

The

February 2022



RAGTOP



Thoughts from Rip

Rip Torn



Winter time is a good time for maintenance and repairs. Many of us use the cool and possibly rainy weather to catch up on repairs, service and install improvements in our cars. Let's not get too comfy in those warm garages and easy accessible engine compartments so as to miss the club's driving ac-



activities on the calendar. Mike McPhail led a cozy and slippery drive to Camp Mabry and Lake Austin after last month's meeting. It was a fun activity that we enjoyed followed by some refreshments and ended a great Saturday. This month we have in rapid succession our Social Hour meeting (Southside), Drive your Triumph Day on the 10th organized by Jim Wells, and our club meeting in the same week. The following week the SCCA Lone Star Region would like to invite car enthusiasts to enjoy a trip to the Texas Tulip Farm in LaVernia on 19 Saturday. The following weekend we see that Stephanie Nichols in-

vites us to come experience the 11th Annual Car & Vintage Plane Show at the Georgetown Airport February 26, 2022! (Rain Date: March 5th). We plan to participate as a club with details TBD. Finally on March 5th we have planned a Painted



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Churches Drive around Schulenburg, TX with the Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio Triumph clubs. We will send out notifications via Evite so check your emails and please reply. Our club is active and offering a lot of activities for everyone and I hope you can participate in the fun.



Our social hour meeting is staying south for the quarter but is moving to a better location we hope that will offer a private meeting room, reasonable priced food, and libations. Pok-e-Jo's Barbecue, Brodie Oaks Shopping Center 630PM on February 8th.

Meanwhile behind the scenes we need some help please. We need someone to be our marketing person. In that regard we need someone who is active in social media and can reach out to members and in-



terested enthusiasts to communicate with them. Like our cars we are not getting younger, only more classic and need to interest a younger demographic in the joys of Triumphs. So, we can reach out to other local media to promote our club's members and activities. There are Triumph owners out there in the area who don't know about us and we need to reach them. Likewise,



there are people out there who may be interested in joining the drivers ranks and need help finding a car. You don't need to be a marketing professional but willing to work with us on reaching out and sharing the fun. Contact me directly or through the website on www.hctc.us. We need you.





On the business side of the club, we are in good shape financially and membership wise. We decided to incorporate as an LLC and are in process of doing that. This will protect the membership of the club and allow us to do more things financially. Our membership numbers have remained overall steady and thank you all for paying your



dues on time. If you decide to sell your Triumphs and the buyer is in the local area, please remember to recommend them joining the club.

So, despite the winter season we have a lot going on and hope you will participate if you haven't yet. We have put in a lot of effort to have fun activities for everyone. So, finish work on those cars and get them out on the streets!



Secretary's Report January 2022

Jim Wells



Despite the hit and miss weather here in Central Texas the month of January, club members made it a point to gather at our regularly scheduled club meetings. Our first meeting of the month was held at the usual Waterloo Ice House with

nine members in attendance. A little thin on the number of members present but considering the light rain blanketing the Hill Country-not too bad of a showing. I arrived just before the meeting adjourned so our president Rip Torn was kind enough to take the notes.

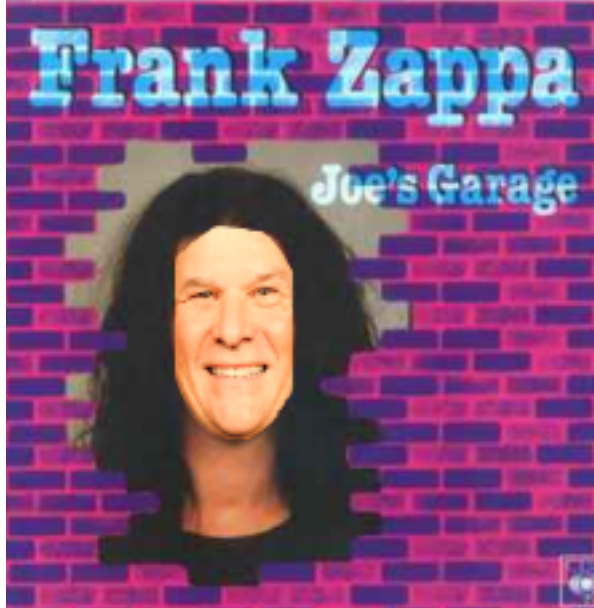


Items discussed were the usual topics: club



bylaws, LLC status, budget/financial reports, etc. One of the key topics discussed was the club's interest in assuming the responsibilities of the Texas All British Car Days annual event. With much still to be discussed by the board members, I will leave further discussion to the other members who have expressed interest in continuing the TX ABCD. Look for a report in upcoming newsletters. Other topics covered were recent club events (the Tour de Lites and the Club Christmas Party) up-





coming local drives, and the VTR Regionals in Boerne, TX this upcoming April. And, of course there is the much-anticipated "Fix-It Day" to be held at the famous "Joe's Garage". Keep looking in the Ragtop for further information as to when this will occur. Rumor has it that it will be in the not-so-distant future, so keep a close watch for details. In the meantime, we hope to learn of the progress being made on Wiley Crystal's TR6. Mike McPhail and our resident paint and body expert, Jerry Mitchell, have been



transforming Wiley's car into a, sure to be, award-winning Triumph in the upcoming VTR Regionals. We look forward to seeing the end results here soon. I'm sure Wiley is chomping at the bit to get his car back on the road.

After our Saturday meeting adjourned, Mike led the undaunted for a drive to the Camp Mabry Military Installation where we toured their impressive military equipment and history display. Being the third-oldest active military installation in Texas, I was quite impressed with the collection and variety of military regalia they had on display. This was my first visit to Camp Mabry and I would definitely encourage others to visit this timeline of military





equipment on display. The amazing thing is that the tour through the military display was absolutely free!



Our club's Tuesday night Social Gathering was held at the Pinhouse Brewing, just up from Austin Bergstrom Airport. Considering the cold temperatures and being a weeknight in early January, the turnout was as expected, around a dozen, with the usual suspects in attendance. With the cold temperatures, most of the patrons stayed indoors. Lively discussions were had by all with a few new faces in attendance. I didn't get their names but hopefully one of the



other members present will submit a write up including their names. After about three hours and a few beers, it was time to head home. For me, I had an hour-plus drive to get back up to the Belton area. Sorry, I had no pictures for this gathering to share this time.



The last event on the calendar and one I was unable to attend was San Antonio Luckenbach Rally. The weather for the event was probably the best it had been for years, not too hot or too cold. I'm not sure how many club members attended though I do know Mike McPhail was there and will, hopefully be sharing some pics in his write up. Until then, I hope to see everyone at our next two club meetings and our "Drive Your Triumph Day" drive this coming Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. Look for details in this month's Ragtop.

Tara!
Jim Wells
HCTC Secretary



From the Archives

Art Graves



This Month's archive article, by long-time club member Phil Taylor, is from the April 2002 issue of The Ragtop. As noted in Nel McPhail's archive article last month, Phil had a dramatic entrance to the Waterloo Ice House. I never did learn if Phil was compensated for his injury.

A Divergent View

By Phil Taylor

I have been noted in "The Ragtop" several times and featured prominently in the March 2002 issue. This all started when I drove my yellow MGB to a club meeting. Being unfamiliar with the group I tried to hide the MG among a gaggle of Japanese cars. I should have known better. They are all plastic, egg-shaped, low in the front, high in the back, video game dashboarding, eight cup holding, big exhaust piping, front wheel driving, four-cylinder wheezing, can't tell one from another if you were sitting in it, cars. Not that there is anything wrong with that.

My car was easily discovered (I'm guessing by Mike McPhail) and outed in "The Ragtop". I thought that since I did not have a Triumph to drive, I would have been politely asked to join the MG club. Well, it hasn't happened yet!

I regretfully missed most of the club events in the latter part of 2001 due to scheduling conflicts. However, I made a stunning entrance to the February meeting and finally



made a worthwhile contribution to the club by providing a smooth shiny surface for a door frame to land on. When Waterloo Ice House settles (hopefully out of court) I will be too rich to drive a Triumph. Maybe I will hang out with the Grey Poupon set. No chance of that! I thoroughly enjoy being a member of the Hill Country Triumph Club, a group of light-hearted, non-judgmental, genuinely good folks in my estimation. That is until I paint my TR6 a non-Triumph color and drop a Ford 302 V-8 in it!

TR4 Progress Report

January 2022

Mike McPhail



Easy out.

This project could go on forever I suppose, or at least until the car goes on Bring-a-Trailer. I did drive it to the meetings last month, only working on it a little bit. The wonky voltage regulator was replaced and I got around to reupholstering the original seats. They are almost the same seats as my old TR3...non-adjustable, non-supportive, etc. Yeah, but they look just right. Most of the rattles have been dealt with, and it's time to work on the tach some more. Wiley's TR6 Winter Project is underway at Mike's Motors, so there is less time for the TR4.



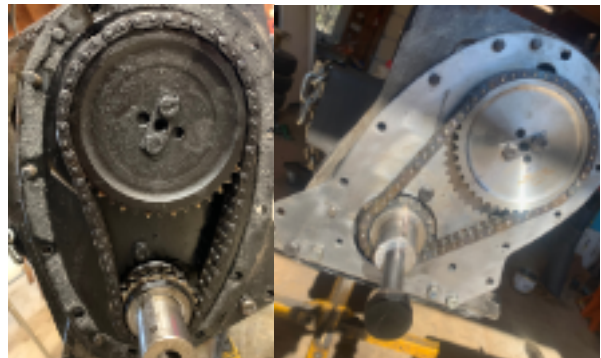
Got primer.



Wiley at work.

Wiley's engine came out for a minor overhaul and Jerry set to work on painting the engine compartment. The cylinder head was sent to a machine shop, while we rehabbed the engine block. As soon as the paint dries, we will put the car back together!

I was working on my door panels the other day and decided that rather than use a notched welding rod to fabricate and install the door handle pins, it might be time to make a new tool. As you know, it is a bit difficult to get that short little pin into the handle. Even my really-long-nosed pliers



Before.

After.



3/16 line with crimp.

are hard pressed to get the job done. Well just like last month, a length of 3/16 brake line was used as a makeshift tool. Just crimp the unflared end 3/8 inch from the end and insert the pin. It will stay put until the pin is halfway in place, then pull the tool loose and use the edge to seat the pin fully. Easy-peasy!



New tool.

The second week of February features a Triumph Triple-header! Tuesday, we meet at Pok-E-Jo's, Thursday is John Black's Birthday Bash in Salado, and Saturday we are back at the Waterloo Ice House for breakfast. Yummy!

Don't miss the Auto/Airshow in Georgetown on the 26th or the Painted Churches Tour on March 5...details elsewhere in this edition of the Ragtop!



Camp Mayberry RFD.



Texas Military Forces Museum.



Sam and Kim.



Luckenbach Spot-the-TR.

Drive Your Triumph Day Announcement

Dear Fellow Triumph Owner,

Drive Your Triumph Day is coming up soon on Thursday, February 10th.

The concept for DYTd is straightforward: go for a drive in your Triumph on February 10th. Take a scenic drive on a country road or out to lunch, to the market, to work, wherever. Go for a drive alone or in a big group from your local Triumph Club. Take your spouse, buddy, child, grandchild or your dog; then take a photo.

The photo is mainly of the car, and the owner or passenger if possible, ideally in front of a cool spot, landmark, scenic view or in your driveway. If it's the middle of the winter where you live and your car is in hibernation, or in the middle of a restoration, take a photo of it in the garage. Have fun with it.

Next step is to email a high-resolution photo to driveyourtriumphday@gmail.com, along with some basic information: owner's name, year and model of car, and place photo was taken (city, state, country), and if you have an interesting story about the car, include that too.

The photos will then be published not only in our club newsletter, but also in USA's national magazine: Vintage Triumph Registry, and on the Drive Your Triumph Day website: <https://driveyourtriumphday.shutterfly.com>. I can also make photos available for other clubs to publish in their newsletter.

Be sure to contact me with any questions you may have, and remember, send photos there are only taken on February 10th, Drive Your Triumph Day.

Regards,

Rye Livingston
Activities Chairman
Triumph Travelers Sports Car Club
1960 Triumph TR3A
Mobile: 530-FIND-RYE

Drive Your Triumph Day February 10

Rip Torn

This month we celebrate the birthday of a notable Brit in the success of our car's marque. "Sir John Black was Chairman of Standard-Triumph, helped support Morgan, Swallow and Jaguar production, and responsible for the creation of the TR range. Sir John Black was (sic) inducted into the [British Sports Car Hall of Fame](#) in June" of 2017. His birthday was February 10 and we commemorate it by getting out your Triumph and driving it.

A Partial History of the Triumph Company

"In November 1944 what was left of the Triumph Motor Company and the Triumph trade-name were bought by the Standard Motor Company and a subsidiary "Triumph Motor Company (1945) Limited" was formed with production transferred to Standard's factory at Canley, on the outskirts of Coventry. Triumph's new owners had been supplying engines to Jaguar and its predecessor company since 1938. After an argument between Standard-Triumph Managing Director, Sir John Black, and William Lyons, the cre-



ator and owner of Jaguar, Black's objective in acquiring the rights to the name and the remnants of the bankrupt Triumph business was to build a car to compete with the soon-to-be-launched post-war Jaguars.

The pre-war Triumph models were not revived and in 1946 a new range of Triumphs was announced, starting with the **Triumph Roadster**. The Roadster had an aluminium body because steel was in short supply and surplus aluminium from aircraft production was plentiful. The same engine was used for the **1800 Town and Country** saloon, later named the **Triumph Renown**, which was notable for the styling chosen by Standard-Triumph's managing director Sir John Black. A similar style was also used for the subsequent **Triumph Mayflower** light saloon. All three of these models prominently sported the "globe" badge that had been used on pre-war models. When Sir John was forced to retire from the company this range of cars was discontinued without being replaced directly, sheet aluminium having by now become a prohibitively expensive alternative to sheet steel for most auto-industry purposes.

In the early 1950s it was decided to use the Triumph name for sporting cars and the Standard name for saloons and in 1953 the **Triumph TR2** was initiated, the first of a series that would be produced until 1981. Curiously, the TR2 had a Standard badge on its front and the Triumph globe on its hub-caps..."

The Hill Country Triumph Club we will have a drive open to the club on the 10th during the day. Jim Wells is organizing it and will send out the details. If you can't join us we do ask you to do your own drive and tell us about it. Take pictures (safely) and have fun!

Hill Country Triumph Club's 2022 Drive Your Triumph Day!

Jim Wells

The International Drive Your Triumph Day is an annual worldwide driving event in honor of Sir John Black's birthday of February 10, 1895. As a chief manager for Standard Motor Co., he was responsible for acquiring Triumph and the key figure in making Triumph cars one of the most popular British cars on the road throughout the late 40's, 50's, and 60's—a legacy that continues to this day. So, get your Triumph out on the road this coming Thursday, the 10th of Feb. Be sure to take some pictures and email your best pic or



two to our very own award-winning Ragtop editor, Dan Julien at: Dan.Julien@gmail.com Be sure to include your name, year and model of your car, and the location of the photo. If you are a member of the Hill Country Triumph

Club, be sure to wear a club event T-shirt, hat, or jacket.

This year's DYT D drive will feature a northern driving route beginning in Leander and finishing up in Salado. We will meet up for a quick breakfast at the Casa Costa Bake Shop located at 201 Bagdad St. in Old Town Leander and finish the drive with a relaxing lunch and drinks at the Chupacabra



Kitchen and Craft Beer pub and Lone Star Winery.

See webpage for drink and food menus:
<https://www.chupacabratx.com/>

We will plan to drive from the bakery no later than 10:30 AM. From there, we will head to the Liberty Hill Veterans Park, next to Parker's Corner Market. Once everyone has caught up, assuming possible stragglers, we will head towards Andice General Store. There is a small loop parking area to the left and just before the store we can park the cars. After a short break to slake our thirst or "pay the water bill", we'll head on towards Salado. We'll be taking a northern loop across Stillhouse Hollow Dam and past the Bell County Expo to cross over I-35 and head south, east of the highway towards Salado. We will enter Salado from the east side along Old Mill Road and traverse between a few of the fairways at Mill



Creek Golf Course. Once we turn onto Main Street, our destination will be on the left

just past Salado Creek bridge. ETA is around noon.

Parking at the Chupacabra Kitchen and Chupacabra pub and Winery is located in the front and rear of the building. It is best to turn left on Royal Street, before the building, if you want to park behind the kitchen or pub/winery. If traffic is busy when we arrive, it may be best to park in the gravel parking area located on the south side of Royal Street, behind Chupacabra and across from Barrow Brewing

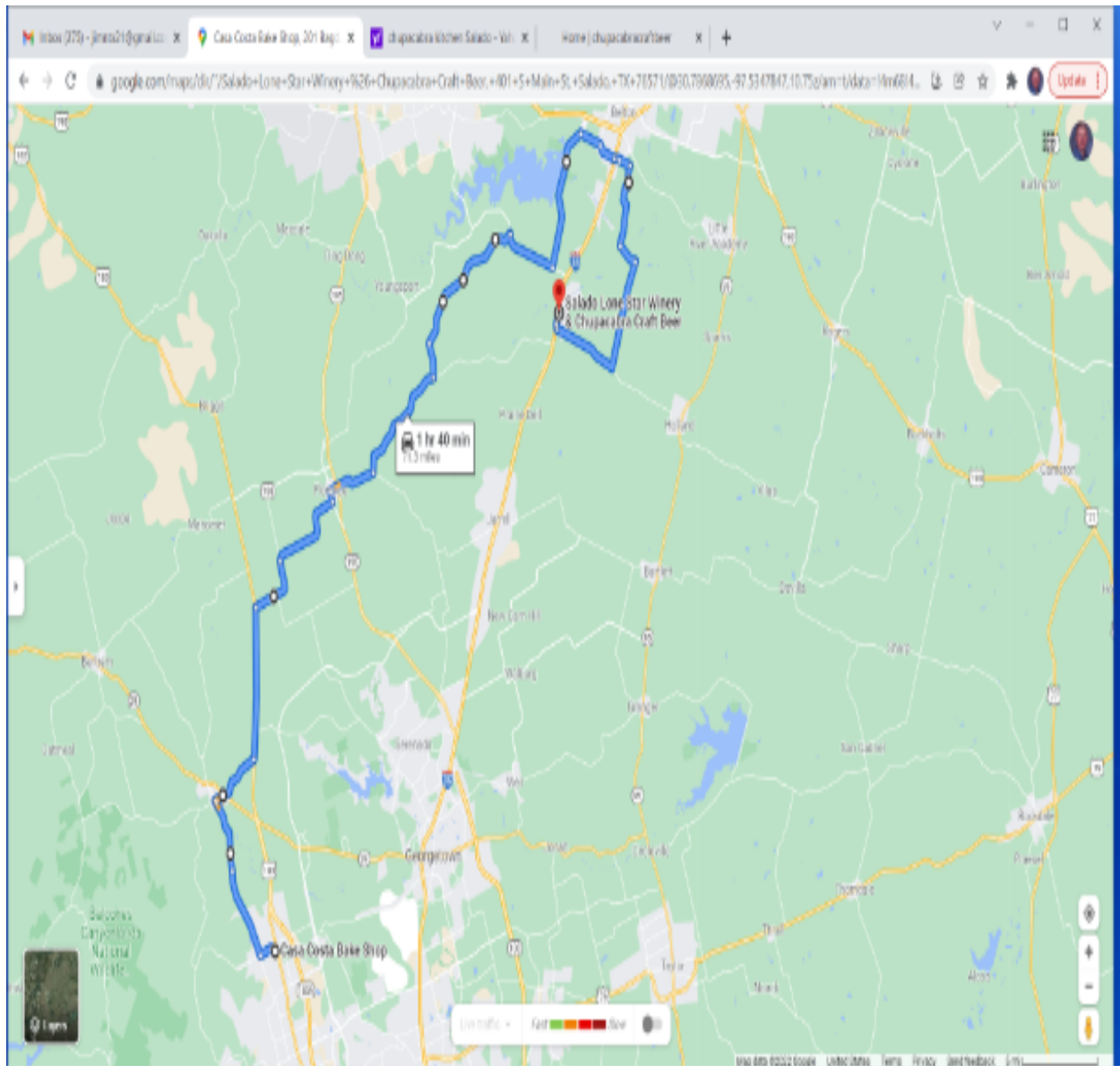
Directions:

- Head north on Bagdad St.
- Left onto W Broade St.
- Left onto Hero Way (FM 2243)
- Right onto N Bagdad Rd. (FM CR 279)
- Stop/regroup at Liberty Hill Veterans Park
- Right onto Hwy 1869
- Left onto Brown Ridge Rd.
- Right onto Hwy 29 (make a left lane change)
- Left back onto Hwy 1869
- Left onto Hwy 183
- Right onto FM 970 to Andice General Store
- Continue onto FM 970 towards Florence
- Left onto S Patterson Ave.
- Right onto E Main St. (turns into FM 487)
- Continue onto FM 487
- Left onto FM 2843
- Left onto Cedar Valley Rd.
- Right onto Crows Ranch Rd.
- Right onto FM 2484
- Left onto FM 1670 (cross Stillhouse Dam)

Company. The venues have both indoor and outdoor eating/drinking areas. If you are interested in other venues for lunch or drinks, there is the Old Fashion Burgers and Ice Cream place and The Pizza Place on your right (west side of Main St.) as you head towards Chupacabra. Before you head back home or go site seeing around Salado, we hope to get a few group pics of attendees.

See you Thursday!

- Right onto Auction Barn Rd.
- Right onto Loop 121 (cross I-35)
- Right onto Capitol Way then quick Left onto Decker Rd.
- Right onto Elm Grove Rd.
- Left onto Elmer King Rd.
- Right onto Armstrong Rd.
- Right onto Royal St.
- Right onto Blackberry Rd.
- Left onto Grandview Dr.
- Right onto Hester Way
- Left onto Winners Circle Dr. (turns into Smith Bluff Rd.)
- Left onto Chisholm Tr. (runs onto Old Mill Rd.)
- Continue Right on Old Mill Rd.
- Left onto S Ridge Rd. (turns into Mill Creek Dr.)
- Left onto Salado Plaza Dr.
- Left onto N Main St.
- Left into Chupacabra parking along Main St or around back off of Royal St.
- Arrived!



There is a slight change near the end of the route. The map shows you staying on Royal Street but the written directions have you turning right onto Blackberry Road. This alternate route winds through Mill Creek Golf Club and neighborhoods for a more scenic view of parts of Salado. This alternate drive takes approximately ten or so more minutes to complete. Look on our website (hctc.us) for a copy of this and other pages related to the drive to be posted for your convenience.

2022 VTR SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONALS



BOERNE, TX
APRIL 21 - 24, 2022





Texas Triumphs Touring Texas March 5, 2022 Schulenberg, TX



- Join us for a guided tour through a cultural gem in Texas. In the late 1800s and early 1900s, the Czech and German immigrants who settled the Hill Country built a collection of beautiful churches, replicas of the ones they'd left behind in Europe—and today, the painted churches of Texas are some of the most noteworthy attractions in the state. There are more than 20 painted churches in Texas, with many listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Enjoy some delightful country roads we will traverse to reach our destinations.
- We have 4 churches reserved for March 5 for a tour for \$20 incl. tip.
- The plan is to meet at the Chamber of Commerce office 618 N Main St, Schulenberg, TX 78956 at 10AM. Leave the lot for some scenic driving and see 2 churches, lunch stop, more driving to see the last 2.
- Several hotels are available online. Book a hotel room if you need one through <https://www.schulenburgchamber.org/schulenburg>.
- Please RSVP to [Mike McPhail mmcphail@austin.rr.com](mailto:mmcphail@austin.rr.com) by March 3. We will send out an evite for you to confirm your participation.



SCCA Social Road Rally to Texas Tulip Farm on 19 February 2022

The SCCA Lone Star Region would like to invite car enthusiasts to enjoy a trip to the Texas Tulip Farm in LaVernia on 19 Saturday. This Social Road Rally is meant to be a family affair but participants under 18 will need a parental waiver. Any car with a current inspection sticker and current insurance is eligible to participate. Each car must have a driver with a current driver's license and a navigator. The entry fee is only \$30 but includes the entry fee for the driver and navigator the Texas Tulip Farm. Use [MotorSportReg.com](http://msreg.com/TexasTulipsRoadRally) for registration and paying <http://msreg.com/TexasTulipsRoadRally>.

The Rally onsite registration will begin at 1:00 PM in the parking lot of A&E Classic Cars at 6401 IH 35 South in New Braunfels. There will be a safety briefing at 1:45 with cars starting at 2:00. The first part of the route will take everyone to the Texas Tulip Farm in LaVernia. After participants enjoy the colorful tulips, the route will continue to the south of LaVernia. The route will then turn north to Cibolo where a snacks at Harmon's BBQ before voting on awards.

This event will follow COVID protocols and all participants are asked to bring masks and writing pens. Hand sanitizer and a limited number of masks will be available at registration.

Ken McElroy

Rally Organizer

512-695-9410

aggsip@aol.com

Stephanie Nichols' 11th Annual Car & Vintage Plane Show – Georgetown Airport



Stephanie Nichols would like to invite you to come experience the 11th Annual Car & Vintage Plane Show at the Georgetown Airport February 26, 2022! (Rain Date: March 5th)

Pre-Registration is highly recommended for participants in the Car Show. Car Show participants will be allowed into the show to park from 8:30a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Trophy presentation will be at 2:30pm. Trophies are for “Best of Show”, and “TOP 20” which the registered car participants will vote. Some sponsors will also have a “Choice Award” which will be their choice of a vehicle at the show.

Schedule of Events for Family, friends, and spectators will be as follows:

- 1) Spectator entry starts at 10:30 a.m.
- 2) REMAX Skydiving Team will jump between 11:30am.-12pm.
- 3) Devil Dog Squadron will be offering rides for a fee on the B-25. Pre-purchase of a flight(s) available at a discount rate at https://www.devildogsquadron.com/ride_requests/new
- 4) Greatest Generation Aircraft will be offering rides for a fee on the C-47 purchase day of show only.
- 5) Central Texas Wing of the Commemorative Air Force will be offering rides for a fee on a T-6 and a U-3.

The event is family friendly with food available for purchase. Bathrooms will be available.



10th Annual

R.E.A.L WORLD PFLUGERVILLE CAREER CONNECTIONS EVENT



March 3, 2022



Typhoon Texas Waterpark
18500 TX-130 Service Rd
Pflugerville, TX 78660



8:45 AM - 3:30PM



2 WAYS TO REGISTER



[Pflugerville Chamber of Commerce website](#)

Registration Ends
February 25, 2022



Panel Discussion

Topics Discussion:
Digital Footprint,
Apprenticeships, How to Dress
for Success, etc.



Career Exploration

Students will have the
opportunity to learn more about
companies in the area, post-
secondary opportunities and
apprenticeship programs



Employability Workshops

Resume Writing, Interviews and
Student Job Fair

For More Information:
latasha.wilson@pfisd.net
smays@pfchamber.com

Classifieds

We have finished the restoration of the TR3A we have owned for about 44 years. After all those years of gathering parts and parts cars, we now have many parts and pieces left. I am wanting to give these to either an individual or a business that will be able to use them to keep some of these cars going. I don't mind if they are sold by a business or used by an individual - I just want them to be used and not stored in my garage.

I have 2 nose caps, a pair of doors, a boot lid, maybe a convertible top frame and some engine parts.

I live in Lockhart and can deliver the parts.

Bill Duran, 512-227-6067 (cell)

Wanted: TR 6 jack and handle.

Joe Payne 210-326-6673
robjoepayne@yahoo.com

Used and new TR6 parts for sale. For full listing, contact info, and pictures, click [here](#).

I undertake **repairs** to all British and European classic cars. If your car does not start or needs tuning I can perform on any carburetor including Keihin or Mikunis. Call or text Olivio 316 200 3068. Member HCTC and Vintage Triumph Register. Thanks.

Visor assembly with mounts (both sides), ignition switch cover, trunk light, misc. items.

Text Jim @ 254-563-9141

Used seats from a '75 TR6. Headrests are functional and stay up as desired. Asking \$240.00

Text Jim @ 254-563-9141



Assorted 1962 TR4 parts needing a caring home. All parts are for the asking. Located in zip code 78737. If interested please email Bob Blake at rblake36@yahoo.com or call 817 239-0331 and leave a message. Thanks.



Triumph TR6 '69-72 Intake Manifold Stanpart V3108, used, as is. Great condition. Price plus shipping or pick up in central Texas \$110



4 Speed Transmission from 1969 TR6. Approx 80000 miles. Price: \$500 obo. Looks clean and the gears appear in good condition. I can get it inspected by a noted local mechanic at your expense. Sold as-is. Pm me with questions, please. Shipping extra.



TR6 Stanpart Coventry Radiator. Price: \$150 obo. Came out of a 1969 TR6. Replaced when the parts were upgraded. No leaking and holds pressure. Price plus

shipping approx \$60

Many more parts for sale and prices negotiable. See the [catalog PDF](#) or look at <https://www.triumphexp.com/forum/buy-sell-and-trade-forum.5/>

Contact Rip at 512 845 2944 or rtor09@gmail.com



New Spitfire Seat Covers Set for sale. This is a set of brand new seat covers made in England. Color beige Price \$350.00. If you buy a new set it would cost over \$500.00.

Please call or text 316 200 3068.

WANTED: Experienced Mechanic to work on my 1972 TR6 I just purchased. Needs mechanical review and some basic work, including electrical. I no longer have the equipment to do this level of service. Like to have a good review of engine, transmission and rear end. Happy to pay standard rates. 512.461.8065

Why should I join the VTR?



VTR works to maximize the enjoyment all of us have when driving a Triumph and emphasizes camaraderie and social interaction among Triumph owners. As the only North American organization which recognizes each and every Triumph model, we hope you'll want to join us as we strive to achieve these goals.

We also hope you'll attend either the National or regional gatherings of VTR members. These conventions are always fun for attendees, and joining a VTR chapter will introduce you to others in your area who share your passion for Triumphs. Car shows, rallies, autocrosses, tours, vintage racing, and social gatherings are a regular part of the VTR scene. The HCTC is a VTR Chapter, but we urge you to also join the VTR as an individual.

Won't you join us? <https://vintagetriumphregister.org/>

Your dues provide the following:

- our award winning, bi-monthly, color-cover magazine, The Vintage Triumph
- free classified advertising in the magazine
- technical assistance from our vehicle consultants
- VTR membership card and windshield decal

Hill Country Triumph Club Advertising Rates

Member ads for Triumph cars or parts are free and will run for two issues. These ads may be renewed as necessary two times, for a total of six issues.

Ads or flyers for other club's events are free and will run for two issues.

Ads for commercial items or services will be charged the following rates:

Business Card ad: \$5:00 per issue

Quarter page ad: \$10.00 per issue

Half page ad: \$15.00 per issue

Full-page ad: \$25.00 per issue

These ads must be prepaid and can be scheduled for as long as desired, minimum of six issues. Long term ad runs must be prepaid at the time of scheduling. All ads must include artwork.

Artwork should be submitted to Dan Julien at dan.julien@gmail.com

Fees should be sent to:

HILL COUNTRY TRIUMPH CLUB

Attn: Mike Schubert

18340 Masi Loop

Pflugerville, TX 78660



Enjoy your TR more!

ENJOY A TRA MEMBERSHIP:

- 4 National newsletters per year
- Annual National Meet
- Website (password protected areas for members)
- Concours judging standards
- Factory build records
- Technical support
- Contact information
- Shutterfly National Meet website



Join TRA Today!
www.TriumphRegister.com

Pay Your Dues!!!!!!!

Please check the latest spreadsheet sent out by Nel. If it says Jan-22 in the dues column your dues are overdue now. Any delinquent member who hasn't paid will be dropped from the roster.

Cost is \$15 per year per family. If you don't wish to renew, please notify Nel.

Mail your check (payable to **Hill Country Triumph Club** or **HCTC**) to:

Nel McPhail
1105 N Canyonwood Dr
Dripping Springs, TX 78620
(512) 656-1456
nmcphail@austin.rr.com

Membership Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Car Make: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____ Color: _____

Car Make: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____ Color: _____

How on earth did you hear about the Hill Country Triumph Club?



Please mail your application and \$15 check payable to HCTC to:
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- The Vintage Triumph Magazine – Our award-winning bi-monthly color publication
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- Website with reference material and members-only sections
- Record Trace Certificates TR2/TR3/TR3A/TR3B. Factory trace documents on other Triumph models no longer available
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The Hill Country Triumph Club, the 50th Chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register (VTR), was founded in 1990 to bring together the owners of Triumph automobiles in the Central Texas area surrounding Austin. In 1991, the membership decided to include other British car fans as associates due to lack of other clubs in our area that represent some of the other marques. As owners and lovers of our unique types of cars, we have a special kinship, which draws us together. Membership is open to anyone who is a British car enthusiast, with or without a car.

Annual dues are just \$15.00 per family group or address per year. We have dinner meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, breakfast meetings on the 2nd Saturday, and at least one other event each month. We encourage you to join and support us, even if you don't drive your car regularly. We also offer technical assistance if needed. One goal of the club is to help its members keep their cars on the road. Please call one of the club officers listed in the newsletter for more information about club benefits and spread the word about our club to others.

The Hill Country Club is a local chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register (VTR)/Triumph Sports Owners Association, which is open to all drivers of Triumph motorcars; a chapter of the Triumph Register of America, exclusively for TR2 through TR4A sports cars; and a chapter of the 6-PACK, dedicated to the enjoyment, preservation, and restoration of the Triumph TR250 and TR6 sports cars. Membership in these national organizations is encouraged. Visit their websites at www.vtr.org, triumphregister.com, and 6-pack.org.

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Upcoming Events

Feb 8, 2022 — **HCTC Tuesday Social Meeting**, 7 pm, Pok-e-Jo's at Brodie Oaks.

Feb 10, 2022 — **Drive Your Triumph Day**. See p. 13 for HCTC drive details.

Feb 12, 2022 — **HCTC Morning Meeting**, 10 am, Waterloo Ice House on 360.

Feb 19, 2022 — **SCCA Tulip Farm Rally**, see p. 18 for details.

Feb 26, 2022 — **Stephanie Nichols Car & Vintage Plane Show**, Georgetown, see p. 19 for details.

Mar 5, 2022 — **Painted Churches Tour**. See p. 17 for details.

Mar 8, 2022 — **HCTC Tuesday Social Meeting**, 7 pm, location TBD.

Mar 12, 2022 — **HCTC Morning Meeting**, 10 am, Waterloo Ice House on 360, followed by drive to Texas Military Forces Mu-

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Mar 26, 2022 — **MG Club Drive**.

Apr 22-24, 2022 — **VTR Regionals**, Boerne, TX. Info [here](#).

Aug 29-Sep 1, 2022 — **VTR Nationals**, Galena, IL. Info [here](#).

Sep 8-10, 2022 — **Triumphest**, San Diego, CA. Info [here](#).

Last Sunday of every month — **Cars & Coffee**. Dreamland Dripping Springs 2770 W Hwy 290 Dripping Springs, TX 78620

Third Saturday of every month — **Pistons on the Square**. 8-10 AM on the Courthouse Square, Georgetown, TX.

Club Meetings

Next Breakfast Meeting:

Saturday, Feb 12, 2022, 10:00 AM

Waterloo Ice House
6203 N Capital of Texas Hwy
Austin, TX 78731
NE corner of Lp 360 & RM 2222
waterloohouse.com
Phone: 512-478-9700

Next Evening Social Meeting:

Tuesday, Feb 8, 2022, 7:00 PM

Pok-e-Jo's Barbecue
Brodie Oaks Shopping Center
4109 S Capitol of Texas Hwy
Austin, TX 78704
(512) 440-0447

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