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CLUB OFFICERS	COMING EVENTS
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	<p>April 30 Garden Cookout at the Brazil's</p>
	<p>July Camp Blanding Picnic</p>
	<p>September 29, 30, and October 1 SEVTR Jekyll Island</p>
	<p>November 12 Reimer Road Rally and Tour</p>
	<p><i>Legends on the Green April 9, 2005</i> Concours d' Elegance British Car Show by the Jaguar Club at the World Golf Village. Info at www.jagdrivers.org or e-mail concourschair@jagdrivers.org</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">MONTHLY REMINDERS</p> <p>Pub Club at the Kings Head Pub in St. Augustine - Sunday, March 6th, 1:00 - 4:00 PM</p>

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President's Corner

My first thought is Thomasville; it is the neatest thing (my grandchildren say cool!) to see nothing but Triumph when looking ahead or in the rear-view mirror when touring those undulating roads towards the Panhandle. Please see Gerry Popp's arrangements Page 4 in this issue, book a room and tell Gerry you are coming.

Your Officers recently met to discuss some Club issues and I want to tell you about them. For some years we have dallied with the idea of contributing some of the profit from our Car Show to a charitable organization of the Club's choice or perhaps to make a small scholarship for a needy student attending car mechanics classes. In general terms we have agreed to do this next time around, i.e. Fall 2006.

Now to the South East Regional VTR Meet in September '05. Seven area Triumph Clubs will each take responsibility for a part of this event, including for the first time, the Triumph Club of the Carolinas. TCNFs part is "driving events" which must include a Rally and a Tour. A couple of our more experienced members cannot be available for the event itself but will help with the planning; so we need two members to head up these events, aided of course by teams of volunteers on the day.

Gerry Popp has openings for Club events in May, June, Aug. and Sept. You may get a call!

We discussed ways and means of finding and keeping new members, and Stan Kinmonth has plans to do all sorts of things. It is fair to say this topic will be our focus for the year ahead. Comments, opinions and ideas on any of these topics will be very welcome.

Graham Thomas.

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WEEKEND TOUR TO THOMASVILLE, GA

A Southern Surprise, which includes attractions, historic sites, and a Victorian Village.

Two choices of accommodations are:

(1) The Dawson Street Inn (bed and breakfast) six rooms: three @ \$145 and three @ \$155 Phone: (229) 226-7515.

(2) Holiday Inn Express Phone (229) 226-4666.

Please reserve a room as soon as possible.

We will meet in Macclenny at the CVS Pharmacy parking lot and start the tour at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, March 19th.

Directions: From Jacksonville west on I-10, take first Macclenny exit north; turn left or west on Route 90 and CVS will be on the right. You can take second Macclenny exit north-- CVS will be at the Route 90 intersection. Additional packet of information will be distributed at CVS.

We will make a lunch stop and expect to arrive in Thomasville at approximately 3:00 p.m., giving us plenty of time to make dinner plans, and possibly do some sightseeing.

Please let me know who will be participating so that we won't leave before everyone is at the CVS lot.

Call Jerry Popp at home (904) 287-1891 or cell phone (904)887-9102, if you plan to attend

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I read the February issue of the newsletter and have the need to send a "letter to the editor".

In response to "Sincerely, Girl Reporter", I take exception with the statement "At Last! A Brit Car Club in North Florida ... has an actual Brit for President". The "At Last" makes it sound like TCNF never had a Brit as President. TCNF has had a Brit for President more than one time during its existence. Bob Pilling (a Brit) one of the founders of the club was its first President and served in that capacity more than once. Having said that, I'll put my "soap box" back in the closet. Norm

**The Triumph Club of North Florida
Welcomes New Members**

Crawford and Helen Cole of Jacksonville.	1973 TR6
Dennis and Katie Kukkola of Orange Park.	1968 TR250
Jerry and Elaine Lutinski of St. Augustine.	1965 TR4A

We hope to see more of you at our events. Everyone be sure to say hello and welcome them to the club.

Law of Momentum and Inertia

Most simply stated this law is British cars are hard to start, but once you get them going there is no stopping them. Also know as *Girling's Law*, this explains why most older British sports cars which still run, need bodywork on their front wings, bonnets and/or front aprons.

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Boy Scout Troop 473

St. Joseph's Parish

To the Triumph Club of North Florida

On behalf of Boy Scout Troop 473 I would like to thank your club for giving us the chance to hold a fund raiser at your club meet held at the King's Head British Pub. Your club gave us a 50 dollar donation to help offset the cost of supplies. We were able to raise about 500 dollars that day selling hotdogs, hamburgers, soda, and water. I would like to thank Mike Widman for asking us to do this fund raiser, he is a member of the St Joseph Parish Community.

Sincerely

On behalf of Troop 473

Scoutmaster Todd M. English

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VTR Member? Yes _____ No _____ T-S-D Rallyes Races

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1409 Forest Ave.
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Law of Inverse Practicality

The most desirable British cars are the least practical to own and operate.
This is also known as the *Law of Sadoomasochistic Attraction*.