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ON THE COVER

Intermarque, Wine Tour, Sausage & Mystery Tour, Drive In, High Tea, Lexington Show, Wheels & Wings, Color Tour, Shake Down & Junk Yard Scavenge. They're all here...

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PREZ RELEASE

Dear Friends. Last month at my "Biz to Biz" network meeting a gal who owns a salon in Maple grove was giving her presentation, an in-depth look at her business plan. She had been working for weeks, months even, fine tuning her plan. So much effort was put into the plan that it became apparent that she actually believed it. "Starting a business without a detailed plan would be as silly as getting into your car without knowing where you are going". At that point I couldn't help but think and almost blurted out, I do just that all the time, always have, not start a business without

a plan but get into the TR6 or jump the R90 cycle and go for the sake of going. My mind was wandering, can't wait for spring. You've heard this all before. A brisk spring morning, the engine is oh so smooth, the exhaust note perfect, top down with the wind blowing through what is left of your hair, we all are getting older you know, the smell of the barnyard and fresh cut grass. To me many times the trip is far more important than the destination. After all, what do you do when you get there? All the reports of the Lewis & Clark expedition are about the trip itself and very little is told of the destination. As fantastic as it may have

been, they took a look at the Pacific, turned around and walked back. Enjoy the ride. What I am saying is, being part of the club and enjoying the friendship is a trip in itself. That's where memories are made. Here is a toast to a great new year with all our friends in Minnesota Triumphs and the Intermarque community. Let's all take time to enjoy the ride. Happy 2013











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.

MINUTES OF THE MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS

October 11, 2012 Meeting

President Jeremy Fohrenkamm called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

Dick Leighninger reminded everyone that the Fall Color Tour starts at Point Douglas Park this Saturday (the 13th) at 10 a.m. It will be about 95 miles long and end around noon at Vino in the Valley.

There was some chatter over whether the drive should be moved to Sunday due to a high chance of rain on Saturday, but it was eventually decided to keep it Saturday.

On Oct. 27, there will be an InterMarque Halloween party. Watch for the InterMarque newsletter for details. The venue where the party is held does tend to be warm, so plan your Halloween costume accordingly.

The Waumandee Hill Climb was a great event. Some in InterMarque are thinking of turning the Hill Climb into an annual event that essentially ends the classic car season – a nice counterpoint to the Spring Kick-Off that starts the season.

Larry Sanderson reminded everyone that the VTR reunion is in Galveston, Texas, this year. Next year's convention will be in California's

wine country.

Then, the High Tea is coming up on Nov. 11 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Carole Isakson's house. Later events include the New Year's toast on Jan. 1 and the Mid-Winter Party at the Cherokee Steakhouse on Jan. 27.

Steve Shogren spoke of the junkyard tour that several people joined on Sept. 29. We went to Joe's Auto Sales in Vermillion, Minn., where hundreds of Fords from a variety of years are slowly returning to the Earth.

Orrin McGill mentioned that more people may want to consider joining the National InterMarque meet-up next year. It happens in Hot Springs, Ark., and takes place in the largest gated community in the country.

Treasurer Rick Hansen said he has been putting together the final yearly report for tax purposes. He said the club had a net increase of \$197 this year. The club has a total of about \$1,600 in our checking account and about \$7,300 in the savings account.

Membership chair Lenny Kukuruza said we have a new member: Bart Saxton, who has two Spitfires – one from 1973 and one from 1979. Bob Lee is also now a full member and was at Thursday's meeting. Welcome both!

Larry Berg mentioned that he's looking for any and all good Triumph pictures for the annual calendar.

There will be a tech session on Oct. 20 at Gary Stevenson's garage in Lino Lakes at 10 a.m.

The annual officer election was held. Only one contested race was on the ballot, that of Newsletter Editor. In the end, Orrin McGill edged Bill Gingerich by one vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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.

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TR4 - John Myers (507-633-2017)

TR4A - Larry Sanderson (507-775-6940)

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TR7 -Charles Setala (651-490-0489)

TR8 - Greg Gelhar (763-424-6434)

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GT6 - Pat McFarland (763-427-5612)

Renown-

Citroën - A. Lindberg (651-292-8585)



VTR REPORT JANUARY 2013

It seemed like months between Thanksgiving and Christmas this year, but only because this guy is a whimp and cannot take the cold anymore. So for a few months the VTR report will come from balmy S Florida. Hope you all rung in the New Year with visions of staying on top of this so called financial cliff. Many of you TR souls braved the New Year chill in getting a glimpse of the first sunrise of the year. Look forward to that report.

This is going to be a great VTR year as we head back to California and the wine country of Napa north of San Francisco for this year's VTR convention. It will be the VTR National Convention/Triumphest 2013 from October 2 - October 6, 2013 - Greater

VTR REPORT

San Francisco Bay Area, California. Now is the time to plan for a great California vacation while seeing some of America's best Triumphs. Contact the Embassy Suites San Rafael-Marin County, CA at 1 415 499 9222 for reservations. The last California VTR was a really fun trip for all of us MN TR members. Please make this a must do.

If you are not a VTR member please consider joining VTR now. The cost is \$35 which includes the bi-monthly magazine, the Vintage Triumph, technical consultants, the annual convention, support of our club and other regional clubs, Triumph regalia and special rates on insurance for your vintage TR. Please back the club who works so hard to help keep the TR

badge alive so that others may continue to have an interest in our cars in hopes of keeping our values high. Please call me with questions or go to www.vtr.org to join.

I wish all of you the best for a truly happy and healthy new year in 2013.

Larry Sanderson, your MN TR VTR Liaison, 507 269 1500 myfriendlar@yahoo.com

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Orrin & Pam McGill

Triumph Calendar

January

January 10

Monthly Meeting: Fort Snelling Officers Club.

Extremity thawing begins at 6 p.m. and meeting starts at 7 p.m.

January 12

Event Planning Breakfast at the Square Peg (see page 9 for details)

January 27

2012 Mid-Winter Bash at Cherokee Sirloin Room

Sunday at 2PM See Page 8

February

February 14

Monthly Meeting: Fort Snelling Officers Club.

Extremity thawing begins at 6 p.m. and meeting starts at 7 p.m.

March

March 14

Monthly Meeting: Fort Snelling Officers Club.

Extremity thawing begins at 6 p.m. and meeting starts at 7 p.m.

April

April 11

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

April 21

Spring Shakedown Tour.

April 28

Tech Session

May

May 9

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

May 11

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

May 18

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 19

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.

May 29- June 2

British Car Week National Meet Hot Springs Village, Arkansas See Page 7 for flyer.

June

June 9

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

June 13

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

June 13-16

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

June 20-23

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

June 30

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 29 - August 3

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

July

July 11

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.

Triumph Calendar

July 28

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

August

August 8

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

August 10

Brit Fest. Details about time and location to come.

August 8-10

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

August 24

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

August 25

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 7

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

September 6-8

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

September 8

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 12

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 28

Minnesota MG Group fall color tour.

September 29

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 5

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

October 10

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 12

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

October 26

Intermarque Halloween Party, Stillwater

October 2 - 6

VTR - San Rafael, CA (see flyer on page 14)

November

November 10

High tea

January

January 1, 2014

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



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Let Terry know (mackey421@gmail.com) if you plan to attend so we can have the room set up accordingly.

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The meager cost of \$20 includes:
Appetizers, Salad, Entree with bread,
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Choose meal at door/pay at door Meal choices:

8oz Top Sirloin (with baked potato)
 Broiled Canadian Walleye (with baked potato)
 Minnesota Chicken Breast (served over rice, no potato)
 Barbecued Pork Ribs (with baked potato)

From: Dick Leighninger < imsplashcaf@yahoo.com>

Subject: Please announce TR Club activities planning meeting

Date: January 4, 2013 5:57:06 PM CST

To: "jdemuth@ties2.net" < jdemuth@ties2.net>

Reply-To: Dick Leighninger < imsplashcaf@yahoo.com>

Joe, could you please get the word out to the membership that Terry Mackey and I have scheduled a meeting at the Square Peg Cafe for Saturday, January 12, at 9:00 AM, to discuss the club's activities for 2013? We will move to the "back room" in the Square Peg after we've had breakfast. Last year, I think the meeting lasted about 60 minutes.

This is the event where we schedule/plan club events for year, so that we have fun things to do as a club, and so we don't overlap any of the other clubs' activities.

We're also **very** interested in any **NEW** activities the club members would like us to plan. Personally, I'm **VERY INTERESTED** in any ideas you have for a club mystery trip. So if you have an idea of something you'd like the club to put together and you can't make it to the meeting, PLEASE forward your thoughts to me or to Terry. Our eMails are:

Dick Leighninger: imsplashcaf@yahoo.com
Terry Mackey: mackey421@gmail.com

Thanks! Hope to see you there!!!

Dick





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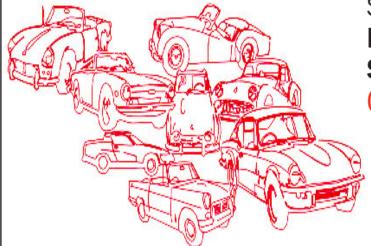


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Minnesota Triumphs formed in 1981 when a group of Triumph enthusiasts met for an afternoon of fun and conversation at Fort Snelling Park.

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.

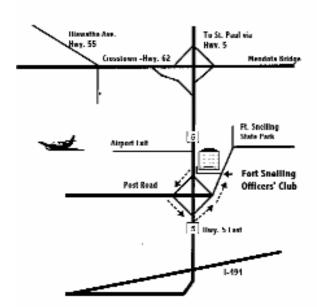
Annual membership is \$25 (an additional \$1 provides your partner with voting privileges at our annual election of officers). With this membership fee, your newsletter can be seen on-line or you can pick up a hard copy at the monthly meetings.

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

Here is the list of elected officers for 2013:

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Vice-President:
Sue Ethier
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Rick Hansen
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Secretary:
Vice-President:
Sue Ethier
Rick Hansen
Orrin McGill
Fred Olson

Here is the list of volunteer positions for 2013:

Event Coordinators: Dick Leighninger and

Terry Mackey

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Historian:

Regalia:

Jeremy Fohrenkamm

Ron Ruettimann

Greg Gelhar

Larry Berg has

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Pat Holt

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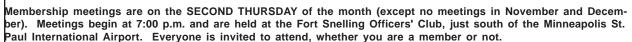


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