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UPCOMING EVENTS for May 2006

- 4th - TTR Meeting at ABL's SPORTS GRILLE
- 6th - 11th Annual Lewes British Motorcar Show, Lewes, Delaware
- 6th - Downtown Hampton Block Party, Hampton, Virginia
- 7th - RTR British Car Meet, Richmond, Virginia
- 13th - BBBreakfast
- 19-21 - Carlisle Import Show, Carlisle, Pennsylvania
- 19-21 - American Le Mans, Lexington, Ohio
- 27th - BBBreakfast
- 27th - 5th Annual Brit are Back, Fort Washington, Pennsylvania
- 28-31 - Driving Event, Western North Carolina
- June 10th - 5th Annual Brits on the Bay Car Show, VA Wesleyan College

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From the Editor

My 2nd issue of the newsletter and my admiration for those of you that have tackled this job before continues to increase. When I was first approached to take over the newsletter I thought, "how hard could it be to just cut and paste?" It is more than that and I am slowly learning to balance my time between finding material for the newsletter, drafting the newsletter, and finding time to make changes to the website.

I am looking for material for both future issues of the newsletter and for the website. Many of us have project cars we are working on, or for some us, just sitting in the driveway waiting for the time to begin the work. I would like to establish a section on the website to show the project cars and tell your story, the good with the bad, so that all of us can learn from each others mistakes and triumphs.

Many of you surf the net looking for material on your cars. If you happen to come across material of Triumph History or old Triumph ads, please send me a link to the website. I am also looking for any art work on our cars that we can add to the site and possibly use for future cars shows.

For the Member section of the website I would like to start collecting pictures of our club members, your cars and a brief history of how you acquired your car.

Until Next Month,

Skip

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VP'S Corner

I hope that all that attended The Civil War Weekend Tooter Run had a good time even though our attendance and the attendance by others was low. Even most of the re-enactors didn't show up. I am looking forward to the Williamsburg run at the end of the month. I will plan the same run next year if enough members show an interest.

There is one thing on my mind right now, my head. That's right my head is on my mind, my cylinder that is. Two weeks three days and five hours ago I started to try to remove the cylinder head my green car so that

I can install the rebuilt one that I have. After using WD40, Two kinds of stud pullers, A hammer drill, Deep Creep, Liquid Wrench, New Improved Liquid Wrench, PB Blaster, large Vise Grips, very large Vice Grips, rope, the starter motor, a propane torch, a large crow bar, a very large crow bar and half the tools that I own, the old head remains on the car. This at a time of the year that I can most enjoy using the green car and get the red car ready for our show.

By the time you read this I hope that this will be history and just something to laugh at. for now just enjoy the attached Tooter Run pictures.

Till Next Month

Marty Rutkowitz



Prez Sez

Hi Everyone!

Get your cars out and sun glasses on, the sun is shining and the Tooter Runs are beginning.

In April 23rd the Tidewater Triumph Register had a TOOTER run to the Williamsburg Winery for an all British Car Show.

While at the show we indulged in the winery tour and wine tasting. During the wine tasting Past President David Hunt got a little rowdy over the amount of wine given to him in his glass and tried to grab the bottle from the host. Luckily Carmel Million and Carolyn "Crackers" Grimes were able to hold him back.

We have one month to go before the Brits on the Bay Car Show, so pick you committee and get your registration in as soon as possible. The registration is on our website at www.tidewatertriumphs.org

That's it for now, See you on the road with a wave,

Randy Brackett, TTR President
1961 TR3A
Comm #TS75894L

DID YOU KNOW?

MAY 27TH TO JUNE 4TH IS DRIVE YOUR BRITISH CAR WEEK.

Break out the sunscreen, put the top down and enjoy cruising to the mellow sounds of a Pipe and Drum band. Well, for some of us that would be smashing, for the rest...maybe some Beach Boys!

**TTR meeting minutes
April 6, 2006**

TTR Executive Committee met prior to the regular meeting.

Attending were: Randy Brackett, Pres., Marty Rutkowitz, V.P., Steve Allen, Treasurer, David Hunt, Past Pres., & Dale Morgan, Events Chairman. The discussions included: Reviving past TOOTER Runs, member participation in committees and events, & member archives.

Randy started the regular meeting promptly at 7:00pm.

Fran Manno could not make the meeting so Randy took meeting minutes.

New guests: No new members or guests.

Announcements: Carmel Million announced the following events: Birthdays: Keith Edwards, Samantha Nerove, Harry Watson, Mike Jones, Carolyn, Mark Helm and Joan Helm.
Anniversaries: Martin ("Tino") and Beth VanderHaeghe

VP Report: Marty reported on last weekends TOOTER RUN to Suffolk. He thanked all who attended and stated a good time was had by all.

Secretary Report: A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes, seconded and approved by the Club.

Treasurers Report: Steve reported that last month funds were received, funds were disbursed and there was a balance on hand at the end of the month.

Membership Report: Martin Pachey was not present.

Newsletter/Website report: Skip requested all club members submit pictures of cars with owners and member profiles for future newsletters and web pages. John Procida apologized for not being around lately, to work on the website, since he is continuously out of town on work assignments. He stated Skip is doing a great job on the website.

Activities Report: Dale Morgan announced the following events:

May 7, 2006 - RTR British Car Meet in Richmond (see website for registration).

April 21-23, 2006 - The Gathering – Dobson, NC.

April 22, 2006 – BBBreakfast.

April 23, 2006 – Williamsburg Winery Car Show. (David Hunt requested a good club showing for this show and a show of hands of who plans to attend. 9 members volunteered to go. Central Virginia British Car Club is host. Details will be e-mailed to members.

April 30, 2006 – Brits on the Green Alexandria, VA. Bob Aaron asked if anyone would like to go please contact him. # 721-2088.

President's notes: Randy will ask Mike Jones to make a list of all TTR property to include the club canopy which Skip Paetz has in storage. Mike Jones is in charge of the Club Tech Library and the club paraphernalia. Randy presented Executive meeting minutes to the club. Mike Jones arrived late and discussed the t-shirt purchase with Ed Million. The club voted on the t-shirt design which Ed Million will present to Mike Jones to find a location to have them made. The vote was the ¾ view of the GT6 and with the flag background. The title was the "40th Anniversary of the GT6". Randy asked members to send pictures and member profiles to Skip for the newsletter.

General Announcements from the floor: Rick Overbaugh told the club of the AACA National East show and swap meet May 13, 2006. More will be e-mailed on this.

David Hunt will find out about the advertising for our show requested by the Kempsville Library.

"Tino" VanderHaeghe stated that his shop is 30 years old this year. Hope you have many more.

Leads and Acquisitions: None.

Randy ended the meeting at 8:30pm and announced the next meeting will be at ABL's on May 4, 2006.

TOOTER RUNS

Two Tooter Runs were completed in the month of April.

The first tooter run of the year was to the Suffolk Civil War re-enactment on the 1st of April. Organized by Randy, the few members that ventured out had a great time.

The main question you have to ask yourself when viewing the picture to the right is....."What's wrong with this picture?"

The weather ended up being nice enough to make the run, maybe without the tops being down.



TOOTER RUNS (CONTINUED)

The 2nd Tooter Run of the year was to the Williamsburg Winery and the Annual Colonial Vintage British Car Show on the 23rd of April.

Fran Manno entered his TR6 into the show. Initially the weather people predicted a wet and cold weekend, but someone was smiling on Wine Connoisseurs and owners of British cars. Those that ventured forward found a glorious day of sunshine, warm weather and Wine.



Since passing the newsletter onto me, Ed and Carmel have embarked upon a new set of adventures.



New Acquisition for a New Club Member

Chris sent this email with the great news.

It's been a while, but I did end up buying the 1966 TR4A (solid axle) from Annapolis that I emailed you about. I went and looked at it a few weeks ago and was very impressed. Thought about it for a few days and convinced my father to drive up (from Jacksonville, NC) to look at it with me. He's had British cars all his life, so it was good to get his eyes on it. He too was very impressed with the condition and I made a deal. Picked it up a week ago today.

It's in really nice shape. Has tons of spare parts (complete engine, radiator, radios, gauges, 2 spare tranny's (an overdrive transmission is installed), very nice Parrish Plastics hardtop with intact window, boxes and boxes of lights, switches, etc, you name it). I've been replacing all the old rubber fuel lines and will be rebuilding the carbs in the next couple of days.

The car is in exceptional shape with no rust, original floorboards, etc. It was running pretty well when I picked it up, but the carbs and rubber all need reworking. The body is excellent, the paint is good but has some parking lot scratches, etc which is fine since I'll be using it as a driver anyhow. Amazingly ALL the lights work too. The only thing it still needs are tires.

Chris



Classifieds

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For Sale

1979 MGB Mostly restored. Has Overdrive. Asking \$6,000.00. Contact Beth Simmons at 482-7050. Please leave a message and I will get in contact with you.

Wanted: TR6 Project/Parts Car. Contact Jim Crawl at 562-1943

For Sale: Industrial "Singer" sewing machine. Rescued from Ivan's and has been used for repairing covers, tops and straps. It really is an antique, hand cranked (no motor) or foot treadle and still fitted on it's 1920 cast iron bench. I need the space so the first \$50 takes it. Contact David Hunt at DandD4BB@cox.net

New Members

**Welcome to the Club
Patrick & Pamela Hunt
1973 TR6**

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Future Monthly Meetings



May 4th, 2006

June 1st, 2006

6:30PM

At

ABL's Sports Bar

1125 South Military Highway

Between Indian River Rd & Greenbrier Pkwy

*Remember: Tooter Breakfast
Bunch is 2nd and 4th
Saturday of each month, 9am,
Bagel Joe's, 1600 Crossways Blvd.
Across from Greenbrier Mall*