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**Tim Lynch and his 1960 TR3**



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	April 1st and 2nd	Road Trip to Mt. Dora. Details on page 6
	May 20	Cookout at the Brazil's house.
	<b>Now</b>	<b>Club Dues are past due if not already paid. See Page 4</b>
	<p align="center"><b>Monthly Reminders</b></p> <p>Pub club meeting <b>March 5</b>, at <b>King's Head Pub</b>, St. Augustine on US 1 about 5 miles north of the city. Look for the <b>Red Double-decker bus</b>. Time: 1:00—4:00 p.m.</p> <p align="center">All Members are invited and encouraged to come.</p>	

## President's Corner

A great gathering of Club members at the Kings Head Pub on Feb. 25th made sure Art and Michele Kelly had a good sendoff when they move to Ft. Worth, Texas in a month or so.

I think they know they will be missed and the Club wishes them well in their new adventure. We can all understand how it is that children and grandchildren have pull over anything, even TCNF.

Perhaps Girl Reporter will pen something for us now and again: Reimers, Wildman, Brazils, Popp, Finkelsteins, Walt Lanz, Vic Hall and lady, plus yours truly, all of us bade them farewell and in so doing conveyed the Club's grateful thanks for all they have done for our Club.

Earlier this month TCNF Officers set our 2006 British Car Classic Show date for October 14th at our usual location, the aforesaid Kings Head Pub. This year, for the first time I believe, a significant portion of any profit from the Show will go equally to two chosen charities. In addition, there will be an activity or two beyond what we have done in the past. More later...

Please don't overlook the Mt. Dora trip. Its a great drive, attractive destination and just one overnight. If anyone failed to quite hit the right tone on Valentine's Day, then this is your chance to set things right. One way driving time is comfortably within 2 hours from our meeting point. We do NOT have rooms blocked off, it will be first come, first served. Triumphs are special, naturally, but come in anything!

**Graham Thomas**

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### A Sad Note

On February 1, 2006, Mike Smith, one of the original members of TCNF died. Mike and I attended one of the first if not the first TCNF meetings ever held at Bob Pilling's furniture refinishing shop on Old St Augustine Road. A group of TR owners sat around the room while a couple members of the Central Florida Triumph Club told us about the do's and don'ts of starting a club in Jacksonville. Mike was a member of TCNF for many years until his work took him out of the country for long periods of time during which he was unable to participate in any club activities.

On one sunny Sunday afternoon many years ago, TCNF scheduled a "tech" session at Don Marshall's house in Arlington. The purpose of the session was to work on Don's TR3 which had a few mechanical problems.

Following Don telling us what he wanted to accomplish that afternoon, we proceeded to get to work on the car under Mike's leadership. Before we knew what happened and before the sun set that day, Don's TR3 was laying in pieces in the driveway. Mike was a firm believer that if you were going to do work on a TR, you needed to fix everything that had even the most minor defect. I am not sure if the car ever recovered.

Please keep Mike and his wife Pam and their family in your thoughts and prayers. —Norm Reimer

### Club Dues

If you have not paid your dues for 2006, they are past due now. Avoid that \$5000 late fee, send you \$25 dues check to Norm Reimer today. His address is on the outside of this newsletter.

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### **Member Profile—Tim and Carol Lynch**

In his youth, Tim owned a 1962 Triumph TR3. When he found out about our club he came to one of the breakfast meetings we used to have at the coffee shop and met Graham.

After several false starts Tim was able to find a 1960 TR3 in reasonably good condition. The owner allowed him to drive it for several days. Shortly after that he bought the car and started it on the road to recovery. David Gerrard at The English Garage installed a new wiring harness and then it was off to the paint and body shop for further restoration.

About three months after he got the car back, he was in a head-on collision that left him in the hospital for a while and the car had to go back for more body work. Tim still has trouble with his leg that was injured in the collision.

Tim drives the car almost daily and, like most of us, really enjoys the looks and comments from people who remember when they had a Triumph. After all, that is what it is all about, isn't it? Another proud owner!

## TRIUMPH CLUB OF NORTH FLORIDA

### Overnight Trip to Mt. Dora

We will gather at 10:30 a.m. in the Beall's Shopping Center, Green Cove Springs at the Junction of Route 16 and U.S. Route 17.

Our chosen hotel is the Hampton Inn at 352-383 4267 or [www.hamptoninn.com/hi/mountdora](http://www.hamptoninn.com/hi/mountdora). Price with group discount is \$80 per night. Make your reservations ASAP.

On investigation we found the great majority of restaurants, art galleries, antique shops and general ogling shops are open all weekend.

The Ice House Theatre is presenting "Sleuth" and tickets are \$18.50 for adults and \$16.50 for seniors. Bookings can be made in advance via [www.icehousetheatre.com](http://www.icehousetheatre.com). We are of the impression that walk-ups on the night will find all seats sold.

#### E-mail Addresses

We need E-mail addresses for the following members: John & JoAnn Carson, Floyd Hyatt, Bob & Carol Lavender, Dean Layton, Jerry & Elaine Lutenski, Tim Suddard, Jody Mons, and Charles Fenwick. Please send an E-mail to [lbrazil@bellsouth.net](mailto:lbrazil@bellsouth.net) with **Address** as the subject. I will copy your email address into our records and forward it to Norm Reimer. This is necessary in the event that you have to be notified about an event between newsletters. **Lance Brazil, Editor**

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If you're interested in Triumph cars, You should be a member of TCNF. The benefits are outstanding, a monthly newsletter that is entertaining as well as informative with free ads to members, monthly events, rallies, shows, picnics, tours and camaraderie with fellow enthusiasts...

#### Membership Application/ Renewal

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Year Model Comm #

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Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

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