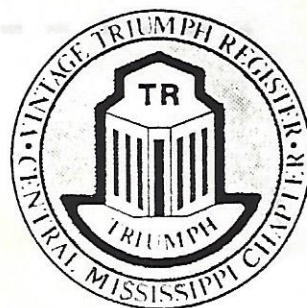


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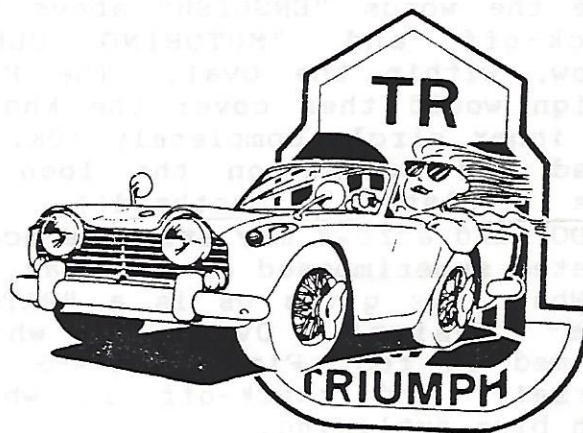
rites of Spring CELEBRATED!



Amid the splendor of a beautiful Spring day, the EMC Tops Down Party was held at Gregg & Karen Collins' place in Pearl. I counted 25 "grown" members & numerous future British Car Nuts, even had a few new faces in the crowd! Alex W. sized up the wooded acreage as "having potential for a few more garages", in addition to being a beautiful homestead (Gregg's aquarium is as big as my garage!).

We were glad to see new members Bob & Beth Jeffares and Dave & Christi Jaskowski, as well as old friends. The "Tops Down" ritual went off without a hitch, but I never did find out who won the last bottle of Guinness! Of course, those of us with hardtops & Italian makes (takes "3 men & a babe" to do Alpha tops!) declined the contest.

The food was GREAT, the company even BETTER, and the weather PERFECT! I predict a great year for Club events, so PAY THOSE DUES and COME JOIN US!



ATTENDEES AT TOPS DOWN PARTY

Gregg & Karen Collins
Mike & Bitsy Hemsley
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DEE-ZYNA-LOGO

OK, here's my contribution to the Club Logo Contest . . . I'm no artist, so just imagine this . . .

Using the Knock-off design, surround it with an Oval that is barely longer than the knock-off, but wide enough at top and bottom to accommodate the words "ENGLISH" above the knock-off and "MOTORING CLUB" below, within the Oval. The Flag design would then cover the knock-off inner circle completely (OK, go ahead and doodle on the logo in this newsletter's masthead!). The "UNDO" and arrows may still be accommodated superimposed on the flag.

What this gives us is a "PATCH-able" design! Oval is white trimmed in red, Flag is R-W-B (of course!), and knock-off is white with blue outlining.

So what are YOUR ideas?

? DID YOU FORGET ?

YES! Where are you? Right now, your Club needs your support in 2 areas:

'89 DUES are DUE . . .\$15 per family is pretty reasonable to run our events each year!

MAY 5-7 V-BURG TROPHY RALLEY is just around the corner and we need to know you're coming! Call the RalleyMasters NOW for more info or fliers!



OLD HAT - 5 YEARS AGO

Frank Peel just purchases a TR250. . . "All I really wanted was the Badge!", he reported.

Bubba & Sally Brown just acquired their lovely green TR6 (he still uses it as daily transport!).

Triumphs-R-Us advertised a crankshaft kit, welding instructions included. No 2 kits were alike!

CMC-VTR (us!) held a March meeting and showed the films "Buffem & Company", "The Art of Safety", & "This is the Triumph". Plans were underway for the 2nd Annual British Car Day in Jackson.

★ MGA SECRETS REVEALED ★

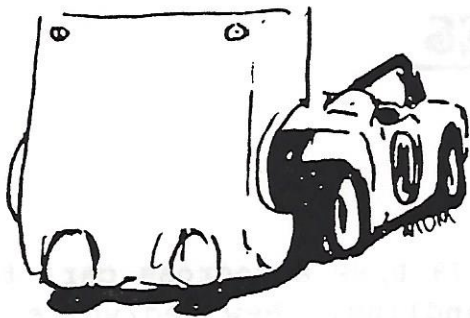
taken from the "Series MGA" workshop manual (pg 57).

"When all else fails, pour a pint of Guinness in the gas tank, advance the spark 20 deg, cry 'God Save the Queen!', and pull the starter knob!"

➔ "SPY STUFF" ◀

TRIUMPH TRIVIA

We all know the SPY who drove those Aston Martins . . . what SPY chose to drive a red TR4 (economic reasons!)?
ANSWER IN THIS NEWSLETTER!



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LOCAL NOTES:

Welcome New Members!

Bob & Beth Jeffares of Meridian have an Austin Healey project that sounds familiar - a MKIII "frame up" restoration is in progress. If it's like mine, progress is spelled p-p-pr-r-r-o-o-gggg-gr-r-r-e-e-s-sss!

David & Christi Jaskowski, Brandon, own a '58 TR3 and '71 MGB. By the way, his '59 Rover - for sale last month - is now with his Dad.

Wilburt Eason in Meridian owns a '68 MGB and a '69 MGB/GT.

Gary Miller, Yazoo City, owns Land Speed Classics, and a number of fine Brit specimen - some of which are listed in our "Classy-Phides".

Club Sympathies Offered

We were saddened to hear that John Simmers' Mother has passed away. John's column in last month's O.S.U. featured a story about her and his youthful fixation on these little cars.

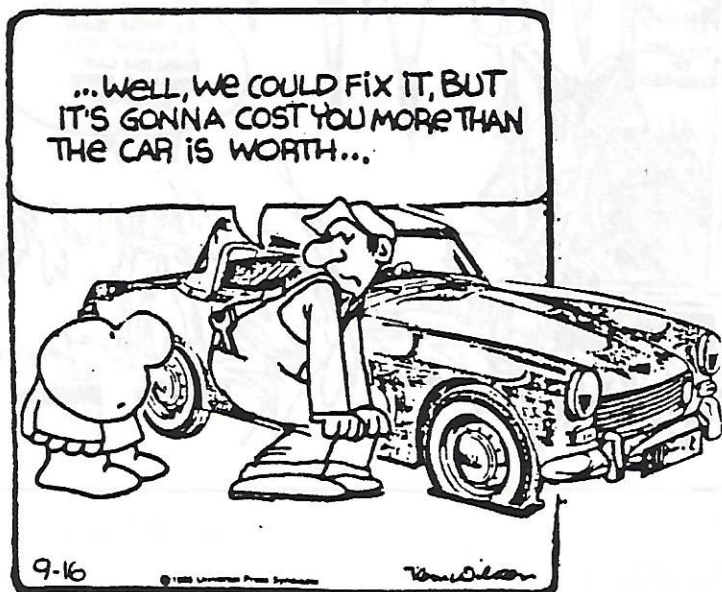
Miscellaneous

The beautiful yellow TR3 owned by Dean Penticost now has a new home with her daughter & hubby in Yazoo City . . .

At the Tops Down Party, we heard about projects from Joe Speetjens (2x TR3's, body surgery), Steve Collins (TR6 body-off), Mike Hem-sley (Sunbeam Tiger - they rolled it out of the garage to sweep up!), Bob Jeffares & moui (2x AH MKIII bodies-off). So how about the rest of you - any interesting stories for the O.S.U.?

Dennis Loftin has some good news and some bad news - first the bad news: he experienced a little rear end alteration on his AH when an admirer got too close in traffic! Fortunately, only bumper damage that a come-along helped to resolve. The good news is he now owns a '58 BN4 Healey, a long-time Jackson area car! Great, another project!

Jim Thompson III, a soon-to-be member, recently purchased a '58 MGA and is looking for restoration expertise (OK, restoration HELP). He's in Bay Springs at 764-3321.



CLASSY - PHIDES

DEFINITIONS:

Mechanics Special = better hire a full time mechanic!

Concours Cond. =Just Waxed!

WANT: Phase 2 AH MKIII - good original or proper restored.

Jim Thompson 764-2665/3321 (d/eve)
PO box 493 Bay Springs, MS 39422

SELL: '59 MGA 1500 Coupe, for parts or restoration.

Alex Wade Brandon 825-9611 (eve)

SELL: '63 MGB, good body, rough int., engine needs work. Make Offer!

Butch Nasif Vicksburg 636-0923 (eve)

SELL: AH MKIII converted to Mack Truck for medium hauling. Hydraulic bed optional. 888-9999 (daze)

SELL: '53 MG-TD being refurbished (leather int, paint, minor body-work). Wood is good, will be back to "orig" this Spring.

Hiram Shepard, Memphis 901-754-0538 (eve)

SELL: '75 TR7; good body, not running (broken ring?). Make offer.
Matt Hill, Benton, MO 314-545-3149

SELL: '59 Morris 850 Mini-Minor in-a-box. Many parts reconditioned, \$2500 in new parts & wheels. Make offer.

'72 MBG-GT, air & O.D. Your choice of wires or disc wheels. Drive now, restore later. \$2000.

'78 MGB, green/tan w/ new top. Weber & header, good overall condition. \$2800.

Gary Miller, Yazoo City 746-7341

SELL: '79 D/SP autocross car, fast & good handling. New red/white paint & top. Reasonable sale to a "British Car nut".

'80 Limited Ed. MGB, new paint & top & tires. Nice! \$4800.

Gary Miller, Yazoo City 746-7341

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➔ "SPY STUFF" ANSWER ◀

Did you get it? How about **Napoleon Solo**, our old "Man from U.N.C.L.E.", in the forgettable movie "One of Our Spies is Missing!". The car did fine until a wire wheel went it's own path!

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