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UPCOMING EVENTS

The November event will be a **technical session on winterizing your car** with Roy Beal, of "Mr. British." Roy is an excellent British car mechanic and the discussions often extend far beyond the topic of the day. If you work on your own car you don't want to miss this one and if you don't you had better meet Roy. The session will be at "Mr. British", 626 West 7250 South, **November 4** beginning at 11:00 AM. Exit I-15 at 7200 South, head west, at 700 West you will have to turn either north or south. Roy's shop is in a group of shops on the southeast corner of this intersection,. But how to get there: center islands prevent the direct approach? Head south on 700 West until you can U-turn, then head north until you can turn into the shop area, Roy's is back in the southeast part of the area.

We are not scheduling an event for December. Happy holidays!

The January event will be a technical session on bodywork, painting, and all that with Merlin Berg. Merlin specializes in restorations and can give you a 100 point concours paint job. He will be showing us his shop and giving some guidance on paints, painting, bodywork and restoration in general.

February will be the long-planned (about 14 months now) St. Valentine Potluck Dinner, business and planning meeting (Boo!) and whatnot. We still need a place to hold this, any volunteers?

March 17 will be the St. Patrick's day parade.

All of this (except the November event) is very tentative. All good and other suggestions will be considered. We need new ideas.

THE OCTOBERFEST RUN

Ten cars and their drivers and passengers met at Sugarhouse Park on a beautiful Sunday and three more joined us on the way down to the canyon for the run up to Snowbird. The group included a "new" TD that Bob and Jim brought down from Ogden, Donni's newly restored "B," a bug-eye Sprite, and rumors of a Sunbeam Tiger and Alpine that may join us in the future. The trip down to the canyon was uneventful

except for a slipping clutch in a TR that required a little road-side repair. We all made the climb up the canyon with few comments about overheating afterwards, I guess because of the cool temperatures. In the parking lot we found a big enough parking space for all of us and gathered a few glances and comments from the passers-by. We enjoyed a few beers, some good German food (the potato pancakes were great) and music before heading down the canyon and home. Three cheers again for Duff for the idea and the organizing effort.

Attending were Steve, Maryann, Dick, Shanna, Bob, Jim, Duff, Bruce, Diane, Lillian, Pete, Nicholas, Kees, Beckie, Margie, Trina, Shea, Mike, Donni, Jamie, Dell, Jane, Rich, Shirley, Julie and I. This included nine new folks: great to have you with us, and see you all next month.

VINTAGE TRIUMPH REGISTER CONVENTION - Mark Bradakis

In August of 1990 The Vintage Triumph Register will hold its annual North American Triumph Challenge, known more simply as the annual convention, closer to Salt Lake than it has been before. The site for next summer's meet will be Boulder, Colorado. The convention features events such as a gimmick rally, pool parties with The Roadster Factory often providing a keg of refreshment, of course a Concours and an autocross. For a car to be scored in the Concours it MUST compete in the rally, the autocross or the "tour" as they call it, usually a low key drive to some scenic or otherwise interesting place not too far from main site.

For those of us with Triumphs it will be an opportunity to see hundreds, yes, HUNDREDS of these cars all in one place. The 1989 meet saw about 450 cars entered in all the events and about 650 enthusiasts registered. One need not be a Triumph owner to attend, merely one who appreciates Fine British Machinery. Stay tuned for further details, and plan on attending. I hope SOMEONE will follow me and whatever TR I have running at the time the 500 miles to Boulder!

THE LUCAS CALENDER

This calender works about as well as its namesake. Use it with care.

Nov. 4 Technical Session-Winterizing your car. Club event for Nov.

Nov. 17-19 Salt Palace Car Show.

TIDBITS

While doing road-side repair on the TR on the way to Snowbird, who should stop but

Marilyn and Neil Wheeler. We only got to talk a minute but Neil is having back problems and can't even get into the Midget. Hope to see them at an event soon.

Special for TC owners. Bruce at Parts Master has heard that there is a set of MG-TC wheels and tires in a thrift store in Murray. The location is not totally clear, but it is near the Don Blair Photo studio.

GOF West (Gathering of the Faithful) for T-type and pre-WWII MG owners is scheduled for Bend, OR next summer. I am currently planning on taking my TD (assuming its done by then). Any other interest?

Seventy five copies of the October newsletter were sent out (80 were printed). Total cost for the October newsletter was \$43.22 (58 cents per copy distributed). A bit of an improvement considering the newsletter was our first six pager. Newsletter donations at the October event were \$45 plus a \$35 donation, from a certain Triumph enthusiast, earlier in the month and \$10 sent in to Rich. Many thanks to Dell for the envelopes, to Kees for the future use of the xerox machine, to Anne for volunteering to fold and stuff and to everyone who is helping to keep us solvent. Due to some miscommunication we have been sending nineteen newsletters out to people who did not respond to the request of last spring to return a postcard if you want to continue receiving the newsletter. That has been corrected for this month. We still need people to fold, staple and stuff envelopes in the future. If you can help call Bill at 582-9223 (H) or 581-7687 (W) or see me at an event.

Report from the Exchequer:

Balance as of 9/1/89	144.40
September Newsletter cost, \$43.21	101.19
September event donations, \$27.00	128.19
October Newsletter cost, \$43.74	84.45
Other donation, \$35.00	119.45
October event donations, \$45.00	164.45
Other donation, \$10.00	174.45
Balance as of 10/18/89	174.45

WOW!