

TRIUMPHS & TRIBULATIONS



High Tea

Great weather brought a good turnout...
not so much for cars. Fun time had by all.
Thanks Barb and Gary for hosting...



Photos Credit Staff



PREZ RELEASE

With our January kickoff Club Meeting, we are officially on our way to what hopefully will be a great Triumph Club year! We had a great turnout, around 40 folks. Turns out that Ol' Mexico had free tacos until 6:00 pm so some of us early birds got to partake. Not sure if this is an every Thursday offering, but it is something to keep in mind for our future meetings.

Remember that our Club Winter Party will be held on February 24th. If you are planning on going please RSVP by February 18th (See Winter Party Flyer). It's a FREE BUFFET!

For those attending consider bringing a donation door prize (wine/spirts, British/Triumph paraphasia, car parts, etc.). On Thursday, January 17th, Dick Leighninger provided a tour of the Commemorative Air Force aircraft at Fleming Field in St. Paul. They are open on Wednesday and Saturday and admission is by donation. This place has a small collection, in a hanger, of WW2 planes that a team of volunteers keep in flying condition.

Their main attraction is a B-25 bomber (Miss Mitchell). They also have a unique collection of WW2 artifacts that are on display. It's a great place to visit for anyone interested in military aviation history. Check out their website: <http://www.cafmn.org/>. THANKS DICK!

Many Club members have suggested that the Club purchase a wireless microphone and speaker to be used at our Club meetings since the one at Ol' Mexico is always in use for their BINGO nights. Done. With input from Dave Swanson I have purchased an Audio 2000's Dual Channel Wireless Microphone Portable PA System. We will check it out at the next meeting. If it works great, thank me. If it sucks, blame Dave.

Joe Bisanz is setting up a Triumph Club run to Road America's Spring Vintage Festival Weekend, May 17-19, Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. See Joe if interested. I have never been, but I hear it is great. A way to see our vintage sports cars racing like they did in the day. Lodging may be limited so hurry if interested.

As mentioned at our last meeting, Greg Thompson has assumed the role of our Club's VTR liaison. Greg is a long-time member of the VTR and has attended many of their past annual events. He and Carol spearheaded our Club's super successful sponsorship of last year's VTR event in LaCrosse. He is taking over for Larry Sanderson who did a fantastic job for many, many, many years! Thanks Greg and Larry.

Speaking of new Club positions, at our January meeting Glenn Anderson was introduced as our Regalia man. This position has been vacant for several years. Glen introduced Suzanne McWilliams of Wildtreads Online. We will now have the availability of purchasing many products that have our Club logo. I believe we will be setting up a regalia link on our Club website. Watch for it.

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MINUTES OF THE MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS

Minnesota Triumphs Meeting Minutes
January 10th 2019

The first meeting of 2019 greeted 38 members with a 22 degree evening at the start of the New Year. Not a TR in sight, but on the minds of all.

With the new and returning club officers in place, 2019 will be another great year for all club members.

New for 2019 is the return of a Regalia lead. Glenn Anderson stepped into the position and hit the ground running. He brought a couple guests to the meeting. They were involved with the club in the past and with the help of Glenn, reuniting with us. They had samples and items for purchase and will be putting together a web site for members to order from.

Don't forget to sign up for the February Winter Party. See details within this newsletter. See you there. I'm thinking we will have a lot of door prizes this year. Since I'm eating for free I'll even bring one.

**If you want
stinkin' name badges...**
...we now have a source.



1.25" X 3" white plastic
Same as current badges • Engraved lettering (red)
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Car(s) and year(s) optional
Order by email from member Bryan Jennings
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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)





The Sandersons, Newmans and Thompsons in New Hampshire 2017

What is a life without adventure?

“Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover.”

– H. Jackson Brown Jr.

About 15 years ago, I showed my father-in-law some Mississippi River cruises online. He loved the idea so I said just tell us when and I would plan the trip for us all. After he had his stroke several years later he told me he had wished he would have taken me up on the offer. He had the time and the money but was too comfortable in his routine. Although Carol and I have been doing road trips since the first year we met, it drove home the idea that we need to keep dreaming new adventures. To some, driving their TR to a monthly meeting for the first time may be all the adventure you can take but after a few short trips maybe you could move up to the antique tour. The more time you spend in your car and the more club members you get to know, the more fun you will have. Hey, maybe someday you will really step out and do an overnight trip or the ultimate, a 10 day tour to a VTR national.

Greg Thompson

Your VTR rep

Triumph Calendar

MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS SPORTS CAR CLUB 2019 EVENTS CALENDAR

(**TENTATIVE**)

**Does not include tech sessions
(not yet scheduled)**

FEBRUARY

14-Club meeting

16 - 10AM, Tech Session TBD

24- Winter Party at Joseph's

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MARCH

14 - Club meeting

16- Tech Session TBD

APRIL

11-Club meeting

13-Tech Session TBD

21 - Queen LIZ B.D. Tour

Host Patrick Holt

27-Shakedown / Spring Tour

Doug Burch

MAY

9-Club meeting

11-*Intermarque in Osseo, MN

17 - 20 Elkhart Lake Vintage

Racing

18 - Tech Session TBD

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

24- 27 Rally in the Valley

See pages 14, 15

JUNE

01 - MN Arboretum TBD

02- Merlin's Rest

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

6- 9 -*Rendezvous in Eau Claire,
See pages 14 & 15

13-Club meeting

15-Norm's (host: Joe B. & Larry
B.

22- Norm's (alt)

20 - 23 Back to the 50s at MN
State Fair

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

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

JULY

07 - Winery Tour Taylors Falls

11-Club meeting

11-13 *Iola Car Swap & Show in
Iola, WI

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

August

xx-Queen Mum Tour?

08 - Club meeting

10 -*Britfest in Hudson, WI

10 - New London/New
Brighton Antique Car Run

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

SEPTEMBER

6-11 Austin Healy Conclave
Deadwood, SD

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

7-*Wheels & Wings in Osceola,
WI

12-Club meeting

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

21-22*Waumandee Hillclimb in
Alma, WI

TBD-Mystery Tour (host
needed)

OCTOBER

6-11 VTR Dripping Springs, TX

10-Club meeting

12-Color Tour (host needed)

NOVEMBER

xx-High Tea (Host needed)

See Intermarque Monthly at:

www.intermarque.org

2019 Multi Marque Calendar

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

Multi-Marque Breakfast Every* Saturday morning! 8 a.m., Elsie's Restaurant Bar and Bowling, 729 Marshall Street 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: www.mn-mgggroup.org or Diane Rindt drindt427@yahoo.com or 715-379-6001

BREAKFAST REMINDER

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



GOT WINDOW CLING?

MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS
SPORTS CAR CLUB
mtriumphs.org

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

MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS SPORTS CAR CLUB

WINTER PARTY

FREE!!

FEBRUARY 24, 2019 / 1:00-5:00

AS A WAY TO THANK TRIUMPH CLUB MEMBERS AND TO WELCOME IN A TRIUMPHANT NEW YEAR, YOUR CLUB OFFICERS HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT THE CLUB PROVIDE YOU WITH A FREE BUFFET AT OUR ANNUAL WINTER PARTY.

JOSEPH'S
140 SOUTH WABASHA
ST PAUL, MN 55107

FABULOUS DOOR PRIZES
BROUGHT TO YOU BY YOUR OWN MTSSC.
DONATE A DOOR PRIZE FOR THE DRAWING
...DONATE WINE, TREATS, CAR PARTS, ETC.

FREE!!
BUFFET ONLY
INCLUDES:

FREE!!

HONEY GLAZED HAM
ROAST TURKEY BREAST
PINEAPPLE GLAZE
FRESH HERB STUFFING
AU GRATIN POTATOES
GARLIC MASHED POTATOES
VEGETABLES DU JOUR
HOUSE SALAD
DINNER ROLLS
DESSERT



***THIS IS A MUST! To get a head count, RSVP Leiney at:
imsplashcaf@yahoo.com or call 651-216-4491.
Deadline is Feb 18.***

High Tea 2018



Photo Credits: Bernadette M. and Staff

High Tea 2018



Rendezvous 2019



Back to the '70s

The Minnesota MG Group invites you to
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
- ✦ Tech. 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

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

or

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

29th Annual
Vintage Sports Car Event,
Rendezvous





Registration Form - June 6 – 9 th - Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Must complete fields for Name, Address, Email & Phone (Email address is for confirmation of registration)

Name: _____

Address: _____

State/Province/Postal Code: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone: _____

Club Name: _____

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

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Early Bird Breakfast (Friday and Saturday only) (Cost includes tip and tax)

Fri. per/plate (\$15.00) x Qty _____ Saturday per/plate (\$15.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____

*** SELECT ONLY ONE "OPTION" FOR FRIDAY JUNE 7TH ***

Option #1 - Friday "Soldiers Walk" Memorial Park Drive including a Private Banquet Lunch at Vino Over the Valley Vineyards and Restaurant (Cost includes tip and tax for both Park and Lunch)

Adult per/person (\$22.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____

Option #2 - Friday "Leinenkugel's Brewery" Tour and Country Road Drive including a Private Banquet Lunch at Paradise Shores Resort (Cost includes tip and tax) * Leinenkugel's Tour has **limited space, please check on line at mn-mggroup.org (Rendezvous 2019) or call 715-379-6001 for availability ***

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

Option #3 - Friday "Cook-Rutledge Mansion" Tour and Country Road Drive including a Private Banquet Lunch at Paradise Shores Resort (Cost includes tip and tax) * Mansion Tour has **limited space, please check on line at mn-mggroup.org (Rendezvous 2019) or call 715-379-6001 for availability ***

Adult per/person (\$23.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____

Friday night Ballroom Dinner & 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 *Rendezvous Awards Banquet and Ceremony*. (Cost includes tip and tax)

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

Rendezvous T-Shirt

Men(S-LG)\$13 (XL-3XL)\$15 Size _____ Qty _____ Women(S-LG)\$20 (XL-3XL)\$22 Size _____ Qty _____ Total _____

Sign me up!

Thursday *Welcome to Rendezvous 2019 Party!* Sat. Classic Car Show Sat. Funkhana Skilled Driving Event Sat. Afternoon *Tech Session* Sat. Afternoon Ladies & Gent's *Wine & Cheese Party* \$15.00/person

Total _____

Rendezvous 2019 Registration Fee: Registration includes one/two vehicles, two adults, children under 18 and event expenses. (Before April 6th, 2019) \$ 65.00 (After April 6th, 2019) \$75.00 Cancellations may be subject to a \$15.00 fee. No refunds after May 1st, 2019

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

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

Rendezvous page on the Minnesota MG Group website mn-mggroup.org/rendezvous-2019

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

Reg. Fee (\$ 65.00 or \$75.00) \$ _____

EVENT TOTAL \$ _____

Send completed registration form and check to: Paul Lyon (Rendezvous 2019) 2589 Seans Way, North St. Paul, MN 55109 **Make Check payable to:** The Minnesota MG Group with Rendezvous in the memo field.

Confirmation of registration will be through email address only. Cancellatons may be subject to \$15 fee. No refunds after May 1st, 2019. Hotel Reservations: The Best Western Plus Conference Center, Eau Claire WI, Phone: (715) 838-9989 or 1 (800) 780-7234 3340. Alternate Lodging: Hampton Inn by Hilton, Eau Claire, Wisconsin Phone: (715) 833-0003 Address: 2622 Craig Road, Eau Claire, WI. Or make your reservations on line at [Hampton Inn link](#) For questions contact Diane Rindt (715) 379-6001 or email drindt4271@yahoo.com

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

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.

Triumph TR-6 parts:

-Brand new Electric Fan with temperature switch \$50.00

-Plinthe with CD/FM/AM radio with removable face plate.

\$50.00

TR-6 Lucas Alternator (early)

Oil Pump and Gear

Half Shaft

5 Headlights & 1 Headlight Ring

One horn (Generic)

Brake Rotor

OrrinMcGill

newsletter@mnrtriumphs.org or

763-755-7765

WANTED

Wanted:

Club-member, Larry Berg, needs a spoiler for a 74-76 TR6. Please call (763) 228-0072 or email lsbergmtm@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 or 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 2019 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

My wife, Eileen, and I are in Austin, Texas avoiding the cold as much as possible. We thought we would explore Dripping Springs where VTR 2019 will be held. Here is a short description of what we saw.

We made the short trip out to Dripping Springs from Austin on Texas 290. About 35 minutes from where we had the RV. They bill Dripping Springs as the gateway to the hill country. There were numerous distilleries, wineries, and brew houses on the road to Dripping Springs.

The “old Downtown” is maybe 3 blocks of very nice Vintage Shops and other shops. If you have read any of the books by Susan Wittag Albert

about China Bales, you might think you were in Pecan Springs. The town itself is not very big but you can see development all around the area. The Holiday Inn Express is located in one of the newer areas of development

We talked with one of the shop owners and got directed to a lunch place outside of Dripping Springs about 15 minutes. We left town heading south on RM12 (Ranch to Market) and turned left unto RM150. This is a very nice ride for a sports car some 55 mph some nice curves posted down to 30mph. Nice blacktop surface and the scenery was great. It is green at this point in the year and we passed a number of wineries on this road also. In October they should be in full swing.

Lunch was at “Hay City Store”, Obviously a very popular spot with a varied menu and great burgers. Inside and outside dining is available.

After lunch we left Hay City we back tracked to Driftwood and took 1826 towards Austin. Another great road to explore with an open top Triumph! We then went cross country to Mount



Bonnell just northwest of downtown Austin. Great view of Lake Austin. 106 steps to the top to see the view but we worth the effort.

Traffic is very heavy in many parts of the city. I35 in under construction from Waco to south Austin for sure and it starts to slow down about 3:00 and gets very slow at 5:30. Bring you GPS and be willing to head off on some lesser traveled roads and you will get to see some great neighborhoods in Austin.

I think anyone who made the trip from Minnesota to Austin would love the area and enjoy driving their Triumph around the Hill Country.

Bill and Eileen Weaver



The Membership Form has been bumped this month due to length of Bob’s article.

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
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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