due out all ready and it's March by the time you're reading it. If you haven't heard or noticed yet, within these pages the monthly meeting days are changed to the first **Tuesday** of the month. What I hope to accomplish with the newsletter is to have it to you within a week of the meeting so as to remind you that it is coming up and to get you there!

I have been reminded dues have also been increased to \$20.00 a year for members and ___ a year for associates.

I would like to say "THANK YOU" to Bob Klope who volunteered to become our president for the remainder of the year.

This months Sunday Brunch is at Eggsceptions in Carpinteria but the catch is you have to find it yourselves, I have been told you can't miss it. I guess we'll see, or come to the meeting and maybe Sally will have a map.

I also have received some information that I am passing along that I think some of you might be interested in. Here it is!



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I'll keep you updated as to this also.

Tony

LETTERS FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is with great enthusiasm that I have accepted the position of President of the club. I have held several other positions but this will be my first attempt at heading the group. For those of you who aren't familiar with me, I have been the newsletter editor for the past two years (yeah, that guy). Lynn and I own three Triumphs; a 1965 TR4A which is seen quite a bit at events, a 1976 TR6 which is currently in storage awaiting a restoration and we are the recent owners of a 1951 Renown. You say we must be suckers for punishment? We belong to Central Coast Triumphs, the Triumph Register of Southern California and the Triumph Razoredge Owners Club in Great Britain. How's that!

I have seen the club grow since my first meeting in Santa Barbara in 1984 where the seven of us were kicked out of our meeting room at Rusty's Pizza by the Toyota four wheel drive club, to 30-40 members at our Ventura meetings this past year. We have been able to carry monthly events with average attendance and I am looking forward to better participation from the membership this year. I'll try to contact each and every one of you. I still have the membership list on my computer and it has all of your phone numbers!

The Triumph marque is coming into it's own as you read this. With the introduction of the Mazda MX5 Miata a couple of years ago, the interest in small two seat sports cars has again resurfaced. A few years ago you could pick up a driveable, clean TR3 for around a thousand dollars. These cars are now going for upwards of eight to eleven thousand dollars. The British car magazines advertise for nearly double that. If you look through the auto trader type magazines it is rare to find a TR listed, even Spitfires are now becoming scarce. This means that we will be experiencing the pitfalls of classic car ownership such as high insurance premiums, unwillingness to drive our cars as we used to, and lack of dismantled cars for parts. If you have a desire to own a particular TR model, it would be best to pick one up now and hold on to it such as we have done with our TR6. The six is in running condition and would make a nice show car with minimum work. We paid \$750.00 for it two years ago. I wouldn't be able to touch it now for that price.

Again let me thank you in advance for your support in helping Central Coast Triumphs continue growing as it has in the past. I'll see you at the next event which will be our Annual Wine Tour to the Santa Ynez Valley vineyards. Be sure to contact Sally Samaniego to order your delicious sandwich and make plans to attend the fund raiser bar-b-que at their house Saturday night.

Bob

It now looks as if this month's Hooter will have a President's article after all. I'm sorry I couldn't be there to see the many hands which voted me into office, but that was the first night of my classes. I'm sure you have the utmost confidence in my abilities and I will try to live up to them as President this year. For those of you who don't know me, I have been a member of CCT since 1985 and have held various board positions. I'm just coming off two years as Newsletter Editor. My wife Lynn and I own three Triumphs: a 1965 TR4A, a 1976 TR6 and a 1951 Renown.

It was great to see so many members and guests at the Wine Tour on the 9th. For those of you who missed it, you missed one of the best tours. With the T.R.S.C. and the Morgan Plus 4 club along for the day we had close to fifty cars. A big thank you to Jack and Sally Samaniego for their work before hand in setting up the run and hosting the Bar-b-que at their home afterwards. We had many north county members along and hope to see them again in the spring as we are working up a tour to Lompoc to see the open houses at two flower seed companies greenhouses. Should be a nice drive with a brunch. Don't forget to make the Sunday brunches either as Ron Kibb has been coming up with some interesting tours afterwards.

Next month I will be running a novice Time-Speed-Distance Rally for the March event. It will be on St. Patrick's day (Sunday the 17th). There will be a rally school and brunch before hand to teach those who have never rallied and then we will drive a 2-3 hour rally to test your newly learned skills. Check the flyer elsewhere in this issue for more details.

I'll see you at the next meeting on the 5th of March. Remember to mark your calendars now for the first TUESDAY of each month!

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 7 MEETING
as compiled by Tom Culbertson

The February meeting was called to order by Vice President Stan Shirley at 7:40. Neither new members nor guests of members were present although Stan noted the presence of Ed Lang and Michael Ling whom we have not seen at the monthly meetings for some time. The treasury report from Treasurer Sally Samaniego revealed a net worth of around \$1,300. While Sally had the floor she also announced the raffle of a wine basket during the February Winery Tour. Tickets, it was decided upon, would be sold for the bargain sum of 3 for \$1.

The discussion of past events was rather short due to the fact that only two members other than our host Tom German attended the January Tech Session. They ended up critiquing a 428 Ford.

Upcoming events included this Saturday's Wine Tour and the Barbeque afterwards at the Samaniegos. Sally stated that there were commitments from the TRSC, the Morgan club, and from people driving other British cars including a Mini Cooper and an MG. She expects a turnout of around 40 people. The fee for the tour is \$2 and the barbeque \$5. Members were to leave from Ventura at 9:30 to arrive at the Italian grocery in Santa Barbara where they were to leave at 11:00. Other upcoming events which were announced were a beginners rally on March 17 written by our well known and respected and officially unofficial rallymaster Bob Klope. There should be more information in the February newsletter and at the March meeting. April's event will be the infamous hill climb to Don Greene's house on April 13. A barbeque will follow consisting of Tri Tips cooked over burning clutch plates. Attendees are asked to bring side dishes and desserts. May 19 is the first ever All British Car Meet in Ventura. Don Greene and Darryl Struth are organizing this event to be sponsored by our club. There will be a board meeting on February 12 to discuss this important event more. Don passed out a flyer for this event. June 8 is the date for a drive to the Merle Norman museum in San Sylmar. Contact Sally if you want to go on this event. July was discussed as a time for having a club picnic. Stan said he would call Moss Motors to confirm the date of the Triumph Marque Day.

David and Jane McIlhaney reported on their trip to San Luis Obispo and Buelton to investigate hotels for Triumphest '92. They gave a very complete report which was followed by a lengthy discussion related to parking lot sizes and space for the Roadster Factory.

Next on the agenda was the election of club President. Bob Klope nominated himself for this position and was voted in to the relief of everyone. One stipulation to his election was the need to change the monthly meeting dates to the first Tuesday of every month so Bob can attend the meetings. This change was made with no problem.

Other items which were discussed at the meeting were how soon to get the newsletter out, the February brunch (Feb. 17 at Mayas in Santa Paula with a drive afterwards to the Union Oil Museum), the March brunch (March 10 in Carpinteria at Buds Eggception), when the Santa Barbara Vintage Sports and Race Car show will be, and a spirited banter related to what kind of hats the club is going to buy next.

The meeting was adjourned around 9:00 by Stan.

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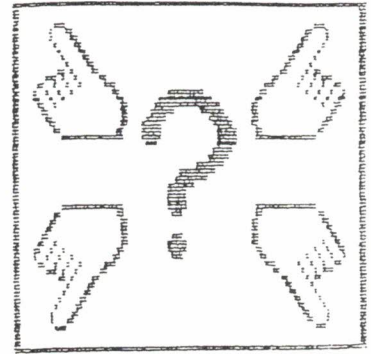
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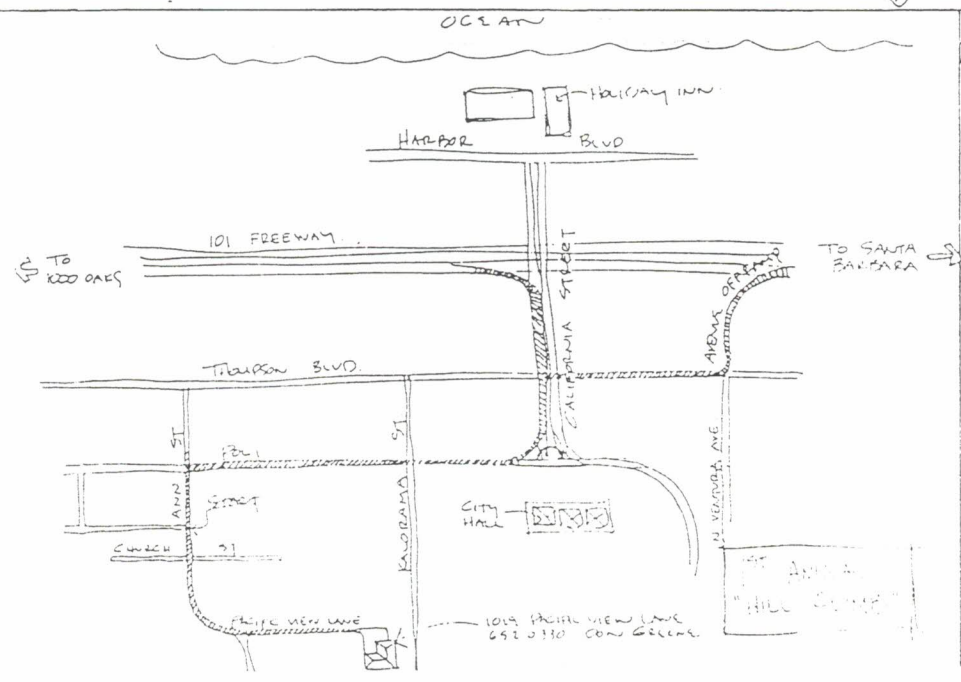
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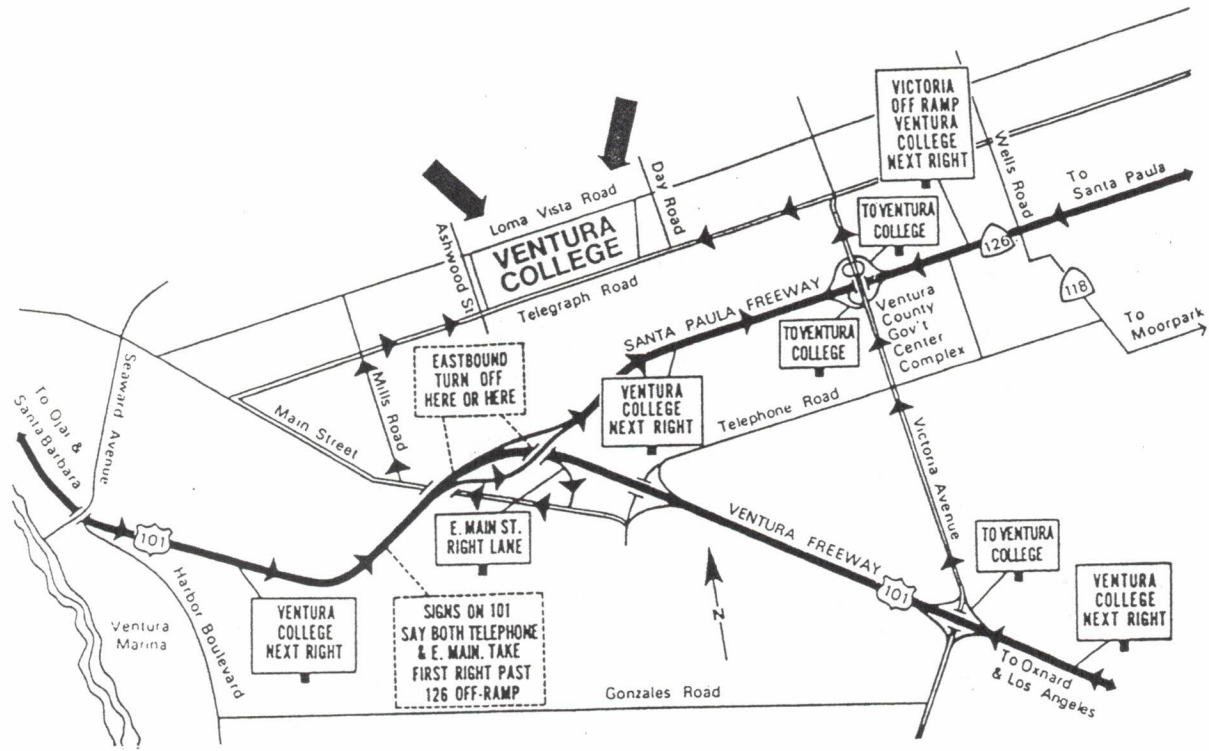
\$ 2.00 per person for the 'walk-in' public.

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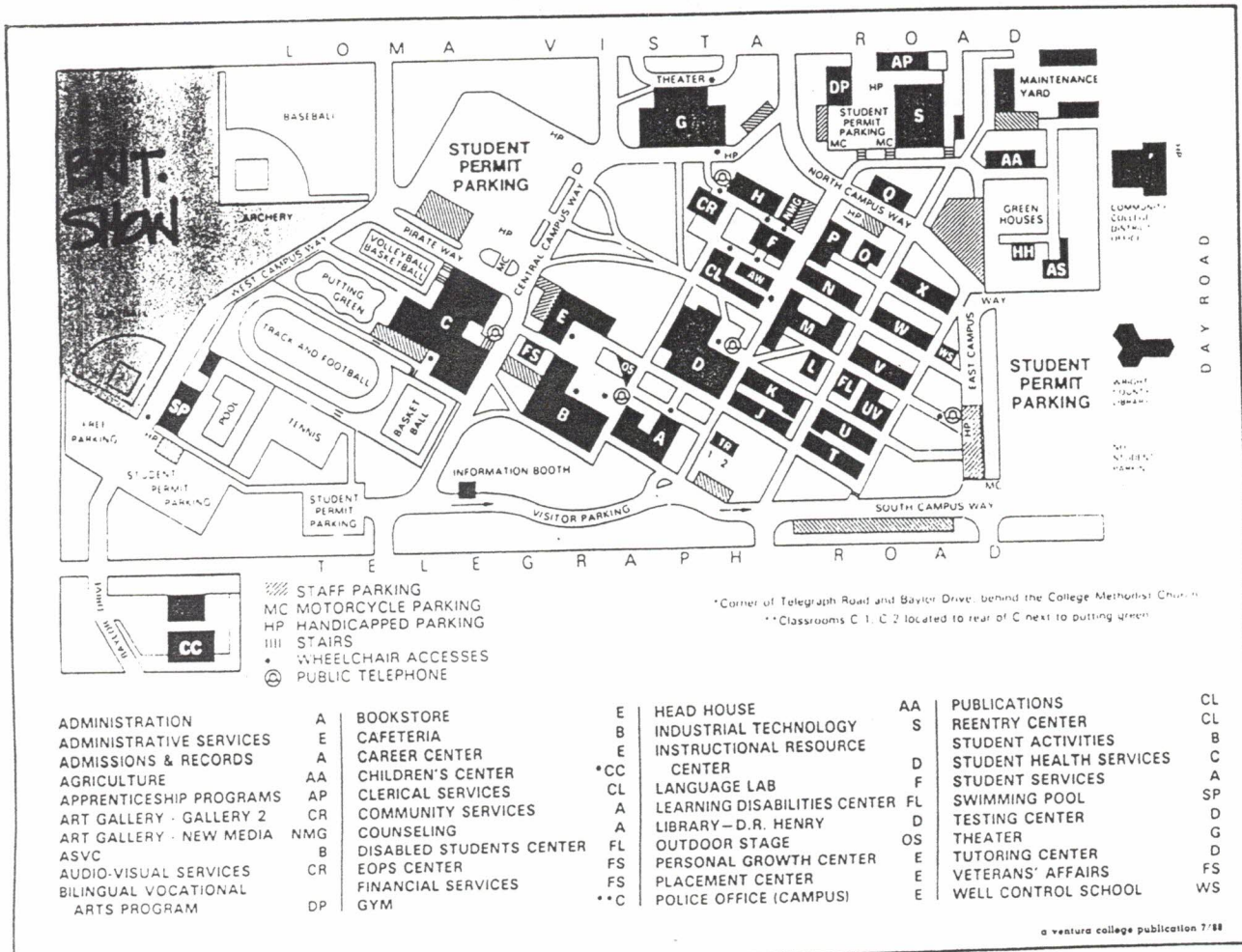
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TIME: Leaving Charlie Browns parking lot PROMPTLY @
11:30 AM - MUST BE AT THE MUSEUM NO LATER THAN
1 PM

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After leaving the museum, we will have dinner at a
restaurant yet to be determined.

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CENTRAL COAST'S ANNUAL WINE TOUR

The wine tour was a big success. The TRSC Club joined us, as well as the Morgan Club. And it was nice to see the folks from Santa Barbara and Lompoc. There were a total of 39 cars winding around the Santa Barbara hills. It was a perfect day for a rally. And Bill Rogers did a wonderful job mapping out the route - there were only a few lost souls. And believe it or not, we only had four or five tech sessions along the road - Steve Walker's TR4A, one of the Morgans and a flat tire on the way back to the barbeque. Both Rancho Sisquoc and Sanford Winery were very delightful. The barbeque was also a success. We had 53 hungry people. After the dust settled, we counted our intake for the day and discovered that we made \$393.50 profit which included the entrance fee, the raffle, selling all but two of the wine glasses and the dinner.

I want to thank Jane McIlhaney for the lovely wine basket that she made and donated. It was won by Jamie Finkle of the TRSC Club.

I also want to thank Jane McIlhaney, Carol Rogers, Marilou North, Cheryl Truttman, Vicki Huffman and Tom Culbertson for donating their fine cuisine - everyone thoroughly enjoyed the munchies, salads and desserts that they brought.

Sally Samaniego

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February 4, 1991

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Dear Tony,

Thanks for the latest issue of the Clear Hooter. One piece within really grabbed my eye - the 4x4 Triumph Herald. In fact, I'd like to run a piece on it in our newspaper. Do you have a photo and info we may be able to run (with credit to the club of course.)

Hope you may be able to help with this request and look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours Sincerely,



Robert Daines
Assistant Editor

Special Note:

Ron Kibbe - Could you please pass this info. on to them. THANKS!

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Bob Klope

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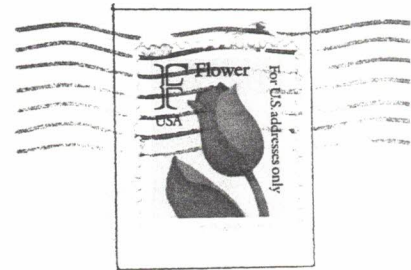
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