

# TRIUMPHS & TRIBULATIONS



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## ON THE COVER

*That's a perfect combination for a good time...and we had it at the High Tea.  
Thank you Gary and Barb for hosting.*

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PREZ RELEASE

I am writing this while watching playoff football and looking outside at minus five degree winter weather. Ouch, sure is hard to get excited about the upcoming Triumph events on days like this.

The first meeting of 2016 is over and it was nice to see two new members who have, not surprisingly, Spitfires. I find the styling of the Spitfire timeless and they are a blast to drive plus easy to work on with the tilting front end. The Spit Six has always intrigued me because of my love for the TR6 motor.

During the meeting, I think we almost drove our Secretary Andy Lindberg nuts with our indecision on whether to eat upstairs or downstairs at the Roseville VFW. While we finally decided to eat downstairs, I think the manager of the VFW still has the final say. Sorry Andy, I hope you didn't break any pencils in half during the meeting!

More information on June's Intermarque Rendezvous in Kenora Ontario has been released and I see it includes a Pre-Rendezvous Reconnoitre along the north shore of Lake Superior and through the beautiful woods of Ontario. Looks like a wonderful drive if you have a little extra time before the event. See <http://triumphdriversclub.com/>

# MONTHLY REPORT as of 1/16/2016

## Club Funds Balance

Checking.....\$4,757.11  
Savings.....\$7,355.77  
Total.....\$12,112.88

## Memberships

Total paid.....14

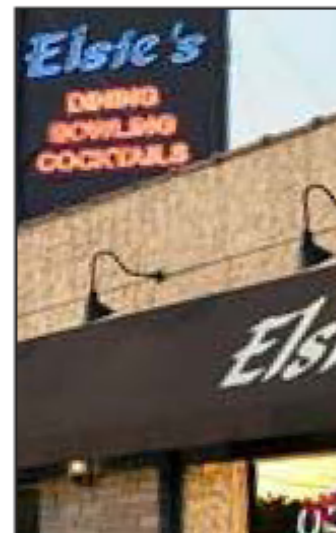
[rendezvous.htm](http://rendezvous.htm) for more information.

Next up is our Winter Party, which will be held at Joseph's Grill just across the river from downtown St. Paul on January 31st. No advanced reservations required and it sounds like the Raffle has some excellent items so don't miss it!

Terry Neuman  
President MN Triumphs

## BREAKFAST REMINDER

Breakfasts on Saturday mornings are now held at Elsie's. 729 Marshall Street N.E., Minneapolis, 55413. 8am start.



## GOT WINDOW CLING?



*If not...send me a self-addressed stamped envelope and I'll send you two of 'em. One for each Triumph you have or one for your daily driver or two for your TR or one for your front door or...  
Compliments of your Minnesota Triumphs Sports Car Club.*

*Or you can pick 'em up at your next club event.*

Terry Mackey  
1961 East River Parkway  
Minneapolis, MN 55414



# MINUTES OF THE MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS

TR Monthly Meeting January 14  
Really Official Minutes

The temp on January fourteenth was 25°. Given the moderate weather, 35 people showed up for the January meeting. No Triumphs appeared, however.

President Terry Neuman called the meeting to order at 7:05. New members Dan and Cody introduced themselves. Each owns a '71 Spitfire, one of which needs more restoration than the other. Spitty experts in the room were pointed out to them.

In the category of old business, Terry noted that the club won the chapter participation award at last year's Vintage Triumph Register national convention. (The host club, in this case the Illinois Sports Owners Association, can not win this award.) Members John Myers, Joe Soucheray and Terry Mackey also won awards for their cars.

Joe Demuth reported that we have seven new members since August and wondered where these people are coming from. He received a couple dozen opinions in response to this. Next the secretary (that's me) pointed out that there were no meetings in November and December. Everyone who thought they had forgotten what happened at those meetings was glad to hear this.

Our VTR rep, Larry Sanderson, was in Florida, but Greg Thompson reported that it's only a little over a thousand miles to the 2016 national Triumph convention in Texas. And it's the first week in October so heat stroke should not be a problem.

Newsletter editor Orrin McGill said the calendar in the January issue was a paper tiger and all the dates were wrong. Could a planning group get together and figure this out? Intermarque rep Doug Burch reported that the Spring KickOff is May 14. Members approved our usual contribution to the Intermarque. Doug also pointed out that Rendezvous is June 9-12. Tech guru Roger Kraemer noted that there are openings on the tech calendar, especially for people with heated garages. Gene Kimble said he had some projects for his house on February 27.

Pat Holt, events honcho, reported on past events and possible future events. He then said he thought people who host events should get a year's free membership. This led to a spirited and sometimes acrimonious discussion that resolved nothing. The issue was sent to the executive committee.

Treasurer Terry Mackey has been acting as our contact person with the American Legion. He said tonight they put two servers on duty downstairs in the meeting area but everyone ate upstairs. Could we get our act together and decide upstairs or downstairs? After another heated debate, a political compromise was reached: upstairs if you come in before six; downstairs after.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50.

The Meetings will be held here:

**ANDERSON-NELSON**

**ROSEVILLE VFW**

**Post 7555**

**1145 Woodhill Drive**

**Roseville, MN 55113**

**vfwroseville.com**

**651.483-5313**

## 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)

**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)



## FEBRUARY 2016

Not one Triumph sighting here in S Florida in January. A few for sale but all listings are showing less than average cars for more than average prices. A few MG drivers are braving the S FL traffic as I have seen 2 Midgets and 1 B this month. There is some real junk on Craigslist for pretty big bucks.

Now is the time to join "The Vintage Triumph Register". For \$35 you will receive 6 beautiful issues of the magazine. With that you get another source for technical consultants, the annual convention which

brings hundreds together at various locations throughout the country. Also available is regalia and special rates on insurance. VTR is our source for insurance for all events we host. Check it out at [www.vtr.org](http://www.vtr.org).

2016 will find us all back in Texas as the Red River Tr club will be our host once again from Oct 3-7, 2016. It will be held in North Texas at the Tanglewood Resort on Lake Texoma in Pottsboro, Texas. Cost will be \$135 for 1 car, 1 driver and 1 non driver.

You will get a \$15 discount if you register by August 15 of 2016. You may come without a Triumph for \$20 reg fee. Rooms are \$99 for any King. You may call 800 833 6569 which gets you right to the resort. Be sure to say you will be joining Red River Triumphs on those dates.

Let' get a nice group of Minnesota Triumphs heading to Texas this year.

Larry Sanderson Your MN TR VTR Liaison,  
507 269 1500 or  
[myfriendlar@yahoo.com](mailto:myfriendlar@yahoo.com)

### **Pottsboro, TX Or Bust**

### **Let's Go For It.**

**Lets see some beautiful country and have a great time at the Tanglewood Resort and Conference Center**

### **Look Who's Going!**

**Orrin & Pam McGill  
Joe & Virginia Bisanz  
Larry & Gayle Sanderson  
Greg & Carole Thompson  
Terry & Sharon Neuman**

**Terry & Bernadette Mackey  
Pat & Marsha Holt  
Bill Nelson  
Joe & Karen Demuth  
Joe Soucheray**

**Please refer to [www.VTR2016.com](http://www.VTR2016.com)**

# Triumph Calendar

2/1/16

## MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS SPORTS CAR CLUB 2016 EVENTS CALENDAR

### FEBRUARY

11-Club meeting at Roseville  
VFW [vfwroseville.com](http://vfwroseville.com)

27 -Tech session. There will a tech session on Saturday at Gene Kimball's home. 16131 Dunkirk St NE, Ham Lake ,MN 55394. We will be installing seat covers on his TR3 and getting his TR6 up and running.

### MARCH

10 - Club meeting at Roseville  
VFW [vfwroseville.com](http://vfwroseville.com)

19 - Tech Session

### APRIL

14-Club meeting at Roseville  
VFW [vfwroseville.com](http://vfwroseville.com)

16-Tech Session

21- Queen Lizzy Tour and Toast Weather?

23-Shakedown / Spring Tour  
????? will be hosting.

### MAY

12-Club meeting

13-15 Spring Vintage Weekend at Road America

14-IntermarqueSpring Kickoff in Osseo, MN

28-29 Memorial Day Weekend:

Drive the Brainerd International Race Track with your Sports Car  
See the BIR web site:  
[www.brainerdraceway.com/2013-schedule/eventsbydate.html](http://www.brainerdraceway.com/2013-schedule/eventsbydate.html)

### JUNE

3-4 [British National Meet 2016](#)  
[Celebrating 20 years of British Car Week](#)  
[Blytheville, Arkansas](#)

04-CAF Hanger Dance, 6PM to Midnight (host: Dick Leighninger)

4-5 Walleye 1000 Vintage Car Rally

5- 10,000 Lakes Concours in Excelsior, MN

9-Club meeting

4-9 2016 Pre-Rendezvous Reconnoitre See Pages 14, 15

9-12 Sunset Country Rendezvous 2016 Kenora

17-19 Back to the 50s at MN State Fair

23-Amery Auto Cross & Speed Run in Amery, WI

26-Intermarque Cherokee Park picnic (host: MAHC)

### JULY

14-Club meeting

07-09- Iola Car Swap & Show in Iola, WI

31-Intermarque Cherokee Park picnic (host: ?????)

### AUGUST

x-Queen Mum Tour?

10 - New London/New Brighton Antique Car Run

8-Club meeting

10 - Britfest in Hudson, WI

13-Wine Tour (host: Steve Shogren)

27-Amery Auto Cross & Speed Run in Amery, WI

### SEPTEMBER

10 - CAF Hanger Dance 6PM to Midnight (host: Dick Leighninger)

10-Wheels & Wings in Osceola, WI

8-Club meeting

10-Summer Picnic (host: ?????)

23-25 - Waumandee Hillclimb in Alma, WI

zz-Mystery Tour (host needed)

### OCTOBER

3-7 -VTR in Pottsboro, Tx

13-Club meeting

15-Color Tour (host needed)

??-High Tea (host: ??????)

See Intermarque Monthly at:

[www.intermarque.org](http://www.intermarque.org)



## The Roadster Factory

PHOTO OF THE WEEK: TRIUMPH TRS LEMANS RACING CAR BODY RESTORED

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The Triumph TRS LeMans Racing Car restored by Randy Phillippi for The Roadster Factory is back in our showroom this week. The body work and painting are finished, and the body has been refitted to the chassis with rear axle, suspensions, and brakes installed. The race number circles are painted on without the numbers. The car carried no. 28 when it raced in 1960, driven by Ninian Sanderson and Mike Rothschild, and it carried no. 27 in 1961 when Keith Ballisat and Peter Bolton drove it to 9th position overall, the best of any of the TRS cars in either year. We have already made decisions which will require no. 27 on our finished car. These were in fact made for us by Triumph, as certain modifications made for 1961 could not be reversed easily. There were certain details of the 1960 version which appeal more to me, such as the red seats, but it makes sense not to build a hybrid. Click on this [link](#) to see more photos of the TRS restoration process.

Besides rebuilding the engine and gearbox, a few other details remain, including the production of a windscreen and frame, as it had been lost before this car was purchased. Fortunately, we have a perfect pattern from another TRS also owned by TRF. Randy Phillippi engineered a seat frame, but we must decide final details and have it upholstered by our friend Larry Learn. I have located the engine block in England that was fitted to this TRS when it raced at LeMans in 1961. Provided it is in usable condition, I would like to have it in the car for the sake of originality. I hope to have a Sabrina engine built in England for this project by autumn, and I hope that the gearbox will be rebuilt by Bob Jasper, a very active TR enthusiast in Southern California whom I have known for many years.



It has been a while since I have mentioned the TRS project in detail, and as it is back at TRF, I thought readers might enjoy reading this update. I have been involved in the restoration of a good many Triumphs, and predictably, this project has required a lot more time and money than the standard models with which I have been involved, TR3A, TR250, TR5, and TR6. I do think that all of the work which has been done so far is superb and, therefore, well worth the effort. When the car is finished, I have dreams of taking it to France for the Classic LeMans some year and also home to England. I don't know if I will last long enough to accomplish all that, but I will keep working in that direction.







**British National Meet 2016**  
**Celebrating 20 years of British Car Week**

**Friday June 3**

**8:30 AM. Photo's and Tour. Historic Greyhound Bus Station, Blytheville Arkansas.  
Your Host....Main Street Blytheville Organization**

**9:00 AM. Mass Drive. The Great River Road. US Hwy 61**

**9:30 AM– 11:30 AM Tour of Dyess Colony.  
Boyhood home of Johnny Cash. <http://dyesscash.astate.edu/>  
***First 50 British Car Owners FREE!!*****

**12:00 Noon – 2:00 PM Box Lunch and self guided Tour, Wilson Café, Wilson Gardens,  
Hampson Museum. Wilson Arkansas  
***First 50 British Car owners FREE!!***  
Your Host: [www.wilsonarkansas.com](http://www.wilsonarkansas.com)**

**2:30 PM – 5:00 The Arkansas Mile. Reserved VIP Tent for British Car Owners on the  
finish line. Arkansas Aeroplex, Blytheville. ***FREE to All British Car Owners !!*****

**3:00 PM – 5:00 The Slalom  
Arkansas Aeroplex. ***FREE to All British Car Owners!*****

**6:00 PM Welcome Party, Holiday Inn, Blytheville Arkansas  
Your Host....The Minnesota Triumph Club, British Motoring Club of Arkansas and British  
Iron and Touring Club of NW Arkansas.**

**Saturday June 4**

**7:30 AM Car Club Presidents Breakfast. Holiday Inn, Blytheville  
Special Guest Dennis Gage, Host of TV's "My Classic Car". AND Brad Phillips, Hagerty Insurance  
Company.Topic....Growing the Collector Car Hobby. Your Host: Hagerty Insurance Company.  
Space is limited and Ticket Required.  
***British Club Presidents Eat FREE!!*****

**8:15 AM British line up for 8:30 **Police Escort** to The Arkansas Aeroplex from  
The Holiday Inn. Private Tent and VIP Parking at the Car Show.**

**9:00 AM – 4:00 PM British National Meet, Cars & Cycles Against Cancer Car Show and The Arkansas Mile.  
Arkansas Aeroplex  
4701 Memorial Drive, Blytheville Arkansas  
**FREE REGISTRATION. Donations to American Cancer Society accepted****

**10:00 AM British Car Week Ribbon Cutting.  
Under The British Car Tent at The Car Show  
***Special Guest Dennis Gage From TV's "My Classic Car"*****

**Lunch. Arkansas Aeroplex  
***FIRST 100 British Car Owners EAT FREE !!!***  
Your Host....The Sports Car Club of America**

**3:30 PM Awards Presentation  
Parade of Winning Cars  
***Awards Presented "My Classic Car" Host Mr. Dennis Gage*****

# A Tale Of Two Cities

## Hudson, WI



### New Years Day Sunrise Toast

## Santa Clarita, CA



Like most of the people in the USA, a group of us from the Los Angeles area went for a drive on New Years Day 2016. By my count there were 20 Triumphs, 3 Volvos, 1 Jenson Healey, 1 each newer Miata, Honda?, and Mustang, and my P-TR Cruiser. Car clubs represented were MN Triumphs, SCTOA, TRSC, and others. We started in Santa Clarita and for 2 hours (60 miles) drove through the canyons in that area, ending in Newhall for lunch. After a very windy start to the morning, the temperature dipped to 36 degrees before ending at a balmy 54 degrees. All in all another successful drive for the day.

Bill Nelson 63 Spit



## HIGH TEA



**Photo Credits: Barb Wrede**



# 2016 Sunset Country Rendezvous Registration



The Sunset Country Rendezvous 2016 will be hosted by the [Austin Healey Club of Manitoba](#) and the [Triumph Driver's Club of Manitoba](#) on June 9-12th, 2016. This, the 26th Annual Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous, will once again be held in beautiful Kenora, ON.

A full schedule of activities are planned for the weekend, including:

- Thursday Meet and Greet
- Guided Driving Tour
- Explore the Shore, Stores and More Self-Guided Walking Tour
- Parking Lot Olympics, including Pit Stop Challenge and Valve Cover Derby
- Friday evening MS Kenora Cruise
- Car Rallye
- Charity Car Show

The host hotel is the Lakeside Inn & Conference Centre. Additional rooms are available at the Travelodge Hotel Kenora. Book your accommodations now as rooms are already in short supply. Details for both hotels can be found below.

In an effort to control costs and keep the fees low, registration for 2016 will be by mail with payment by cheque. To register, fill out **one** of the two registration forms on the following pages. One has the fees in Canadian funds, while the other is in US funds (converted at \$0.75US per Canadian dollar).

Cancellation prior to May 15<sup>th</sup> will be subject to a \$10.00 processing fee. After May 15<sup>th</sup>, no refunds will be issued.

Make the cheques payable to **Sunset Country Rendezvous**. Mail your completed and signed registration form, plus cheque, to:

Chad Edwards, Rendezvous 2016 Registration  
25 River Wood Drive  
La Salle, MB R0G 0A2  
CANADA

You will receive an e-mail confirmation of your registration.

Be sure to check the web site (<http://triumphdriversclub.com/rendezvous.htm>) for updates and you can send e-mail to [Rendezvous2016@TriumphDriversClub.com](mailto:Rendezvous2016@TriumphDriversClub.com) if you have any questions.

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## Host Hotel

**Lakeside Inn & Conference Centre**  
470 1st Ave S, Kenora, ON P9N 1W7  
(807) 468-5521

## Overflow Hotel

**Travelodge Hotel Kenora**  
800 Highway 17 E, Kenora, ON P9N 1L9  
(800) 916-4339

## 2016 Sunset Country Rendezvous Registration US Funds

### Names

Person 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Person 2: \_\_\_\_\_

### Address

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Province/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

### Phone Number

Primary: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_

### E-Mail Address

Primary: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_

### Car Information

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

### Car Club

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Fees (in US Funds)

Registration (1 car and up to 2 people): .....\$60.00

MS Kenora Cruise (limited to the first 150 responses): ..... X \$0.00 = \$0.00

1 Free T-Shirt: ..... 1 X \$0.00 = \$0.00

Size (check 1): XXL ☐ XL ☐ L ☐ M ☐ S ☐ Ladies XL ☐ L ☐ M ☐ S ☐

Additional T-Shirts: ..... X \$13.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sizes: XXL ☐ XL ☐ L ☐ M ☐ S ☐ Ladies XL ☐ L ☐ M ☐ S ☐

Saturday Banquet: (Optional: Vegetarian \_\_\_ Gluten Free \_\_\_)... X \$29.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total US = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I am aware of the hazards inherent with motor vehicle events and specifically release and do indemnify the organizers, supporting sponsors, the Triumph Drivers Club of Manitoba, and the Austin Healey Club of Manitoba, collectively and separately from any and all liability from personal injury and/or property damage incurred by me or my guests while participating in Rendezvous 2016.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2016 Pre-Rendezvous Reconnoitre

### Hosted by "Chad and Dad"

The 2016 Pre-Rendezvous Reconnoitre is a drive through Northwestern Ontario, Northeastern Minnesota, and Southeastern Manitoba. The tour will leave Winnipeg, MB on June 4<sup>th</sup> and follow a clockwise route, finally arriving in Kenora, ON on June 9<sup>th</sup> in time for the start of the 2016 Sunset Country Rendezvous. The trip will pass through Fort Francis, ON; Thunder Bay, ON; Duluth, MN; International Falls, MN; Winnipeg, MB; and finally Kenora, ON.



For anyone worried about this being some kind of race or high-pressure rally, rest easy. This is simply an enjoyable drive with fellow British Car enthusiasts. As was evident during the excellent Rendezvous Rallye Superieur organized by Andy Lindberg last year, each day everyone was able to find a group of cars to travel with and drive at their own pace. Drive as fast or as slow as you want. Any British car would have no trouble keeping up.

Where possible, this year's route was chosen using suggestions for motorcycle tours, as they tend to travel scenic highways with little other traffic. The day from Duluth to International Falls is about 30% on roads described as "curvy, hilly, more challenging paved roadways". Each day's distance varies, but on average the tour will cover ~375km/235miles daily. This gives plenty of time for leisurely starts in the morning, relaxed lunches, and early arrivals at the day's destination with stops for sightseeing along the way. Even with the occasional road side tech session, no one should ever feel rushed. Total distance covered for all 6 days would be ~2260km/1400miles.

While we would love to have everyone join the drive from the start, we know that for many it will make more sense to join the tour along the route. The route was planned with this in mind, so if one wants to join in Thunder Bay, or Duluth, or any other point, feel free. For people in Winnipeg, if you don't want to do the entire drive it would still be great to have you join on the final day for the trip from Winnipeg to Kenora.

There is no cost to register for the tour. You will pay for your own food along the way, as well as your lodging each night. Once we have an idea of how many people are going to participate, arrangements will be made for a block of rooms at a nice, but inexpensive, hotel for each night. That list will be provided so that each participant can make their own room reservations.

If you are interested in joining the tour, have any questions, or want more information, please contact myself, Chad Edwards, at [C\\_G\\_Edwards@Yahoo.ca](mailto:C_G_Edwards@Yahoo.ca) or call 204-736-2755. We look forward to seeing as many fellow LBC owners as possible!





Join fellow British Car enthusiasts for 6 days of fun and camaraderie. Leaving Winnipeg, MB on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, with stops in Fort Frances, ON; Thunder Bay, ON; Duluth, MN; International Falls, MN; Winnipeg, MB and arriving in Kenora, ON on Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> in time for the Sunset Country Rendezvous!

For more information, please contact Chad Edwards by e-mail ([c\\_g\\_edwards@yahoo.ca](mailto:c_g_edwards@yahoo.ca)) or call 204-736-2755



# Triumph Trader

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## FOR SALE

My name is Kristy DuBois and I live in Fairmont, MN. My husband Ron was the Triumph enthusiast, I, have a love-hate relationship with them. Love to ride and drive them but hate the constant and costly maintenance. The reason for this e-mail is Ron passed away in May and now I am in the process of going through his personal effects. I have a 1979/1980 TR-7 that needs a home but I have no idea the value of this car. Ron once said if he could get it started he would sell it for \$3500.00 but he could never get the dual carburetors to do what they needed to do, the car turned over but would never stay started. The fuel line also has a leak, found out the hard way - leaked about a gallon of fuel on the garage floor May - Aug. The little car was a daily driver for 2 years in the cities, 1999-2000 then only out and about during the summer 2000-2009. I am not a car person so please excuse the lack of knowledge, LOL!

The body has 2 dings on the front wheel wells and the interior is atrocious by my standards. It has a new convertible top and I think it has the original tools that came with it.

I was wondering if you could help me with an estimate of what the car is worth and any contacts that may be interested in buying it? I think it would be a great project car for the winter and it would be ready for the road in the spring under some caring new owners hands.

I can send pics if you need them or if someone is close to Fairmont, they can look at it as I am home most days.

Your help in this matter will be appreciated.

Thank you, Kristy DuBois

kldubois2015@hotmail.com  
802 N. Main St.  
Fairmont, MN 56031  
cell: 651-408-2564



2 - 1974 TR6 rotors, used, good condition. \$25

1974 TR6 battery box w/drain tube. \$10  
Joe Bisanz 651-324-2573.

Pimento red 1970 TR-6. I'm changing hobbies and would like somebody to use and enjoy this fine car rather than store it any longer. Great 20 footer, or an even better easy project car. Rebuilt carbs late 2013 by The Carburetor shop. Always stored inside. Excellent tires and top, interior not so much. Functional as a 45 year old car can be. \$7,500. Twin Cities area. 651 324 8873 or jmackenzie426@msn.com.

### Pair of SU carbs for Spitfire

new in the box. 1 1/4 dia. \$575.00  
DCOE Weber carb with air horns, used 1 season. been sitting a while, should probably be rebuilt. \$350.00  
Rear sway bar for Spitfire, new \$150.00  
Contact Roger at 651-207-3920 or spitsand7s@gmail.com

## WANTED

### Seats For TR-6 or Spitfire

1969-1972 high back seats that recline preferred. Call Mark (651) 450-9504

Wanted for 1976 TR6: one wheel beauty ring, brushed finish. Must be in excellent condition. One left rear chrome bumper in excellent condition. Wood steering wheel. Rick Morris 612-207-7990

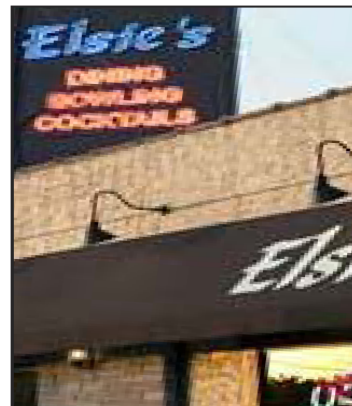
Boot (trunk) floor for a TR7. will take the hole body shell if necessary. Also looking for Custom wheels for a TR7, prefer 14in or 15in. with or without tires. Contact Roger Kraemer 651-207-3920 or kraemer@q.com

Engine starting crank for a TR3. Andy 651-242-7635

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## BREAKFAST REMINDER

Breakfasts on Saturday mornings are now held at Elsie's. 729 Marshall Street N.E., Minneapolis, 55413. 8am start.



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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.



## 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.

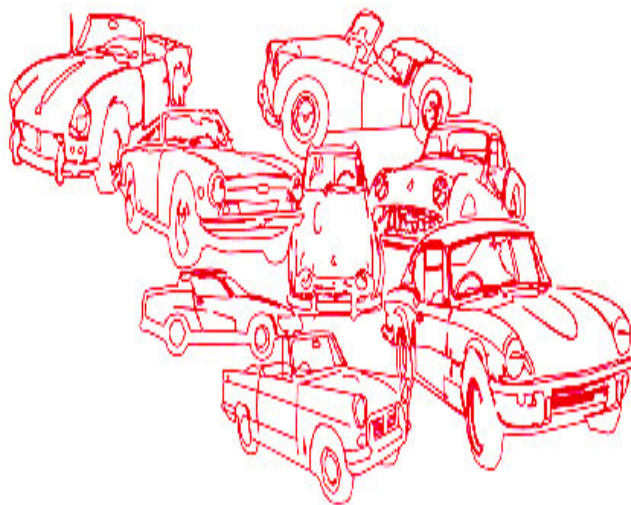
## Monthly Meetings

Minnesota Triumphs meets the second Thursday of each month, and for the Month of August 2015 it will be at the:

**Richfield American Legion Post 435**  
**6501 Portland Ave S, Minneapolis, MN**

For the month of September and October 2015 the meetings will be at the:

**ANDERSON-NELSON**  
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# MEMBERSHIP NOTES

## More new members and their cars in their own words

I remember growing up with Dad driving me around in the "G-RAFFE" as a kid, and as I got closer to driving age, the car was brought out less frequently (odd coincidence?) After the car had sat for about 10 years, I started asking my father about it, and eventually, he conceded and said, "If you can drive it out of here, it's yours." Not one to pass up a challenge, in the summer of 06, I checked all the basics, drained and added fresh gas and dropped in a new battery. To my joy, it fired up right away. After a check of brakes, clutch etc, it made it's way to my home. I kept the vanity name G-RAFFE, as my father before me had it plated. Since that time, I've done a number of smaller things, tires, brakes, some suspension, reupholstered the seats myself (for now) and have been keeping it road worthy since. I have a new frame, which was discovered while trying to locate a working speedo. At some point in the future (when finances and space allow), the Spit will have a full retro done, with the goal of retaining as much original status as possible, but adding newer items where safety might be enhanced. I was a member of the club a few years back, but moved out of the area. I'm now back, and hoping to become more involved in coming seasons! I've also had the opportunity to obtain a '52 Chevy Styleline Deluxe a few years back, so at some point, both vehicles will fight for my shop-time!



*Tim Dachtera, Goodue, MN*

I have owned it for about 5 years. I think I am the 3rd owner. I am just starting a "frame-on" restoration this winter including an engine



rebuild and some upgrade mods. This is my first venture into British sports cars. It should be fun. Any helpful ideas or suggestions from club members would be greatly appreciated. I'm excited to be a new member of Minnesota Triumphs.

*Daniel Pegors, Minnetonka, MN*

### Collecting Dues

It's that time again. I will be collecting dues from now until March 31. The amounts are the same as last year and are listed on the membership form. You can pay via our PayPal account - go to our dues web page, or [click here](#). Or mail your dues to me, Joe DeMuth, 4018 Emerson Ave N, Minneapolis, MN 55412. You can pay at a club meeting as well, but please have correct change.

Remember, if you joined the club after September 1 your dues are good for 2016.

### Membership Form

\$25/\$26 for a single/family membership - emailed newsletter

\$35/\$36 for single/family membership - mailed newsletter

I am a member of VTR Yes No

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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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