



"The Marque"

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November 2012

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**Ladies, if a man says
he will fix it, he will.
There is no need to
remind him every 6
months about it.**

Please send comments/suggestions to:
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or to the P. O. Box.

Cutoff date for next month's Marque is the 20th.
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President's Report by Lorna Ball.

Hi All,

Well, we went on our overnight to check out the Deer Creek Lodge. I am sure there will be talk about it at our monthly meeting. What a hoot! It was quite an adventure. I had such a good time. No matter what we do.....it is fun to be with this group. We lost Curtis!!!!!! We lost the Biglers, too, but they found their way back to us. Curtis.....he was just GONE! It was decided that the Rutledges would try to find him. As the club reluctantly went on to our next stop, someone came on the radio and said, "This never happened when CHUCK was President"! I thought it was a perfect opportunity for an impeachment and said so, but was vetoed! Remember that our Christmas gathering is right around the corner, Saturday, December 1st. Let's plan for a huge turnout.

I received a beautiful card yesterday from Audrey Johnson, Forrest's companion. And on the outside of the card she wrote "Stay on the back roads...." I love that. I think that should be our motto. And, here we are with Winter hitting us in the face and I find myself wanting Spring to hurry, so I can ride the back roads.....

Looking forward to seeing you in November.....
Lorna

Treasurer's Report by Harry Mague.

Please amend treasurer's report published in the October Marque for September 1, 2012 as follows:

Treasurer's Report: As of 1 September 2012, we have a balance of \$2891.48. Since September 1, 2012 the club had the following income: \$10.00 for 50/50, \$20.00 from membership renewals, and \$20.00 from BCD shirts sales. Total income for September is \$50.00. The club had the following expense: Marque expense for \$8.21. Total expense for September is \$8.21. Balance for 1 October 2012 will be \$2933.27.

Treasurer's Report: As of 1 October 2012, we have a balance of \$2933.27. Since October 1, 2012 the club had the following income: \$9.00 for 50/50 and \$25.00 from membership renewals. Total income for September is \$34.00. The club had the following expense: Marque expense for \$3.91 and \$8.00 for new 50/50 tickets. Total expense for September is \$11.91. Balance for 1 October 2012 will be \$2955.36.

Secretary's Report "Meeting Minutes" by Stan Seto:

Meeting Minutes – 03 October 2012

The October Meeting was held at Logan's Roadhouse on Centre Drive in Beaver Creek, Ohio. The President, Lorna Ball, opened the meeting at 7:30 PM, with "Hail to the Queen!" There were 21 club members there, the two Clough children and one visitor, Tillie Jamison, 1959 TR3A being restored, and there at the urging of Ted Allison, with whom she works, I believe.

Officer's Reports

The President thanked Bruce Clough, Ellis and the White's for recommending the restaurant. She also recapped the thank you note the club has received from John Coutant, the "Get Well" card sent to Vern Campbell on his knee replacements. Vern is now in Florida but will be back up here in the Spring.

The Vice President, Ted Allison, greeted Tillie and talked about going to a Canadian car show.

The Secretary, Stan Seto, commented that the Sept. minutes were published in the Marque. Was told Clough name was mis-spelled, said he'd correct (done) and asked that the minutes be approved with correction. Motion was seconded and passed with no opposition.

The Treasurer, Harry Mague, reported current club status. There is a report in this copy of the Marque.

The Membership Chairwoman, Eden Allison reported that the club now has 37 members.

The Events Chairman, Bruce Clough, reported events in September went great. For October we have upcoming the Fall Leaf Tour to Deer Park State Park, for an early glimpse of TRA 2014. November will start with Guy Fawk's Evening on 3 Nov. and if not at Corwin peddler, then at Corwin Clough's. There will also be a tech session to work on BMT car 1607 S. Broadway, to follow the one planned for 27 Oct. at 9:00 AM. TRA Headquarters has said to go ahead and sign a contract for TRA '14 with Deer Creek. Holiday Soiree will be on 01 Dec. as noted in last month's minutes, and there may be an "End of Summer picnic" in December. If the Bengals win or lose, it will not much matter.

Committee Reports

Technical – Bruce said there will be and LED-Off in Parking lot right after meeting. There was and the LED's won over Halogens, Thanks Harry and Bruce whose cars are so equipped.

Spares – No Report
Newsletter – No report

Regalia – Pete said he brought stuff if anyone wants to see it.

BCD – Stan Seto said awaits wrap-up meeting.

Old Business – None
New business – None

Comments – Happy Birthday to Nancy Stroble.
Everyone said Logan's seems to be a good choice.

Split the Pot - \$9.00, The Rutledge's (Roger's ticket) won.

Meeting adjourned to 7:59 PM

Events ~Bruce Clough

Upcoming MVT Events!

Upcoming Events From your MVT Event's Chair – Bruce Clough – bclough@woh.rr.com
937.238.4962

MVT Holiday Soiree will be December 1 at the Queen of Apostles Community meeting room at Bergamo Mt. St. John 4400 Shakertown Rd. Dayton, OH 45430. Meet and greet social at 6PM, dinner at 6:30PM.

Brown bag auction will follow dinner. Everyone should plan to bring their favorite holiday food dish to share. Will discuss and take names at the November meeting. Further information contact Lois

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Important Flash Bulletin – If you've not been to a meeting for the last few months, MVT Meeting Location has changed!!! See below!**



3-Nov-12 – Tech Session to get the Herald Stopping! Calling all gearheads, calling all gearheads – We need to help the British Transportation Museum fix their Herald. Show up at the Museum's "shop" this Saturday at 0900 – Pete will have donuts & coffee but please bring some tools – we will be working on hydraulics. Call, email, or wire us for more information – 937-238-4962, or bclough@woh.rr.com. The info on location Pete gave me is:

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****7-Nov-12 MVT Monthly Meeting** – has undergone an important change – we are now at the Logan's Roadhouse, 2819 Centre Dr., Beavercreek, OH 45324. Phone: 937-426-5565 - Logan's is just off North Fairfield Road north of the New Germany-Trebein intersection (which means it's really close to Fairfield Mall) across Fairfield from Red Lobster, and in front of Best Buy, Lowes and Kohl's. After Tumbleweed, it can't get any worse (okay, the time we tried it at The Pub was a big disaster also...). Dinner at 6:30PM, Meeting at 7:30.



10-Nov-12 Guy Fawkes Dinner – yes we rolled three things into one - the official MVT End-of-

Summer celebration, celebrating Guy's failure, and picking up the dinner from the shortened Fall Tour. This is pretty simple – we will meet at Valley Vineyards (south of Morrow on US 22) at 5:30PM for dinner. Dinner details can be found at: <http://www.valleyvineyards.com/cookouts.html> My mouth is watering already!

On the Horizon:

1 Dec 12 – MVT Holiday Soiree – held at Queen of Apostles Community in the Bergamo Center, 4400 Shakertown Rd, Dayton OH 45430. Start collecting your auction stuff now! No MVT Wednesday meeting in December –we will pick those up in January!

Fall Leaf Tour, 2012

This year's tour took on a somber note when a friend of the Clough's died, memorial service to be on Sunday and Bruce had promised earlier to provide music for the event. The Tour then became come-on-Saturday, Stay over at Deer Creek Lodge and split after breakfast on Sunday. Dinner at Valley Vineyards postponed to a later date. Start of the tour would be to meet at Brandeberry's Winery on Saturday at 12 noon, leave at 12:30. I managed to blow-up that part of the plan by coming in a different route than normal, getting lost and not showing up until about 1:15. There was a good crowd at the winery as I got there, but Ted Allison and Eden were not going on the tour and would join us for dinner at the Lodge. The tour was made up of the Clough's (red Subaru what'cha-callit), the club president and her current squeeze (Bimmer), John Coutant (Volvo P1800, an admirable car), Lois and Don Bigler (Morgan 4+), the White's (TR4A), the Rutledge's (TR6), Curtis Hayes (Spitfire) and Me (TR3B). So, a pretty good entourage. Curtis and the Bigler's were there for the driving but were not staying at the Lodge due to other commitments for Saturday night. Also, news from Lorna that Forrest Gwinn had died very recently (memorial service pending) was not very happy, he was an active and well respected member of the club.

Bruce led us out and northwest with the first destination being South Charleston and an antique shop on Chillicothe Street. Part of the route involved Rte. 68 which we got onto OK and shortly thereafter got off, onto Jackson Road, except that Curtis and the Bigler's went straight on. We were

able to recall the Bigler's, but Curtis was long gone. Stopped on Jackson, options were discussed, cell phone addresses were sought, but in the end, the Rutledge's, who knew where our destination was, volunteered to go track Curtis down. So, back they went to Rte. 68 and the rest of us, reluctantly motored on. It's been a while since this had happened on our tours and it was a little disconcerting. East on Jackson, up and over to Old Springfield Road, and a call from the Rutledge's that Curtis had been captured and all seemed right with the world again. We rolled into South Charleston and the tour got separated by the street lights and Bruce discovered that the destination was elsewhere and we got a mess of instructions on the radio's which caused some detours, but eventually we were all parked on the main street, awaiting the arrival of the two stragglers, and across from what appeared to be the only open shop in town, "The Lazy Cat Village Boutique", with a proprietor who was quite taken by the cars, and spent about 15 minutes talking to Lois about Morgan's and taking pictures and almost getting run down by the frequent 18 wheelers passing by. The Rutledge's and Curtis showed up. While Bruce figured out what we were going to do next, everyone crowded into the one shop opened and stuff was bought.

Next, we headed out for London, Ohio, but not as the crow flies so it was an interesting drive. When we got to this town, the shop intended was also closed. So we pushed on for a bit (Rte. 56, I think) and then stopped at a gas station, followed by a pit stop at a nearby Burger King, "Fries all around".

Refreshed, it was back on the road south to Mt. Sterling, Ohio, and just beyond to the Lohstroh Family Farms Pumpkin Patch and Rolled Hay Emporium. They had farm animals (Sorry Lorna, no pigs, but some pretty smelly goats), a large variety of Pumpkins for sale and a number of kids activities like the caterpillar Crawl, centered on rolled hay bales. When we got ready to leave, the Bigler's and Curtis Hayes left the tour for other activities. The rest of us drove the six or so miles down Clark's Run Road to the Park, entering therein at about 5 o'clock. We were duly registered and got our rooms, planning to re-assemble in about a half hour and look around the facility. And we did do that, after a while.

Getting ready for TRA'14, we looked at the Banquet area (set up for a wedding reception, 92 place

settings and room to spare), the proposed reception area (seemed a little small, but we could make due), the parking lots, where the car show would be (more than adequate for space, but discussions of what could be done to rope-off parking areas had no yet happened with management), wondered where the hoses for cleaning cars could be located, and looked at all the Turkey Buzzards flying over the main lodge building taking advantage of the updrafts, looked like over 50 birds at one time. Back inside we looked at the ground floor recreation areas, and John Coutant hit it lucky on one of the games of chance and got a long string of tickets that finally translated in a small (ping-pong ball like) cellulose ball commemorating the Texas Ranger baseball team. We also looked at the different room types available, a normal room, a room with a loft for youngsters (double bunkbeds) and a handicapped room.

So, to dinner – a veritable trial – we awaited the arrival of the Allison's, lost out in the road wilderness which is apparently central Ohio. After a couple of phone calls, they showed up and at about 6:45, we went in to eat. First problem, we were sixteen and instead of one long table we were seated at a table for 12 and a table for 4 off to the side. Second problem – The restaurant featured Prime Rib, but were out by the time we got there. Third problem, the restaurant ran out of baked potatoes. Fourth problem – after ordering, we waited almost an hour and twenty minutes to get the main courses. Around us people were being served, ate and left. We got the soups and salads in about 45 minutes, and waited forever for the main courses. I will say that the food, when it did arrive was pretty good and almost hot. Also, my bill, and I can not vouch for the others, was just for the entrée and did not include the salad I had (ala cart). We straggled out of the dining area around 10 PM.

Some went to bed, others came to the Rutledge's room to drink wine and watch the OSU football game, barely won in the end 52 to 49. We of course discussed the service we'd seen so far and someone noted that they had not even asked if we wanted to see desert menus.

We met for breakfast at about 8:30, seven of us (Ball's, Rutledge's, White's and author), the Clough's on the road already. The Rutledge's were in the waiting area when I arrived, followed soon there after by the Ball's. We went in. Everything

was off the menu (i.e. no buffet). We were seated at a round table away from the windows (not a problem). Later a waitress asked if we'd like to move down to the window section. We decided to not do that. One waitress brought place setting and, later another came and took the drink order (Coffee, juice, water), but was slow to return with it. The White's showed up and there were more drink orders. We ended up with two more cups of coffee than needed, but we did not complain. More time passed. Finally a waiter came along and took the meal order and at this point we'd been in the room for 20 minutes. From order to delivery of the food took about 21 minutes. For seven people that was almost commendable (would have been if delivered in 18 to 20 minutes), (would not have been if delivered in 22 to 25 minutes). The food was cooked as we, individually, wanted it, one point for lodge. Breakfast over we waited for checks or even a waiter checking on us for more drinks or whatever. Lorna took things into her own hands and asked a waitress to reconnect us with our waiter. She did forthwith. Checks came and then we waited for him to return to pick them up. Lorna did her thing again and the checks and money were picked up. We finally left the dining room at about 10 AM. So, in future, if they offer to move you down to the scenic windows, do not refuse, that's where all the service is.

Other Comments: The rooms themselves were comfortable and well noise insulated, the bathroom amenities were sufficient, the curtains kept the rooms dark at night. Others of the staff were courteous. Some rooms come with microwaves and refrigerators, others do not. TV channels available are limited. We'll probably do OK, but it would be good if there was a list of restaurants outside the park for those who do not want to cook in their rooms. Soft drinks are limited to Coke Products, so people should be warned.

The trip home for me was a killer, Thirty MPH wind blowing in constantly from the southeast, driver's side. I was deaf in the left ear for awhile. I came down Rte. 3 through Washington CH and Wilmington, and Rte 730 to Blanchester and then Rte 28 and 48 to Loveland. About 80 -85 miles in all. For the trip, the car got 23.4 MPG, so pretty good for the stop and go traffic we were in.

Through all of this, "the Fall Leaf Tour" very few comments about the leaves turning, and yet they were and we actually did see leaves of gold,

crimson, shades of brown, yellow, both on the trees and on the ground, so when we got home, I took a picture or two of the homestead trees, just to show it was Fall.
Stan S.



Return of the Lost



Seeing Morgan for the first time



Something big this way cometh



Weary club members



Imagine changing one of the tires



Had to call it something



Buzzards in flight



Clough Hay Chase



Pumpkin Farm



Caterpillar Crawl









MVT TECHNICAL SESSION – A HERALD NEEDS OUR HELP – 3 Nov 12 – 0900- ??

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**Stupid Americans – go
help the BTM & and
eat donuts!**

