

ON THE COVER

Over 20 cars color toured in the cool...we ended at a great lunch spot that Bill G. found. Gary & Barb hested high tea(2013 photo, staff was tea-ing). Only a few (5) TRs made it to that.

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# PREZ RELEASE ==

The Minnesota winter proved to be too much for many of our members as the January attendance was very light. Snowy roads made the commute treacherous but a few brave members made the trek and we completed the meeting with Terry Mackey showing us the very nice Rendezvous banner and Pat Holt gave us an update on what should be the one of the biggest Triumph/Intermarque events of the year. Greg Thompson filled in for Larry Sanderson, our VTR liaison who winters in Florida, and talked about this year's VTR in Lake Geneva Wisconsin. Looks like we're having to big events in Wisconsin this year!

I continue to work on my TR4 project and encountered one of the more difficult jobs as I replaced the motor mounts. I noticed the engine lifted a little too easy as I jacked it up to replace the fanbelt. Check out the picture of the passenger side mount. Ouch, I wonder how long it was in two pieces!

Start thinking Spring and share your ideas for Triumph tech sessions, Triumph drives, and Triumph get togethers for this coming year.



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 SPORTS CAR CLUB

Minutes of Minnesota Triumphs January 8, 2015 meeting.

President Terry Neuman calls the meeting to order at 7:20 PM.

Sue Ethier is volunteered as temporary Secretary.

Treasurer Terry Mackey reports that that we have \$10,000.

Orrin McGill announces that he is stepping in to help out as Bill Gingrich takes a leave of absence as Editor.

Membership Chair Joe DeMuth Reports that it is now time to start sending him 2015 dues.

VTR Report: Greg Thompson reports on the special offer for new Vintage Triumph Register members: 2 Years for 1. USA addresses \$35.00 for 2 years. Join now and get two years (2015 and 2016) for just \$35! Offer expires Feb 28, 2015 and is valid for new members only. Go to www.vtr.org

InterMarque: Pat Holt reminds us that the Spring Kick-Off is May 16 in Osseo Minnesota and that Rendezvous is June 11-14 in Ashland Wisconsin.

Dick Leighninger reminds us that the Winter Bash will be January 25 at Dangerfield's in Shakopee.

No New Business.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45.

# VTR REPORT —

#### **FEBRUARY 2015**

Greetings from South Florida. Here Minnesota whimps come to escape the nasty north winds. Shoveling snow in 70 degree weather is more fun anyhow. Sounds like a busy winter as many of our members are working toward a trip around Lake Superior in June and the brawl at South Beach Ashland WI. Some of you brought in the sun on Jan 1 and sounds like the winter parties I'm missing are a blast. There is not a ton to report from here accept for a Jag sighting or a number of high end Italian and British sedans.

I just want you all to be planning Wisconsin in August.

The 2015 VTR will be in Fontana, WI on beautiful Lake Geneva. It will be hosted by the Illinois Sports Owners Assoc. and held Aug 11-15 2015. You may make your room reservation with the Abbey Resort and that phone is 262 275 9000, theabbeyresort.com to view the rooms and the resort. The rate is \$145/room for a king or two queens. This rate is for poolside or resort view. Resort view, I'm told, may be quieter than the pool. Harbor view has a \$30 upgrade charge and those rooms are limited to just a few. They will guarantee now with your credit card and you may cancel up to 3 days b4 arrival. You may now register for the 2015 VTR using PayPal at www.vtr2015.com. The cost is \$135 for 1 car and 1 driver but you may deduct 15 if you register b4 June 15 of 2015. Additional driver is 15 and each non driver will be 10.

Do yourself a favor and for the small price of \$35 please join VTR. If you never have been a member check the VTR sight and you may still be able to get the deal of 2 years for the price of one.

I hope you will all join us in Lake Geneva, WI. I this August.

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

# **Triumph Calendar**

09 - Club Meeting

December 2015

2015

18 - Tech Session TDB

January 2015

08 - Club Meeting

17 - Tech Session TDB

25 - Triumph Mid-Winter Bash

February 2015

12 - Club Meeting

21 - Tech Session TDB

March 2015

12 - Club Meeting

21 - Tech Session TDB

**April 2015** 

09 - Club Meeting

18 - Tech Session TDB

May 2015

14 - Club Meeting

16 - Tech Session TDB

**June 2015** 

11 - Club meeting

11-14 - South Beach Rendesvous hosted by MN Triumphs. Ashland WI on the beautiful south shore of Lake Superior. Make your reservations today.

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3009 Lakeshore Drive East Ashland, WI

866-378-9950

20 - Tech Session TDB

**July 2015** 

August 2015

13 - Club Meeting

11-15 The 2015 VTR, hosted by the Illinios Sports Owners Association, on the shores of beautiful Lake Geneva WI. Details on pages 14-15 of this newsletter.

15 - Tech Session TDB

September 2015

10 - Club Meeting

19 - Tech Session TDB

October 2015

08 - Club Meeting

17 - Tech Session TDB

November 2015

See Intermarque Monthly at:

www.intermarque.org

# **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

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

**TR4** - John Myers (507-633-2017)

**TR4A** - Larry Sanderson (507-775-6940)

**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)

**GT6** - Pat McFarland (763-427-5612)

Renown -

**Citroën** - A. Lindberg (651-292-8585)









Tropical theme deck party Touring Tech Sessions Car Show But wait! There'll be so much more ...

Situated on the Tropical South Beach of one of the world's largest natural air conditioners.

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# **EVENTS SCHEDULE**

# THURSDAY:

- Registration
- Rallye Superieur **Welcoming Event**
- Parking Lot Party
- Funkhana

# FRIDAY:

- Registration
- Madeline Island Tour
- Autocross/Speed Run
- Scrabble Scramble
- Deck Party (Hotel Chequamegon)
- Silent Auction

# SATURDAY:

- 25th Rendezvous Car Show
- Waterfall Tour
- Silent Auction
- Banquet









# Its Time to Register

Register before April 1, 2015 and be automatically entered in the "Early Bird Drawing" for a valuable prize. Registration is being done by mail, not on the web in an effort to keep costs at a minimum. Also, registration is by the person, not couple, so the cost for one person is half the cost of a couple.

Registration Cost: \$40 US, \$45 CA / person Optional Banquet ticket: \$30 US, \$33 CA / person A free t-shirt is included with each registration. How to Register

- · Print the form.
- Mail the completed form and your payment to the address on the form.
- You will receive email conformation of your registration.

# 2015 South Beach Rendezvous Registration Form

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# **2014 Colour Tour**

The 2014 Colour Tour was a very well attended event. The day started off bright and sunny, with something in excess of 25 cars gathering at Pt Douglas Park just across the river from Prescott WI. From there we went south across the new river bridge in Hastings, and out in the general direction of Red Wing. Passing the turn off to Treasure Island, we ran down to Welch, and then on to Vasa. There we took a break to stretch our legs and check out the Vasa Lutheran Church. We then wondered further south and west before turning toward Red Wing once again. On the north side of Red Wing we stopped for lunch at the Smokin' Oak Rotisserie & Grill. The staff was not expecting us, but did a wonderful job of taking care of us. And the food was pretty good too! From there everybody chose their own route home. Good weather,

great friends, great roads, and good food - a combination that is pretty hard to top.



A good sized batch of Triumphs



Bernadette Mackey says hi to the Leightner's dog Chloe





Past the Treasure Island turnoff, and up the hill toward Hwy 61.



Chatting and checking out the Vasa Lutheran Church



# MEMBER<sup>ship</sup> NOTES

# Are you a member of the VTR?

Please consider joining the Vintage Triumph Register. This national association of Triumph car clubs offers various benefits to chapter member clubs and individual members including The Vintage Triumph quarterly newsletter, free classified advertising in the newsletter, access to VTR's staff of volunteer vehicle consultants. various VTR Triumph car club regalia, an annual convention hosted each year by one of VTR's many local chapters, and low-cost collector car liability insurance for club sponsored events. Yearly dues are \$35. For details, go to their web site at www.vtr.org or pick up a form from Larry Sanderson at a club meeting.

Peter & Sheila K John & Cindy M. Glenn & Cathy A. Doug & Mary B. Bradlev K Terry and Sharon N. Andy & Lori E. Roger and K Nora Gary R. James & Nicol E. Dick & Sally L Steve & Kay S. Phil & Sue E. Andy L. Mark S. William F. Richard M. Barb & Ted S. Greg & Carol T. Greg & Nancy G. Jon & Jody M. Chuck H. Tom & June M. Larry & Gayle W. Ann & Bill H. Wayne M. John W. Marsha & Pat H David M. Denny W.

Thanks to these members that have already paid their 2015 dues. Remember, you have until the end of March.

- Pay at the monthly meeting;
- Pay using PayPal visit our web page at <a href="https://www.mntriumphs.org/join.htm">www.mntriumphs.org/join.htm</a>
- Or mail payment to me at 4018 Emerson Ave. N, Minneapolis, MN, 55412.

#### Membership Form

\$25 for a single membership + emailed newsletter \$26 for family membership + emailed newsletter \$35 for a single membership + mailed newsletter \$36 for a family membership + mailed newsletter Mail to: Joe DeMuth, 4018 Emerson Ave N, Minneapolis, MN, 55412

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Fun Run June 6-11, 2015



(but not necessarily all) of its participants will likely be the more adventurous souls in their vintage cars attending the 25th annual U.S./Canada International Sports Car Rendezvous that kicks off on June 11. Some of the cities through which the Rallye will pass include Duluth, Grand Marais, Thunder Bay, Wawa, Sault St. Marie, and Marquette.

Rendezvous Rallye Superieur is a tour around Lake Superior. The rallye will embarkfrom Ashland,

Wisconsin, USA, on June 6, circumnavigate Lake Superior and arrive back in Ashland on June 11. Many

Is this a pretentious, big-deal rally like the California Mille or the Monte Carlo? Well, it's a big deal for us and it will cover some exquisite roads and locations, but there the similarities end. Most importantly, there is no competition. No fast driving awards, no checkpoints, and no incentive to trash your old car. Just an extended tour on which you can enjoy your vintage car with other aficionados.

Is participation limited to older vehicles? Yes. By old we mean 25+ years old. For the arithmetically challenged that means 1990 and older. Exceptions may be granted by the rallye master for retromobiles that he believes maintain the classic spirit and vintage joi de vivre.

Is this as expensive as Hemmings' Great Race? No. You will pay for five-and-a-half days of food and lodging, and for maybe 1500 miles of gasoline. All as you go and all on your own Visa card. Once we have an idea of how many will participate, arrangements will be made so that moderate lodging and restaurants is available. The only extra cost to which you will be liable covers your prestigious Rallye Rendezvous Superieur magnetic emblem (a nice compliment to the free Circle Tourwindow sticker).



How do I register or get more information? Email Andy Lindberg (andyrlin@gmail.com).

# VTR - The 2015 North American Triumph Challenge

The 2015 Vintage Triumph Register National Convention will be hosted by the Illinois Sports Owners Association at the Abbey Resort and Conference Center in Fontana, Wisconsin, on the shore of beautiful Geneva Lake. Having hosted five previous VTR conventions, most recently in 2005, the club is pleased to welcome you for a return trip, or for your first visit. The festivities will take place from Tuesday, August 11 – Friday, August 14, 2015. For more information and to register, visit the convention website: vtr2015.com.

## EVENT SCHEDULE VTR 2015 (AS OF 12-2-14, SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

TUESDAY AUG. 11	BIID AM - 6:00 PM	(Sand Bar)
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Car Wash Station	B300 AM - 8:300 PM	(Valet Lot)
Autocress Tech Inspection	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	[Valet Lof]
VTR Board Meeting	10:00 AM On Your Own	The Share Room
Optional Self Guided Touring Fundamen	12:00 PM - 4:00 PM	
Chapter Presidents & Coordinators Lunch	1200 PM - 130 PM	[Employee/Valet Lof] [Harbor Ballroom]
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Tech Session 2 (LD2 - Pandak)	300 PM - 4:00 PM	(West Store Partion)
VTR Membership Meeting	4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Miscensin Ballroom)
Welcome Reception	7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	(West Share Partion)
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Vendors	B100 AM - 6:00 PM	[West Share Parillian]
Optional Self Guided Touring	On Your Own	
Autocress Tech Inspection	B:00 AM - 9:00 AM	[Valet Lot]
Autocress*	8:00 AM - 1:00 PM	(Williams Bay HS)
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People's Choice & Constant Car Shows	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	[Employee-Valet Lof]
Lake Geneva Excursion Boat Cruise	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM On Your Own	[Depart from Valet Lot]
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### FOR SALE

**<u>'Pair of new, in the box,</u>** SU carbs for Spitfire, 1 1/4 dia. \$525.00

<u>Used 1 season</u> DCOE 45 Weber carb with air horns, no air cleaner, been sitting a while, should probablly be rebuilt. \$325.00

New rear sway bar for Spitfire. \$150.00

TR7 front K member assembly W/ brakes struts & steering rack \$60. Contact Roger at 651-207-3920

Spitfire and GT6 parts. '76 Spitfire chassis, NEW door skins, Spit & GT6 doors, seat frames, A arms, Spitfire suspension towers, steel wheels, gauges, speedo, tach, soft top frame, 3 rail gearbox, '71 1300cc engine, Spitfire roll bar, 4-1 header, rear axles, GT6 suspension towers, steering racks, rear springs, late *Spitfire radiator & fan,* lots more. Ask and I'll email the current list. Make an offer. Bill 612-850-4072 or wrgingerich@gmail.com

**<u>'72 TR6</u>** in great shape. This is a great driver with many new and upgraded parts including: New tires (Dunlop Signatures), new soft top, steering stabilized, full tune up, new seat belts (uninstalled) as well as some mechanical work. This is a really nice driving TR6, fun in the corners and pretty much original, aside from the new parts mentioned. There are collector plates on it which means you never buy tabs again. Includes: Original tonneau cover(in great shape), soft top rear cover, manual and new full car cover for winter storage. \$7500. Scott - 612.339.0010

<u>2 - late TR6</u> mufflers, one steel, one stainless, \$100 ea.
2 - 1974 TR6 rotors, used, good condition. \$25
1974 TR6 battery box w/drain tube. \$10 Joe Bisanz 651-324-2573.

## **WANTED**

**Seats For TR-6 or Spifire** 

1969-1972 high back seats that recline preferred

Call Mark (651) 450-9504

**Stock Steel Wheel** for 1972

TR-6. Only need 1 rim.

Jim Larson (952) 944-6064

Wanted for 1976 TR6: one wheel beauty ring, brushed finish. Must be in excellent condition. One black boot cover. One left rear chrome bumper in excellent condition. Set of new inertia reel seat belts. Wood steering wheel. Rick Morris 612-207-7990

Trader information Members' notices run three months — unless you tell the editor to drop them earlier or keep them running longer. Dates in parentheses indicate the first month in which they ran. Non-member notices are published at a rate of \$5 per month.

Five Speed Conversions for your TR.

Drop your RPM by about 900 at 70 MPH

EagleGate Kit uses Toyota W58 transmission and retains the TR hydraulics and clutch release bearing

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Complete conversion, installed about \$2,300 Contact Larry Berg (763) 228-0072 for details.

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**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.

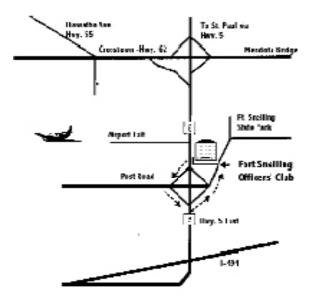
Annual membership is \$25 (an additional \$1 provides your partner with voting privileges at our annual election of officers). With this membership fee, your newsletter can be seen on-line or you can pick up a hard copy at the monthly meetings.

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

Join after September 1<sup>st</sup> 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.



# Waumandee Hill Climb 2014

Below is the only photo of the 2014 Waumandee hill climb that your Editor has yet to see. He's not sure if this was before the climb or after., but the guess is after. The story is that everyone had a great time.



Photo provided by Pat Holt

The Minnesota Triumphs Club is dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of the Triumph Marque. It was formed in 1981 and is a charter member of the Vintage Triumph Register. Correspondence can be addressed to:

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



You don't see these much anymore.



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