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I HOPE YOU ENJOYED TRIUMPHEST!

October 1992

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER 3

LOCATION OF OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS HAS BEEN CHANGED TO CARROW'S RESTAURANT, 4095 E. TELEGRAPH ROAD IN VENTURA AT 7:00 P.M. DIRECTIONS IN THIS NEWSLETTER. Nominations will be taken for club offices at this meeting. Please Attend!

NOVEMBER 8

Breakfast Run with S.C.T.O.A. to Malibu. More details inside.

DECEMBER 1

Monthly Meeting at Carrow's in Ventura at 7:00 P.M.

DECEMBER 5 - 6

VARA 1st Annual Triumph/MG Challenge at Willow Springs. More details inside.

DECEMBER ?

Annual Christmas Party. More details in next newsletter.

FEBRUARY 13

Annual Winery Tour. More details in next newsletter

MAY ?

Third Annual All British Car Meet in Ventura.

AUGUST 4 - 8 1993

VTR National Convention in Seattle, Washington.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ladies and Gentleman, We have done it! Triumphest is over and after the smoke has cleared, we have survived. From the reports I have received so far it looks to have been a success also. I know it took me at least a week to catch up on my sleep and I'm just getting my modest weight back up to pre-triumphest levels. Seems there wasn't a whole lot of time to eat. Or look around at the cars either. I am looking forward to being an attendee in Sacramento next year.

If Triumphest has become old hat to you old timers and you would like to try something on a national level you are in luck! The first TRUE West Coast VTR national is scheduled for August of next year and it looks like a large contingent of southwest US triumph clubs will be cruising up that way. I even heard the Desert Center is trying to get an Amtrak pullman for a party train and have the Triumphs transported north. Lynn and I are planning drive north. I'll keep you in touch with the latest developments.

On to other items which are coming up before the year is up. We really have no event scheduled for November but there are a few things worth mentioning. On Sunday the 8th, the SCTOA is having a brunch run to Malibu. If you went on the Topanga run last time it was a lot of fun. MANY Triumphs, MANY Triumph people and a VERY good time. We are scheduling a departure from Charley Browns in Ventura at around 7:15am. We must meet them off of Topanga Cyn Blvd at 8am. More details will follow.

Saturday the 7th will be a car show in Ventura hosted by the Mercedes-Benz Club of America. \$10.00 to show your car. It doesn't say how secure the show area will be but I have info if anyone wants

it. By secure I mean not having kids touching the cars or strange people trying to open your trunk!

Saturday the 14th is a warm-up rally for Starlight 1992. This will be a 4-5 hour Monte Carlo rallye which is designed for the beginner. If you have ever wanted to start rallying, this is a good place to start. There is a rally school at noon and the first car out is 4pm. We will be there, can I count on you? If you need further info, call me.

Lastly is an event you should seriously mark on your calendar. Saturday, December 5 is a Vintage Auto Racing Association Grand Prix at Willow Springs near Lancaster. The SCTOA racing guys have convinced VARA to have a Triumph-MG Challenge. This means there will be a Triumph-MG only race on Saturday. There will also be an all Triumph parade lap around the track! Yes it's true. You can drive your car around the Willow Springs track! More info will be following but be sure to mark this date. We hope to have as many Triumphs as possible in the paddock area. You even get to stroll around the pits and checkout the cars and drivers.

Lastly is the topic of club officer elections. The December meeting will be election night and any of you who want to serve on the board should show up or contact someone to throw your name in the hat. Now that Triumphest is over you should be able to have an easy year to get your toes wet. It takes people like you to run this club. Let's get involved!

HAPPY MOTORING !

MINUTES OF OCTOBER MEETING

The October 6 meeting was called to order by Vice President C. Darryl Struth at 7:25 p.m. President Bob was unable to attend as he was busy attending to his Renown so it could make it to Triumphest.

The first order of business was to welcome our newest members Herb and Dawn Friedman. We hope that they enjoy their new club and we hope to see them at our events. Welcome to Central Coast Triumphs.

Following this the meeting was turned over to Triumphest '92 Chairiman Tom to see that all was in order for the coming event.

Jane McIlhaney reported that the Buellton Holiday in would allow us to place a car in the banquet hall on Saturday night if we followed certain guidelines. Those guidelines were that a plastic tarp be placed on the carpet, no more than one quart of gasoline be in in the fuel tank, that the gas tank be sealed, and that the battery be disconnected. There was some discussion as to whether we wanted to do this and we batted the pros and cons back and forth. We finally decided to tell the hotel we would plan on doing this but felt the final decision should be left to the owner of the car as to whether they wanted it in the banquet room.

Jane also announced that there were 217 registered for the banquet on Saturday night. With this many preregistered the hotel would allow 11 more. She also announced that the guitar player would be present on Thursday evening at the Winery Tour and Barbeque and that it would probably be chilly at night.

V.P. Darryl volunteered to sell 50/50 tickets at Triumphest with a drawing to be held at the Saturday banquet.

The meeting was adjourned around 8:30 so that everyone could go home and do whatever they needed to do to get themselves and their cars ready for Triumphest.

CHANGE OF MEETING LOCATION

The November 3, 1992 Monthly Meeting location has been changed to Carrows Restaurant, 4095 E. Telegraph Road, Ventura. This is the old Bob's Big Boy Restaurant at the corner of Ashwood and Telegraph where we held meetings in the past.

Our old meeting place McGinty's has been remodeled and our meeting room turned into a billiards room. For this reason we've had to change our location.

To get to Carrow's from the north take 101 south to the Main Street offramp just past the 126 interchange. Turn right on Main until you reach Mills Road. Turn right on Mills and continue on to Telegraph Road. Turn right on Telegraph and continue on to Ashwood Avenue, Carrow's will be on your left.

To get there from the south take 101 north to the Main Street offramp, turn right on Mills and follow the same directions above.

We look forward to seeing all of you there on November 3rd and remember to vote before coming!



TRIUMHPHEST '92 REPORT

Well it's over. Yes unless you were sleeping between October 8 and 11 you missed the Central Coast Triumphs version of Triumphest. In a word it was excellent. I am not saying that because our club put it on but because I honestly believe that this was one of the best Triumphests ever. We had many compliments on the whole event.

I'd like to thank once again all of the club members who helped out on this event including David and Jane McIlhaney, Bob and Lynn Klope, Sally Samanigo, Don Greene Steve and Christine Ball, Bill and Christie Hopper, Rick and Cathi Vigil, Tom and Teri Crawford, Debbie Friedrich, Jack Samanigo, Steve Drury, Chuck Ketcham, Wes Ketcham, Ron and Lorraine Rowland, Harvey and Marilou North, Jeff and Cheryl Truttman, C. Darryl Struth and friend Claudia, and Ron Kibbe. Many thanks to all of you and forgive me if I left out anyone's name.

I'll try to summarize the events to the whole event as best I can in the short amount of space I have. We got started with the registration of participants an hour later than we had originally scheduled due to some car trouble the Klope were having with their Renown. However once they were set up with their equipment things really went smoothly. We kept the registration room open an extra hour to make up for the lost hour.

Thursday night was a real treat for those who signed up for the Gainey Winery Tour and Barbeque. It was probably my most enjoyable time of the entire weekend because it was so relaxing. I even had the pleasure of riding to and from the winery in the Klopes Renown. We were shown through the facilities of the winery before we gathered to sample some of the wineries fine vintages. After the tasting we went outside to dine on some of the best Tri Tip I have ever had. Everyone who signed up for this received a Triumphest wineglass. Friday was the day for the Driving Tour, Funkhana, Pinewood Derby Races, and the Hospitality Party. The Balls lead the driving tour on various roads and to several wineries before finishing in Solvang. The Hoppers put together an Autosnooker event to test everyone's driving skills. The Ketchams help Moss Motors run the Pinewood Derby

Races. While I was only able to participate in the Funkhana for a test run I understand that all of these events went well. Friday evening was the time for everyone to gather for the Hospitality Party to imbibe in free beer and hors d'oeuvres. Everyone save the club presidents and myself who were engaged in the annual presidents meeting.

Before dawn on Saturday morning there were people in the parking lot cleaning their cars to prepare for the car show. While I don't have the exact totals as to the number of cars that participated in this event I believe it was close to 180 cars. We had planned to give out the awards at 11:00 A.M. but a computer glitch postponed that until around 4:30 P.M. at the site of the group photograph. The T.R.S.C. Political Rallye started at noon and finished at the Firestone Winery. I understand that it was really fun. A group photo was taken nearby at around 4:00 with mixed results.

Saturday evening was showtime for me when I emceed the banquet. It went off without much of a hitch and when it was all over I was very relieved and glad that the entire event went so well.

I believe that everyone who helped organize and run this event was amazed at the amount of work and dedication required to make this event the success it was. I think we can also appreciate what clubs in the past have gone and what those clubs in the future will go through to make their Triumphests successful. I was a bit put off by those who did not do much more than complain but I realize that no matter where you go or what you do those people will be there and they will complain. They are walking oxymorons who are only happy when they are upset. It is unfortunate that they are that way. I was also put off by those members of our club who showed up but did not even offer to help their fellow club members run the event. All I can say to them is I hope they had a good time.

Best wishes to the Travelers next year in Sacramento and to the San Diego club and 1994.

And once again, many thanks to all of you who helped out.

Tom C.



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AN OPEN LETTER TO CENTRAL COAST TRIUMPHS

October 13, 1992

Dear Phriends:

Last Phriday and Saturday phound Lucy and myselph pheverishly phesting our phannies oph with our new-phound Phriends at Triumphest '92. We had a ball, though I trashed my clutch in the Phunkana, blew a radiator hose in the rally, and had to replace the generator bephore we could start home.

Bephore joining the TRSC, I had thought that there were only a phew weirdos (like me) out there that loved Triumphs, and that car clubs were populated with nit-picking perphectionists more interested in cold steel than phun and phellowship.

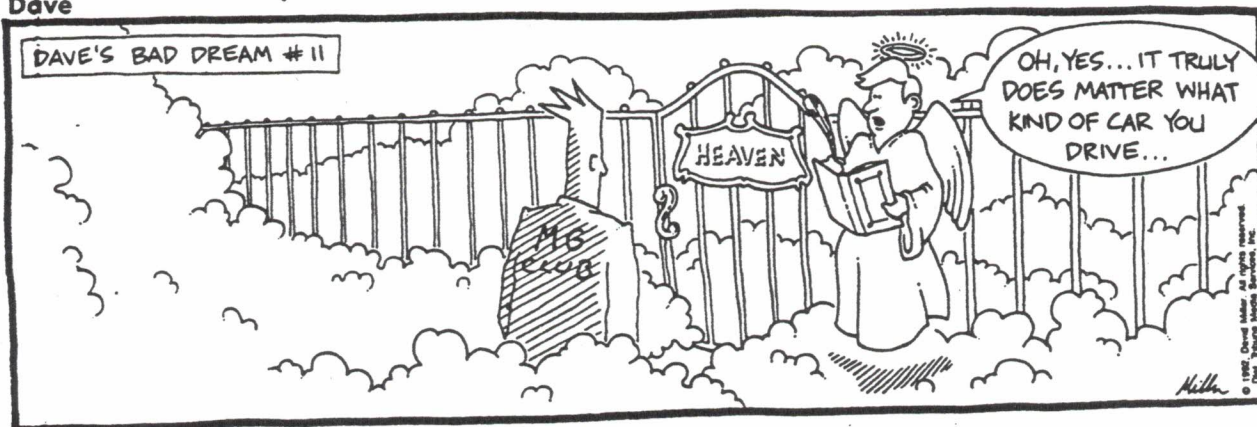
Boy was I wrong! There are a lot oph weirdos out there that love to have phun and phellowship with cold steel, especially the kind made in Coventry, England, and they're not nit-picking perphectionists (not if MY car won a silver award)!

But something's wrong! Ever since I got back from Triumphest, I've phelt that there's something phunny about the way I spell some words. Do you think I've developed some sort oph phixation?

Thank you so much phor a great Triumphest!

Your phellow Triumphile,
Dick White

Dave



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