

TRIUMPHS & TRIBULATIONS



Ladies & Gentlemen...

**START
YOUR
SEASON!**



Photo Credit: The Cars...

ON THE COVER

*The Shakedown Tour is the first event for the driving season.
A good turnout, considering the weather forecast. Thanks Jeremy.*

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PREZ RELEASE

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It is great that the driving season has begun. Thank you to those who attended the Shakedown Tour. We had 10 cars in our convoy which is the best turnout in at least 4 years. For those that could not make it, here is a little taste of what we did. We left Prescott in a swarm of motorcycles that were on the annual spring flood run. At this time the weather is chilly and windy, but dry. We made it to Bay City for our first "Water" stop. Yeah it's not officially May 1st, and we are in western, WI; but we stopped and took a picture anyways. It was a bit challenging getting everybody in the picture along with the sign. But nevertheless, we clicked a few off and headed on to our next water stop in Pepin. Then we motored onto our lunch stop at the Nelson Creamery. Thankfully it was one of very few establishments not taken over completed by bikes. When we arrived, we met a guy on a Triumph Motorcycle and some distant club members, Kim and Connie Gibson their 77 Red Spitfire. The sky was darkening, but we were still dry. So we headed across into Minnesota and made another water stop in beautiful and majestic Maple Springs, MN. Ok maybe beautiful and majestic, but Maple

(For pictures see
centerfold }

Springs is merely a road sign on HWY 61. Maybe the town planning budget got cut shortly after the sign was installed. Then off to our last water stop in Lake City, where we stopped once to get pictures with Lake Pepin in the background and again next to the sign. Shortly after Lake City the rain started drizzling down and we snaked our way up the river banks in Hastings where we made our final stop at the Alexis Bailey Vineyard. In the rain, everybody gathered inside. Unfortunately everybody was quite a bit more that just the MN Triumphs Club. There was a wine tasting going on and it was shoulder to shoulder people. This wasn't going to phase my desire to taste every wine they were sampling. From here the group left at will in the rain and headed home and as far as I know, nobody had any car trouble, so we must have been well prepared this year.

On another note, Steve brought his super 7 over to my place for a transmission removal impromptu tech session of sorts. We were able to pull the engine and transmission and have it loaded into John's trunk in less than 2 hours. Of course it will take a bit longer to put it all back together, but I thought that was pretty efficient work. However it seems our tech session have been trending a bit more successful

lately, which will likely backfire on us. Expectations are being adjusted from take it apart and leave it in pieces to actually have a running and operational car when finished. So I told Steve, our tech session coordinator, that he should plan in a couple major flops to keep thing in check!!

And lastly onto club news. I have a good list of cars for the golden tickets at the Spring Kickoff, so we will be well represented. We have a special guest this year, the Roosevelt High School project Spitfire will occupy our Spitfire spot this year. I think it will be a great hit for the students to show off what they are learning about cars and their rebuild results so far. I know I am excited to talk to them and see what they've done.

We were able to announce at the monthly meeting that our club dues can now be paid via PayPal and that several members have already used it. I think this will be convenient for both members and the treasurer, so please go ahead and use it. Along with that, if you haven't seen it already, the MN Triumphs website has been redone with the help of our Webmaster, Ron, and Fred our secretary. Thank you Ron and Fred for the long overdue refresh.

It appears we are off to a very active year which will make it exciting for all. Thank you and Triumph on!

Jeremy

MINUTES OF THE MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS

April 12, 2012 Meeting

President Jeremy Fohrenkamm called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Lots of people drove their cars out tonight, but finding a parking space was not easy. Apparently, there was some other big event at the Officers' Club tonight so most of the parking lot was full.

The Spring Shakedown Tour is coming up on April 21. It starts at Point Douglas Park, and the group departs at 10:30 a.m. Jeremy expects the drive to conclude around 3 p.m.

On April 28, there's a tech session and open house at Midwest Manor Sports for Dan Iberg.

Membership Chair Lenny Kukuza counted 106 members. She mentioned that quite a few people have chosen to use the new PayPal option to pay their membership dues, which is great. You can find the PayPal option on our updated website by clicking on the "Join" page in the navigation.

So far, very few people have requested a spot at the Spring Kickoff. Anyone wanting one of the Golden Tickets should contact Jeremy. The kids at Roosevelt High School will be bringing their Spitfire project car to the Spring Kickoff.

Speaking of Roosevelt High School, the school is hosting its second annual car show on May 18 (Friday). The event is from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the school, which is at 4029 28th Ave. S. For more information, reach out to Curtis Franks – 612-668-4832 or cfranks@mpls.k12.mn.us.

Tom Hazen has another hill climb that he's organizing in Buffalo County, Wis., but it's only

open to cars that are from 1979 or older. It's scheduled for Sept. 22. Registration is \$50 for members of the Austin Healey Club, and \$65 for everyone else. (This doesn't conflict with Wheels & Wings since W&W was moved to Sept. 8 this year.)

Nancy G. mentioned that Ellingson's Museum changing. They're auctioning off a lot of the memorabilia. You can still go to see a bunch of old cars, but they are trying to sell the cars – they are not going to be a museum any more.

The Hanger Dance is on May 19 – that's the place where last fall's mystery tour ended. The event is \$15, but Dick Leighninger will have \$5-off coupons at the May meeting.

Mystery Tour and Sausage Sunday Barbeque is scheduled for May 20. Watch for more info on this one.

August 17, 18 and 19 is the weekend for the tour in Reedsburg, Wis. It's an open schedule – come and go as you want. Russ is looking for an idea of the number of participants.

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Total Attendees: 41

Total Triumph Cars 15:

1 GT6+
3 Spitfires
2 TR3s
1 TR4
6 TR6s
1 TR7
1 TR8

And 1 Austin Healey Bug-Eye Sprite.



It's NEW. Now you can keep in touch, share photos, and let other Minnesota Triumph members know what you're up to. Check in at MN Triumphs on facebook. Go ahead, write on our wall.

VTR REPORT

In the last edition of “The Vintage Triumph” we were reminded of BMW’s application for a European trademark license to use the Triumph laurel wreath badge on merchandise. As of the first of March, the license had not been granted nor has BMW said what they might do if they get it. Is a new Triumph in the works? Will they build a car that will go head to head with the popular Mini? Many doubt this will happen.

The VTR traveler’s assistance program has not been updated since the 2006 convention in Dallas. As summer time approaches, we have many triumphs traversing the country that may need your help. David Pilcher

has volunteered to coordinate an update in time for the upcoming VTR convention in Galveston, TX. Please fill out and mail the insert from your recent TVT mailing. If you are not a VTR member, you may go to the VTR website and fill out the form at www.vtr.org/travelAssist/index.shtml Please consider putting your name on the TAP directory. Check the site about a month after your update to be sure your info has been posted. As always, please join VTR. If you are not a member, check the site at www.vtr.org or call and I will be happy to help. Your cost will be \$35 for the year. Please join many of your MN TR members and friends this coming OCT 28-NOV 2 at the beautiful

San Luis Resort on Galveston Island, TX. Room reservations at the VTR convention rate should be available now. Details will be found at www.kingswayrc.com/txt/. Our hosts will be The Texas Triumph Register. See you at the next MN TR meeting in May.

Larry Sanderson, your MN TR VTR liaison

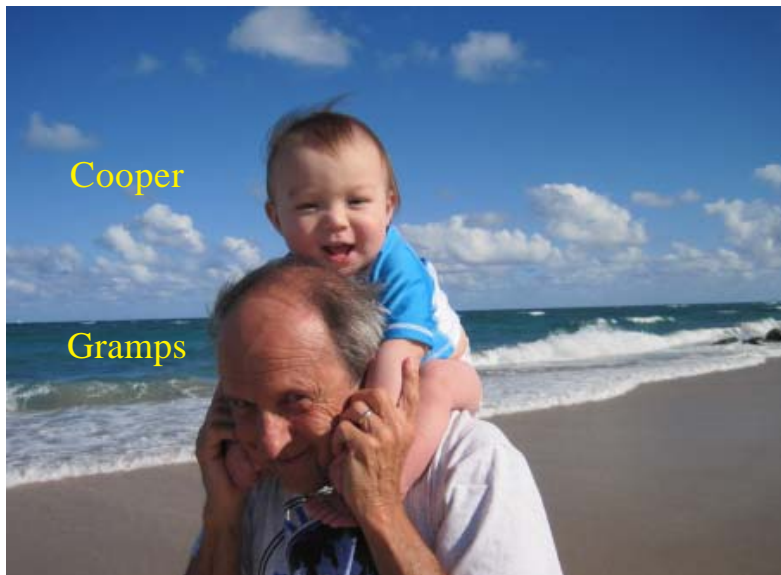
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Galveston, TX Or Bust

Let’s Go For It.

Lets see some beautiful country and have a great time on the Gulf Coast.

This should be the best VTR ever.



Look Who’s Going!

Orrin & Pam McGill

Larry & Gayle Sanderson

Joe & Virginia Bisanz

Triumph Calendar

May

May 10

Monthly Meeting: Fort Snelling Officers Club. Tire kicking begins at 6 p.m. and meeting starts at 7 p.m.

May 12

Inter-Marque Council Spring Kick-Off Downtown Osseo 9:00 a.m-2:00 p.m.

May 19

Commemorative Airforce Spring Hangar Dance – Dance to the Roseville Big Band, tour the museum, see restored WWII aircraft. Open to all Intermarque clubs. Preferred parking will be available for sports cars. \$10 admission (this is a fundraiser for the Commemorative Airforce). Fleming Field, South St. Paul. Dick Leighninger, host

May 20

Mystery Tour and Super Sausage Sunday Barbecue. Larry and Gail Berg, hosts.

May 26

Minnesota MG Group spring drive – open to all clubs. Tom and June Moerke, hosts. See Intermarque Monthly for more information.

June

June 2

Advance Distributors open house, Shakopee. Details to come.

June 9

Amery Airport Run I. For further information contact Tom Hazen
myliberty@comcast.net

June 14

Monthly Meeting Fort Snelling Officers Club. Tire Kicking starts at 6p.m and meeting starts at 7p.m

June 14-17

Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous 2012. This year's location, Kenora, Ontario.
www.britishcar.ca/rendezvous

June 22-24

Back to the 50's Minnesota State Fair Grounds St. Paul, Minnesota

June 24

Inter-Marque Picnic. Cherokee Park in St. Paul, Minnesota. 1 p.m. Bring a dish to pass. If it rains, it's cancelled.

June 30

Woodland Hill Winery tour. Open to all marques. Details to come. Steve Shogren, host.

June 30 – August 4

Automotive Art Exhibit. Hopkins Center for the Arts. Details to come.

July

July 12

Monthly meeting Fort Snelling Officers Club. Tire kicking starts at 6p.m and meeting starts at 7p.m.

July 13-15

The Kohler International Challenge (formerly known as the BRIC). This is the big annual vintage car race event held at Road America in Elkhart Lake Wisconsin

July 14

Iola Old Car Show, Iola, Wisconsin. <http://www.iolaoldcarshow.com/>

July 21

Lexington Restaurant Triumph show. St. Paul. Sue and Phil Ethier, hosts. Details to come.

July 27

Intermarque Drive in Movie Night. Cottage View Drive In, Cottage Grove. Show starts at dusk. Andy Lindberg, host.

July 29

Inter-Marque Picnic at Cherokee Park in St. Paul. 1 p.m. Bring a dish to pass. If it rains, it's cancelled.

August

Triumph Calendar

August 9

Monthly Meeting. Fort Snelling Officers Club. Tire kicking starts at 6p.m and meeting starts at 7:00p.m

August 11

Brit Fest. Details about time and location to come.

August 11-12

New London to New Brighton run – Old-time cars take to the back roads.

August 17-19

Reedsburg/Baraboo, Wisconsin weekend. Drive great back roads, enjoy spectacular scenery, tour fun museums. Russ and Sharon Mattson, hosts.

August 25

Amery Airport Event II. Watch for event flier. For information contact Tom Hazen myliberty@comcast.net

August 26

Inter-Marque Picnic - Cherokee Park in St. Paul, Minnesota. 1 p.m. Bring a dish to pass. If it rains, it's cancelled.

September

September 8

Wheels and Wings, Osceola. Triumph club picnic to follow at the home of Phil and Sue Ethier.

September 7-9

Fall Vintage Race Festival. See vintage racing up close. Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin.

September 9

Wayzata Charity car show. Sponsored by Wayzata Rotary. 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Mill Street (one block north of Lake Street in downtown Wayzata between Superior Blvd and Broadway Ave). \$20 per car. Spectators are FREE!

September 13

Monthly Meeting at Fort Snelling Officer's Club. Tire kicking starts at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

September 29

Minnesota MG Group fall color tour.

September 30

Inter-Marque Picnic - Cherokee Park in St. Paul, Minnesota. Bring a dish to pass. If it rains, it's cancelled. 1 p.m.

October

October 6

Minnesota Austin Healey Club color tour. Hosted by Tom Hazen. A great tour of Wisconsin backroads. Open to all clubs.

October 11

Monthly Meeting/Elections at Fort Snelling Officer's Club. Tire kicking starts at 6:00p.m and the meeting starts 7:00p.m Last meeting of the year.

October 13

Minnesota Triumphs fall color tour
Terry Mackey and Russ Mattson to find host.

October 27

Intermarque Halloween Party, Stillwater
Hosted by Bob and Lori Jensen. Watch for details in Intermarque Monthly.

October 31-November 3

VTR - Galveston TX

November

November 11

High tea
Hosted by Russ and Sharon Mattson (tentative)

January 1, 2013

Toast the New Year at sunrise. Birkmose Park, Hudson, Wisconsin. Then on to breakfast. Open to all clubs.
Doug Burch

Triumph Calendar

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THE VINTAGE VOICE

Member Notes

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Bill Nelson & Kathy Wilson (May 6th),
and either Larry or Gayle Sanderson
(May 20th), and any other members
who may be celebrating their
birthday in May.



If you're willing to share your birth date with the club, please contact me by phone, email to 70GT6plus@gmail.com or let me know when you see me at the club meeting. All I need is the month and day - the year is not required.



2012 NORTHERN LIGHTS RENDEZVOUS, KENORA—JUNE 14-17, 2012

In case you hadn't heard, the **2012 Rendezvous** will be held in Kenora, Ontario – a magnificent resort community in the heart of the Lake of the Woods. The event has the usual three day program starting on Thursday, June 14th and is designed to let everyone make their way home on Sunday, June 17th, 2012.

Kenora is an ideal location for a Rendezvous and almost all our attending clubs can make their way there in a reasonable day's drive. Hosted by the four Winnipeg LBC clubs: The Triumph Driver's Club, the Austin-Healey Club, the Jaguar Club and the Mid-Canada Mini Group, the event itself will be held at the Best Western Lakeside Inn in downtown Kenora right on the water's edge. In fact, the Lakeside Inn and its parking lot look over the fabulous Kenora harbour and you'll be able to watch tour boats, float planes and many kinds of wild-life right from the edge of the LBC parking lot or from the roof-top restaurant and bar in the circular Lakeside hotel.

Our three day program will offer many of the traditional events that everyone has come to expect at a Rendezvous such as a paved road car rally, a funkhana, a Saturday afternoon car show under a spectacular tent and the opening Thursday afternoon golf tournament. To spice things up a bit, our program will also include a few treats such as a 'foot rallye', a guided driving tour to Rushing River provincial park, a number of tech challenge events, self-guided walking tours past the many murals in the town of Kenora and a Friday evening boat cruise through the islands of Lake of the Woods on the MS Kenora – all included in the cost of your basic registration! To top it all off, we've engaged Dennis Gage – the handlebar moustached star of TV's 'My Classic Car' - to spend Saturday afternoon with us at our car show and to be the guest speaker at our Saturday evening Awards Banquet.



We are trying a different approach to registration for 2012. We would like everyone to register, sign up for our events and pay for their registration on our Rendezvous web site. You can still register by mail, but there will be a \$5 registration up-charge for mail-in registrations to cover for the associated bank charges.

Our 2012 Rendezvous web site is located at <http://www.britishcar.ca>. We are in the process of finalizing our registration details and intend to have the on-line registration with credit card payment available before the end of November, 2011. We will contact each club when the web site registration is available for your use.

After our launch presentation last June at the Fargo Rendezvous, we had a very good initial response and as of several months ago, all the rooms at our primary hotel, the Lakeside Inn in Kenora have been booked. **We still have rooms available at our second Kenora hotel, the Super 8 Hotel.** To reserve your room at the Super 8, please call the hotel directly at (807) 468-8016 and ask for the 'Rendezvous 2012' room rate of \$95 Cdn plus tax. The Super 8 is located at 240 Lakeview Drive in Kenora; it has a very good view of the Lake of the Woods as well and is a short drive from our main event hotel!

If you haven't already made plans to do so, come to Kenora, Ontario in June, 2012 for a memorable Northern Lights Rendezvous experience – and a great Lake of the Woods holiday. Better yet, come early, or stay a few days longer and enjoy the many things that Kenora has to offer on the water's edge in the heart of some of the more breathtaking lake country around.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our 2012 Rendezvous co-chairs: Brian Lanoway (204) 261-0915, blanoway@shaw.ca, or Tom Struthers (204) 771-5214, tstruthers@gmail.com.

See you in Kenora in June, 2012!

Brian Lanoway

ALL classified, calendar and event submissions are due by the 5th of the month PRIOR. (April issue due by April 5).
For a computer-savvy Twin Cities Car Club Event Calendar go to <http://calendar.mnhealey.com/>

ONGOING

Multi-Marque Breakfast EVERY* SATURDAY MORNING! 8:30 a.m., Square Peg Diner, 2021 East Hennepin in the Hennepin Square Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Everyone is invited! Special room for the auto-afflicted. Attendance on recent Saturdays has been twenty to thirty or more. Women are invited every Saturday but the second Saturday of every month is Lady's Day. All marques and nationalities invited. Info on and map to the Peg: <http://www.squarepegdiner.com/> (*The Peg is sometimes closed on holiday weekends.)

East Ender's Saturday Morning Breakfast A group of vintage foreign motoring enthusiasts have started a semi-monthly East Ender's Breakfast Group for those that want Breakfast a little later and not drive to Minneapolis. Join the East Ender's on the 1ST AND 3RD SATURDAYS each month, 9:00 a.m. at: Sail Away Café, 1321 St. Croix Trail, Afton, MN. North of County Road 18 and St. Croix Trail.

Cars and Café FIRST SATURDAY APRIL–OCTOBER. 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Auto MotorPlex, 8200 Audubon Road, Chanhassen, Minnesota. Largest monthly gathering of auto enthusiasts in Minnesota. Info: www.automotorplex.com

Auto Motor Plex Third Saturday Coffee and doughnuts at Auto Motor Plex—A different car club featured each month. April: Pontiac, May: Ford, June–Sept: TBD, Oct: German Cars Oktoberfest. April 16th–November 19th; 9:00am–12:00pm AutoMotorPlex, 8200 Audubon Rd, Chanhassen, MN Additional Info Contact: Bruno Silikowski: (612) 850-8398 bsilikowski@automotorplex.com

Duluth Multi-Marque Breakfast? This is a call to any British car enthusiast that lives within driving distance of Duluth. Randy Zimmerman would like to see if he could generate some interest in finding a Saturday am breakfast place to gather in Duluth like folks do in the Twin Cities at the Square Peg. Contact Randy at zimme008@yahoo.com

April 21: Vintage Sports Car Racing Annual Swap Meet. Quality Coaches, 20 West 38th St., Minneapolis, MN. In addition to perusing the goodies for sale, this is a great chance to learn about vintage racing or get tips on race car prep. There are also always cars in the shop to check out.

April 28: Tech Session/Open House. Midwest Motor Sports, 728 8th Ave. South, Sauk Rapids, MN. Hosted by Dan Iberg and the Minnesota MG Club.

May 6: Maplewood Imports Auto Fair. 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. German car show. Info: George Andeweg@Maplewood Imports. Watch for flyer.

May 18: Roosevelt High School Car Show 4029 28th Avenue South, Minneapolis. Last year one of "our" cars won this show. Free admission. Roosevelt, one of Minnesota's premier auto shop high schools, will have their class project on display in the "gold ticket" area of the InterMarque Spring KickOff on May 12. Info: Curtis Franks, cfranks@mpls.k12.mn.us 612-668-4832.

May 19: An informal car show is scheduled in Afton, Minnesota. This show is part of Afton's "Mayfair", which will have various arts in their local park. Show is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Meet at the Sailaway Cafe at 9 a.m. Have Breakfast. Cars will be parked on the boulevard in front of the Sailaway and then down the street. No prizes. Just car art (our cars), plus art in the park. Stay as long as you want. Questions to Jon Masley at 651-779-8605.

May 19: Commemorative Airforce Spring Hangar Dance. Dance to the Roseville Big Band, tour the museum, and see restored WWII aircraft. Open to all Intermarque clubs. Preferred parking will be available for sports and vintage cars. \$15 admission (this is a fundraiser for the Commemorative Airforce). Fleming Field, South St. Paul. Dick Leighninger, host

May 19: Minnesota Scottish Fair & Highland Games (British Car Display) Dakota County Fair Grounds, 4008 220th Street West, Farmington, MN
<http://www.mnscottishfair.org/>

May 26: Spring Tour. Meet at 2:00 PM at Point Douglas Park on Highway 10 in Minnesota just west of Prescott, Wisconsin. Driver's meeting at 2:15 and first car out at 2:30. We will head east on Highway 10 to the wonderful Co. O south and then follow WI 35 (aka The Great River Road) from Hager City to Bay City stopping at the overlook near Lake Pepin. Then thru the bucolic countryside to dinner at the Laurel Supper Club which is renowned for their prime rib dinners. But you can order anything you want off their extensive menu. The Laurel's phone number is 715-246-5121. My cell is 651-402-2153. Our home phone is 715-381-6856. THANK YOU. TOM AND JUNE MOERKE

May26: VSCR Vintage Race with SCCA's Jack Pine Sprints Double Regional and Trans Am at Brainerd International Raceway: Labor Day weekend. Details to come. Visit VSCR.org. NOTE: We need local Sports Car Club support—especially as we try to have our own Vintage only weekend next year at BIR. Thank You —John Hagen, VSCR, jkhagen at charter dot net

May 27: MN Streetcar Museum Car Show. 1-4pm Lake Harriet Depot. 4200 Queen Avenue S., MPLS. Free Admission. Cars from 1900-1970 Welcome. Free Street Car Rides. Cruise Lake Harriet and Lake of the Isles at 4pm. Contact Dave: 952-943-8357.

June 2: Tech Session. Advanced Distributor, 17495 Marystown Road, Shakopee, MN

June 2 – 5: Diamond Jubilee. Celebrations to mark 60 years of The Queen's (that's Elizabeth for you non-Anglophiles) reign. FYI: The rules concerning the use of Diamond Jubilee-related names and titles for non-commercial purposes have been temporarily relaxed. This could cover using the titles for community events, buildings and projects to mark Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee.

June 9: Amery Speed run/Autocross. Amery, Wisconsin. Hosted by Minnesota Austin-Healey Club. Excellent test running of your favorite Sports Car orchestrated by Tom Hazen.

June 9 – 10: Walleye 1000 Vintage Rally. No time or money to go on high dollar vintage rallies like the Colorado Grand or California Mille? Maybe your driver quality vintage car wouldn't make the cut, anyway. Maybe you've got a pristine, blue chip collectible you just

don't get the chance to drive much. Do you like fun people, cool cars and the open road? If so, this just might be for you! Event is open to interesting classic, sports and grand touring cars model year 1979 and older. From the patinated to the pristine, from works in progress to completed projects, Blue Chip collectibles to vintage Fright Pigs, all are welcome and encouraged to participate. Info: walleye1000.com or Dave Tobin Phone: (651) 216-1265 Email: dave@daveknowscars.com

June 14 – 17: Northern Lights Rendezvous Kenora, Ontario. See all the info in this issue.

June 24: Intermarque Picnic. 1:00 p.m. Cherokee Park, St. Paul. All vintage foreign motorcars and their friends are invited. June picnic host: TBD.

June 24: Stillwater Fire Muster, canceled twice last year because of flood waters on the St. Croix, is scheduled on the official calendar for Sunday, with the Not Quite A Parade starting about one o'clock and fire trucks pumping in Lowell Park at the riverfront all afternoon. Kodak moments all afternoon. Ride on the trucks heading downtown. Hold on to a hose and nozzle spraying water from an antique fire truck Getting wet is optional.

June 30: 3rd Annual Woodland Hill Winery British Sports Car Display. Noon-4, Delano, MN. Featuring Live Music and beautiful picnic grounds. Lunch will be available for purchase. Tastings of 12 varieties: \$7. Vinyard and Winery Tours. Open to all InterMarque clubs. Hosted by Minnesota Triumphs.

June 30–August 4: Velocity 2: The Art of Motion. Hopkins Center for the Arts, Hopkins, MN. Opening Gala Reception: Saturday, June 30, 7:00–10:00 p.m. Free and open to the public. Some of the cars that will be at the June 30th exhibition opening: 1938 MG Sedan; 1968 Maserati Ghibli; 1972 Lamborghini Muria; 1990 BMW M3; 1965 Mini Cooper Special; 1953 Chevrolet Corvette; 1963 Chevrolet Corvette; 2003 Porsche GT3 RS; 1973 Porsche 911; and 1965 BMW 2002 tii. Velocity is the largest, stand-alone automotive fine art exhibition in the United States, and draws crowds of car buffs to downtown Hopkins. See work by some of the most-recognized names in the world of automotive art as well as rising stars. Special car shows and events will be held in conjunction with the exhibition. Watch the Velocity 2 Facebook page for details.

Minnesota Triumphs Mystery Tour

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Super Sausage Sunday

This is not a competition or an exhibition but a Mystery Tour, a leisurely drive around the Lake Minnetonka area with questions needing answers as you go. It is highly recommended to have a co-pilot to help with the quiz. The grand prize will be awarded at the at the banquet.

The plan is to meet Sunday day May 20th at 10:00 AM in the Macy's Men's Store parking lot located in the Northeast corner of Ridgedale shopping center. This is at the intersection of Interstate 394 and Ridgedale Drive.

We will have driving directions and area maps, marked with a suggested route out and around the lake. You are encouraged to make any side trips or deviations from the route as you see fit. The trip is about 60 miles as planed, with plenty of suggested stops in Excelsior, Spring Park and Wayzata for refreshments. The drive will conclude around 1:00 at our home (4520 Trenton Circle, Plymouth, MN. 55442) with lunch on the deck.

Hot Dogs, Polish, Hot Italian, Mild Italian, Bratwurst-- anything that fits on a long bun and everything to go with it. The club cannot provide alcoholic beverages, so bring your own if you wish. We will have a stock tank full of ice and soft drinks.

If you can't make the drive, come for the food.

Please let us know if you can make it. We need a headcount to assure we have enough maps and food.

Larry & Gail Berg - lsberg@coldwellbankervision.com.

Terry Mackey - mackey421@gmail.com

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90210?...nope...61371!

On my back-roads round-trip to Indiana to see my 102 year old mother (still lives in her house) for Easter and accumulating 1477 miles, I just happened upon a town called Triumph, Illinois. What are the chances? And to find a 1960 TR3 in town! Well, I just had to document...so enjoy. BTW, no need to go out of your way to experience it...there's NO bar. But if you want to pick up the TR3, I have the info.



And...the "6" ran great.
Terry Mackey







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2012 InterMarque SPRING KICK-OFF



ILLUSTRATION BY:
MICHAEL JEKOT

**SAT.
MAY 12**
10AM-3PM
**OSSEO
MN**

**RAIN OR
SHINE**

20TH ANNUAL VINTAGE FOREIGN CAR SHOW

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- This is a FREE* event. Open to **1991 OR OLDER, FOREIGN** motorcars, motorcycles, scooters, and vintage racers.
- **FIRST COME FIRST PARKED.** Placement starts at 9 a.m. Space is limited. Parking staff will be on hand to direct. Clubs wishing to park together need to arrive en-mass.
- Visit InterMarque.org for additional show information.

**All participants please bring a non-perishable food item to donate.*

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Minnesota Triumphs Calendar Rally

Welcome to the first ever Minnesota Triumphs Calendar Rally. Hopefully this will become an annual event. The rules are simple, just drive your Triumph in search of theme destinations, photograph your find and email it back to the rally master.

This year, as we live in the land of 10,000 lakes, the theme is WATER that's H₂O. For the 2012 season, May 1st through October 31st Just drive to a City or Town in Minnesota that has a reference to water in its' name, take a photo of your Triumph with a sign that identifies it and send it on to the rally master. Be sure to date stamp the photo or somehow identify when it was taken. You are on the honor system here. The sign could be the official sign along the road or better yet, maybe a Bank or water tower that has the town name on it. We are not encouraging you to stop along a busy road and get run over by a semi. The car with the most photos will be declared the winner and, along with the bragging rights, will be the feature car on the cover of the calendar.

That leads us to the whole point of this rally. The photos from the highest scoring cars will be used to produce The Official Minnesota Triumphs Club Calendar. The first, second and third place winners will not only get their cars in the coveted calendar but will also receive a free calendar for their heroic efforts. The calendar will be offered to the public for a modest price following the awards ceremony at the November meeting. We also need to be thinking of a theme for next year maybe BBQ shacks or British Pubs?

Please sign the following Release to become an official entrant in the 2012 Calendar Rally and don't forget to have a little fun along the way.

Send all photos to: Larry Berg lsbergdtm@gmail.com
I will keep everyone up to date on the Triumph Face Book page.

This is a release.

I understand that this event is a rally. I understand that this is an inherently dangerous activity, which should only be undertaken by competent, experienced individuals. I agree to abide by all applicable traffic regulations in the state. I accept full and complete responsibility for my safety during this rally. I hereby waive any and all claims I may have against the event, its organizers, agents or sponsors as a result of my participation in the event.

Signature & Date

Driver _____

Co-

Driver _____

Minnesota Triumphs Tech Specialists

As a service to fellow members, club members with an expertise in a particular model of Triumph have volunteered to act as tech specialists for that model. They don't know everything but they do know a lot. So, if you have a question, give them a call.

TR2/3/3A/3B - John Kallaus (952-891-5266)

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TR250/TR6 - Orrin McGill (763-755-7765)

TR7 - Charles Setala (651-490-0489)

TR8 - Greg Gelhar (763-424-6434)

Spitfire - Bill Gingerich (612-850-4072)

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Renown -

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Announcing the 2012 Mid-Iowa Car Classic

Registration is now open

The 2012 Mid-Iowa Car Classic is rapidly approaching. This year's extravaganza will take place on Saturday June 16th and promises to be bigger and better than ever. Registration for the 2012 Mid-Iowa Car Classic is now open at www.midiowacarclassic.com.

Don't miss the best car show in the Midwest. The 2012 Mid-Iowa Car Classic is the premier event for all enthusiasts of fine British, European and American automobiles. Register early for this exciting show. All of the information is easily found on our website listed below. We are always adding new information so check back often.

The 2012 Mid-Iowa Car Classic will be held in conjunction with the Johnston Green Days annual community celebration in Johnston Iowa. Green Days is an annual celebration held in Johnston, Iowa. The 2012 festival will be held June 14th-17th. Green Days is organized by the Johnston Chamber of Commerce and includes activities like a parade, carnival, children's activities, entertainment, live bands, beer garden, rib cook-off contest, talent search, 5K walk and run and much more.

For more information about the Johnston Green Days celebration, visit their website at: www.johnstongreendays.org. See the map on our website for directions to the 2012 Mid-Iowa Car Classic car show site and to learn more about this great classic car show.

Feel free to forward this information to all of your car club friends. We would love to see them and their classic car at the show. We look forward to seeing you on June 16th at the 2012 Mid-Iowa Car Classic.

www.midiowacarclassic.com

If you wish to no longer receive notifications about The 2012 Mid-Iowa Car Classic, please reply to this email with the word "remove" in the subject line and we will remove your name from our list. Thank you.



MINNESOTA TRIUMPHWEAR



T-Shirts/Sweatshirts:

Logo

- "Life's Too Short....."
- "We Service What We Drive"

Style

- Short T (\$13)
- Long T (\$21)*
- Crew Sweatshirt (\$26)*
- Hooded Sweatshirt (\$32)*

Size

- M
- L
- XL
- XXL

Color

- White
- Gray
- Sweatshirts only**
- Ash



*Long Sleeves includes "MN Triumph" on sleeve

Embroidered Shirts:

Logo

- 30th Anniversary Logo
- "Lifes Too Short.." Logo*

Style

- Polo (\$36)
- Crew Sweatshirt (\$32)
- Hooded Sweatshirt (\$37)

Gender

- Mens
- Ladies

Size

- S (ladies only)
- M
- L
- XL
- XXL

Color

- White
- Black
- Gold
- Navy
- Polo Only**
- Lt. Blue
- Forest Green

Sweatshirts Only

- Ash
- Athletic Gray



* Embroidered "Lifes Too Short.." logo includes Union Jack flag w/o Triumph

Leather Sleeve Wool Jacket with 30th Anniversary Logo on front \$120:

Logo

- "Lifes Too Short.." text only on back (Add\$20)
- Name on right side (Add \$8)

Size

- M
- L
- XL
- XXL
- XXXL

Color

- Black/Black
- Black/Tan
- Blue/Tan



Microfiber Pullover Windjacket \$45:

Logo

- 30 Anniversary Logo
- "Lifes Too Short.." Logo*

Size

- M
- L
- XL
- XXL
- XXXL(add \$5)
- XLT (add \$5)
- XXLT(add \$5)

Color

- Black/Black
- Black/Putty
- Cobalt/Black
- Cocoa
- Ivory
- Navy
- Red
- Steel Gray



* Embroidered "Lifes Too Short.." logo includes Union Jack flag w/o Triumph

Oxford Shirt \$35:

Logo

- 30 Anniversary Logo
- "Lifes Too Short.." Logo*

Size

- M
- L
- XL
- XXL
- XXXL(add \$5)
- XLT (add \$5)

Color

- Denim
- Black
- Blue
- White
- Yellow
- Red
- Forest
- Navy
- Gold



* Embroidered "Lifes Too Short.." logo includes Union Jack flag w/o Triumph

Embroidered Hats:

Logo

- 30th Anniversary Logo
- Champion (\$22)
- Pink
- "Lifes Too Short..."

Style

- Flexfit Drivers (\$22)
- Fidel (\$20)
- Black
- Khaki
- Loden
- Olive

Colors

- White
- Black
- Red
- Gold
- Navy
- Khaki
- Kelly
- Black
- Camo
- Mocha
- Chocolate
- Olive
- Pink
- Gray



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MAIL ORDER TO: WildThreads
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Mound, MN 55364
612-860-7358

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Make Check payable to MN Triumphs Regalia

Questions or Special Requests:
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Phone: 612-860-7358
Website: www.wildthreadsonline.com

Subtotal \$ _____ Name _____

Direct Shipping (Add \$5.00/piece) Address _____
 Pickup at Monthly Club Meeting -FREE

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Name(s) to be Embroidered (Add \$8) _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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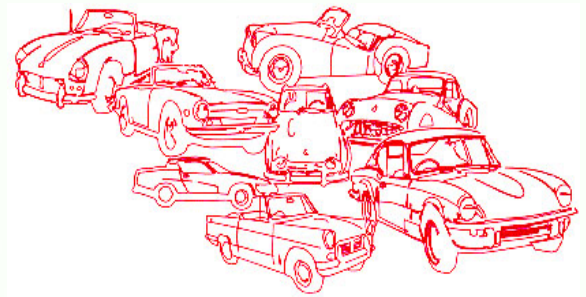
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Triumph Trader

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Steal This Car: TR Club members only price: \$2400 obo

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Tell me what you need.

15" wire wheels with hubs & knock offs(TR2,3,4 or MGA)

4 cyl.(TR2/3/4) Transmission 4 speed, generator,starter

rear end, brakes, steering, body parts, gauges gas tanks

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Patrick Holt

Pair of rebuilt rear hubs off my '74 TR6 \$150.00

Replaced with Richard Good hubs.Ask Larry Berg about condition,etc.

Joe Bisanz [651-699-0529](tel:651-699-0529) 02/12

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V8 Convertible very fast and smooth A/C could use recharge

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Patrick Holt

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Be sure to identify yourself as a member of Minnesota Triumphs and supply your name and car model, if desired. Kirks will make your badge and mail it to you with an invoice in a couple of days. A pin type tag costs \$7.15, magnetic type, add \$1.20. Shipping is \$2.32. It couldn't be easier.



It's NEW. Now you can keep in touch, share photos, and let other Minnesota Triumph members know what you're up to. Check in at MN Triumphs on facebook. Go ahead, write on our wall.

About Minnesota Triumphs Car Club

Minnesota Triumphs formed in 1981 when a group of Triumph enthusiasts met for an afternoon of fun and conversation at Fort Snelling Park.

Since then, the club has grown to more than 150 members from throughout the Midwest.

Our activities include:

- Monthly meetings
- Social gatherings
- Tech sessions
- Road rallies
- Regional and national events

We welcome all Triumph enthusiasts, whether you own a concourse-winning showpiece, are restoring a diamond in the rough, are searching for just the right addition to your garage or just appreciate the marque.

Together we can locate those hard-to-find parts and assist one another in keeping our vehicles on the road. But most of all, the club offers opportunities to explore some of the best roads in the region with others who enjoy the Triumph experience.

Membership

Our membership year runs January 1 through December 31.

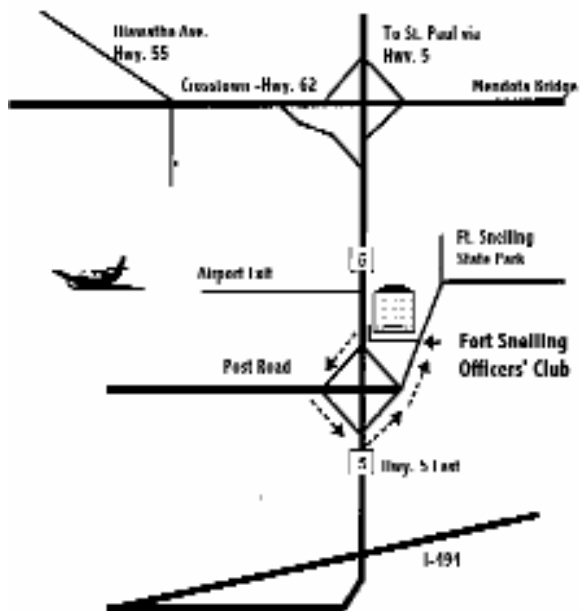
Annual membership is \$25 (an additional \$1 provides your partner with voting privileges at our annual election of officers). With this membership fee, your newsletter can be seen on-line or you can pick up a hard copy at the monthly meetings.

If you prefer to have your newsletter mailed to you, membership fee is \$35 (plus \$1 for partner's voting privileges).

Join after September 1st and enjoy full membership benefits through the remainder of the current year and the entire next year.

Monthly Meetings

Minnesota Triumphs meets the second Thursday of each month, January through October. Club members gather at the Fort Snelling Officers' Club at the intersection of Post Rd. and Hwy. 5 across from the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport.



Membership Notes

MAY MEMBERSHIP NOTES

By Lenny Kukuruzza

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

As of April 30th, we have about 107 members signed up for 2012. This is down a bit from 2011 this time of the year. Perhaps some of you are waiting to use the PayPal feature on our web site? Well, wait no more!!!

Go to <http://www.mntriumphs.org/join.htm> to pay your membership fee on line. While you're there, check out the rest of the newly refurbished web site, thanks to our club Web Master, Ron Ruettimann and our club Secretary Fred Olson working hard together between their crazily busy schedules to give the site a beautiful facelift. The web site address is <http://www.mntriumphs.org>. It's a great fresh start...keep it up guys!!!

DEADLINE

This year, the deadline was extended to April 15th. This doesn't mean that I won't be accepting dues after that date...it just means that if you renew after that date, you won't be listed on the roster. Joe DeMuth is willing to once again help me out with the task of compiling the 2012 club roster. I'll be contacting some of you to make sure I have up-to-date contact information.

NEXT MEETING

Next club meeting is May 10th. Tire kicking begins at 6 PM; meeting starts at 7 PM. Hope to see you all there!

UPCOMING EVENT

INTER MARQUE SPRING KICK-OFF is Saturday, May 12th in Downtown Osseo, 9 AM to 2 PM (see flyer for details). Sounds like the City of Osseo is pulling all stops and is doing everything they can to make this event a success. See you there!!!

Lenny Kukuruzza
Membership Chair
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Membership Sign Up

Name: _____

Partner: _____

Address: _____

Phone (day): _____

Phone (evening): _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Newsletter Delivery Preference:

On-line Mailed Pick Up

Model of Triumph(s) Owned

Member of Vintage Triumph Register (www.vtr.org)?

Yes No

Referred by: _____

Am't paid (circle): \$25 \$26 \$35 \$36

Date of Birth (month & day only):

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Minnesota Triumphs
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Minnesota Triumphs
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Check our web site at:

www.mntriumphs.org

Membership meetings are on the **SECOND THURSDAY** of the month (except no meetings in November and December). Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. and are held at the Fort Snelling Officers' Club, just south of the Minneapolis St. Paul International Airport. Everyone is invited to attend, whether you are a member or not.

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Are you connected to the group? Do you get in on the latest information?

We have an e-mail site you can easily join. It is Minnesota Triumphs Yahoo mail.

Simply send an e-mail to

mntriumphsgroup-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

You don't have to ask for anything, they will see your e-mail address and take it from there.



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