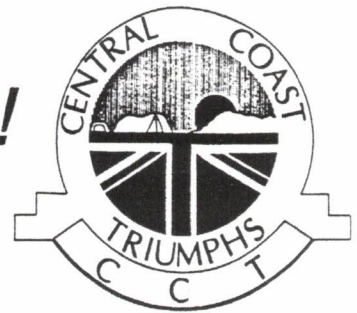


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THE NEWSLETTER OF CENTRAL COAST TRIUMPHS



Vol.10 No.2 HOPE YOU HAD A HAPPY GROUNDHOGS DAY! February 1993

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY 13

Annual Winery Tour.
More details inside.

MARCH 2

Monthly Meeting at Round
Table Pizza, 4255 E.
Main St., Ventura at
7:00 P.M.

MARCH 20

Museum Tour and Lunch.
More information inside.

APRIL 6

Monthly Meeting at Round
Table Pizza, 4255 E.
Main St., Ventura at
7:00 P.M.

APRIL 24

Annual Hill Climb. More
information later.

MAY ?

Third Annual All British
Car Meet in Ventura. We
are still in the process
of setting a time and
place for this event.
More information next
month.

JUNE 12 & 13

Mystery Overnighter.
More information later.

AUGUST 4 - 8

VTR National Convention
in Seattle, Washington.

AUGUST 28

Moss Motors Triumph
Marque Day.

OCTOBER 8 - 10

Triumphest 1993 in
Sacramento.

SPECIAL NOTE TO THE T.T.S.C.C.:

I hate to burst bubbles but Bill Clinton's Triumph is about as real as his tax cut for the middle class!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another issue has landed in your hands and you have decided to read through my column another time. Don't skip to another page yet, I have a few things to discuss first.

Our February meeting was attended by 13 members and 2 guests. We have a great new place with lots of room. Even a big screen TV to watch videos or slide shows. It's a load of fun and you could even win the raffle prize! Be sure to get there early if you want some food. The meeting next month will start at 7pm sharp!

Many things were discussed at the meeting with the topic of money popping up several times. We made money on Triumphest and it's time to utilize some of those resources to the club's advantage. Don Greene will be searching out a place to have a banner made as the other one has somehow vanished. I would like to have some club regalia made up. These ideas were presented at the meeting and will be discussed in greater detail next month too.

We have acquired a few binders from a gentleman in Ventura who belonged to the original Ventura County Triumph Club. A TSOA chapter during the sixties and seventies. These binders hold TSOA and VTR newsletters from 1965 to somewhere in the 1970's. If you are interested in checking these out, contact Tom Culbertson. Real neat info plus factory ads!

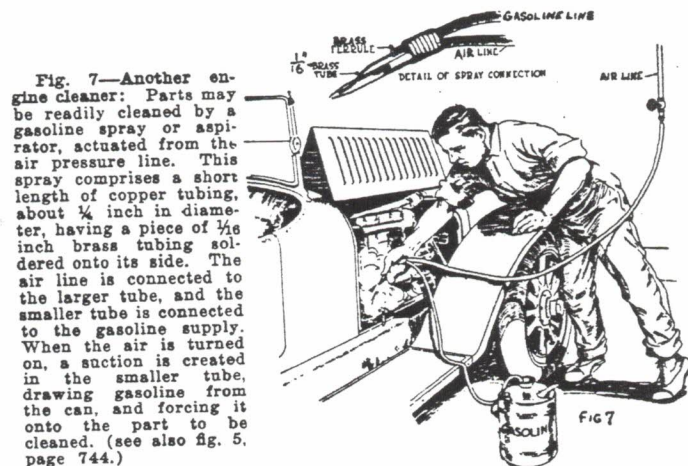
This weekend is the Annual Wine Tour and Bar-b-que. Be sure to attend as the Morgans and TRSC/SCTOA have been invited along. Check out the times and meeting places elsewhere in this newsletter.

Other events in the works which you should know about are on

the Calendar of Events. Be sure to mark your calendar and plan to attend. If you are going to Seattle in August, watch for a tech session in the near future so we can get a handle on our cars to make them roadworthy. The idea is to have fun without the hassles of cars breaking down.

I'll cut it off from here. Got a box from Moss today and need to work on the 4A. See you this weekend!

HAPPY MOTORING !



MEETING MINUTES

The February meeting was called to order by our third year president Bob Klope at approximately 7:20 P.M. in our new meeting location, Round Table Pizza. There were twelve people present including new member John Korbin, who is also a member of the T.R.S.C.

The first order of business which the Pres. brought up was the Club Direction for 1993. Bob's goal as president this year is to increase membership participation. We have over 70 members in our club and it would be great if we could get a higher percentage of them to attend our events and meetings. In order to facilitate greater participation we are hoping to do better planning and running of events, and better preparation for big events. We are looking at advanced advertising for our All British Car Show, Teddy Bear Run, and other events. We are also looking into getting club regalia such as name badges, license plate frames, shirts, decals, a banner and other things. It's nice to have a president with an agenda.

Next on the agenda was the treasury report. Thanks to Triumphest '92 and the hard work of everyone involved in running it the balance is now \$6,200. Very healthy indeed.

Past events were the next order of discussion. The Christmas party was deemed a very pleasant success with everyone attending it having enjoyed it. Ditto for the Teddy Bear Run although we hope to have more participation in it this year.

The club has recently acquired a collection of T.S.O.A. newsletters from May 1965 to the last issue March-June 1981. These were donated to the club by a member of the old Ventura County Triumph Club which faded off years ago. He heard about our club from our listing in the Ventura County Star Free Press. The Triumph Sports

Owners Association (T.S.O.A.) was the dealer sponsored club and produced a monthly newsletter. I hope to include some of the articles in this newsletter in the future (and not just ones on the TR 250!).

Had you ordered a birth certificate for your car through our club? If so they are in and they look really nice. I now know my car was born(?) on September 20, 1967.

Future events include the Winery Tour and Barbeque on February 13. We will be leaving from Charlie Brown's in Ventura at 9:30 A.M. SHARP!!! We will meet the Santa Barbara people at Cold Springs Tavern at 10:30 A.M. We should be at the Parker winery at noon for a tour of the winery and then have lunch at Nojoqui Falls Park (no joke). The traditional barbeque at the Samaniego house in Ventura will follow that evening starting at around 5:00 P.M. We are again hoping to have a big turnout from a lot of different British cars at this very popular event.

March 20 will be a Museum Tour being put together by Ron Kibbe. April 24 will be the Don Greene Hill Climb. May 16 will be the All British Car Meet in Ventura. And on June 12 & 13 Bob Klope is planning a Mystery Overnighter. A Tech Session or two is also being planned for those anticipating driving to Seattle for the VTR National.

It was agreed by all present that our new meeting place will work out well for us. We have access to a projection T.V. with a nine foot screen so we're looking to showing some videos at future meetings.

President Bob explained how he installed a Delco alternator in his TR4A before adjourning the meeting at approximately 8:30 P.M. The raffle prize (a \$10 gift certificate to Foreign Auto Parts) was won by Tom Culbertson.

Tom

MARCH 20 MUSEUM TOUR AND LUNCH

Get ready for a fun and educational drive on Saturday March 20 when we will be going on a Mystery Museum and lunch tour. Ron Kibbe is putting this event together which will include a scenic drive, a visit to a local museum, and lunch at a restaurant. Ron has done a great job of putting together runs that are interesting and enjoyable. This one promises to

TECH TALK

How to Write an Article for this Newsletter

Many of you may be wondering just how to write an article for this newsletter. You have this idea you would like others to know about. Or you have done some work on your car and found an easy way to do it (or found out that it may be easier to have the job done by a professional). Or you may have just gotten home from one of our monthly runs and you want everyone to know what a great time you had. In any case, you want to write an article but you just don't know how. Hopefully this article will help.

To begin with, don't think that your article is too small or unimportant to be in this newsletter. Small articles are great and allow the editor of the newsletter to fill spaces that might otherwise remain blank. And many times it is the little things we overlook that could have saved us a lot of time and/or money.

When it comes to writing an article, be sure to write it down! It would be nice if you could telepathically transmit your thoughts to me so I could do it for you but that only happens in the movies. There are several ways that you can record this information. One way is to take a pencil or pen and write the article on a piece of paper. Another way is to type the information out on a typewriter or word processor. The next step of course is to mail the article to me at the club mailing address. That way I will be sure and get it so that it can be printed in the newsletter. Don't worry if you hand write your article because I can always type it out on my computer so that it will have the professional look it deserves.

You may now be saying to yourself "Nobody's going to read my article so why should I send it in?" That is a self fulfilling prophecy. Of course no one is going to read it if you don't write it down and send it in. Besides, that is a defeatists attitude and anyone that drives a British car won't get very far thinking like that. That would be like saying "Well my car is going to break down today anyway so why should drive it?" or "If I uncover my car and take it out of its oxygen purged, temperature and humidity

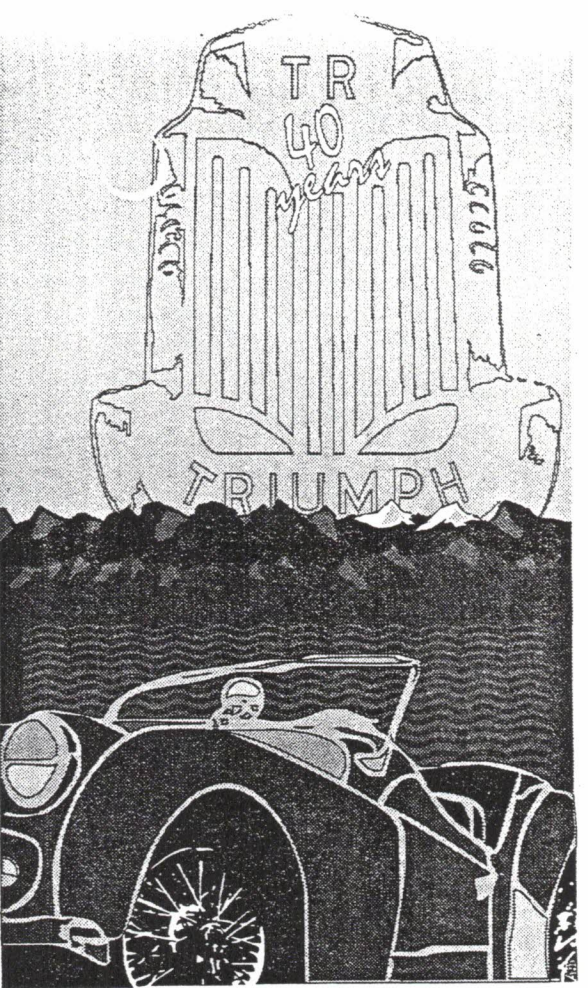
maintain that high standard of excellence. We will be leaving from Charlie Brown's parking lot in Ventura at 10:00 A.M. and tour the backroads of Ventura County until we arrive at our destination. There is a modest \$1.00 per person fee to see the museum. This will be a day of food for the mind and for the stomach!

controlled garage I'm just going to have to restore the car all over again anyway". But those are stories for another time. Anyway, I hope you get the idea.

Are diagrams a good idea? Of course they are! If you've got them and they help to get your point across by all means send them with your article. Visual aids can really help explain things (remember a picture is worth a thousand words!). If you don't have diagrams, don't worry about it and send the article anyway.

So now you're wondering "What should I write about?" They say that writers should write about things they know about. I don't know who "they" are but it does make sense. If you've never changed a sparkplug in your life it would be ridiculous for you to write an article on how to rebuild an engine. However if you've ever rebuilt an engine an article on changing sparkplugs, oil, antifreeze, or a timing chain would be great for you to write about so that the guy who has never done these things can read about how to do it. Now if you're the guy who has never changed the sparkplug this is not to say that you don't have anything to write about. Perhaps you are going on the February Winery Tour. Wow! You've got something to write about! Or perhaps you know something about electronics and applying that knowledge to installing lighting or radios on cars. Hey! There's something else to write about! Or maybe you're up on the latest technology in gasoline and how it will affect the performance of our cars. Another article! Or maybe you slalom or rallye your car (or some poor rental agencies car). Yet another article! Or maybe you heard that MG's are better than Triumphs. Well let's not get carried away. You can't believe everything you hear. The whole point I'm trying to make with this is that there is something that anyone can write about. All you have to do is find out what that something is. I believe most of you already know what that is.

Well, I hope this article helps you get an idea on some things to write about and how to go about it. Maybe you know how to write articles for newsletters. If you do, write it down and send it to me. I wish I knew how to write them!



1993 VTR National Convention

August 4th—8th
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the British Columbia Triumph Registry, Canada
and the Triumph Owners and Drivers, Idaho.



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40th anniversary of the Triumph TR

From the Chairman

I wish to personally invite you to visit Washington and allow us to be your hosts for 4 days of fun in the sun. Sunshine in Washington? You bet! August is perfect top down weather out here. We would love to see Triumphs from the Mid-West and East Coast. I realize that the drive is a long one but, what better way to see this great country of ours than by driving a Triumph to Seattle and back?

As an incentive to register by May 1st, we offer you a chance to win a \$250 Roadster Factory gift certificate. And what the heck? If you are planning to come anyway, why not bite the bullet and give us your money early, we can use it. We have planned good times for all. The Autocross will be held at Monroe Speedway which is a neat little track. And one of my favorites is the Fun Rallye which will be held on beautiful Whidbey Island. For those who love to tour and shop you won't want to miss it. For the serious rallye people, our TSD will take you through some very scenic country. These are a few of the activities that we will offer for your enjoyment.

Enclose in envelope and mail to:
Registrar, VTR '93
P.O. Box 27668, Seattle, WA 98125-2668

Every year Host Clubs promise that the Awards Banquet will be short. We are no exception to the rule. Our Banquet will be short since we will hold a Keg Party on Friday night to give away awards for all events to that point. The banquet will be reserved for the Show Awards, speeches and giving away the lucky Triumph owner will win a gift certificate for \$500 redeemable with the Roadster Factory!

I have been asked by concerned Triumph owners if the convention is to be held in downtown Seattle? Well, no. Actually the Host Hotel is about 25 miles north of Seattle and about 2 miles south of Everett, WA. If we had said "Hey! Come to Everett in '93", few people would have any idea where Everett is. Everett is a medium sized city and home to the world's largest building where the Boeing 747 is manufactured.
Hope to see you in August for the first West Coast VTR convention.

For Your Information

Wed. 4th	Thur. 5th	Fri. 6th	Sat. 7th
Registration	Registration	TSD Rallye	Group Photo
Tech Inspect'n	Tech Inspect'n	Fun Rallye	Show
General Mtg.	Autocross	Funkhanna	Banquet
Crafts, Photos	Boeing tour*	Keg/Awards	Winners Circle
Pool Party	BBQ/Auction	Judges mtg.	Sun. 8th
			Breakfast

*Tech inspection is only required to run in the Autocross. Must be 14 years of age or older.

Wednesday, registration, tech inspection for the autocross, the VTR general meeting (6:00pm) and finish the day with a Welcome Party. The first 250 registrants will be eligible to win a \$250 Roadster Factory gift certificate. After May 1, 1993, the registration fee increases by \$20.

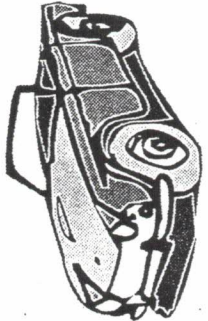
Thursday, Autocross at Monroe Speedway, Boeing 747 plant tour (must be 14 years of age or older), or take a self-guided tour, then attend the catered outdoor BBQ at nearby Silver Lake. During the evening, parts will be auctioned and the drawing for the \$250 Roadster Factory gift certificate will take place.

To participate in the Autocross event, cars will be required to pass Tech Inspection. The Autocross will run all day Thursday, but will be limited to 160 participants. We will try to schedule Thursday morning registrants a Thursday afternoon run, if possible.

Friday the TSD and Fun Rallyes start from the hotel. About noon the Funkhanna will begin in the hotel parking lot. That evening there will be a Keg Beer Awards party.

Saturday the group photo and car show will be at the Arlington Airport. Participation in any one event listed in **boldface** in the chart at the top of this column will qualify the car for Saturday's show. Parade laps at the track do not fill this requirement.

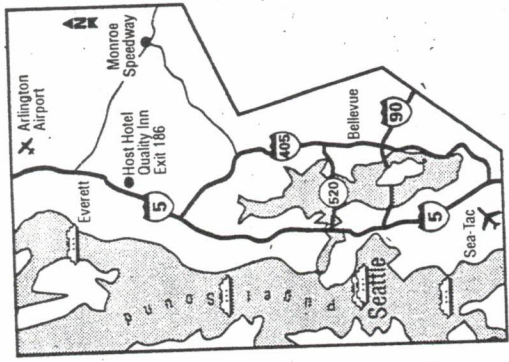
The banquet will take place at the hotel and afterwards there will be a winners circle. There is a 500 person limit in the main banquet facility, overflow will be seated in an alternate space.



Extending your Vacation

With your registration you will receive a package with information concerning the convention. If you would like more information to plan an extended vacation in the Pacific Northwest, we suggest you call the following numbers.

- Seattle and vicinity: 1-206-461-5840
- Everett and vicinity: 1-206-252-5181
- Snohomish and vicinity: 1-206-245-4133
- Washington State: 1-800-544-1800 x 90
- Oregon State: 1-800-547-7842
- Idaho State: 1-800-635-7820
- British Columbia: 1-800-663-6000



Accommodations

Call early. You **MUST** mention "VTR 93" to get the discount rate. Reservation problems? Call Tom Waddell at (206) 668-2691 before 9pm Pacific time.

Host Hotel: Quality Inn
101 128th SE Everett, WA 98208
Reservations: 1-800-221-9839
Room rate: \$61.00 single; \$67.00 double
Suites: \$74.00 single; \$80.00 double

We have 175 rooms blocked at the discount rate.
Overflow Hotel: Cypress Inn
12619 4th Avenue North, Everett, WA 98208
Reservations: (206) 347-9099
Room rate: Queen or King \$45.00
We have 25 rooms blocked at the discount rate.

Convention Registration Fees

- Registrant, VTR member (1 car, 2 people) 1 x \$69 = \$
- Registrant, non-member (includes 1 yr. VTR membership) 1 x \$94 = \$
- # additional cars x \$10 = \$
- # additional drivers x \$10 = \$

After May 1, 1993 add \$20.00

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BBQ / Auction (Thursday night)

- # of adults x \$22 = \$
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- Awards Banquet (Saturday night)
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mail form with check or money order (in U.S. Funds) to Registrar, VTR '93 P.O. Box 27668, Seattle, WA 98125-2668

Proof of car insurance required to participate in any moving auto event. Tech and safety inspections will be conducted at the host hotel. I am aware of the hazards inherent with motor vehicle events and specifically related to autocross, and do not intend to participate in any event without adequate insurance. I am aware of the hazards inherent with motor vehicle events and specifically related to autocross, and do not intend to participate in any event without adequate insurance. I am aware of the hazards inherent with motor vehicle events and specifically related to autocross, and do not intend to participate in any event without adequate insurance. I am aware of the hazards inherent with motor vehicle events and specifically related to autocross, and do not intend to participate in any event without adequate insurance.

Signature

Date

EDITORIAL LICENSE

I suppose it is a natural thing for an editor of a club newsletter to write an article for that particular newsletter. It seems every one I read has something in it that is written by the respective editor. As you may or may not have noticed I haven't done that very much in this newsletter. I suppose the main reason for this is that I don't have too much to say.

If you ask anyone who knows me they will probably say that I am a man of few words. At work I don't have a great need to do too much talking as most of the time I am busy printing photographs for the Sheriff's department. My supervisor seems to think that he can talk all the time and lets me know this every chance he can. I suppose I'm better at writing than I am at speaking but I haven't applied my scriptorial skills to this monthly publication very much.

Which leads me to this months article in this newsletter. There are any number of things that I can write about but I really don't want to just write to fill space (although it appears that that is happening in this article). I would like to make this newsletter not only a bulletin board of our past and upcoming events and a listing of cars for sale, but also a source of technical articles on restoration, repair, and driving of our cars. I see the newsletters of the other Triumph clubs that are sent to me and one in particular stands out from the rest in this respect. That newsletter is the "Triumph Tribune" put out by the Triumph Register of Southern California (T.R.S.C.). Those of you who receive this newsletter will know what I'm

writing about. Marty Lodawer does an excellent job of putting together their monthly "birdcage liner" (as he sometimes calls it). He is also graced with the help others submitting articles to their newsletter.

By no means do I want to directly copy the T.R.S.C. newsletter, nor am I saying that our newsletter is of no value. Our newsletter should maintain its character and be geared to the members of our club. With that in mind shouldn't the members of this club have a say in what goes into it? Of course they should! That is why I want you to write or call and tell me what you want to see in this newsletter. What kind of articles would you like to see on these pages? Do you think our newsletter is too short, too long? What is the overall quality? How can this newsletter be improved? Do we need more photographs? I would sure appreciate it if you would take the time to contact me and let me know your answers to these questions and anything else you can think of. You can write me at the club mailing address or call me at (805)933-3684. If you want you don't even have to give your name. All I want to do is work to improve our newsletter.

Also, if you have any articles you think should be in here send them to me and I will try to get them printed. If you do any work on your car write down the things you did. There are others who will benefit from your knowledge.

Well I guess I've had my say and I hope you've read this article. If so I guess I'll go back to being my quiet self for a while longer and bear with my supervisor some more.

Tom

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FOR SALE: Four new Michelin 185x15 redline tires, \$400.00. Call Jim Ziegler at (818) 592-0034 days or (818) 991-7658 eves.

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FREE: 1979 Spitfire body and frame. Complete but missing hood (bonnet). Also have Spitfire parts. Call John Soule at (818)882-7687.

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FOR SALE: 1964 TR4. Disassembled but complete and many spares. Good project car. \$1,800 for everything. Call Tom German at (805)644-4565 day or (805)646-2130 after 6:00 P.M.

FOR SALE: 1973 TR6, New top and interior, new front tires, rear tires in good condition, luggage rack, royal blue with black interior. \$4,500 or reasonable offer. Call Ron Kibbe at (805)933-2206.

FOR SALE: 1964 TR4, White with new brakes, hydraulics, radiator, exhaust system, radial tires, engine (3,000 miles since rebuild), top, alpine stereo, carpeting. Has car cover and received regular maintenance. Never wrecked (86,000 miles). Same owner since 1965. \$8,900 o.b.o. Air shipment from Honolulu to L.A. \$750. Call Marilyn Harris at (808)732-3082. Aloha!

Central Coast Triumphs is a chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register. Dues are \$20.00 per year for those owning Triumphs, \$12.00 for those not owning Triumphs. Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 P.M. at Round Table Pizza, 4255 E. Main St., Ventura. For more information contact any one of the following or write to the club address.

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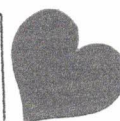


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