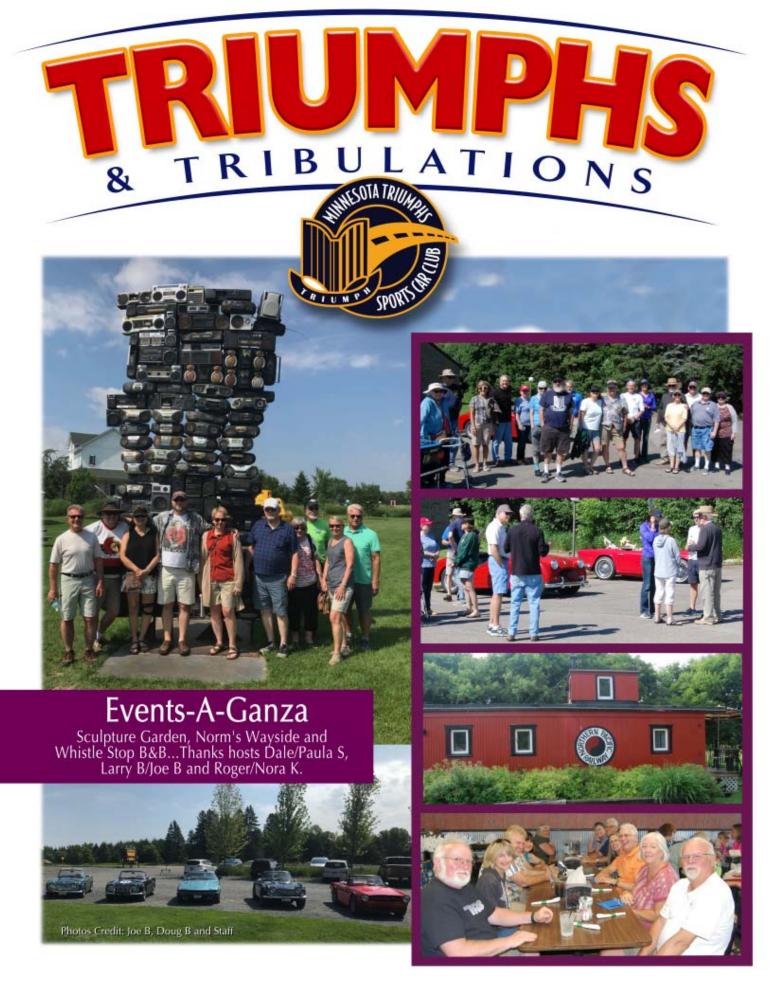
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PREZ RELEASE

SEPTEMBER PREZ RELEASE Very sad news. Long time Triumph Club member, John Kallaus has died after a long and courageous battle with cancer. John had a wealth of expertise on Triumphs (particularly TR2/3/3A and 3B's) that he was always willing to share. He had been perfecting a workable automatic transmission for the 3 and 4 series. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife Vanya and his family. Rest in Peace John. Brit Fest in Hudson Wisconsin was well attended by Triumphs again this year. The treat of rain didn't materialize but did keep attendance down. As usual the Mojitos at San Pedro Cafe were great. New Club member Mike Frazell (Spelling?) was a trophy winner with his very nice TR3A. His engine compartment was showroom! British expatriate Tom Warth won first place for his 1952 Rolls Royce. Tom was nice enough to give me a January 20, 1956 issue of AUTOSPORT (Britain's Motor Sporting Weekly) which had a nice ad for a TR3 (listed as T.R.3 Sports). At our last Triumph Club Meeting it was approved that we would host/sponsor the 2021 Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous and that the location would be the Superior Resort and Conference Center in Two Harbors Minnesota.

Steve Shogren is heading up this effort and we will be looking for volunteers to help as we move closer to the event. Our Club last sponsored this event in 2015 in Ashland, Wisconsin. It was a great success thanks to the efforts of many Club members! I am sure we can duplicate that success. More information will be forthcoming. As we head into Autumn some of the best Triumph driving weather is in front of us! I am looking forward to the overnight Club run to Schech's Mill Tour in Caledonia, MN. On September 7th. This is being hosted by Chip Lederer. I am also looking toward the 1300 mile run down to the VTR in Dripping Springs, Texas, in October. This will be my longest trip in a Triumph. Previous longest trip was to the Rendezvous in Kenora, Canada, in my 1958 TR3A, which I plan on attending again next year. God willing and the creek don't rise. I will be driving my newly acquired 1964 TR4 to Texas. It is more luxurious than the 3A. It has rack and pinon steering, overdrive, rollup windows and an AM radio. WOW. My 9-year-old grandson Hudson still like the 3A best. He likes the cut down doors. I would again like to refer you to the Triumph Trader in the back of our TRIUMPHS & Tribulations newsletter. If you have any friends that are interested in owning a

Triumph, refer them to the FOR-SALE listings. Also consider contributing to this Newsletter section if you need something or have something For Sale.

Now I need to get off my butt and get some updated Club business cards printed.

<u>Get out there and exercise</u> <u>your Triumphs</u>

HAPPY MOTORING Jon/Jack Meier, 1958 TR3A, 1964 TR4

President MN Triumphs

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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MINUTES OF THE MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS

Minnesota Triumphs Meeting Minutes August 18th 2019

Who else thinks this summer is going way to fast. I missed the July meeting, next thing I know the sun is setting just after eight PM and I'm driving home from Ol' Mexico at dusk.

That being said, it was a beautiful 76 degree summer evening for the meeting, 16 TR's sat basking in the late day sun while 46 members joined in the meeting.

Two new members joined us for the meeting, Jim Senden, proud owner of a white 66 TR4A, and Alan Shilkrot with a maroon 1971 TR6.

I end these minutes by quoting the 1966 hit song by "The Happenings" – "SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER" (I used to play that song on my 8 track player, while driving my TR in 1969)



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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)



John and Vanya Kallaus-2009-Trail Ridge Road, Rocky Mountain National Park CO

My first memory of John was at the 1995 VTR Convention in Rockford Illinois. He was a man of few words and was to the point and I liked that. We were walking the parking lot swap meet, talking cars and scoping out parts. He had found 3 incomplete overdrives and thought they would make two. He asked me if I would go in on them and we would do them together? I had never taken one apart and may have never attempted rebuilding an OD without his guidance. He was always willing to share his TR knowledge.

In 2009 Carol and I planned a trip to the VTR in San Luis Obispo and John and Vanya decided to travel with us. We had never spent any time with them as a couple, but now we have many fond memories of the 15 days we spent together exploring national parks and sharing meals together. Still one of the best TR trips we have taken because of times shared and memories made.

In November of 2016 when John found out the cancer had been discovered in his brain, Carol and I brought a meal to the house and Vanya welcomed us into their living room. We reminisced about our California trip and John told us all about his illness and how he would fight till the end. As we were leaving John told us he had a bucket list and one was to go to the car auctions in Scottsdale. I told him if he wanted to go, I would take him. I had a friend that has a vacation home there and we could stay with them. A couple of days later he called to say he was in. We had a wonderful time looking at cars, watching people and chatting around the fire pit. One night at the supper table he told us all about his father and uncle passing away at a young age and how that changed his perspective on life and that he was ready to go to the life beyond this one when it was his time.

Rest in peace my friend, I look forward to seeing you there.

Greg Thompson Nour VTR rep

Triumph Calendar

MINNESOTA TRIUMPHS SPORTS CAR CLUB **2019 EVENTS CALENDAR**

SEPTEMBER

6-11 Austin Healy Conclave Deadwood, SD

September 7-DRIVING TOUR TO SCHECH'S MILLAND LANESBORO, MN **SEPTEMBER 7-8, 2019** See Details On Page 12

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)

15 - CAR SHOW - AN-**TIQUES - BACON - WINE EXTRAVAGANZA**

One stop shop for all your needs! For those who want park together at the car show meet at the Auto Value parking lot 658 N. Main St. River Falls WI.54022 at 9:45, they start parking early, from there follow me to the car show. The car show is from 11:00 to 4:00 but you can come and go really anytime you want during the show to enjoy the Extravaganza! For those coming after 10:00 the car show entrance is S. Main and E. Walnut St. Antique shops and Bacon Bash one of the nations largest Bacon Festivals is also at the car show! I

have reservations for us under Minnesota Triumph Sports Car Club at Belle Vinez Winery located at W10829 875th Ave. River falls WI. 54022 between 3:00 to 4:30. Wine and awesome brick oven pizza! Mama Mia! Host: Dale Simpson Cell:715-307-5435

OCTOBER

5 - Color Tour (Steve Shogren)

6-11 VTR Dripping Springs, TX

10-Club meeting

NOVEMBER

xx-High Tea (Host needed)

See Intermarque Monthly at: www.intermarque.org



Multi Marque Calendar:

September – Waumadee Hillclimb – Hillclimb is cancelled for 2019 – will resume in 2020

September 6th thru 11th – Austin Healey Club Conclave, Deadwood SD Hosted by the Minnesota Austin Healey club for more info click here



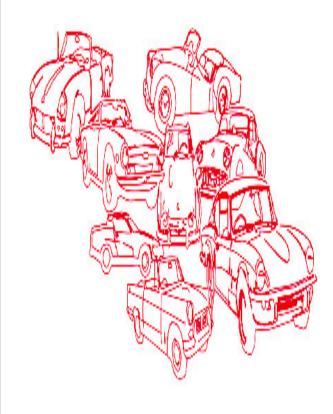
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If you want stinkin' name badges...



1.25" X 3" white plastic. Same as current badges • Engraved lettering is red • Printed logo is dark blue • Edges are red \$10 each with pin or magnet back Car(s) and year(s) optional Order by email from member Stephanie Greenstein <stephanie.greenstein@gmail.com> She'll deliver at the next meeting or you may order from her at any meeting.



NORM'S IN BUFFALO



What New York Mills Tour???



ART GARDEN TOUR



ART GARDEN TOUR



DRIVING TOUR TO SCHECH'S MILL AND LANESBORO, MN SEPTEMBER 7-8, 2019

All are invited. TR's and grocery getters. You can come for just the day (drive and Mill tour) or stay overnight in Lanesboro. So if you are interested read on.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Schech's Mill is a historic water powered grain mill which is operating with its original equipment that dates back to 1876. For the mechanically curious you will see the original giant wooden gears, the mill stone old time pulley systems, and all sorts of gravity fed wood bunkers and chutes in operating mode. For the historian, it is a shrine to simpler times and this gem of a place is a National Historic Site. For the driver, what can I say, but curvy fun roads!, The mill is located in the driftless area of southern Minnesota near Caledonia. There are no straight or flat roads. See http://Schech's Mill.com/. The Mill tour cost \$5 per person.

For those interested this trip can be extended with a scoot over to Lanesboro, MN for an overnight. Otherwise individuals can head back home however they please.

SUGGESTED TRAVEL PLAN

We should figure 2.5 - 3 hours travel if there are no stops. We do plan to stopping along the way!! Orrin refers to them as "stretch breakers. "We should be to our destination around noon - 1:00. I will finalize a tour time with Ed once we get things basically agreed upon. I will need confirmation of attendees just so Ed can plan.



We will leave from Little Oscars restaurant located in Hampton MN at 8:15 am. (Rendezvous Spot) If people want to eat breakfast beforehand this a great diner, arrive early. We will take Hwy 50 to the Redwing river crossing. Head south on WI 35 the scenic "Great River Road. At Winona we will cross back into Minnesota. From Winona we will travel County Highways 14, 12, 76 to Caledonia and then backroads to the Mill. Great driftless area driving. Before we start the group will decide the number of "stretch breaks" that are needed.

LUNCH AND MILL TOUR

A picnic lunch is planned on the Mill property. The tour can only handle about 10 persons at a time. This is a working Mill. So the lunch provides entertainment while people wait their turn. Ed will have some picnic tables. It is your responsibility to pack a chair(s) if you so desire. Cold meats (ham, turkey) cheese, buns and condiments will be provided. If you have special needs, that will be your responsibility. The group will need to supply chips, deserts, drink and whatever else. Those who sign up for the trip will be contacted so this is coordinated.

Day trippers will head back home how ever they please.

THERE IS NO EASY WAY TO LANESBORO

The drift-less area of Minnesota provides no straight roads so on our way to Lanesboro we will travel through the town of Spring Grove, MN. Arriving here after 4:00pm will allow the group to sample the fruits of the RockFilter Distillery. Schech's Mill provides the grains used in producing the distillery's award winning bourbons. There is a cocktail room and tours are offered for \$12/person. Those not wishing to partake can continue on to the Lanesboro destination.

OVERNIGHT IN LANESBORO

Each person is responsible for booking their accommodations. If anyone has been to Lanesboro and can suggest a place for the group to have dinner, please provide your suggestion. We will try to find a place where we can all eat as a group.

Lanesboro is always difficult to find accommodations on a short notice. The area is known for their "bed and breakfast" accommodations. There are no chain hotels. Prices very greatly. The Cottage House and the Brewster Red Hotel are places that can currently accommodate 5-7 couples for a reasonable price. They also have off street parking and air conditioning. Prices range from 98-140/night. The following is the write-up on the Brewster.

"Experience the unique character and charm of our sleeping rooms, conveniently located in the Main Hotel where fresh coffee and breakfast pastries are served each morning. Each sleeping room features a full private bath, smart TV with Netflix, WIFI, A/C, radio/alarm clock and air conditioning."

There are many other places that may suit your individual taste and budget. So look on line.

Sunday is an informal site-seeing, bum around and experience the town and surroundings day. Travel back can be as a group or at your leisure. Decisions can be made at that time.



<u>Registration</u> is now live! Visit <u>www.event-</u> <u>wizard.com/events/vtr2019</u> for tickets!

VTR 2019 October 6-11, 2019 Dripping Springs, Texas Hosted by the Hill Country Triumph Club of Austin

Location

Welcome to Dripping Springs, Texas - the heart of the Texas Hill Country. There is plenty to see and do and we can't wait to host you. Scenic drives through the Texas Hill Country filled with yucca, prickly pear, desert spoon and wildflowers (not to mention a few cows along the way) await you. As our club president always says, "It ain't a drive 'til you cross a cattle guard and a low water crossing."

The Spanish and German influences of the area culminates in a unique food, beer and wine experience that is sure to WOW you. We will have tours of local wineries, breweries and even an olive oil plantation.

"Everybody's somebody in Luckenbach" - the town Willie and Waylon made famous. This is a can't miss spot. Nearby wineries, breweries and even an olive oil orchard and mill are on the schedule of drives/tours offered. Historic Mercer Street, only a few blocks from the host hotel, offers shopping in storefronts built between 1870 and 1940. On top of all of this, Dripping Springs is only 20 miles from the state capital Austin - The Live Music Captial of the World!

Meet Us in Deadwood



Breaking News!!!

New Conclave Dates are Sept. 6-11; Hotels Offering Same Rates Before Conclave To secure room nights prior to Conclave 2019 it now will begin Friday, Sept. 6 and end with checkout Wednesday morning, Sept. 11

The Minnesota Austin-Healey Club is excited and looking forward to hosting Conclave!

Conclave 2019 will begin one day sooner for two reasons:

Misunderstanding between organizers and hotels;

Early enthusiasm for Conclave 2019 has been tremendous so all available rooms set aside after Conclave already have been booked!

To meet anticipated demand for additional hotel room dates, the Minnesota Club has negotiated Conclave 2019 discounted rates that begin the night of September 4 and are effective through the night of September 10. As a result of those negotiations:

Anyone who already has booked reservations after those dates and wants to keep them will have those reservations honored by the hotels; and you may add earlier nights – September 4, 5 or 6 – at the same daily rate. OR, if you already have hotel reservations for September 7-11 may change your reservation block to September 6-10; and add September 4 and 5 to your stay at the same room rate.

YOU MUST REGISTER FIRST for Conclave 2019to get the password and your individual five-digit code necessary to reserve rooms at hotels.

Because of reservation system limitations, the Holiday Inn Express cannot take reservations until October 2, 2018. The other two hotels are taking reservations now.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

We look forward to seeing you in Deadwood!

https://event-wizard.com/Conclave2019/0/welcome

Look Who Is Going

Joe BisanzJoe SoucherayOrrin McGillSteve & Kim RixenBrian Willcoxen

Triumph Trader

For Sale:

1960 TR3

Goes on eBay next week Make a decent offer or forever hold your piece

- ✓ 2012 restoration (frame-off, stripped to bare metal)
- ✓ Overdrive, 1960 shilling shift knob
- ✓ TR4 engine
- ✓ Silverstone grey with red interior

Andy Lindberg 651-242-7635 andyrlind@gmail.com Thank you, Jon for forwarding information about my 1960 Triumph. Would you please forward these pictures along as well? I would also like to sell the trailer. Thanks again. Mary (Dennis) Worwa

Hi Jon,

Since Denny's passing last November, I have decided to sell the 1960 TR3. It is currently still in storage at BMC British Auto in Isanti. The owner, Brian McCullough, has said he will help me sell the car and show it to anyone who is interested in buying it. As much as I feel bad selling it, Brian explained to me that having the car sit in my garage without being driven is hard on the car and costly as well. My two sons, with young families, are not interested at this point in their lives.

So I greatly appreciate Brian offering to help me with this. He got to know Denny pretty well, and we ran into him last summer at the Hill Climb in Waumandee.My cell number is 651-246-0854 if you might want it.

Thanks for taking time to read this!!! Thanks again.



Mary (Dennis) Worwa

1957 TR3, clean car, runs and drives, could use a coat of paint. Underside is undercoated and rust free, spare tire area and trunk are perfect. Most chrome is good, not perfect. Great to drive as is or with a little work have a perfect car. Engine crank, jacks, spare, and both covers included. 218-256-0693



WANTED

I need the round plastic cap that fits the brake fluid reservoir for my '72 TR6. It's a 2-piece cap, and the center section of the lid has come loose, and is floating in the fluid reservoir. I think this cap is the same for all years on TR6's. Will pay \$10 to \$15. Thanks.

Dick Leighninger (651-216-4491 or imsplashcaf@yahoo.com).

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 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

September, 2019



MEMBERSHIP NOTES

Meet Our New Members

I just got back to Minnesota after flying out to Massachusetts to look at a TR7 V8 built by Woody Cooper of The Wedge Shop. I did buy the car and my wife and I spent the next two days driving around the Cape and other sites. Very Fun. Here is my short blurb:

Hi, My name is Bill Weaver and I have been a Triumph owner for a very short time. I now own a 1979



Red TR7 V8 Convertible. It has a 4.0 L Rover V8 in it. I really love the car. It is a very different car than the MG that I owned for 13 years. I like the Triumph better! I am retired from 3M, I have built/restored several cars in the past. I hope to learn a great deal from this group and eventually be able to contribute to the knowledge of the group.

Bill is from Eden Prairie, welcome to the club. We have another new member, Alan Shilkrot from Minnetonka with a 1971 TR6. Perhaps we will have a picture and more information for the next newsletter.

Membership Form

\$25 for a single membership + emailed newsletter
\$35 for a single membership + mailed newsletter
\$36 for couple 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 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 OI' 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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