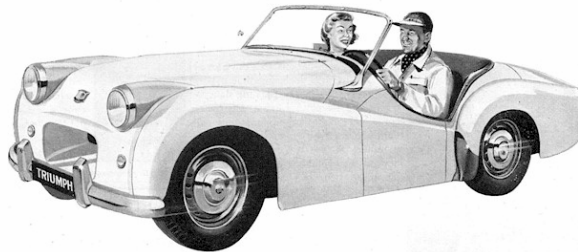


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	July 16	Camp Blanding Picnic
	September 29, 30, and October 1	SEVTR at Jekyll Island
	November 12	Reimer Road Rally and Tour
	December	Christmas Party
	Monthly Reminders	
<p>Pub Club at the King's Head Pub in St. Augustine - Sunday June 5th, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>Greetings to our new friend with the British Car Club of Miami, Don Crawford, that I met in the Parking lot of IHOP on the way back from by second (and Final!) bicycle trip to Key West. You and your club are invited to visit Jacksonville for any of our events.</p> <p>Lance Brazil, Editor</p>		

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President's Corner

Classic Motorsports Magazine, formerly British Car, has announced Headline Sponsorship of the 2005 Vintage Triumph Register Southeastern Convention at Jekyll Island. This year's theme of "Glory Days" will celebrate the racing legacy of Bob Tullius, Lawton Foushee and Group 44.

Folks, this is lining up to be a great event and we all need to make sure our Club participation is strong. Apart from the help we will need for our two driving events at Jekyll, there will be just a lot of downright fun to be had.

Registration is now available online at sevtr.org. Paypal service is used. I am happy to advise longtime member Walt Lanz (yes, the same Walt of Whacker Stick Starter fame) has agreed to head up the Rally at Jekyll and yours truly will organize the Driving Tour.

The 2005 VTR National Convention is in Rockford, Illinois July 26 - 30 and celebrates the 35th year of the Stag plus the 50th year of the TR3. I can forward details to anyone interested or you can go to vtr2005.org.

For new members, or for those who have never before attended, Stan and Lily Kinmonth's picnic at lakeside in Camp Blanding is very much a family affair, children and grandchildren seem to come from everywhere and whatever your water sport, it could not be safer. See the calendar, this is your July event.

Once more I would say that members' input to any of our Officers is very welcome and sought after, be it in the category of practical ideas, beefs, kudos or whatever. Silence, in this case, is far from golden.

Graham Thomas

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Lance & Gloria's Secret Garden

Those of you who did not attend the Brazil's Sausage Fest/Bar-B-Q/Karaoke Blow Out on Saturday, May 30, really missed out. This girl reporter was not able to attend last year and she is **so glad she made it this year.**

Three things highlight this second annual event: 1) Gloria's daughter, Heather, and her husband Kenny cook and carry (and believe me, Kenny knows his way around food!); 2) fabulous spiced sausages that are grilled (by Kenny), sliced and served (by Heather) as hors d'oeuvres (this girl reporter just about made them her meal - especially with the great Chinese mustard dipping sauce and 3) Gloria's fantastic secret garden.

The Brazil's back yard is an honest-to-God **GARDEN** - not one of those pruned and clipped and clumped things we see too often. But, of course, this is what Gloria does and she is a true artist with a wonderful gift. Guess you've figured out that this girl reporter was in shock and awe - it was a great place to while away a few hours with great food and good friends. (And the weather held: warm, breezy, not too much sun and **NO** rain!)

First to arrive were Art & Michele Kelly (so they could stake out the comfiest chairs - altho' I didn't hear anyone complaining about the seating arrangements). New member, Mike Morgan and his friend Sheila joined the party and soon the grilling of those sausages began. This reporter became distracted by food and chat, but the following clubbers wandered in: Angelo and Anitra Guzman, Dave Finklestein and his blushing bride-to-be Kelly, Barbara & Walter Lanz. We were all glad to see Janett Thomas as Prez Graham is in jolly olde England for a few more days. Janett had us all believing she drove down from Amelia Island alone in their TR3. Finally, she confessed that it was the Mini parked out front.

More shock and awe as the recently single-again Ms. Zingone arrived with a boyfriend that this reporter was never able to name. During her absence from our club, Carol and Simon divorced, she

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sold her house on the beach and changed careers. Says all is going well and she should have jumped jobs sooner; she is in Real Estate and loves it. Busy girl in the last two years. Last time this reporter saw Carol was at the first Palm Coast Holiday feed - that would be 2002. Good to see you again.

Just in case the food and the setting and the great family helpers (Gloria's friend, Kathy, was also present and fun to talk to) were not enough, this year we were treated to a **karaoke** session. We all know Anitra sings karaoke (or we should if we've ever talked with her!), but Mike, Heather and Gloria also sang. They all did a fantastic job. This reporter and spouse had to leave too early because of the longish drive and pending travel prep, but I am sure **the party rocked on!**

Thanks, Lance and Gloria, for a fun afternoon in a most beautiful setting. Are you willing for this to become an annual event? You'll turn us all into real gardeners! And definite sausage hounds!

Michele Kelly, Girl Reporter

Day at the Zoo

We will meet at the J.C. Penney Shopping Center on the southwest corner of the intersection of Dunn Ave. and Lem Turner Rd, at 10:00 a.m. and assemble at the north end of the parking lot next to MacDonald's. We will caravan down Dunn Ave. to Heckscher Drive and the Zoo entrance; a short ride so that we can spend some time viewing the animals which offer many "Kodak moments."

Admission is \$9.50 for adults; \$8.00 for seniors over 65 and \$6.50 for kids three to twelve. R.S.V.P. Jerry Popp at 287-1891 or e-mail gpopp@earthlink.net. Hope to see you there.

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The "Mitty"

The "Friends of Triumph", a loosely knit group of enthusiasts who either race, autocross or are otherwise heavily involved in the competition aspect of Triumphs, gathered at Road Atlanta this month for the Walter Mitty Classic. Each year the Mitty focuses on particular marques and this year they chose Triumphs and MGs. Along with all the other vintage race classes, there were separate practice sessions for TRs and MGs as well as a separate all MG/TR race on Sunday.

I had planned to race my TR4A but unfortunately broke the engine at another race (VIR) two weeks earlier and was not able to get it back together in time for the Mitty. Not to be deterred from participating in some form, I signed up to crew for another TR racer and so was able to spend the weekend at RA surrounded by friends and Triumph race cars. One of the high points was that Kas Kastner, the original Triumph racing guru and author of numerous Factory racing manuals, was there the whole weekend giving tips, signing autographs and generally being helpful and friendly.

Although I would have preferred to be racing, there's a lot to be said for watching vintage races, especially when they feature the cars we're most fond of.

For photos of the event, you can go to the Friends of Triumph website - <http://fot-racing.com/Mitty/mittypicsindex.htm>. I only made it into one shot, discussing the Fletcher Williams TR250 racer that was for sale. Pay particular attention to "Peyote", a very famous Triumph special that was hand built out of aluminum in the early 1960s using a TR3 frame and drive train. It shows up in several shots on the lower part of the page. It's obvious that no attention was given to its appearance, but it is extremely light and very fast. Rumor is that the name Peyote comes from the substance the designer/builder was using at the time.

Don Marshall



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