



The Marque

MARCH 2005

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March 2005 Events:
2nd - Membership Meeting at Fuddruckers behind the Dayton Mall on Kingsridge Drive; 7:30 PM.
18th-19th, 15th Annual British Car Day (New Orleans, LA) Contact Bill Breithoff, (504) 488-8560, Breithoff@tlxnet.net or Cliff Hughes, (985) 966-0492
19th-20th, 10th Annual Missouri Endurance Rally (St. Louis, MO) Contact Robert Rushing, (314) 995-8664, MGSlime@SWBell.Net

- **MVT Officers**

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Secretary: Lois Bigler, 937-253-1580
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Membership: Carol Rutledge, 937-399-1003
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Please send comments/suggestions to:
news@miamivalleytriumphs.org
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Cutoff date for next month's Marque is the 20th.

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President's Corner March 2005

At the February meeting, we opened 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 Triumph 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. You can read something about the current nominations in another section of this issue of the Marque.

We will be VOTING at the MARCH MEETING. Besides the AWARDS nominations, there are the three club positions up for grabs, **Vice president, Events Chairman** and **Membership Chairman**.

There will also be an **Absentee Ballot** in the Marque for those of you who can't make the meeting. **Votes only count if you get them to the MVT Post Office Box by the Day of The Meeting!! This is important!** **It may not be for the leadership of IRAQ, BUT YOU NEED TO EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE, BECAUSE YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE CLUB.**

I am planning a Tech Session at My House on 12 March. Originally it was just for replacing the rear springs in my TR3, but I now think I also have to replace the seal in the differential, which means three things to do. If enough fellows show up, we can organize a team for each side of the car. Hope I have enough wrenches and things for that. I presently have the nuts and d-washer off the front pins, and am soaking all the nuts and bolts.

The **Awards Banquet** site has been announced for the **Patterson Homestead** on the 19th of March. The affair will be catered and the club will be paying for the food and set-ups,

please bring YOB, if you want something alcoholic.

TRA Registration forms are now available, let's get them in and have a good turn-out.

Thanks for your attention.....Stan
MVT 2005 Officer and Awards Ballot

Officer Nominations:

VICE PRESIDENT

Randy Wakefield
Fred Grimm

MEMBERSHIP

Sue Bell

EVENTS

Mike Ross
Bruce Clough

MVT Award Nominations:

PRESS ON REGARDLESS

Alice Clough
Ted Allison

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MVT AWARDS Nominations – Meet The Candidates

The Award is Most Improved (car).

The candidates are: Ted Allison, Jimmy Carter, Bruce Clough and John Parker

Ted Allison – Stag, Repainted the car in its original color, new top, new tires on better wheels than the car had, reworked the differential to eliminate a whine (no comment on level of success), rebuilt the transmission and rear wheel cylinders. Repaired some rusted areas (before painting).

Jimmy Carter – TR-4, Removed, rebuilt (overdrive, several times and main gearbox twice) and reinstalled the transmission. Worked (and is working) to build-up a new engine for installation in 2005. Installed a front sway bar and replaced the steering wheel support under the dash.

Bruce Clough - TR-2, Totally rebuilt the drive train and redid the “under hood” area.

John Parker – Spitfire, Rebuilt the engine, replaced bolts that were (not) holding the rear axle to the body, replaced all the bearings and bushing associated with the rear axle. In the cockpit, changed the upholstery from white to black and redid the seats, wheel arch covers and kneepads.

The Award is Press On Regardless.

The candidates are: Ted Allison and Alice Clough

Ted Allison – During the September trip from Tipp City to Bronte Park near Toronto, CA, for BCD, and at the end of the first day’s travel Ted noticed a wet rear wheel. Mid-way through the second day, both rear wheels were wet....brake fluid from leaking rear cylinders. Ted and his wife plugged on, filling the master cylinder as needed (2 or 3 times) and managed the return safely (about 950 or 1000 miles).

Alice Clough – During the trip from Bellbrook to Kingston, Ontario, for the Canadian Classic, Her TR-7 sprang a head leak early on in the journey. Alice gritted her teeth and soldiered on, filling the cooling system at intervals. She

made it up and back (1700 mile round trip) and took First in Class at the show.

The Award is Keep it On The Road

The Candidates are: Roy Owens, Russ Seto and Stan Seto. Note Chris Yanity was nominated but declined.

Roy Owens – In spite of a heavy year of repairs, Roy has driven his car to at least eight events, has driven it to work and has done a number of test runs (checking out repairs). He estimates his mileage for 2004 at over 1000.

Russ Seto – A better than average year for Russ (only a couple of road problems) as he traveled from Cypress, Texas to Norman, Oklahoma for VTR Regional, Springfield, OH for TRA, Lake Tahoe, NA. for Triumphfest, ran five club events and drove the car almost every Saturday to the club breakfast’s that they do down there. Total mileage for the year was about 12,000.

Stan Seto – Doesn’t really get the car out until about April, but drove in most of the club driving events and to club meetings and TRA meetings and occasional outings during the summer months, long trips were the Canadian Classic and Triumphfest. Total mileage for 2004 was about 7,000.

The Award is Marque of Distinction

The Candidates are: Lois Bigler, Tonda Macy and Carol Rutledge and Stan Seto

Lois Bigler – Member since 1995, Lois year in and year out has been a constant participant in club events and very pro-active in bringing events to the club’s attention, organizing club participation in these events and working in events such as TRA, VTR and BCD. She is the consummate volunteer and holds the office of club Secretary at the present time. Lois is active in other car clubs and just by being in those venues, promotes MVT to the Dayton area. Lois earns special mention in 2004 for her organization of the Holiday Soiree on very short notice and insuring that the club

members attending had a great time, and for her overall sustained performance.

Tonda Macy and Carol Rutledge – Members of the club since 2002 and 1998, respectively, have been nominated for the outstanding job they did in organizing and executing the TRA Annual event in Springfield this year. It was extremely well received by the visiting club members. Both ladies have been active participants in other major club events, such as BCD, and Carol is just completing two years as Membership Chairman.

Stan Seto – Current Club President, Stan has been fairly active in club events and has been a long time contributor of articles to the Marque and has worked updating the By-Laws along with Carol Rutledge (see above). Stan with significant support from his wife (and life partner) Norma, was editor of the Marque from 1996 through 2000.

**FEBRUARY MVT MEMBERSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
2-02-05
17 Members Present**

Pres: Meeting called to order by Stan. Thank You Note from Boonshoft for sponsoring trophy at Concours. Car in Texas available free, see Stan for particulars.

Vice Pres: Lame duck VP Mark nothing new
Membership: No report

Treasurer: Income and expenses outlined.
Sec'y: Minutes of January meeting approved as printed in Marque.

Marque Editor/Website: All is well..

Events:

March 12 Tech Session at Stan's garage.

Work on TR3 springs

MVT Awards Banquet

April ? Spring Tour

May 13-15 Scottish Weekend

British Car Show Dublin Metro Center

British Day at the Second Street Market

Dayton

British Car Week DRIVE YOUR BRITISH CAR

ALL WEEK

June

British Car Show Louisville KY

British Return to Fort Meigs Perrysburg OH
Lem Immke Classic Auto Show Dublin Metro
Center

Mid Ohio British Car Day

TRA Branson MO

July 1-3 Mini Meet East Dublin
Metro Center

VTR Rockford IL

August 6 British Car Day Eastwood
Metro Park Dayton

Planning for pool party in July/August at Ball
estate

Phil Daye working on a covered bridge tour in
fall, will combine with an end of summer
Picnic. Chuck White will assist Phil and
Carolyn.

Other suggestions for enjoyable events/tours
include Roscoe Village, Brown County
IN/Metamora, and

Put-In-Bay

**REVIEW MARQUE AND/OR WEBSITE FOR
PARTICULARS ON EVENTS**

Old Business: BCD meeting will be in March.
New logo in 2005. Randy Wakefield will handle
registration again this year. Registration form
not yet designed.

The Patterson Homestead has been reserved
for March 19 for Awards Banquet. Lois has
two caterers who are available. Will make
decision when menu and other information
received. Planning three entrée buffet. After
discussion and vote, MVT will pay entire cost
of banquet. Additional information will be in
March *Marque*.

Elections for MVT office will be held at March
meeting

Following names added to ballot.

Vice President Fred Grimm

Membership None

Events None

Press On Regardless None

Marque of Distinction Tonda Macy/Carol
Rutledge

Most Improved John Parker TR3

Keep It On The Road Chris Yanity daily
driver to

work TR7

Nominations Vice President Randy
Wakefield

Membership Sue Bell

Events Mike Ross

Bruce Clough
Nominations for awards to be given at banquet
Press On Regardless Alice Clough
Ted Allison
Marque of Distinction Lois Bigler
Stan Seto
Most Improved Bruce Clough
Jimmy Carter
Ted Allison
Keep It On The Road Stan Seto
Russ Seto
Roy Owens
No nominations at March meeting, just voting.
Absentee ballot will be in Marque
New Business: Ballot committee Marlene
Carter
and Phil Daye

50/50 Jimmy Carter
Next meeting March 2 at Fuddruckers
REMEMBER YOUR NAME BADGE!!!!!!
VOTING FOR OFFICERS and AWARDS

MVT 2005 AWARDS BANQUET

-Patterson Homestead
1815 Brown St
Dayton, Ohio 45409

-Saturday March 19, 2005

-6:00PM Social [Coffee, ice tea, and soft drinks
will be provided
Bring your choice of other drinks]
-6:30PM Dine

MVT is providing banquet at no charge to
members!!!!
Please respond to Lois Bigler 937-253-1580 or
BigDay@erinet.com by March 12, 2005 so we
can have an accurate count for the caterer.

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The 2005 TRA National Meet

31 Years in the Making!

After 30 years, the **TRA** National Meet is finally being held west of the Mississippi River. In order to offer attractions for all Triumph owners, we will be awarding **1st**, **2nd**, and **3rd** place trophies for **ALL** classes represented in two different shows. There will be a Participants' Choice show that will be open to all Triumphs, as well as the traditional **TRA** Concours show for TR2's, TR3's, and TR4's only - you may enter your 2, 3, or 4 in either show. Best of Show trophies will also be awarded for both shows!

This year, the 31st annual **TRA** National Meet is being held in scenic Branson, Missouri, from Thursday, June 23 through Sunday, June 26, 2005. If you've thought about attending, but it's just been too long of a drive, then this is your opportunity. The participant's choice show offers an event for **ALL** Triumph owners, from the TR2 to the TR8, Spits, Stags, Heralds, Doves, Southern Crosses, or whatever year and model Triumph and related classics you may want to drive, trailer, pull or push.

Branson is a beautiful and scenic area with great roads for our Triumphs, and offers virtually everything for the entire family: amusement and water parks, outlet malls, world class golf courses, museums, countless big star shows, and many other entertainment venues. To get a better idea of some of these attractions, spend some time at www.Branson.com on the web.

The registration form and schedule of events is now accessible on our web page at www.TexasTriumphRegister.org, where the registration form is in a Jpeg format. This information should also be available on the TRA web page at www.TriumphRegister.com. This will allow you to print it off, fill it out, and send it in. You will notice there are some significant price breaks, as well as free raffle tickets, by getting your registration in early. The schedule of events will include the following:

Thursday:

- Early morning breakfast drive
- All day registration and auction item drop-off
- On-your-own scenic drive and Stone Hill Winery tour
- Two different on-your-own Ozark Mountain drives
- On-your-own shows and attractions of Branson
- The Branson Belle Riverboat cruise, dinner, and show

Friday:

- Early morning breakfast drive
- All day registration and auction item drop-off
- On-your-own scenic drive and Stone Hill Winery tour
- Two different on-your-own Ozark Mountain drives
- On-your-own shows and attractions of Branson
- A scenic drive and poker rally
- The TRA welcome cookout, games, and traditional **TRA** auction

Saturday:

- The traditional **TRA** concours show for TR2's, TR3's, and TR4's
- A complete participants' choice show for all Triumphs with **1st**, **2nd**, and **3rd** place trophies for all registered classes of competition

A unique and challenging autocross with plaques for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each class

On-your-own scenic drive and Stone Hill Winery tour

On-your-own shows and attractions of Branson

Two different on-your-own Ozark Mountain drives

The awards presentation, banquet, and raffle prizes with a few surprises

The host hotel is The Dutton Family Inn, where rooms have been secured at the unbelievable price of \$40 per night for all TRA attendees. Call the Dutton's at 1(888)-388-8661 and identify yourself as a TRA or Triumph show attendee, or check out their website at www.TheDuttons.com. We also have an overflow hotel directly across the street at the Day's Inn at a price of \$49.99 per night. Call them at 1(417)-334-5544, and again, identify yourself as a TRA or Triumph show attendee. It's time to start planning this event, so mark your calendars for Thursday, June 23 through Sunday, June 26, 2005, or make it a full vacation, and come for the entire week – both hotels will extend their prices for the full week prior to and after the event.

We are excited about the opportunity of seeing many new faces and many new cars that will take advantage of this great location, the weather, and the terrific schedule of events.

2005 TRA National Meet Schedule of Events

Thursday, June 23:

7:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Early Morning Breakfast Run
9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon	Registration, Hospitality, Auction Items Drop-off
2:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Registration, Hospitality, Auction Items Drop-off
7:30 PM – 11:00 PM	Branson Belle Riverboat Dinner and Show
On-your-own	Scenic Drive – South
On-your-own	Scenic Drive – West
On-your-own	Stone Hill Winery Tour
On-your-own	Attractions and Shows of Branson

Friday, June 24:

7:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Early Morning Breakfast Run
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Registration, Hospitality, Auction Items Drop-off
10:30 AM – 12:00 Noon	Judges School
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Poker Rally
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Welcome Dinner
7:00 PM – 9:30 PM	Lucas Olympics
7:00 PM – 10:30 PM	TRA Auction
On-your-own	Scenic Drive – South
On-your-own	Scenic Drive – West
On-your-own	Stone Hill Winery Tour
On-your-own	Attractions and Shows of Branson

Saturday, June 25:

6:30 AM – 7:45 AM	Judges' Breakfast
7:45 AM – 9:00 AM	Concours and Participants' Choice Set-up
9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon	Concours and Participants' Choice Shows
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Autocross
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	TRA Membership Meeting
7:00 PM – 10:30 PM	Awards Banquet and Raffle
On-your-own	Scenic Drive – South
On-your-own	Scenic Drive – West
On-your-own	Stone Hill Winery Tour
On-your-own	Attractions and Shows of Branson

