

TRIUMPHS & TRIBULATIONS



Winter Party & Tech

The club can party as well as they work.
Thanks Dan B for hosting the tech session.
Getting ready for the shakedown tour...?



Photo Credit: Staff, Doug B



PREZ RELEASE

It is mid-March. Weather is on the uptick and the Triumph juices and maple tree sap are starting to flow. Last Saturday, St. Patrick's Day, we had a great tech session at Roger Kraemer's house.

Items on the to-do agenda included removing the rack and pinion from his TR8, installing the engine and transmission in his TR7, installing a new interior in the TR7 and drinking some beer. Piggy-backing on this agenda I was able, with the help and guidance of Joe DeMuth, to redo my TR3A passenger side seat cushion. Whether or not this was a success will be determined by applying the Jody derriere test, which as of yet has not been administered.

I was recently reading some of my notes taken over the years at tech seminars discussing electrical issues. You might find these interesting or remedial depending on your electrical coefficient.

- The great majority of electoral problems are caused by either poor ground connections, faulty battery connections or dirty fuse box.
- Wires rarely fail, but connectors may corrode (rare) or become loose (common).
- The larger battery terminal is always the (+) terminal.
- 12-volt battery: Volts push amps (electrons) through a circuit. Resistance to amps/

current in a circuit is measured in ohms.

- All potential voltage/amps will be used by the load in a series circuit. In a car each circuit typically has 1 load. Any additional load/resistance in a circuit path will steal potential voltage/amps from the component you want voltage/amps to go to. If >1 load in a circuit, the voltage/amps will be shared proportionately by the loads.

- Each load device must receive its rated voltage to operate properly. If not enough voltage is available, the component will not operate as it should. When compared to specifications, the available voltage at the component should be above the minimum specified. If it is not, a loose connection, corrosion, or faulty power source is indicated.

- How to check for faulty power source in a circuit?

VOLTAGE DROP TESTING. This test checks for voltage being lost along a wire, or through a connection or switch.

- Digital Volt/Ohmmeters (DVOM's) can be used to measure the voltage drop across a load device or conductor. Voltage Drop is the loss of voltage caused by the flow of current through a resistance. Increases in resistance increase the voltage drop. Whenever checking Voltage Drop, current must be flowing in the circuit.

- Voltage drop testing is important because high resistance can prevent proper circuit

operation. Circuits with high current draw cannot tolerate high resistance. For instance, a loose or corroded connection can easily add several ohms of resistance to a circuit. This amount of resistance in the starting circuit would severely reduce current flow to the starter, not allow sufficient cranking speed, and possibly result in a no start condition. This amount of resistance in the ignition primary circuit would prevent proper coil buildup and reduce secondary voltage below that needed to fire the spark plugs.

Happy Motoring
Jon/Jack Meier, 1958 TR3A
President MN Triumphs

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MINUTES OF THE MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS

Minnesota Triumphs Meeting

Minutes

March 8, 2018

The sun was shining at Ol' Mexico on Thursday evening as 36 members gathered for the March Meeting. Our President, Jon Meier called us to order.

Joe Alexander - although not present – is a new member who lives in Iowa. He plans to write up something to introduce himself. Welcome Joe.

Officers presented information to be included in our next newsletter. Our membership for 2018 is at 79, compared to 124 in 2017. Two members presented dues at the meeting, before the March 31st deadline for communication interruption.

Steve Shogren reported that the food at the February Tech Session – was the best yet. March 17 is the next session at Roger and Nora Kraemers (TR7 and TR8). April is Open, and May will be hosted by Lois Larson. She has promised a selection car magazines for anyone interested.

VTR Hotel update – host hotel is full, and 11 of 20 rooms at the Hilton are spoken for. Our break-even point has been achieved with 53 registrations.

Doug gave a very comprehensive report on Multi Marque activities which are well documented in our newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50

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may order from him at any meeting.

The Meetings will be held here:
Ol' Mexico Restaurante & Cantina
1754 Lexington Ave North
Roseville, MN 55113
Phone: 651-487-2847
Email: info@olmexico.com

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)



Greetings from South Florida. I'm sorry, I know we live in God's country in Minnesota a couple days of the year. But ice and snow for Palm Sunday and probably again for Easter. Give us a break. Good thing I guess is you may follow the bunny tracks in the snow to your Easter treasures. Gayle and I had a nice visit from the Neuman's in late February. Turns out the log Terry nailed with a big rock turned out to be one unhappy Huge gator. That gator turned on a dime and locked Terry's frame into his memory bank as if to say I'll get you next trip! I have reported the Neuman's to the DNR for animal cruelty.

All committees have been busy throughout the winter working on the upcoming VTR in LaCrosse this summer. As the time nears things become a bit more frantic. Greg Thompson somehow is keeping his head glued on as he gets emails and requests from all directions. I am sure his live in partner is busy working with him. Thanks Greg and Carol as you will make this one of the best VTR conventions.

The Radisson of LaCrosse is booked full for our time there July 17-21. Greg has worked hard to get a nice arrangement with the Hilton Suites of LaCrosse just a few steps from the Radisson. So if you dragged your feet, you may still be close to the action. Suites are available for \$119.00 which includes breakfast and a king room. For reservations go to Home2 Suites by Hilton La

Crosse or call the front desk at Hilton of LaCrosse and ask for the Mn Triumphs Sports Car Club rate at 608 881 6666.

I hope you may still book your vacation time this year to join your club for the what might prove to be the last VTR convention in our area for years to come. How could one pass up the opportunity to get the VTR experience being so close. You will have the chance to meet all of these folks from all over the country and Great Britain. So far some of those are Rimmer Bros who now, by the way, have a US based call center saving you the hassle of calling over seas. That number is 1 855 746 2767. You too will meet the folks from the Roadster Factory as they will sell parts at a show discount and you take your parts home with no freight to hassle particularly on those large items such as transmission covers and the like. There too will be Moss Motors, no doubt with discounts, T S Imports with his parts, Quality Coaches and there staff from Bloomington, LiteZupp will be selling some LED lights at a show discount, Good Parts will be there selling parts along with Triumph Rescue. Others will be in the convention hall too. You should not miss this show. In the past Gayle and I have spent hundreds traveling to US destinations, but this year we will get to leave some of those \$ in the bank.

In addition to the access of great sponsors and vendors, plans are in place for some good tech sessions, road trips and

discovering what SE Minnesota and Western Wisconsin has to offer. So much to see and so close to home. But first you have to be a VTR member to enjoy what is being offered.

To register for VTR and the convention go to <http://www.mntriumphs.org/vtr2018.shtm>.

If you are not a member you may sign up at the above address or go to www.VTR.org.

Spring will be coming to the upper Midwest soon. I'm sure your cars will be ready, but the Emerald Six will have to wait to mid May. Until then, stay healthy and be safe.

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

**La Crosse, WI Or
Bust
Let's Go For It.
Lets see some
beautiful country
and have a great
time at the The
Radisson in La
Crosse, WI.
This should be the
best VTR ever.**

**Please refer to
www.VTR2018.org**

Triumph Calendar

MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS SPORTS CAR CLUB 2018 EVENTS CALENDAR Does not include tech sessions (not yet scheduled)

APRIL

12-Club meeting
14-April is currently open for Tech Sessions
21 - Queen Mum Tour T.B.D.

28-Shakedown / Spring Tour
Doug Burch

28- **Cars & Caves** see Page 8

MAY

10-Club meeting

12-*Intermarque in Osseo, MN
See Page 6

19-Tech session at Lois Larson's,
10424 Wyoming Ave S.,
Bloomington. Working on a TR6.

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)

24- 27 Rally in the Valley
See pages 14, 15

26- **Cars & Caves** see Page 8

JUNE

02- Merlin's Rest Details to follow

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

7- 10 -*Rendezvous in
Thunderbay, See pages 12&13

14-Club meeting

16-Antique tour The Antique Tour
will meet at 10:00 am at the River
Falls WI. City Hall 222 Lewis
Street, River Falls WI. 54022.
After antiquing lunch at Belle Vinez
Winery. We will have a
TRIUMPHant time!
Dale Simpson
715-426-9529
dale_simpson@sbcglobal.net

23- All British Car Show (Jaguar)

21-26 Back to the 50s at MN
State Fair

xx-*Amery Auto Cross & Speed
Run in Amery, WI

26- Cherokee Park picnic (host:
????)

JULY

12-Club meeting

12-14 *Iola Car Swap & Show in
Iola, WI

17-21 VTR National, La Crosse,
WI

22- 9am – 4pm*10,000 Lakes
Concours in Excelsior, MN

28 - @ 2:00pm Meisville Mud
Hens vs. Lake City Serpents.

AUGUST

xx-Queen Mum Tour?

09-Club meeting

11-*Britfest in Hudson, WI
11- New London/New Brighton
Antique Car Run

24-25 Fagan Air Museum -
Granite Falls, MN

xx-*Amery Auto Cross & Speed
Run in Amery, WI

SEPTEMBER

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

8-*Wheels & Wings in Osceola,
WI

13-Club meeting

TBD -Summer Picnic (host: Phil
& Sue Ethier)

21-22*Waumandee Hillclimb in
Alma, WI

TBD-Mystery Tour (host
needed)

OCTOBER

11-Club meeting

See Intermarque Monthly at:

www.intermarque.org

2018 Multi Marque Calendar (Feb. 16, 2018)

We're always happy to add new events. Send additions, deletions and corrections to andyrlind@gmail.com

February 17, Boot & Bonnet Pub Party, 6:30 PM, 5017 Kingsdale Drive, Bloomington, MN. Bring your favorite pub grub. Innkeepers: John and Joan Petroff. 952.893.9149, jjpetroff@comcast.net

March 22, Go Kart Extravaganza. 1:00 to 2:00 PM MB2 Raceway. Hosted by the Minnesota Triumph Club. All invited to participate. MB2 phone is 866-986-RACE. Their website is www.mb2raceway.com.

May 5, Street Heat 2018. The MN Car Enthusiasts Club, MN State Fair Fairgrounds, 8am-6pm, \$40 vehicle registration fee. Additional info at <https://www.streetheatshows.com/>

May 12, InterMarque Spring Kickoff, Downtown Osseo, Minnesota. Featured Marque: MG-T Series. More info to come. Planning meeting schedule. 9:30 am at [Elsie's](#) in Minneapolis. Feb 24, March 24, April 21, May 5.

May 18-20, SVRA Vintage GT Challenge. RoadAmerica, Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. Over 200 participants in 11 separate groups, from production and grand touring cars to sports racers, prototypes and formula cars. The weekend event will offer race groups for all SVRA classes from the '50s, '60s and '70s. New to this event is the Mazda Miata Heritage Cup. This new race class offers a new "entry Point" to vintage racing. The Mazda Miata Heritage Cup will run in a distinct race group made up of first generation 1.6-liter Miatas of 1990-1993. Info: <http://www.roadamerica.com/>

May 24-27, Rally in the Valley, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Best Western Conference Center. 715-838-9989. For event info: www.mn-mgggroup.org or Diane Rindt drindt427@yahoo.com or 715-379-6001

June 7-10, Back to the Bay Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous, Thunder Bay, Ontario. Nor'wester Hotel 807-473-9123. Mention the sports car rendezvous. Hosted by the Thunder Bay Vintage Sports Car Club. Show & Shine Car Show (come dressed in the same era as your car), driver challenges, driving tours, fun rally, and the famous Celtic barn dance. Info: www.tbvsc.ca or info@tbvsc.ca or John Colisimo 807-344-7694 Direct Links: [Letter](#), [Flyer](#), [Registration Form](#)

June 22-24, Back to the '50s. Minnesota State Fairgrounds, St. Paul, Minnesota. All cars (well their bodies at least) must be older than 1964½. Small block Chevy engines are not strictly required but will be found in probably 5,000 of the attending 9,000 cars. Most with automatic transmissions.

June 23, BMC British Car Show. BMC in Isanti. The show does not have a name yet but will be an all British Car show held in conjunction with the Jag club. The idea is that the show would travel each year to a different site around the Twin Cities area. So, everyone mark your calendars to save the date.

June 24, InterMarque Picnic, Cherokee Park, St. Paul, MN. 1:00PM. Bring a chair and a dish to share. June picnic hosted by the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club, and all intermarque enthusiasts are invited to attend.

June 30, Amery Airport Run, Amery Airport, Amery, Wisconsin. Hosted by the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club. Email: greg.willodson@gmail.com

July 7-8, Rallye de Valleje, Formerly known as the Walleye 1000. 1997 and older vehicles. Overnight at Radisson La Crosse with dinner at Piggy's. Info Mark Sabbann velovia@velodevia.com [CLICK TO VIEW FLYER](#)

July 19, uNDER tHE cRAZY mOON at Pazzaluna. Thursday, July 19, 2018 5pm, 360 St. Peter Street, Saint Paul, MN 55102. Italian cars and motorcycles in downtown St. Paul. <http://www.wheelsofitaly.com/>

July 19-22, Weathertech International Challenge with Brian Redman, Road America, Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. This is the biggest vintage race in this part of the world. Over 400 racers. Feature races this year are CAN-AM, Trans Am and Formula 5000. The Concours d' Elegance in downtown Elkhart Lake on Friday for race cars and Saturday night for street cars is a can't miss event for any enthusiast. Info: roadamerica.com

July 22, 10,000 Lakes Concours d'Elegance, Excelsior, Minnesota. Over 150 vehicles (cars, boats, and motorcycles). Not Pebble Beach, but a very nice location and many interesting cars at a much lower entry price (\$20 in advance). Info: 10000lakesconcours.com

July 29, Intermarque Picnic, Cherokee Park, St. Paul, MN. 1:00PM. Bring a chair and a dish to share. July picnic hosted by the Minnesota MG Group, and all InterMarque enthusiasts are invited to attend.

August 11, BritFest, Hudson, Wisconsin. Hosted by the Minnesota MG Group. Info: mn-mgggroup.org

August 11, New London to New Brighton Antique Car Run, A 120-mile tour between its namesake cities for 1908 and earlier vehicles. The lunch stop in Buffalo is a fun viewing spot. Info: antiquecarrun.org

August 18, Royal British Car Show, Chanhassen Auto Motorplex in 2018 on the 18th August.

August 26, Amery Airport Autocross/Speed run, Amery, Wisconsin. Hosted by the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club. Info: mnhealey.com

August 26, InterMarque Picnic, Cherokee Park, St. Paul, MN. 1:00PM. August picnic hosted by the MUM, Minis United Minnesota. Bring a chair and a dish to share. All InterMarque enthusiasts are invited to attend.

September 16, Wheels of Italy, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Calhoun Executive Center, 3033 Excelsior Boulevard, Minneapolis. Italian cars and motorbikes. Gelato and other vendors. More red Ferraris than you can count. Info: wheelsofitaly.com

September 14-16, VSCDA Elkhart Lake Vintage Festival, Road America, Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. Featured Marques for 2018 are the Austin Healey Sprite and the MG Midget, honoring the Sprite 60th Anniversary. A special Big Bore bash will feature all the big cubic inch ground-pounders from the '60s and '70s. There will also be a display of Jaguar XK cars in the paddock to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the XK120. The fan-friendly paddock is open to spectators for close-up views of amazing racing machines prepared to era specifications all weekend. On Saturday fans can watch a historic road course reenactment tour, which will leave Road America and follow a route almost identical to the street course driven in the early 1950s Info: roadamerica.com

September 21-23, Waumandee Hill Climb, Waumandee, Wisconsin. Hosted by the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club. Info: mnhealey.com

September 30, InterMarque Picnic, Cherokee Park, St. Paul, MN. 1:00PM. Bring a chair and a dish to share. All InterMarque enthusiasts are invited to attend

2019

June 6-9, Rendezvous. Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Hosted by the Minnesota MG Group.

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



Join us at the
Chanhassen AutoPlex
2018 Free Car Show Events

LAST Saturday's "Cars & Caves" Charity Car Show

April 28, May 26, June 30, July 28, Aug 25, Sept 29

8- NOON - - - - GATES OPEN AT 7:30

Classics, Muscle, Antiques, Street Rods, & Exotics WELCOME!

**Each month will be operated by members of a different charity
 ALL donations will go to the charity DONATIONS WILL BE APPRECIATED
 PARKING AVAILABLE ON-SITE and DESIGNATED OFF-SITE LOTS !!**



Wednesday "Summer Nights"
Car Shows - - - - - 5 - 8 PM

June 20th, July 18th, August 15th, September 12th
Food and Ice Cream Truck at each show



Additional Shows
To Be announced at Later Date



NO Reckless Driving - NO Drone Flying -- NO Car Sales
NO Smoking - NO Dogs - Please "DO NOT TOUCH CARS"
NO Skate/Hoverboards - NO Scooters - Garage Entry by Invite Only

FACEBOOK—Chanhassen AutoPlex
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INSTAGRAM—ChanhassenAutoPlex
WEBSITE- www.ChanhassenAutoPlex.com

Minnesota Triumphs beckon you to the VTR NATIONAL 2018

July 17-21, 2018 at the
Radisson in La Crosse, WI

On the
banks
of the
historic
Mississippi
River



Reservations:
www.radisson.com/la-crosse/vtr



Relax with friends at the
many local establishments



Carve the roads on the countless
coulees in your Triumph



Featuring 50 years
of the TR250

Facebook VTR 2018
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Winter Party



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Dan Booth Tech Session





The Thunder Bay Vintage Sports Car Club invites you to join us

JUNE 7-10, 2018

EVENTS

Show & Shine Car Show

Come dressed as the same era as your car!

Driver Challenges ■ Driving Tours ■ Fun Rally

ACCOMODATIONS

Best Western Plus Nor'Wester Hotel

2080 Highway 61, Thunder Bay, ON ■ (807) 473-9123 ■ 1-888-473-2378

Remember to mention the TBVSCC Rendezvous!

INFORMATION

www.tbvscc.ca ■ info@tbvscc.ca

Or contact **John Colosimo** at (807) 344-7694



“Back to the Bay”



28th Annual Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous – Thunder Bay, Ontario Registration Form

Basic registration covers one vehicle, two adults, and all children under 15 years of age.
Register by May 1, 2018 to receive a free commemorative golf umbrella* and to qualify for the Early Bird Draw for one free night at the **Best Western Plus Nor'Wester Resort Hotel!**

Cancellations will be subject to a \$10.00 cancellation fee. **Refunds will NOT be offered on or after May 1, 2018.**
The club will provide registration packages to those who have paid the full registration fee but were unable to attend.

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest Attending: _____

Children Attending: _____

Street: _____ (Include names & ages of each child)
City: _____ Province/State: _____

Postal/Zip Code: _____ Club Name: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Phone: _____
(Include e-mail address if you want a confirmation of registration – none will be sent otherwise)

Vehicles to be registered:

(Year)	(Make)	(Model)
(Year)	(Make)	(Model)

	Can. \$	U.S. \$
Basic Registration Fee \$80.00 Can. / \$68.00 U.S. until May 1 <i>After May 1: \$90.00 C/ \$78.00 US (Registration includes one vehicle, two adults, one child under 15, & one early registration golf umbrella*)</i>		
Each Additional Person: \$20 C/ \$16 US x		
Each Additional Vehicle: \$10 C/ \$8 US x		
Buffet Breakfast - Friday \$16 C/ \$13 US x (\$10 C/ \$8 US Child under 12) x		
- Saturday \$16 C/ \$13 US x (\$10 C/ \$8 US Child under 12) x		
Wine and Cheese Tasting \$20 C/ \$16 US x		
Banquet Saturday Night		
\$46 C/ \$37 US Adult x		
\$20 C/ \$16 US /Child under 12 x		
TOTAL \$ NOTE: U.S. residents please pay in U.S. funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Please indicate if you are interested in the following activities

Celtic Barn Dance Fun Rally On the Bay Car Show Tech Session

HOTEL: Contact **Best Western Plus Nor'Wester Resort Hotel** directly for headquarters hotel room reservations @ 1-888-473-2378. A block of rooms has been held until May 1st.

Please make cheques payable to TBVSCC and send with completed registration form to:
Thunder Bay Vintage Sports Car Club, c/o Chris Pyne, 302 Southgate Court, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 7Z5



Rally in the Valley is “On The Road Again” in 2018 !

When: May 24th – May 27th

Where: Eau Claire, Wisconsin

**Rally in the Valley is British Sports Car
Event and all European Sports Cars are Welcome!**

Rally in the Valley is an event where you will be entertained as well as enjoy the traditional car enthusiast activities. Come to Wisconsin where we have spectacular country roads with bountiful rolling hills, bluffs, creeks, rivers and lakes. It's a great way to get out of the city and re-vitalize.

- **Thursday May 24th**. We kick off the event with *The Tune up your Intake* party at the Best Western Plus Conference Center in Eau Claire, Wisconsin our host hotel.
- **Friday May 25th** Tour the countryside on the *Life is a Highway Rally*. Our lunch destination will be at the *Villa Bellezza Winery and Vineyards* in Pepin, Wisconsin.
- Friday afternoon return to the Best Western Hotel and compete in the *Valve Cover Races*.
- Friday night enjoy happy hour and dine at the hotel ballroom. We will finish the evening with a live acoustic performance from the *Morris Garage Band*.
- **Saturday May 26th**. We will start the morning by rallying to Carson Park in Eau Claire and participate in the *Start Me Up* European Classic Car Show.
- Saturday afternoon rev your engines for the the *Jumpin Jack Flash* Funkhanna!
- Saturday afternoon pick from the many *Self Guided Tours* in the area. There are beautiful roads to travel on in the Chippewa

Valley plus you will find numerous sightseeing attractions to choose from. Including parks, wineries, breweries, shopping and museums. All of the information will be included in your registration packet.

- Saturday evening attend the famous *Rally in the Valley* awards banquet and ceremony.
- **Sunday May 27th** Farewell breakfast.

Make your reservations now at:

The Best Western Plus Conference Center
in Eau Claire, Wisconsin
(715)838-9989 or 1(800)780-7234

Ask for the Rally in the Valley special rate:

\$89.99 Standard - 2 Queen or 1 King
\$99.99 Suite - King

For more information and to register for this event visit the Minnesota MG Website at: www.mn-mgggroup.org or contact Diane Rindt drindt4271@yahoo.com (715) 379-6001

Hosted by: Diane and Steve Rindt and
The Minnesota MG Group



Rally in the Valley is *On the Road Again* in 2018!

Registration Form

May 24th – May 27th in Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Name: _____

Address: _____

State/Province/Postal Code: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone: _____

Club Name: _____

(Include email address for confirmation of registration – none will be sent otherwise)

Vehicle/s to register: Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

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Friday "Life is Highway" Rally including a Private Banquet at the *Villa Bellezza Winery and Vineyards* (Cost includes tip and tax)

Adult per plate (\$20.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____

Friday night Ballroom Dinner and a live acoustic performance by the *Original Morris Garage Band* (Cost includes tip and tax)

Adult per plate (\$25.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____

Saturday night the *Famous Rally in the Valley Awards Banquet and Ceremony*. (Cost includes tip and tax)

Adult per plate (\$35.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____

Sign me up:

Thursday evening Tune
up your Intake Party

Friday Valve Cover
Racing

Start Me Up European
Classic Car Show

Jumpin Jack Flash
Funkhanna Auto Cross

Rally in the Valley Registration Fee:

Registration includes one/two vehicles, two adults, children under 18, event trophies, door prizes and event expenses.

(Before March 24th, 2018) \$ 60.00 (After March 24th, 2018) \$70.00

Cancellations before April 1st are subject to a \$15.00 fee. No refunds after April 1st, 2018

The weekend schedule will be emailed to you when your registration is received.

For detailed times and activities prior to completed registration, visit the

Rally in the Valley page on the Minnesota MG Group website www.min-mggroup.org

For questions or comments please contact Diane Rindt at drindt4271@yahoo.com

\$ _____

EVENT TOTAL _____

Send completed registration form and check to:

Diane Rindt (Rally in the Valley) 4271 North Shore Drive, Eau Claire, WI 54703

Make Check payable to: **Diane Rindt with Rally in the Valley in memo field.**



Confirmation of registration will be through your email address only.

Cancellations before April 1st are subject to a \$15.00 fee. No refunds after April 1st, 2018

Hotel Reservations: Best Western Plus Conference Center, Eau Claire WI

Phone: (715) 838-9989 or 1 (800) 780-7234 3340 **Address:** Mondovi Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701

For questions contact Diane Rindt (715) 379-6001 or email drindt4271@yahoo.com

Triumph Trader

FOR SALE

Give away: GT6 transmission tunnel cover, original fiber type. Has a 2" hole in the firewall flange area, but otherwise decent. Hate to just toss it. Dave 612-554-1097

For sale: Early GT6 (mk1) bonnet. Solid but needs work. Has surface rust which I treated, primed & topcoated ~15 yrs ago, but did not fix the dent or ripples. No rust-through anywhere. Headlight housings included. Chrome trim rings have some scuffs, but otherwise pretty decent. Also running & turnlight housings, support rod and a few hardware bits. \$300
Dave 612-554-1097

Dave Heglund - member

For sale: 1974 Triumph TR-6, 50,xxx mi., rusty, good motor and 4 speed trans. Many good parts, original tires. \$1000.00 or best offer. 651-501-8377
Thank You, Donald Strom

For Sale: 2 ton folding shop crane - \$100
612-850-4072 or
wrgingerich@gmail.com

For Sale: Hard top roof for Triumph Spitfire 1500. Royal Blue w/ White headliner. Original glass. No rust. Asking 350.00 Call and leave message. Beverly 715-669-3555
Thorp, WI.

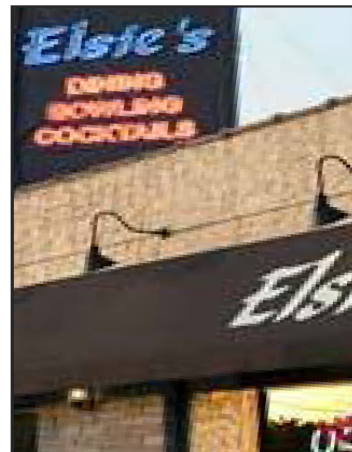
For Sale: 1975 Triumph Spitfire 1500. Royal Blue. New Rag top, tires. 71,370 miles. No rust. Asking \$5250.00. Call and ask for Beverly. Thorp WI. Phone 715-669-3555.

For Sale:
5 speed transmission from 76 TR7 \$250.00
Complete rear axle assy, drum to drum from 76 TR7 \$50.00
2 new SU 1 1/4 dia carbs in the box \$550.00
Used Weber side draft DCOE 45 \$300.00
Contact Roger Kraemer @ 651-207-3920 or
spitsand7s@gmail.com

WANTED

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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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, during 2017 the meetings will be at the:

Ol' Mexico Restaurante & Cantina
1754 Lexington Ave North
Roseville, MN 55113
Phone: 651-487-2847
Email: info@olmexico.com



MEMBERSHIP NOTES

New Members in Their Own Words

2018 Dues
Paid



2017 Membership = 124
2018 Paid Members = 88

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

My first experience with British Sports Cars was in the Mid- Fifties. I sat down into the cockpit of an Austin-Healey 100-4. That pretty much did it for me. My first British Car was an MG TD in 1961. That should have cured me, but it didn't. A Triumph TR4A followed, shortly. Ultimately, I built the Ambro, and that fulfilled a nearly lifelong dream.

Rallies, autocross, and finally racing followed the MG. Two more generations ensued with sons Sean & Mark getting their race credentials. Then Grandson Brendan acquired his credentials in 2017.

In 1997 The Friends of Triumph, a Competition Drivers Email List was started, and that led to the Kastner Cup Series, held once a year. Kas and I have organized that race for 16 years, now. Kas is a treasure.



Following my retirement from Deere & Co. in 1999, we started a little business to support the racing efforts. Now we are running two Triumphs and maintaining my long term street TR3A.



A pinnacle to this life long British Sports Car Experience, is an induction into the British Sports Car Hall of Fame this next June.

Now, I am looking to wind myself out of much of my current activities, to drive my TR3A a bit more. See you in La Crosse. - Joe Alexander, Cedar Falls, IA

Name	
Partner	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Day Phone	
Evening Phone	
E-mail Address	
Cars	

\$25 for a single membership + emailed newsletter
Membership Form
 \$26 for family membership + emailed newsletter

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:

Minnesota Triumphs
4018 Emerson Avenue N
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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 Ol' Mexico Restaurante & Cantina, 1754 Lexington Ave North, Roseville, MN 55113, Phone: 651-487-2847, Email: info@olmexico.com. 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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