



The Marque

Happy New Year!!

January 2005

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- **MVT Officers**
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Please send comments/suggestions to:
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Cutoff date for next month's Marque is the 20th.

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President's Corner, January 2005

The small committee that worked on the Holiday Soiree, celebrated on the 4th of December at the Patterson Homestead on Brown Street, did an outstanding job. . The club footed the bill and provided the meal. We had a short business meeting and nominated candidates for Vice President, Membership Secretary and Events Chairman. We did the Brown Bag Auction, and made almost half the expenses right there.

At the Soiree, we had about half the club in attendance, and everyone had a great time. Lois gave us a brief history of the place and then ran a guided tour of the homestead. We need to give Lois and Sue Bell a round of applause for the great job they did organizing this in such a short time.

At the January meeting, we need to open nominations for the Awards the club gives each year. These awards are the "Marque of Distinction", which goes to the person who most exemplifies the character of the club. Then there is "Keep It On The Road", which should go to the person who drives his car the most. Then there is "Press On Regardless" which is the award for tenacious spirit and overcoming significant problems in the course of trips and finishing what was started (tripwise, that is.) Finally there is "Most Improved", car, not personality. Speaking of the AWARDS, we need to seek out a place to have that banquet, in March. So bring suggestions with you.

Work on TRA '05 continues, the Texas Triumph Register contingent went to Branson, MO over the Thanksgiving Weekend, checked out the main motel, and got back-up rooms in the motel just across the street (where the laundry is located), checked out some of the shows and the boat ride and dinner on board, and drove some of the roads to be used in the events. They claim they had a ball. In the late winter, early spring, they are going back to map out the auto runs and check out more of the restaurants. As far as I know the group doing the recon was Jim Wortsman, President,

Russ Seto and Vern Burnett, Events CoChairmen and their wives. Their next trip, I plan to meet them out there.

By the time you see this, Christmas will have been experienced and the New Year will be right on top of us. So let me take this opportunity to wish you all a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Thanks for your attention.....Stan

<p>December Meeting Minutes December 4, 2004</p>

On December 4th, 31 MVTers gathered at the Patterson Homestead for our annual Holiday Soiree. We ate, drank, visited, laughed, toured the Homestead, and had a wonderful evening. It ended with the brown bag auction [that event where we pay to exchange used auto parts, old magazines, and other items of tremendous value]. A few of the phenomenal fish showed up in the bags of treasures!

President Stan Seto held a very short business meeting. Two items were discussed. It is that time to have elections. Nominations were opened for Vice President, Membership Chair, and Events Chair.

Vice President: Randy Wakefield
Membership: Phil Daye
Events: Mike Ross and Bruce Clough

Nominations will be opened again at both the January and February meetings. If anyone is interested in running for any of the positions, please call Stan.

Our annual Awards banquet is held in March. We need nominations for the awards given at the banquet:

Press On Regardless
Keep It On The Road
Most Improved

Marque of Distinction

Bring names for nominations to the January or February meeting or call any officer with nominations.

We will discuss location and date of awards

banquet at January meeting. Bring all ideas and suggestions!!!!!!!!!!!!

NEXT MEETING JANUARY 5, 2005 at
FUDDRUCKERS
SEE YOU THERE!!!!!!!!!!!!

EVENTS 2005

Cincinnati Ohio, Sunday July 17th:
The 19th Annual British Car and Motorcycle Show co-sponsored by the Ohio Valley Austin Healey Club and The British Car Club of Greater Cincinnati at Edgewater Sports Park at 4819 East Miami River Rd,
The featured car is the MG- A.
Door prizes, vendors, shade, 60 trophies, 22 classes based on Popular Judging.
Gates open at 9am. Judging closes at 12 noon, Trophies awarded by 4 pm.
Cost \$12.00 per car, pre-registration by July 1st or \$15.00 the day of the show, \$5.00 admission for spectators, Children under 12 free.
Drag racing for registered cars plus \$20.00.

Info: Bob Merten (513)941-4911 or web site:
www.bccgc.com

The 2005 TRA – Bigger, Better, and Uncut

NEVER BEFORE has the TRA been held west of the Mississippi River, and **NEVER BEFORE** has there been a participants' choice show at the TRA with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards for all classes of cars entered.

The 2005 annual TRA national convention will be held in Branson, MO, from Thursday, June 23 through Sunday, June 26, 2005, and is being sponsored by the Texas Triumph Register of Houston, TX. For those of you who have never been, or feel that it's been too long of a drive, now's your opportunity to attend.

And because of the expansion of the participant's choice show, this is an event for **ALL** Triumph owners, not just TR2, TR3, and TR4 owners.

We're planning many events, drives, shows, and on-your-own options for everyone's interests, including:

The traditional TRA concours show for TR2's through TR4A's
A complete participant's choice show for all Triumphs with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards for all registered classes of competition
A paddlewheel riverboat ride, dinner, and show
A welcome dinner and events
An awards banquet with door prizes
The many shows, dining, attractions, and shopping of Branson, MO
A poker run and rally
An autorama
A funkana
A winery drive and tour
A breakfast run and rally
The beautiful weather of Branson, MO in late June

We have chosen a host hotel in Branson and have already negotiated an unbelievable price of \$40 per night with them for all TRA attendees. The actual schedule, costs, and details will be provided soon, but it's time to start planning this event, so put it on your calendars for Thursday, June 23 through Sunday, June 26, 2005. [Branson, MO is a vacation destination for the whole family, so start making your plans now!](#)

We look forward to seeing many new faces and many new cars that will take advantage of this location and expanded events.

Happy New Year!