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Best of show Winner 2006

UPCOMING EVENTS for July 2006

- 6th - TTR Monthly Meeting at ABL's SPORTS GRILLE
- 8th - BBBreakfast
- 9th - British Invade Gettysburg in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania
- 16th & 17th - Show and Swap in Lexington, Virginia
- 19th to 23rd - Vintage Triumph Register 2006 in Las Calinas, Texas
- 22nd - BBBreakfast
- 28th - Brits by the Bay 2006 British Car Show in Down's Park, Pasadena, Maryland

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From the Editor

Another month has passed us by with a few select great weather days to enjoy our toys with the tops down.

For those of you that participated in the Brits on the Bay show, we had another great turn out. Over 78 cars entered into the show with another 4 or 5 showing up at the last minute that did not enter the show. Some great examples of our love of the marque and what can be done with a little hard work and a reduction in your bank account.

This past month Meredith and I have been busy with completing our addition on the house and very little time has been devoted to the website. Lots of ideas on what to do, but not time to make it happen. Hopefully that will change in the very near future.

For those of you that are interested in my TR6 project, I have made some progress. My storage shed is built and the gardening equipment has been moved into it. The light fixtures, fans and furniture taking up space in my garage is finally in the house. My next project is to clean and organize the garage so I can move my new frame into the garage and begin my frame up restoration. I will be taking pictures of the project as I learn how to put the car back together and will post the status on the TTR website.

Many thanks to those that have provided pictures for the website.

Until next month,
Skip
1974 TR6

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Prez sez

Hi Everyone,

I just want to thank all the **Tidewater Triumph Register** members who helped put on one of the best shows we have had.

I also would like to thank the members who supported the club by bringing out their cars and/or supplied donations for the door prizes and the sponsors, who you heard announced, supplied door prizes which helped support the show immensely. Now is our time to support them back.

We had cars from Fredericksburg, Richmond and Eastern Shore show up. Again, If you missed it you missed one of the best shows we have put on.

I'm looking forward to the TTR Annual Picnic and the TTR Annual Chili Cook-off. Keep checking the newsletter and the new and improved website for dates and times.

Thank you and see you on the road,
Randy Brackett, TTR Pres.



VP's Corner

Well, we did it, we pulled off another successful show.

We made some money and more importantly, everybody had a good time.

We are lucky that the weather we had Saturday was pleasant. and just as important, we are lucky to have good people in our club.

I am not going to say more this month, because, the show is the biggest and most important thing we do as a club and the fact that we keep putting on shows that we can be proud of, despite our losses, says more about our club than I can say in more words

Till Next Month

Marty Rutkowitz

DID YOU KNOW?

Moss Motors recently released a super charger for the TR6? My first instinct was to do a Tim Allen "grunt-grunt, smile and say More Power is good!" then place an order for one of the kits. Better sense got a hold of me when talking to Dale, Mike, and Marty about the different technical challenges or was it Meredith saying "No Way!?" For more information check out the British Motoring website at

http://www.britishmotoring.net/bm0606/BM-0606_TR6supercharge.pdf

BRIT'S ON THE BAY CAR SHOW RESULTS

Best of Show

1962 Triumph GT6 owned by Rick Overbaugh

TR2/3/3A/3B

1st Place - 1956 TR3 owned by Bob Arron

2nd Place - 1959 TR3A owned by Michael Ames

3rd Place - 1959 TR3 owned by Martin Pachey

TR4/4A/250

1st Place - 1964 TR4 owned by Jim Coleman

TR6 (Early)

1st Place - 1973 TR6 owned by Adam Wilhite

TR6 (Late)

1st Place - 1974 TR6 owned by Dale Morgan

TR7/8

1st Place - 1970 TR7 owned by JoAnn Jones

Spitfire

1st Place - 1978 Spitfire owned by Sharon Fisher

2nd Place - 1978 Spitfire owned by Chris & Dan Porter

Morgan

1st Place - 1982 Morgan Plus 8 owned by Bob Ross



Jeff and Sue Ade's
outstanding 1966
Austin Healy 3000
MKIII



Bob Arron's 1st Place Winner



Jim Coleman's TR4



Nine years of work finally pays off
for Dale Morgan



Bob Ross' 1st Place Winner

British Open

1st Place - 1950 MG TD owned by Vince Groover

2nd Place - 1966 Austin Healy 3000 MKIII owned by Jeff & Sue Ade



A beautiful 1950 MGTD

MGB/C

1st Place - 1975 MGB owned by David Vandy

2nd Place - 1978 MGB owned by Frank Worrell

3rd Place - 1976 MGB owned by Doug Wilson



The Vandy Project takes 1st Place

MGB/C GT

1st Place - 1973 MGB GT owned by Harry Watson

British Closed

1st Place - 1958 MGA FHC owned by Frank Linse

2nd Place - 1962 GT6 owned by Rick Overbaugh



Frank Linse's 1958 MGA



Sharon tries to motivate the guys



Harry Watson enjoys some car time with his grand-baby



A Great View of the TR3's by Rick Overbaugh

“Brits on the Bay” captures American hearts and wallets By Patricia Neleski Correspondent

BAYSIDE — Owning a replica of a famous gecko’s car hasn’t saved Michael Ames a bunch of money on his car insurance. But he does get a lot of admiring glances. Ames, 45, owns a brilliant red, 1959 Triumph TR3A sports car. He says it’s the same car the GEICO Insurance Gecko drives in one of the company’s TV commercials. “I don’t get a discount because of the car. I’m into choppers, too, so insurance people aren’t too nice to me,” Ames said about his somewhat higher-than-average car insurance rates. The Holland Pines resident took his TR3A to the “Brits on the Bay” car show recently at Virginia Wesleyan College.

More than 70 British autos, from sporty to luxury models, were on display. The Tidewater Triumph Register, a local group of car enthusiasts who love Triumph cars, organized the event. “Everybody who owns a British car is welcome,” said Skip Paetz, publicity coordinator and newsletter editor for the group.

Ames has invested time, energy and \$40,000 on the little red sports car. “It’s a love-hate relationship,” he said. “I was a little over-ambitious with it.”

Larry Jochum, 68, brought his 1977 Rolls-Royce Corniche. “I’ve always thought they were the ultimate cars,” Jochum said. “I heard they were the best.” The Glenwood resident bought his car six years ago and has refurbished the interior. On Saturday nights, he cruises into the parking lot at Jenro’s in the Haygood Shopping Center. Jochum’s wife, Roberta, generally doesn’t ride with him. “She doesn’t like to put on airs; she doesn’t like to draw attention to herself in the car,” Jochum said. Roberta also insists that Jochum limit his love of Rolls-Royces to one. “I wanted a Bentley, but she said I could only have one Rolls-Royce,” Jochum said.

Noel Martin, 54, formerly a British citizen, said he was just at the show to browse. “It’s nice to keep in touch with British things,” said Martin of Wesleyan Pines. He enjoyed Jochum’s Rolls-Royce, but had his eye on something a little faster. “This Jaguar here excites me the most,” he said. In British racing green, it was also Martin’s favorite color for a car.

Jeff Ade, 56, of Williamsburg, has always admired Jaguars as well. But he brought with him an Austin Healey. “I always wanted a racing green Austin Healey,” Ade said. “I couldn’t afford a Jaguar.” When he found a 1974 Austin Healey at a flea market, he said he had to have it. Ade and his wife, Susan, drive the car a lot, he said.

One by one, owners discussed stories about their cherished automobiles. With each car came a tale of youth, or love, or both. “The first car I ever bought with my own money was an orange, 1980 Triumph Spitfire,” Paetz said. At that moment, he turned and saw the exact car he’d described pulling into the parking lot. “It’s for sale,” he said, mesmerized. “My wife would kill me,” he muttered. Then he excused himself and walked toward his dream car.



Photo by Patricia Neleski

Tidewater Triumph Meeting Minutes June 1, 2006

The meeting started promptly at 7pm.

President: Randy Brackett introduced Mike Everage who is restoring a '75 Spitfire.

Birthday's & Anniversary's: Carmel Million had no birthdays to report.

Vice President: Marty Rutkowitz had nothing to report.

Secretary; The reading of the minutes was waived.

Membership Report: Martin Pachey reported that the club has 59 dual memberships with a total of 110 cars, 59 of which are Triumphs.

Treasurer's Report: Steve Allen reported on the status of club's financial accounts. All is well.

Newsletter Report: Skip Paetz requested pictures from club members.

President Randy thanked Skip for his efforts on the newsletter and web site. He requested all members help out on door prizes for the show. Skip announced that he is trying to set up a Tooter Run to the private airfield in Virginia Beach that houses a private collection of WWII aircraft.

Leads: Randy announced a GT6 in the Trading Post.

Activities: Dale Morgan announced that the activities will be in the newsletter.

Brits on the Bay car show: Mike Jones said there are 46 registrations to date. Preparations for the show were discussed by the various committee chairmen. Door prizes were discussed and all members were requested to help out. The food committee discussed the preparation for the show and hot dog pricing was discussed at great length. Ed Million announced that 72 t-shirts were ordered and will be ready in a couple of days. Dale Morgan will meet with the parking committee at noon at the site on June 9th.

Classifieds

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Future Monthly Meetings

July 6th, 2006

August 3rd, 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*