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President's Column

Not much to say this issue. Weather has been hot. The Stag is running fine after replacing the fuel pump, I wonder what will be next. Received an e-mail from the Clough family, they made to and from TRA without incident. I hope everyone can get their cars out for a little spin anyway. Mike and Mara stopped by in their TR7/8. Mike said he needed to get some miles on the conversion. It looks really nice. See everyone at the next meeting. BCD efforts for 2010 are coming along fine. As usual we will need volunteers.

Secretary's Report

Miami Valley Triumphs Monthly Meeting, 02 June, 2010

Meeting was held at Tumble Weeds restaurant on Dorothy Lane. President Phil Daye convened the meeting at 0730. There were twenty club members and three guests (the kids) in attendance. There were no changes or additions to the agenda.

Officer's reports –

President – Glad to be here. Keep your little cars on the road this summer as best you can. Commented to tech session to fix Ted's wipers (Allison Stag). They are working now.

Vice President, Don Bigler – (came in late), I'm here now and am still breathing. He has a temporary job, 12 hours a day that keeps him busy.

Treasurer, Carolyn Daye – Not at meeting, No report.

Membership Chairman, Eden Allison – 25 Paid up members for the 2010-2011 year.

Events Chairman, Randy Wakefield – Recovering from surgery, but in attendance, Covered events for June and for July. Key comments: Next BCD coordination meeting is set for 17 June (later changed to 24 June.) Museum of Transportation open house is set for 12 June.

MVT Pool Party is scheduled for 17 July at the Ball's house, starts at 3:30 PM and RSVP's requested so that Steaks can be ordered.

Roadster Factory summer party is scheduled for weekend of 30 – 31 July.

Committee Reports – BCD Committee met in May, a report was written up and should have been in the Marque. But report for last year was submitted. Error will be redressed in the July issue.

Old Business – Those members planning to attend TRA, '10 are expected to meet with the Clough's on Tuesday morning, 15 June, and caravan to Wooster, OH. Cars going up are expected to be The Clough's, Stan Seto and the White's.

Club members were requested to register early for BCD, this year, as registration has been slow this year.

New Business – Jeff Barth has information on a 1973 GT6, 68,000 miles, stored for 17 years, does run, looking for a buyer, pictures to be made available. Price request was 2K or BO.

The White's commented that Wall Buddy's is offering pictures of cars taken at the Second Street Market BCD on a cloth backing.

Randy thanked Mike McKitrick for editing and publishing the Marque in his absence.

Lorna Ball won Split The Pot for \$6.50. She returned it to the Club, Thanks, Lorna. Meeting was adjourned just after 8:00 PM. Submitted by Secretary, Stan S.

BCD Meeting – 13 May, 2010

Attendees – Skip Peterson, Ron Parks for the MG Club; Lois and Don Bigler, Phil Daye, Ellis Ball, Randy Wakefield and Stan Seto for Triumph Club.

Skip opened the meeting at 7:07 PM. Tee shirts took up a lot of the meeting time. It was agreed that we would close Registration for Tee Shirts on the 17th of July. Any register applications after that date will be told, "Yes, you are registered, but not in time for a shirt." It was agreed that while the numbers registered would drive the total number of shirts ordered, we would not buy more than 22 dozen (264 shirts) and we would order on the 20th of July for delivery on the 2nd of August, Monday. If delivery would be late we have a four day rubber band. Distribution of sizes would roughly parallel what we've bought in recent years. It was agreed that the shirts would be white with the BCD Logo on the front and the graphics on the back. It was agreed that the sizes would be ordered in early July and the deposit (Half the total cost) sent to the printer in July, also. Randy came to the meeting with a vendor quote of \$7.50 per shirt, printed front and back. Sounds like it was a good price.

We've added several new classes. Sunbeams are split into Alpines and Tigers, MGC's are now a stand-alone and include MGC-GT's. There is a Modified class for cars into which owners have shoehorned V8 engines, or other exotic engine-suspension goodies. A car with the right engine block, but Weber's, for instance would remain in class. Awards would increase as necessary.

Skip said BCD was not on the Park's Events list. He will look into that. PA system will be obtained from either Skip's son-in-law or from Michael's Guitar (Currently known as Ace Music).

It was decided to bring two generators to the 2010 event as back-up electron sources.

Charlie Schrader will again loan his Van for general hauling duty.

A method for dealing out door prizes in a more equitable manner is still being discussed.

Skip bought 625 flyers for the event, folded and ready to mail. There were 150 not folded flyers. Stan Seto provided the address labels to the Daye's on Sunday, 16 May. The Daye's will get the flyers mailed. It was noted that the Cincinnati BCD was on 18 July. The plan is to pass out flyers there and if they are returned to Stan that day, shirts would go to those people.

Next meeting will be on 17 June, Thursday, at 7 PM at Poelking Lanes.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

More Photos from Ted's Stag Tech Session





This is Jim VanOrder. Lives NE of Columbus. Was one of the organizers of the Meet with was hosted by Buckeye Triumphs. Too bad he didn't take his medication that day!



This is pretty much the scenery we saw. Farm Country, rolling hills. Road apples on the road. And this is about it for driving shots – other got more, I'm focusing on people and events...



Back shot of Stan ordering dinner at TJ's. Great restaurant, service was slow, but we made them busy. Amish-looking guy in front is Joel Rosen from MD. We tried to dress him in "plain" clothing, and call him Joel Yoder, but he ran away before we could get the hat on.

Impressions of the 2010 Triumph Register of America National Meeting, Wooster, OH

Bruce Clough

Up-Front Thoughts

Excellent time had by all at the 2010 TRA National Meeting last month in Wooster, OH. They held it at Wooster since the theme was "Amish", which most folks associate with Holmes County, but if you need a 100 room hotel you have to go to Wooster.

Several MVT families went o this, and all had fun. What I'm going to do is just put in a few pictures and caption them. I'll let Stan write the missive on what fun you folks missed!



We met at Young's Dairy, Clough, Whites, and Rutledges. Carol and Roger couldn't go, but they can't turn down Ice Cream!



Well, there is always one with the hood up. In this case it was Pat Davis's TR2. We were lining up for the Breakfast Run at the time.



Nicer touch – never ending beer keg at hotel. Yep, runny American Lager, but I drank it...



Breakfast at "Mrs Yoder's" in Mt Hope. Drat, forgot the rope for the hitching rail. Hope the wedges don't wander astray...



Also at the hotel were hall parties. Here is the "Damn them Bylaws" party planning it's strategy before a meeting. Nice hall.



They had a jail in Lehman's Hardware in Kidron where you could leave your kids while you shopped in pleasure. Nice touch.





Thought I'd stick in a few non-sidescreen Triumph pictures from the car show. The Clough wedges on the Participant's Choice show field and the Allison's Stag in the parking lot. Ted was going around putting "For Sale, \$200" signs on cars...



More dang quilts. MVT women nirvana. We did get to many quilt stores and sewing machine sales. I prefer that to the neatsy-cutesy stores in the towns. Invariably there are chairs on a porch for guys to sit on.



Which brings us to the auction. Nino Richards and myself were auctioneers. 100+ items, went from 7:30PM to 12:30AM. Long night. This is the view from the auction podium (which we didn't use).



Auction podium – the theme of the auction was "Red Green". Need we say more?



There was a big car show in Wooster that weekend also. This boat-tail Auburn was spotted downtown. Might not have been original, but who cares – it looks neat.



His and Hers door prize tables. Cute! Ask Chuck White what he won...what was his number...?



Hospitality Room, Sunday morning. Not much left!



Okay, maybe not much left except the cheap box wine. Okay, so there was that...

People we would like to thank!



Clay and Thomas, for keeping Duncan busy.



Nino – for helping me with the auction!



John Huddy for looking oh-so-cute in the ladies nightgown...



Katrina, for the auction entertainment!



...and Charles Runyan for bringing the big bottle of vodka.

...so all in all the MVT'ers who went had a good time. Next year it's closer on the other side of the Miami Valley – Ft Wayne, IN. Close enough that you have no excuse!



Who is that girl behind the curtain?

The Continuing Adventures Of...



Jun '10 - by Bruce Clough

Haven't written in forever!

So true – I've been busy. Very busy. That said, I thought I'd try to write something, anything about late TRs.

What's up with the cars Bruce?

Glad you asked - they are both out of winter storage and I ended up doing a bit of work on both cars' carbs.

Worked on carbs? What did you do?

Well, on Inca I was tracing down a sticky acceleration pedal – it's been sticky for years – ever since I did the SU conversion. I also wanted to replace some of the rubber fuel hoses with metal, and make it a bit easier to reach things under the carbs.

For the sticky pedal I've narrowed it down to using the original Stromberg linkage for the SUs. Not the cable – this is the third new cable I've tried. On Freebie I directly connect the cable to the throttle shaft, so I thought I'd try that on Inca.

The connection was pretty easy – the hardest part was making a new bracket to anchor the carb end of the cable – I had to reverse the lever on the throttle shaft to keep the rotation direction correct as well as to make a bracket that was light, but wouldn't bend. Doubling up aluminum bars made that bracket, and I attached it to the intake manifold.

The metal lines were easy also – just happen to have a bunch of 1/4" copper tubing sitting around – perfect for this application. Bending them up was easy. What wasn't so easy was washing the K&N air cleaners – filthy! Took some soap and rinsing to get them clean again. I also shortened the dipstick so it wasn't in the way as much. Keeps me busy.



New Bracket on Inca for the Throttle Cable. The old linkage will be in the Brown Bag Auction! Look at those clean air filters!



Re-done carbs on Inca – gotta love it!

Carbs on Freebie were a different matter since I sent them off to Apple Hydraulics to get rebuilt. My they are pretty now, and I don't need the extra springs to compensate for the worn throttle shafts. Again, going to my aluminum bar stock I made a new cable mount to move the mount lower – getting to be an old hand at this. I also replaced the TR4A air cleaners I had been using with some new K&Ns. Shiny.

Best thing was when I started the car up I didn't adjust a thing on the rebuilt carbs. Ran great as was. I've NEVER had this happen to me before. Weird.



New throttle cable bracket for Freebie. Hard to see – you gotta trust me on this one.



Maaaaaannnn – them are air cleaners!

Next thing it to get the alloy rims painted for Freebie and to put a header and new muffler on it.

Running Report: Drove both cars to TRA 2010 – both ran fine. Driving Inca was pleasant now that the sticky throttle is gone. I did have to richen-up the Strombergs a bit to eliminate a flat spot on acceleration

The next installment!

JULY 17th POOL PARTY!!!!

Hope everyone can make the Summer Pool Party @ Ellis and Lorna Ball's home Saturday, July 17th 3PM.

112 Hemlock Street
Franklin OH 45005

937-746-5189 ballpad@aol.com

Again, the club will purchase your perfectly grilled steak and pop will be supplied. Bring your covered dish and swim suits. Please RSVP no later than July 14th, so the steaks can be ordered. Also, let Lorna know what covered dish you are bringing. See you the 17th!

Thanks, Ellis and Lorna

The MVT Pool Party Tour is on. A three hour tour ending at the Balls, no deserted islands, honest. Meeting place? Glad you asked. We need someplace easy to get to, easy to leave from. Close to all, yet quaint and rural. Central to all points in the tri-state. Failing to find that anywhere, we will meet at the BellHoP Café, which is in Bellbrook behind the Valero station – in where the VFW used to be. 12PM. We leave for points rural with twisty-turny roads.

There will be plenty of good stops along the way.
Date: 17 Jul. Hope for no 69 degree day....

Bruce

The Roadster Factory Summer Party

Here is the info I dragged from their website:

<http://www.the-roadster-factory.com/SPLetter.php>



“Celebrating British Participation in The 24 Hours of LeMans”

The 23rd Annual Summer Party will be held this year on Friday, July 30th and Saturday, July 31st at The Roadster Factory and at other locations around Indiana County Pennsylvania. Summer Party 2010 is part of a tradition that dates back to a legendary field party held at TRF in 1986 in conjunction with The Vintage Triumph Register National Convention, when more than one-thousand enthusiasts feasted on roast pig and local sweet corn and emptied a truck load of beer kegs.

British car enthusiasts have tamed down a bit over the past twenty years, but we still know how to have a great time with British cars here in the Laurel Mountains of Western Pennsylvania. Some years, we've filled every motel for many miles around, and hundreds of participants have camped in the fields around The Roadster Factory's location on a two-hundred acre farm.

Summer Party 2010 is scheduled at a convenient time for British car enthusiasts to attend, as other important events east of the Mississippi will be held in the autumn. TRF is a nice drive from locations in New England, the Southeast, the East Coast, the Midwest, and Eastern Canada. Every year, we also have participants from longer distances, Texas, the Southwest, the West Coast, the Northwest, and Western Canada. It is exciting for all of us to have

participants from many locations, and everyone makes new friends.

The theme of Summer Party 2010 celebrates “The 24 Hours of LeMans,” the great endurance race held in France every year in June and now also including a LeMans Classic for old LeMans racers. TRF will have its own Triumph TRS LeMans racing car on display during Summer Party, and participants are invited to dress in costumes appropriate to the theme and/or to disguise their cars as LeMans racers. Just picture yourself driving to Summer Party on the interstate in a LeMans racing car. In keeping with the theme, the movie “LeMans” starring Steve McQueen will be shown during the party to be held in the TRF paddock on Friday Night, and French wines will be served. Prizes will be awarded for the most authentic cars and for the best LeMans costumes.

In anticipation of a large turn-out in 2010, Summer Party will offer a full slate of driving events as enjoyed last year and in years gone by. This year's events will include drag racing, autocross, a mountain tour, a poker rallye, a winery tour, and a LeMans Start Contest, in which participants run across the track, jump into their cars, and speed off down the track to duplicate the old way of starting the LeMans race. Only one car at a time runs in our contest to avoid the kinds of accidents which sometimes happened at the old LeMans races. For concours enthusiasts, a participants' choice car show will be held on the streets of Downtown Indiana, Pennsylvania on Saturday evening, and a wine and cheese party will be held at The Coventry Inn.

Driving events will begin on Friday afternoon with drag racing at Pittsburgh Raceway Park, about twenty miles west of TRF on U.S Route 22 in New Alexandria, Pennsylvania. The LeMans Start Contest will take place during the drag racing, and the winner will receive a cash award of \$100.00. Other driving events will take place throughout the day on Saturday. The autocross will be held again this year on the campus of Indiana University of Pennsylvania, and we thank The University for the use of its parking lots. We are planning the routes for the poker rallye and other tours through the beautiful Western Pennsylvania countryside. The Participants' Choice Concours d'Elegance is the highlight of Summer Party for many, and we have attracted wonderful attendance for this event in the past, with more examples of specific Triumph models on display than we have ever seen in any

other place. As major suppliers of MGB components, we would like to attract a large number of these cars to the show as well.

The Coventry Inn, our own English pub, located in Indiana, Pennsylvania will be a part of Summer Party again this year, although it may not be open to the public at this time. More than one-thousand brass plates remain screwed to beams inside The Coventry Inn to honour the charter members of CMAS, The Coventry Motoring and Aviation Society, a club formed many years ago to help to finance the building construction. A new T-shirt will be designed for charter members attending Summer Party 2010, and these will be provided at no charge as a part of the original membership agreement. The Coventry Inn will be open during the Participants' Choice Concours on Saturday evening to host a wine and cheese party for all participants.

We wish to thank The Triumph Wedge Owner's Association for their support of Summer Party, both in attendance and financially. The Wedge Owners are the most enthusiastic of the drag racers, and we retain drag racing as an event of Summer Party to accommodate their interest. Along with the Wedge Owners, we invite other car clubs, both local and national, to attend Summer Party as a group this year. No one knows what will happen with regard to economic issues and with issues relating to fuel use and to the driving of old cars in years to come. We will have to deal with such issues as a group in their time, but for now, we have another summer to enjoy, and we would be foolish to let this one pass without taking full advantage of what it has to offer. And one thing it has to offer is The Roadster Factory Summer Party 2010. Don't miss it...

You are invited to attend Summer Party 2010, along with all British car owners and British car enthusiasts. As this invitation is late in being mailed, I am keeping the registration fee at \$89.95 through the end of June. On July 1st, it will jump to \$109.95. These prices cover all scheduled events, including the field party. Camping is the only extra at \$20.00 for the entire weekend. Register for Summer Party 2010 on-line, by mail, by phone, or by fax. You will find a registration form included with this invitation. Keep up with Summer Party information and other TRF news by subscribing to our weekly e-mail newsletter. To subscribe, simply follow the directions on our home page.

Charles A. Runyan
The Roadster Factory

June 2010

Our Plans

...are simple. We're leaving on Wednesday, staying overnight at a decent place that has a pool, and setting up camp at TRF on Thursday. TRF fun is Friday and Saturday, and on Sunday we return, staying that night at a place with a pool, and back on Monday. If you'd like to come along, contact us – bclough@woh.rr.com.

Bruce

Indian Hill Road Tour – 10 April, 2010

Third time is the charm! On Saturday afternoon, three cars participated in the Indian Hill Driving Tour. This forty mile sojourn through Cincinnati's posh and exclusive residential area, past homes of the rich and the famous, on roads well suited for our Little British cars. Meeting at the Madison Road Saab Dealership were Lorna and Ellis Ball, BMW Z4, Phil, Carolyn and Cheyenne Daye, late model Stag and Carol and Roger Rutledge, TR6. The entrants were handed general instructions when they drove in and the actual course instructions five minutes before they were dispatched. They left the parking lot at ten minute intervals; the Rutledge's leaving to 12:50, the Ball's at 1300 hours and the Daye's at ten after the hour. They were to follow the driving instructions and answer the questions, as part of the score, and log their time in at each of the two rest stops and at the end of the run. Mileage, which was to have been another score factor, was not used because the Daye's car did not have a working odometer.

After the launch, I drove to the second rest stop and awaited the arrival of whoever was still running. The Ball's arrived first, followed shortly by the Rutledge's. Roger was complaining that his car was having trouble with the low speeds, as his fuel pump was experiencing a vapor lock problem, and his cure was to dump water over it whenever at a stop. What do you think? A candidate for Press on Regardless for 2010?? The Rutledge's left first and the Ball's were a minute behind them. The Daye's had not shown yet, but I was not worried, as they had run the route in November, 2008 and not gotten lost.

I drove to the finish line.

The Ball's arrived first again, noting that they had seen the Rutledge's near the course, but off course in the hill's overlooking the river. The finish was at the entrance to the Rivertowne Marina. After about ten minutes, Lorna called Carol. It seems the Rutledge's were on course again, but stymied by an intersecting road, that they could not recognize. We told them to just drive past it, which they did, showing up minutes later at the finish. The Daye's were not yet late, so we just waited, and soon there came the Stag.

The contestants turned in their running sheets and emergency envelopes and we drove up to Bob Evan's at I-275 and Rte. 28 for an early dinner. After dinner, the Ball's made their excuses and headed back to Franklin to catch the 7 PM start of the minor league baseball team, the Dragon's (?). On the ten O'clock news there was a sports brief about the team, seems one of their pitchers threw a ball into the stands, at a spectator who was heckling him. That started an interesting riot. The pitcher, from the Dominican Republic, was deported from the US that weekend. With excitement like that how could you miss a single game!!

The Rutledge's poured some more water over their fuel pump, Roger gave up the driver's seat to Carol and they headed back to Springfield by interstate. I lead the Daye's up local routes to Route 42 north of Mason, Ohio, and they drove back to Monroe.

So, who won the rally? There were 22 questions. There were two times to the rest stops and one time to complete the whole run. The Ball's and the Rutledge's each got 20 of the questions right. The Daye's got eighteen questions right.

The times to locations are shown in the table.

Aggregate Time to Location

Team	Start time	First Rest	Second Rest	Finish Line	Comment	Points
Rutledge	12:45	41 min.	1 Hr. 20 Min.	2 Hr. 21 Min.	Too Late	0 + 0 + 0
Ball	12:55	32 min.	1 Hr. 09 Min.	1 Hr. 52 Min.	On Time	5 + 5 + 10
Daye	13:05	30 min.	1 Hr. 25 Min.	2 Hr. 09 Min.	Close	5 + 0 + 2
Official Time	00:00	31 min.	1 Hr. 10 min.	1 Hr. 55 min.		

Total scores were Ball's – 20 + 20 = 40 Points

Daye's – 18 + 07 = 25 Points

First Place

Second Place

Rutledge's - 20 + 0 = 20 points

Third Place.

The weather cooperated, the local traffic was light and everyone seems to have had a good time.

There is another rally available; this one starts in Fairfield, Ohio at the now defunct Saab Dealership. We will scope it out for the Fall, maybe.