



CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI CHAPTER
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The January meeting will be held on the 15th at the Wade's home in Brandon. The combination workshop/business meeting will begin that afternoon at 2:30.

The subject of the workshop will be the disassembly and rebuild of a Stromberg carburetor. Frank Peel is furnishing the unit, Steve Cappello the expertise, and Tere Wade the dip.

The house is located at 63 Willowbrook Lane in Crossgates and directions may be obtained by calling 825-9611 evenings.

Answers to November Quiz:

Valve crash	Valve Float
Balk ring	Synchronizing ring
Hood sticks	Top frame
Grub screw	Set screw
Seat squab	Seat back
Laygear	Cluster gear
Paraffin	Kerosene
Wing	Fender
Jointing compound	Gasket cement
Spigot bearing	Pilot bearing
Gudgeon pin	Piston pin
Strangler	Choke

New Knock-offs Won't Fit?

Don't blame your supplier. Look for damaged threads on your hubs, especially a ridge facing outward along the tops of your threads. This ridge must be hand-filed flush before your new knock-offs will fit.

Aluminum Panel Fabrication

The International Association of Machinists (IAM) has produced a video tape entitled "The Racing Cars and Craft of Myron Stevens" which is available on loan. The tape features Myron Stevens who made the hand-formed aluminum bodies for the early Miller race cars in the 1920's and who is considered a pioneer in his craft. Mr. Stevens provides a demonstration of his craft on tape and should prove of great value to the hobbyist. If enough members indicate interest in seeing the tape, we'll borrow it and rent a player for an afternoon workshop.

In the "Last Chance Autocross" given by the SCCA on December 5, member Ed Moore received a first place in D Prepared and also made Fastest Time of Day. Jimmy Bunyard took second in that class, also in a Spitfire.

Insignificant People
from
Triumph's Significant Past

Gadfrey Peckinpaw - Triumph metallurgist and engineer who invented the clutch shear pin while suffering from a fit of malaria contracted in Mandalay.

Gustav Zimmerman - famous Tyrolean yodeler whose voice was used as a pattern for Lucas "Windtone" electric horns.

George "Neanderthal" Turkel - Triumph interior designer responsible for locating the passenger assist handle on the TR-2 dash.

Jicard Pettifogger - Chief Engineer at S. U. whose carburetor design was the inspiration for Rubic's Cube.

Yephet Memphazi - Eastern mystic employed by Triumph as a trouble-shooter in Quality Control. He resigned in frustration after six months of employment.

Jack O'Flannigan - Mad Irish rebel and tool & die maker at Triumph who was responsible for body panel water traps.

(To be continued next month)

Your TR-2/3 seat cushions can be resprung easily using ordinary 6" upholstery springs. You'll only need 14 as their diameter is quite large (4") and you won't need to sew separate bags for them as they have a tapered design. Clip the springs to your bare frames using pig ring nails and tie down the rear springs with heavy twine to get the slant that you'll need. Make a stout linen or canvas envelope for the whole affair, clip it down and pad heavily with batting on the top and sides before slipping over and clipping down the seat cover.

Your emergency parking brake system on a Triumph will hold on a 45° grade. Just park sideways.

EMERGENCY OXYGEN MASK SYSTEM for your Spitfire/GT-6. Automatically deploys from visor mount at speeds over 85 mph (\$65.00 for kit). Tim's Tacky Triumphs, Inc.

FOR SALE: Triumph Herald, 37.62% restored. Fine southern car, stored winters and garaged summers. Embarrassment forces sale, bricks included. Will sell for best offer or trade for BMW M-1. 969-6225.

WANTED: Four chrome bolts for an early TR-3 dash, any condition. My plater lost my originals. Also need three small instrument bezels for a TR-3. Call Alex at 825-9611.