

# THE CLEAR HOOTER!

THE NEWSLETTER OF CENTRAL COAST TRIUMPHS



**Volume 11 No. 3**

**March 1994**

*Sign-up for Ventura All British Day  
at April 6th General Meeting !!!*

## **Calendar of Events :**

- March 19-20** Willow Springs: VARA Advanced Driving School
- April 9** Moss "Spring Classic" All British Day..... Featuring MG
- April 17** All British Car Meet at Woodley Park \$1500 ENTRY  
Leave Charlie Browns-Ventura 7:30 A.M.
- April 23** **Second Annual Conejo Valley Run** CCT EVENT  
*Black Canyon Rally & Pirates Treasure Hunt*  
Hosted by the Rogers and the Norths....FLYER ENCLOSED !!!!
- May 1** **Pre-show Meeting & BBQ : Receive show assignments and instructions.**  
Look for details in this issue.
- May 8** Mother's Day.....*don't forget !!!*
- May 15** **The 4th Annual Ventura All British Day**  
**Sponsored by Central Coast Triumphs**  
**featuring Jaquar**  
Will Rogers School 2600 Thompson Blvd, Ventura  
For more info call Darryl 805-644-6211 or Don 805-652-0330
- June 16-19** **The 2nd Annual Moss British Car Festival** CCT EVENT  
Flyer enclosed or call Harry Haigh 800-235-6953
- June 25** **Annual Clutch Burning Hill Climb - new date !!** CCT EVENT
- July 13** **Tea & Crumpet Rallye** CCT EVENT
- August 7** **Progressive Garage Party and BBQ at the** CCT EVENT  
**Drurys.....Look for details in this issue**
- September 17** **Moss "Fall Classic" All British Day.....** CCT EVENT  
**featuring Triumph**
- Sept 29-Oct 2** **Triumphfest---Princess Resort Hotel - San Diego**  
Room Reservations (619) 274-4630 CCT EVENT

**Central Coast Triumphs**

is a chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register. Dues are \$20.00 per year. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM. For more information contact any of the Club officers listed below or write to the Club address.

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**Meeting Information:**

Monthly General Meetings will be held on the following dates at 7:00 PM. at Roundtable Pizza 4255 E. Main St., Ventura.

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|--------------|---------------|
| January 5th  | July 6th      |
| February 2nd | August 10     |
| March 2nd    | September 7th |
| April 6th    | October 5th   |
| May 4th      | November 2nd  |
| June 1st     | December 7th  |

**All members are encouraged to attend. Guests are always welcome.**

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Monthly Board Meetings will be held on the following dates at 8 PM at Loops Restaurant 2350 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura.

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| January 12th | July 13th      |
| February 9th | August 10th    |
| March 9th    | September 14th |
| April 13th   | October 12th   |
| May 11th     | November 9th   |
| June 8th     | December 14th  |

The Board meetings are open to all members and are an excellent time to present ideas you wish to see presented to the general membership either at the General Meetings or through the newsletter.



**Coventry Corner.....**

*Well hello out there in British car land:  
Ron here !*

I just want to thank all our Club members for their great turnout and participation at our Club meetings and events. It sure helps the morale of the staff members ! We must be doing something right !!!

Our March event had a great turnout even though it was raining in certain areas of our county.

The line-up included:

- 3 Midgets                      1 TR3
- 1 MGB                            1 TR4
- 1 MGA                            1 Porsche
- 1 Ford Explorer                1 Honda
- 1 Mazda Mini Van

Everyone said they really enjoyed the drive up to Summerland and the food at the "Big Yellow House".

If by chance any of you who were unable to make it would like to run it on your own, I have some extra paperwork I can give you.

Til next month—


**RON**

P.S. Special thanks to new member Mr. Yeomans for helping C.D. Struth with our British Car Event in May !

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**February Meeting Scorecard:**

In attendance: 20 members  
plus 5 spouses / guests.  
10 British Cars driven to meeting.  
2 new members !!!!  
Good show ! What do these folks know that you don't ?  
Not a thing if you show up  
Wednesday April 6th at 7:00 !

## Meeting Minutes

The March 2nd meeting was called to order by President Ron Kibbe at 7:15 p.m. and there were 28 members present including Daryll and Cindy Clark who drove up from the "Valley". (Jon Korbin - we missed you - we thought you were starting a trend.) Thanks to all who attended. Your participation is much appreciated. Two new members were introduced: Chris Yoemans with a 1960 MGA and Dave Ortiz with a 1978 MG Midget. Welcome.

Treasury report - \$3685.31 in the working fund and \$1536.63 in the savings account.

Past Events include the Wine Tour. This was a great success and alot of fun. It was the first overnighiter and it was unanimous that Bob and Lynn Klope did an outstanding job coordinating the tour and hotel. This event is a keeper. We're looking forward to another one next year - Bob and Lynn.

CCT's anniversary was held at the Goleta beach restaurant - the area it all began 10 years ago. 19 members and family enjoyed a fun drive and lunch hosted by the club

Now a past event was the March Brunch Run. We wound our way around Lake Casitas and ended at The Big Yellow House in Summerland for brunch. There were 5 MG's, 1 Porsche, 1 Triumph, an Explorer and a Far East import.

Upcoming events - read the front page for details but the highlights are; April 17 - British Car Day at Woodley Park. We will leave from Charlie Brown's at 7:30 a.m. April 23 - the Second Annual Conejo Valley Run. Don't forget to get your reservations in now. May 15 - 4th Annual Ventura All British Day. Send your application in early and save \$\$.

CCT has been asked to participate in the Conejo Valley Parade on April 30th. Contact Ron Kibbe for details.

The question was asked if color can be added to the newsletter. Steve Drury, the editor, will look into the cost and get back to the club with an answer.

We need all club equipment returned A.S.A.P. Please call Vice Pres. Herb and let him know if you have any of it.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Claudia



**Central Coast Triumphs Presents**  
**The Second Annual Conejo Valley Run**

**“Black Canyon Rally”  
and  
“Pirates Treasure Hunt”**

**Saturday, 23 April 1994**

* Brunch *	* Rally *	* Barbecue *
<b>Harvey and Marilou North</b> 35 Dombey Circle Thousand Oaks, CA 91360 (805) 496-7002	Through Scenic Conejo Valley and Santa Monica Mountains Approximately 110 Miles	<b>Bill and Carol Rogers</b> 926 Rawhide Place Newbury Park, CA 91320 (805) 498-0846
<b>Registration and Brunch</b> 10:00 AM	<b>Drivers Meeting</b> 11:30 AM	<b>Barbecue and Awards</b> Following the Rally

\*\*\* Entry Fee \$15.00 (Car, Driver and Navigator), Extra Persons \$5.00 \*\*\*

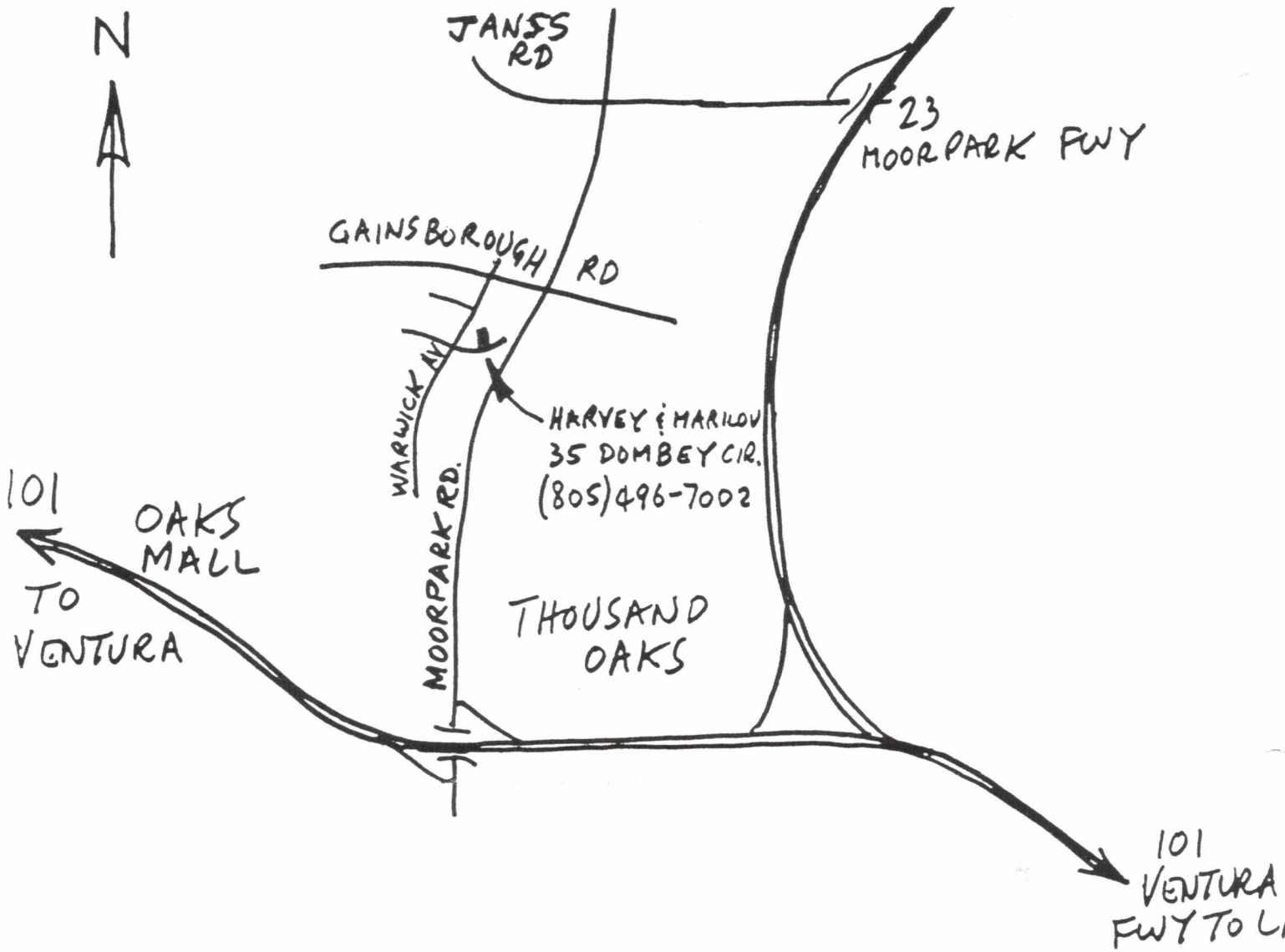
**Other Events/Information for the Day Include:**

- “The Black Canyon Rally” With Pirates Treasure Hunt
  - Clerk of the Course: Bill Rogers
  - (Hint: Read Up On Treasure Island)
- Cap'n Billy Bones Barbecue (Map in Rally Package)
- Division of Pirates Plunder (Booty)  
 (Bring Wrapped Treasure to Add to the Plunder Pile)
- Rally Debriefing and Pirate Snacks
- Pirate Hat Contest (Wear Your Best Swashbuckling Hat)

Please return the Black Canyon Rally entry form with your check payable to Bill Rogers, clerk of the course by 9 April 1994. Mail to: 926 Rawhide Place, Newbury Park, CA 91320.

Entry Fee: \$15.00 per car (driver and navigator) + \$5.00 per extra person

Driver	_____	Navigator	_____
Car:	_____	Club:	_____
Extra Persons:	_____	Total Enclosed:	_____



**To Brunch and Start of Rally:** 1. Take 101 to Thousand Oaks; 2. Exit Moorpark Rd North; 3. Continue 5-6 lights to Gainsborough; 4. Turn left one block to Warwick (stop sign); 5. Turn left one block to Dombey Circle; 6. Turn left onto Dombey Circle and park your car; 7. Enter the Pirates Den at #35.

## **MARCH MEMBER OF THE MONTH**

Our celebrity this month is Tom Culbertson. Tom gets a full-sheet insert for two reasons:

- 1) Tom has been very involved with the Club since 1986—almost the beginning.
- 2) He responded to my request for information with a 2 lb. Federal Express package including biography from age 2, 16mm movies, 8 hours of video tape, assorted 8 x 10 color glossy photos and—lest I screw it up—he wrote his own copy.

Before I turn it over to Tom, let me update some of you who may not be familiar with his accomplishments: Vice-president 1987-1988; President 1989-1990; Triumphest '92 Chairman 1989-1992. Tom was also newsletter editor for a couple years. (But he didn't put the dates in his bio) At various Triumphests, Tom's TR250 earned bronze, silver and gold awards. He also has another TR-250 waiting for restoration.

He participates in most Club events but his favorite is the Annual Winery Tour.

And now his own story in his own words.....

Back in 1975 and 1976 I was a senior at Santa Paula Union High School. Ever since I had gotten my drivers license (and before that) I was looking for my first car. I really liked sports cars and my parents seemed to be willing to let me get one although they weren't too keen on the idea that I get a convertible. They wanted me to have something hard over my head so when I rolled it I wouldn't get squished. Fair enough so I began my quest.

One day while driving home from school (probably in my parents station wagon) I came across an MGBGT for sale. It was really clean, British Racing Green, and the tires on the right side were worn down to nothing. I wrote down the phone number and called that night. When I asked if the car had been in an accident and the lady said yes, I decided I would pass on this car. It really was a nice looking car and I still like the MGBGT's to this day.

The next car I came across was a Datsun 1600 with a removable hardtop. This was sitting in a carlot in Santa Paula. I drove by every chance I got but never actually stopped to take a close look at it. When I finally decided to look at it, it had been sold!

Well it seemed like I would never get my car. Then one day my dad, knowing I liked the Triumph TR6's, offered to take me over to Weber and Cooper, the Triumph dealership in Ventura. I jumped at the chance (how could I say no?)!


It was at night when we arrived. All the cars shined and looked flawless under the lights. There were a lot of TR6's in the used car section. One of them had to be mine. My mom and one of my brothers came along with us but waited in the car while my dad and I headed for the lot. We weren't there very long among the used cars when a salesman came out (real surprise!). He asked what

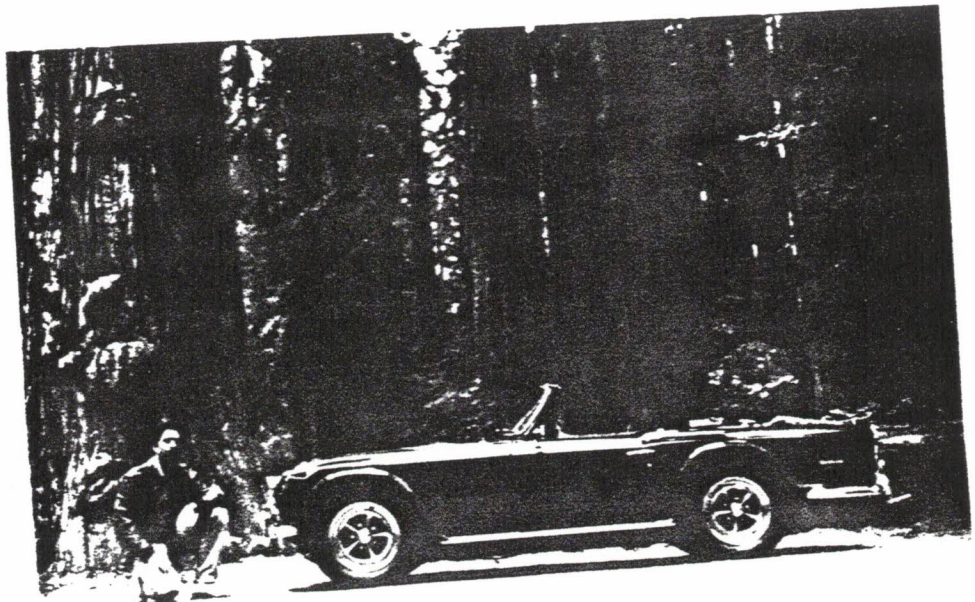


kind of car I was looking for and how much I wanted to spend (another surprise) and when I told him he directed my attention over to this green car with rounded fenders, a removable hardtop and this odd looking bulge in the hood. I thought to myself, "that's not a TR6, what is it?" He mentioned that it was a TR250 and had the body of a TR4 with the engine of a TR6. Well it wasn't a TR6, didn't look as good as a TR6, in fact I thought it looked kind of homely, but it was in my price range, and a beggar couldn't be a chooser. I took it for a test drive and I was hooked. Still my dad wanted to come back in the daytime and see what it looked like. We took it for another test drive the next time we came back and I ended up buying it. My dad did all the dickering on the price and other nonsense that one must go through when buying a car. When I think back, I know I got the better end of the deal!

My TR250 was eight years old when I bought it and I have had it for 18 years. I got in an accident with it on February 14, 1977. I call it the St. Valentines Day Massacre, \$2,000 worth of damage. I rebuilt the engine, replaced the interior, and repainted the car between October 1987 and September 1988. I've driven it to four Triumphests and to the VTR National in Everett, Washington last August. I picked up another TR250 a few years ago which needs a total restoration. Some day I'll get to work on it but I'll keep driving #CD500L, hopefully till I can no longer drive!

Sincerely,

  
Tom Culbertson





**GOOD NEWS.....DUES NEWS !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

In the interest of streamlining record keeping activities and banking activities---so that we can concentrate on CAR activities---we are changing ALL Club membership expiration dates to **February 1995**. We picked February as the starting month for all memberships to coincide with the founding of the Club in February 1984.

On your newsletter address labels we are including the pro-rated amount due to adjust the ending date of your membership. Feel free to *pre-pay this week* to make your dues current through Jan. 1995 and your life will be absolutely *care free and stress free* for the balance of the year !

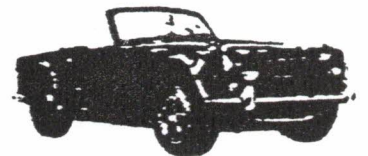
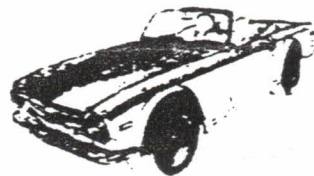
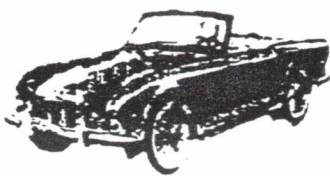
**Existing Members:**

Find the month your **1994** membership *expires* on the left---pay the amount on the right:

Thank you !!!!

March	\$20	April	\$18	May	\$17
June	\$15	July	\$13	August	\$12
September	\$10	October	\$8	November	\$7
December	\$5	January	\$3	February	\$20

**New Members:** February through July \$20.00  
August through January \$10.00



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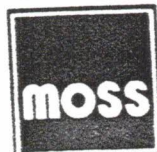
**Saturday, April 9th 1994**

**9:00am to 4:00 pm**

at Moss Motor's West Coast Warehouse and Showroom  
7200 Hollister Avenue, Goleta California, 93117

**ALL BRITISH CARS WELCOME!**

Show off your prized British vehicle in the People's Choice car show (please register by noon) and you may take home a winners trophy! We'll have club displays, tours of the Moss facility as well as hundreds of bargain priced items in a super Moss swap meet. There will also be a area for you to sell or swap used parts and best of all you'll receive a special 10% discount on all items purchased over the counter. We will also have a free drawing for all registrants, video presentations, and some great games for all to join in! So come visit with us! The Santa Barbara Special Ts MG Club will be providing picnic lunch. By the way, don't worry about on all but truck freight items. We hope to see directions, please give us a call toll-free at



light refreshments, or you can bring your own lack of trunk space. Free Shipping is available you April 9th! For additional information, 800-236-6964. Mark your calendar now!

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# Central Coast Classifieds

"For Sale" and "Wanted" ads are available to all members at no charge. Each ad will run for 3 issues only unless renewed by the 15th of the third month.

Ads are available to non-members for a fee of \$5.00 for 3 issues. Please mail payment and ad copy to the Club address. Thanks!!!!

## January Ads:

**For Sale:** 1965 TR4. Red with tan interior. Show car with many awards. \$10,800. Serious buyers only. Call Rick Vigil at 818-707-0470

**For Sale:** 1981 TR8. 80K original miles. One owner. White with blue top. \$6,500. Call Cindy Hinds at 805-495-7770

**For Sale:** 1964 TR4. Disassembled but complete—plus many spares. Good project car. \$1,800 for everything. Call Tom German at 805-644-4565 day or 805-646-2130 after 6:00 PM

**For Sale:** Two TR7's. One good and one almost complete parts car. One engine blueprinted and ready to go. Second engine needs carbs rebuilt. Call Jim Conrad at 805-492-9795

**For Sale:** 1951 Triumph Renown. Complete documentation. 100% complete car. \$13,000. Call Bob Klope at 805-653-7233

**For Sale:** 1979 TR 7 Convertible. Near mint. 41K original miles. Silver. \$4,000 OBO Call Mark in Bakersfield at 805-397-3621

**Wanted:** TR 6 PARTS: radiator stay - Triumph part # 147574 ; 1 or 2 steel wheel 5 1/2 x 15 Triumph part # 311243 - must be straight ; factory hardtop Triumph part # 575645. Call Steve Drury in Newbury Park at 805-499-4105

## February Ads:

**For Sale:** 1965 Spitfire. 500 miles on rebuilt engine. 78,000 miles overall. Red. All original. Soft and hard-top. Currently registered. Owner in Santa Barbara / car in Ventura. \$500 firm. Call Mrs. Cox for appointment at 805-961-2288

Notice to all advertisers: please call and advise the newsletter editor when your vehicle is sold. Thanks, Steve

## March Ads:

**Parts For Sale:** 2 rear ends: TR250 and TR6; complete engine TR6. Call David Gehl 647-4681



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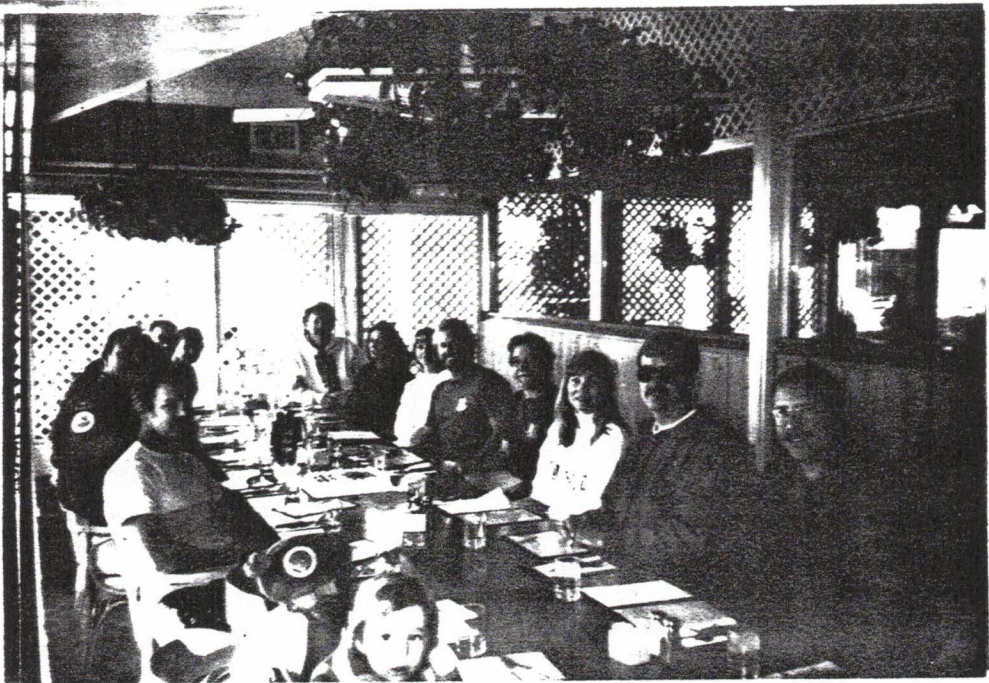
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