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#### PREZ RELEASE

This will be my final Prez Release as I have now completed my second year as President of Minnesota Triumphs. Our Club By-Laws specify that the positions of President and Vice President are limited to two (2) consecutive One (1) year terms. As I write this no one has offered to assume either of these two Club positions. Under our By-Laws the duties of these two Positions are as follows:

**President**: The President shall be the principal Executive Officer of The Club and shall supervise and conduct all of its business and affairs. The President shall preside at all meetings and may, together with the Secretary, sign any documents or instructions. The President shall perform all duties incident to the office of President.

**Vice President**: In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President and shall have all the powers and be subject to all the restrictions upon the

President. The Vice President shall also be responsible, in the absence of the Secretary or Treasurer, to perform the duties of the Secretary or Treasurer and shall have all the powers and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Secretary or Treasurer.

OK folks, time for 2 people to step up and assume these positions. I have held both of these two positions and they are really not that tough. Heck, If I can do them it, anyone can. Remember there are no newsletters in November and December as well as no meetings in the final two months of the year.

I have just returned from the Triumph Club run to Door County. Nine cars made the 4-day trip. The only problems that I am aware of were 1) Larry Berg's need to replace the Slave Cylinder on his TR6 (which of course was available in the spare parts carried by fellow Triumph Club members) and 2) Terry Neuman's overdrive failing on his TR6 on the return trip. Plans are already being made on for a similar type multi-day Club trip next year. In 2017

we made a run to the Black Hills.

Check out the numerous driving events listed in this Newsletter that are planned for the remainder of this year. Remember, "The bird of Time has but a little way to fly (To Winter) - and Lo! The bird is on the Wing."

That's it for me. Thanks to all the fellow Triumph Club members that have made my run as President easy and enjoyable!

Jon/Jack Meier, 1958 TR3A

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#### MINUTES OF THE MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS

#### Minnesota Triumphs Meeting Minutes Sept 13th 2018

A second month in a row for a great 83 degree Thursday to welcome 14 TR's back to Ol' Mexico.

I counted 43 in attendance this month with a few new members. Chuck Rylee joined us, a proud 71 Spit owner, and Mary Jo and Jerry Strom joined us, having recently purchased a TR3

Jon announced three charities were selected to receive donations from the club. The action was put to vote and unanimously approved.

Our president announced that it is time to elect new club officers. Many stayed on, but club bylaws say the Prez and VP have to go. The club needs you!!! Sign up today.

Under new Business- It was suggested to get a PA system for the club meeting. It appeared that many thought that would be a good idea.

Attending Club officers shared their respective information, which is shared with us in the club newsletter.



Car(s) and year(s) optonal Order by email from member Bryan Jennings <bigbwingrider@hotmail.com> He'll deliver at the next meeting or you 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) This is the last VTR report from this guy as my retirement from the position is now in the books. My papers are signed and come November I get my first retirement check.. It has been fun as Gayle and I have gone to parts of the country that would never have been on our agenda. VTR conventions gave us a good reason to be there for the yearly VTR meetings. I wished to be there just in case something earth shaking would come up that I'd report to you. Nothing really earth shaking ever happened so I'd find myself making a big deal out of a small VTR change. At the convention this year I learned of the two years of VTR membership for the price of one year. But it takes a bit of time when one deals with VTR to figure out how they wish to do things. Well it took until last week to find the right dog who knew how to get you a good deal. So you should see the hoops you need to jump to take advantage of this nice program on this page or close by. I will say one from VTR told me that if you have not renewed your VTR membership for at

least 3 months you probably will qualify for the 2 for 1. No harm in trying.

Next year our convention will take us to Dripping Springs, TX very close to Austin, TX. The host hotel will be the Holiday Inn Express in Dripping. The room rate is \$99 per room for 2 queens or a king. Mark your calendar now October 6-11, 2019. The phone to call is 512 858 0280 to get you directly to the Holiday Inn Express. Some in our club have been able to secure a guaranteed room by calling this number, but for me so far it is a no go. They have taken my name, but I'm told it will open for reservations in October. So make a reservation that has no cancellation fees for now just in case you wish to join us. Gayle and I plan to go with the group per usual to **Dripping Springs.** 

So in closing I thank all of you at Minnesota Triumphs for letting me be your VTR liaison. I too wish to thank Greg Thompson for stepping up to take this position. Best wishes to all for happy motoring and

mostly good health. Happy Trails to all of you and thanks for the memories.

Larry Sanderson, your MN TR VTR Liaison, myfriendlar@yahoo.com or 5072691500

# **Triumph** Calendar

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

#### **OCTOBER**

11-Club meeting

13- Minnesota Triumphs Fall Wienie Roast

The fun starts at 6 PM on Saturday October 13 2018 in Ethier's back yard at 44 West Robie Street, Saint Paul, 55107. Remember that the Smith Avenue High Bridge is closed for renovation. We will provide all-beef hot dogs, buns and the usual condiments. There will also be lemonade and coffee. For desert, we will have the stuff for s'mores. Please bring lawn chairs, any roasting forks you may have, and a dish to share. You also will need to provide your own adult beverage. If you want to bring wood, make sure it is dry and devoid of paint or any other stuff that should not be burned under people's food. We hope to see you around the crackling fire on the 13th!

20,21 -CultureTour (Eric Paulson) Winona, MN

The October 27th Tech Session will be at Gene Kimball's in Ham Lake. Details to follow.

28-High Tea (host: Gary & Barb Stephenson) 1:00 PM



#### 2018 Multi Marque Calendar

#### Thanks to our calendar sponsor BROADWAY AUTO TECH!

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

<u>Multi-Marque Breakfast</u> Every\* Saturday morning! 8 a.m., Elsie's Restaurant Bar and Bowling, 729 MarshallStreet N.E., Minneapolis, MN 55413. Everyone is invited! Special room for the auto-afflicted. Attendance on recent Saturdays has been twenty to thirty or more. Women are invited every Saturday but the second Saturday of every month is Lady's Day. All marques and nationalities invited. Map to the Elsie's at http://elsies.com

## 2019

June 6-9, Rendezvous. Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Hosted by the Minnesota MG Group. Best Western Conference Center. 715-838-9989. For event info: <u>www.mn-mggroup.org</u> or Diane Rindt <u>drindt427@yahoo.com</u> or 715-379-6001



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





## **Culture Tour**

Okay, Campers (and I hope you read that in Tom Mischke's voice),

Got a few people recommending places to visit, so I thought I would post my list of places I had in mind...

- \* Polish-American Museum
- \* Watkins Museum
- \* Winona County Historical Society
- \* Marine Art Museum
- \* Garvin Heights
- \* Levee Park

I'm also working on a few other special stops, but I need to hear back on whether or not they'll accommodate us as a tour group, and which days they'd allow us access, so I don't have a solid itinerary worked out yet, other than the Marine Art Museum being scheduled for Sunday.

I lived in Winona for three years while I attended classes at Winona State, so I have an intimate knowledge of the city. I have received a couple of suggestions for places to go that I was unaware of, as they've come to Winona after I left in '98. So, I will make contact with them and see if we can add them, too.

I will note that I wanted to do a ministained glass tour of Winona, but both the Winona National Bank And Merchants National Bank are closed over the weekend, and are unavailable for viewing (I already asked). Which is one reason I wanted to do the walking tour.

So, that's what I have so far. Updates to follow.

If anyone has any further ideas, feel free to send them to me directly at ErikPaulson1976@gmail.com. This event will occur on October 20th and 21st. - Erik

#### PS I STILL NEED TO KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE INTERESTED, SO I CAN LET ORGANIZATIONS AND RESTAURANTS (I'm assuming we want to dine together for lunch?) KNOW HOW MANY TO EXPECT WHEN WE DECEND UPON WINONA!!!

Editor's note: Please realize this is a culture tour, try not to be distracted by the fall colours that you are inadvertantly subjected to. Wink Wink The Minnesota MG Group invites you to

Back to the '70s

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Rendezvous 2019! June 6th - 9th

## **Experience Rendezvous in Wisconsin**

It's time to get behind the wheel and see the breathtaking views! You'll drive on roads that twist and turn through the countryside with stunning scenery that's never ending including rolling hills, bluffs, streams, rivers and lakes.

## Some of the Event Details:

- Rally's to Excite the Driving Senses
- 🖊 Domestic Local Winery Tours
- Frech. Sessions for the Guys and Gals
- 🖊 Wine and Cheese Tasting
- Car Show on the Green
- 🖊 Funkanna Skilled Driving Event
- Self-Guided Country Tours
- 🖊 Awards Banquet with Entertainment

Host Hotel: The Best Western Plus Conference Center 3340 Mondovi Rd, Eau Claire, Wisconsin (715)838-9989 or 1(800)780-7234

Alternate Lodging: The Hampton Inn by Hilton

Rendezvous 2622 Craig Rd, Eau Claire, Wisconsin (It's just down the road from the Best Western) (715)833-0003 or make your reservations on line by visiting the MN MG Group website Rendezvous page.



For more Information and to Register for this Event visit the **MN MG Group website** www.mn-mggroup.org OF

**Contact Diane Rindt at:** (715) 379-6001 drindt4271@yahoo.com

29<sup>th</sup> Annual Vintage Sports Car Event,









Cana Island Lighthouse

Photo Credit: Rick M, Joe B, Jon M, and Terry M



Lake Michigan at its finest





## **2019 Minnesota Triumphs Slate of Officers**

President: OPEN Vice President: OPEN Treasurer: Jill Davenport Secretary: Bob Swanson Membership Chairman: Joe Demuth Newsletter Editor: Orrin McGill Past President: Jon Meier

**2019 Minnesota Triumphs Advisory Positions** 

Tech Session Chairman: Steve Shogren Intermarque Liaison: Doug Burch VTR Liaison: Greg Thompson Event Coordinator: Dick Leighninger/Orrin McGill Historian: Bill Nelson Webmaster: Ron Ruettimann, Fred Olson Regalia Chairman: Glen Anderson



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 <u>MN Triumphs</u> on facebook. Go ahead, write on our wall.



Brought to you by your Minnesota Triumph Sports Car Club. Our meeting place for October 11 will be the Ol' Mexico Restaurante 1754 Lexington Ave N St. Paul, MN 55113

## Triumph Trader

#### FOR SALE

Just heard about a TR 4 that is on the market-red, totally redone years ago. Owner ready to sell-\$20000, Call me- Mark-(612)306-0044

Triumph TR3 42 DCOE Webers, manifold and linkage. Side draft Webers for TR3 or TR4. \$600 TR3 Overdrive transmission \$1,200 TR3 hood, raised hinges, \$400 Contact Steve Shogren 651-454-2037 steveshogren@yahoo.com

On offer for the enthusiast, call Mark @ (612) 306-0044, or respond to blt@quality-coaches.com

TR3 factory metal hardtop, blue in color, rear window removed- make reasonable offer.

TR3 windshield glass, in packing box from The Roadster Factory- old stock.

1970 GT6- silver, dormant for years. 1980 TR7 5 speed, w/AC, orange convertible, dormant for years. 1980 TR7 5 speed, w/AC, gold convertible, dormant for years. Health forces sale of TR7 cars, I am just handling the communication, All cars are parked at owner's houses remote from my shop, Please respond with any reasonable interest in the cars!!

Noel Noel Zorn Office Manager, Quality Coaches 20 W 38th Street Minneapolis, MN 55409 612-824-4155 1973 TR6 (CF4338U in Emerald Green). Doesn't run due to bad starter and a very long idle. New parts. Considered as parts car. \$2,500 or B.O.

1973 TR6 (CF8802U) in Sienna Brown and black interior (basket case)

chassis (beefed up, painted with POR15, rustproofed twice by Triumph Works)
engine (completely rebuilt including new internal parts and new valve seats for unleaded gas. Rebuilt carbs and electronic distributor, all done by TRF)

newly rebuilt transmission with overdrive)
tons of all new parts including all interior trims (all necessary for frame-up restoration)

only body needs work (used/new fenders and body parts are included)
\$21,500 or BO





Thomas Virnig tjvirnig3@gmail.com 612-424-4439.

#### WANTED

Wanted:

Club-member, Larry Berg, needs a spoiler for a 74-76 TR6. Please call (763) 228-0072 or email lsbergdtm@gmail.com

Thanks

## **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, during 2018 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



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 donations will go to the charity DONATIONS WILL BE APPRECIATED PARKING AVAILABLE ON-SITE and DESIGNATED OFF-SITE LOTS !! ALL d





Additional Shows To Be announced at Later Date



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

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Joe DeMuth, jdemuth@mac.com

October, 2018

MEMBERSHIP NOTES Fun With a 3-D Printer





On the left is a picture of an original TR-3 optional ashtray. The faces were made of bakelite which was prone to becoming brittle in sunlight over time, and many of them broke. There was such an ash ray in Steve Shogren's TR3-B when he bought it, but of course it was missing the face. He asked if perhaps I could print one for him on my 3-D printer. I was able to draw a 3-D model and my cheap printer did a reasonably good job printing the file. Given I was working from pictures off the web, I think the resulting facsimile is acceptable. If you enjoy wasting time at the computer, you might consider buying one of these printers - mine cost about \$320. Be prepared to spend some time learning how to draw in 3-D. You have to be able to draw before you can print.

#### **Membership Form**

\$25 for a single membership + emailed newsletter
 \$35 for a single membership + mailed newsletter
 \$36 for a family membership + mailed newsletter

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

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 Avemue N Minneapolis, MN 55412

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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