

AUGUST, 1986

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AUGUST 11, 1986

7:00 P.M.
PANCHO'S RESTAURANT, Cloverleaf Shopping Center at Summer Ave. & 1-240

The Jaguar Marque will provide this month's program. We will have a guest speaker from Interstate Batteries. This is the company that sponsors the GREAT AMERICAN CAR RACE for antique automobiles.

Many thanks to Dan Sheppard for last month's view of The Variety Club's charaties. Now we all know where our hard-earned raffle money is going. It is a worthwhile project and hopefully we will meet our goal.

Do make every effort to attend this meeting and enjoy the friendship and get the latest report on the Carfest. Also, drive that British car!

IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE CLUB - say the last three months-PLEASE ASK FOR A NAME TAG.

CARFEST: The MG has traveled to different functions recently and with the help of volunteers earned a few hundred dollars. However, we are far from our goal. If you have not picked up your share of raffle tickets, please see George Callow at the meeting, or any officer.

JAGUAR MARQUE PARTY: About thirty members enjoyed last Saturday's cookout. It was nice to see so many member's cars in one spot. Several youngsters enjoyed swimming and all of us enjoyed the visiting and food.

JACKSON, MS., BRITISH CAR DAY: September 6 is the date for this annual event. Last year Memphis had good representation and a jim dandy of a trip. Plans are to leave on Friday the fifth. So, if you would like to go contact Nina McQuirter at 346-7923 for information.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN: 10th Annual MG Summer Party, August 22,23 & 24. Details on this event were in last month's newsletter.

Stromberg Carburators - reasonably priced Will fit TR4. Contact Brian Smith of Jonesboro at 501-932-2329. WANTS & GOTS: FOR SALE:

FROM: Triumph Club of the Carolinas, Charlotte, NC

## EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

South Central British Car Gathering, October 17-18 at Sheraton Airport Plaza; I-85 and Billy Graham Parkway; Charlotte, North Carolina. registration/visitor and vendor information available from Triumph Club of the Carolinas, c/o Walt Newman; 6600 Windyrush Road; Charlotte, NC 28226, on Monday or Friday 704-542-3000; or Pete Hubicki, Club president, 704-525-1000, days. Events include rallys, concours, auctions, technical sessions, and award banquet. THIS IS EXPECTED TO BE THE LARGEST SHOW OF ITS TYPE IN THE SOUTHEAST U.S.

## WHAT'S YOUR TRIUMPH WORTH?

Adapted by Craig Herman

June 1986

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I constantly receive calls from Triumph owners who want to know the value of their cars. Because of this, I subscribe to a publication that provides me with current data on all makes of automobiles. This book is compiled by the OLD CARS WEEKLY publishers, and comes out 6 times a year.

If you wish to subscribe to this publication, write to: OLD CARS PRICE GUIDE, Krause Publications, 700 East State Street, Iola, Wisconsin 54945. 1 year \$11.95, 2 years \$22, & 3 years \$31.50. I can't recommend this book highly enough! It's great, and you'll enjoy all of the other listings. They also publish a weekly newspaper called OLD CARS WEEKLY, a very fine publication.

The following is the latest from their spring price guide for Triumph. Please note the numbers #1 thru #5. These are condition classes of the car:

#1...EXCELLENT: Restored to current maximum professional standards of quality in all areas; or perfect orig-inal with components operating and appearing as new.

#2...FINE: Well-restored; tion of superior restoration and ex-cellent original; an an extremely well maintained original showing very mini-

#3...VERY GOOD: Completely operable original, or older restoration showing wear; or amatuer restoration; all presentable and serviceable inside and out. Also, combinations of well-done restoration and good operable components; or partially restored car with all the parts necessary to complete/or valuable New Old Stock (NOS) parts. #3...VERY GOOD: Completely operable

#4...GOOD: A driveable vehicle needing no or only minor work to be functional; or a deteriorated restoration; or a very poor amatuer restoration. All components may need restoration to be Excellent, but mostly useable "as is".

.RESTORABLE: Needs complete restoration of body, chassis and interior parts. Not driveable, but is not weathered, wrecked or stripped to the point of being useful only for parts parts. Not weathered, salvage.

4 CYL, 105 HP, 88" WHEELBASE

#5	#4	#3	#2	#1
1200	2400	4000	5600	8000
1965 TR	_1.			

4 CYL, 105 HP, 88" WHEELBASE -

#5	#4	#3	#2	#1
1200	2460	4100	5700	8200

1965 SPITFIRE MARK II: 4 CYL, 100 HP, 83" WHEELBASE

#5	#4	#3	#2	#1
850	1700	2850	4000	5700

1966 ----> 1967 TR-4:

4 CYL, 105 HP, 88" WHEELBASE

#5	#4	#3	#2	#1
1250	2520	4200	5850	8400

1966 SPITFIRE MARK II: 4 CYL, 100 HP, 83" WHEELBASE

#5 #4 #3 #2 #1 1800 900 3000 4200 6000

1967 SPITFIRE MARK II: 4 CYL, 68 HP, 83" WHEELBASE

<b>\$</b> 5	#4	#3	#2	#1
750	1500	2500	3500	5000

1967 marks the end to the price guide. Hopefully, future editions will expand the years covered to include the TR-

The prices that are listed have been compiled from public auctions held all across the United States, and consequently reflect an "average" selling price. Some areas will command higher prices, and others much lower.

For a little bit better guideline, add \$100-\$200 if the Triumph has a hard top included. Also, I have found that these numbers tend to be low for the Bay Area by a few hundred dollars in the condition 1 and 2 categories. However, if you want a fast sale, these prices are very fair. Most Triumphs I see tend to be class \$3 and \$4 in the Bay Area. Bay Area.

The biggest problem you will encounter in your dealing with the selling party is most everyone feels their Triumph should be rated higher (condition of car) than by the book. Additionally, most people have a lot of time and money invested and they want that outlay back...this will be the biggest stumbling block and the area where most negotiation will take place.

An observation I have made over the last year is that the Triumphs in the condition class codes of 3, 4 and 5 have been stable in price. But, those Triumphs in condition 2 and 1 have in-creased in value by 1000-2000 dollars.

Enjoy:

1953 TR	2.	Q.			
4 CYL,	90 HP,	88" WHEEL	BASE		
#5	#4	#3	#2		#1
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1954 TR	-2:				
4 CYL,	90 HP,	88" WHEEL	BASE		
#5	#4	#3	#2	4	#1
1200	2400	4000	5600		8000
1955 TR	-2:				
4 CYL,	90 HP,	88" WHEEL	BASE		
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4	CYL,	90	HP,	88"	WHEEL	BASE	
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4 CYL, 95 HP, 88" WHEELBASE

#5	#4	#3	#2	#1
1300	2550	4250	5900	8500

1956 TR-3:

4 CYL, 95 HP, 88" WHEELBASE

#5	#4	#3	#2	#1
1300	2550	4250	5900	8500

1956 ----> 1961 TR-3: 4 CYL, 100 HP, 88" WHEELBASE #3 #2

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1300	2550	4250	5900	8500
1962 TF 4 CYL,		88" WHEE	LBASE	
#5	#4	#3	#2	#1
1300	2650	4350	6050	8700
1962 TF	R-4:	BOMLIGHE	A THE	

4 CYL. 105 HP. 88" WHEELBASE

#5	#4	#3	#2	#1
1150	2310	3850	5400	7700

1962 ----> 1963 SPITFIRE: 4 CYL, 100 HP, 83" WHEELBASE

#5	#4	#3	#2	#1
750	1500	2500	3500	5000

1963 TR-3:

4 CYL,	TAP HE'	88. MHER	ELBASE	
#5	#4	#3	#2	#1
1300	2650	4350	6050	8700

1963 TR-4:

4 CYL, 105 HP, 88" WHEELBASE

#5	#4	#3	#2	#1
1140	2280	3800	5300	7600

1963 ---> 1965 SPITFIRE: 6 CYL, 70 HP, 83" WHEELBASE

#2 #3

## CONGRATULATIONS!!

Thom Anderson and former club member Matt Wesson drove Thom's 1962 Austin Healey 3000 MK II to Cincinnati, Ohio last month for the Annual Austin Healey Conclave, a national event. Donald Healey, father of all those cars, was the special guest. He's in failing health and is in his 80's. His presence made this year's Conclave a memorable one.

Thom and Matt made the trip with no car trouble, but chose to return at night to beat the heat. Thom's car won 5th place in the popularity judging.

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## BRITISH CARANOIA SELF-EXAMINATION TEST

- 1. Did you buy a British Car because you thought it would improve your social life? b.no c.partially a.yes
- b.no 2. Do you visit your mechanic more than once a week? a.yes
- Do you wear more than one piece of clothing with the name or logo of your marque on it? c.sometimes b.no a.yes
- 4. While driving your British Car do you ignore the stares and gawks of other people? c.sometimes b.no a.yes
- Do you go crazy when a gas station attendant sits on your car while filling your tank? 5. c.sometimes b.no a.yes
- c.sometimes 6. Do you ever <u>let</u> a gas station attendant fill your tank? a.no b.yes
- c.sometimes Do you ever let <u>anyone else</u> drive your British Car? a.no b.yes
- Have you had more than 3 speeding tickets this year? This does not apply to Triumph c.can't remember b.no 2000's! a.yes
- Do you find yourself rationalizing to others your reasons for owning a British Car? c.occasionally a.yes b.no
- c.sometimes 10. Do you take up two parking spaces? a.yes b.no
- How many times a week do you wash and clean your British Car? 11. b.once c.twice a.3 or more
- How many hours does it take for you to wash and clean your British Car? 12.
- a.3 or more b.2 hours c.15 minutes How often do you check yourself out in large store windows while driving your British 13. c.never b.occasionally Car? a.all the time
- Do you know the difference between an MG, Triumph, Austin Healey, Jaguar and a Lotus? 14. c.almost b.no a.yes
- 15. Do you ever lose sleep worrying about your British Car? a.yes b.no c.sometimes
- 16. Have you ever been in a Rolls Royce? a.yes b.no c.what's that
- Do you get upset when you blink your lights at another British Car driver and get no 17. c.sometimes response? a.yes b.no
- b.no c.what's that 18. Do you have an analyst? a.yes
- Can you really enjoy a fine meal knowing your British Car is outside in the parking lot? 19. c.sometimes b.yes a.no
- c.sometimes 20. Are you afraid to take a long trip in your British Car? a.yes b.no
- Do you know what country and where in that country your car was made? c.it was rebuilt in America b.no a.yes
- c.sometimes 22. Do you drive your British Car when it rains? a.no b.yes
- Did you vote for Ronald Reagan? a.yes b.no c.who?
- b.no c.occasionally 24. Do you feel threatened by large trucks and Cadillacs? a.yes
- Are you easily intimidated by Ferrari owners? a.no b.yes c.occasionally
- How to Figure / A answers = 4 points-B answers = 2 points-C answers = 3 points 50-65 points - You are a British Car illiterate and shouldn't be allowed anywhere near a
- British Car, let alone inside of one.
- 66-80 points You are showing definite signs of weakness. This being the primary stage, it's not too late to put a stop to your possession. Start by going roller skating on weekends instead of washing your car and seek professional help.

  81-95 points - You have a severe case of British Caranoia and there's little you can do by
- yourself. Start to say good-bye to your family. Your car has become an extension of your inner self. Increase the intervals between your counseling sessions.
- 96-100 points You are at the extremely dangerous and critical level. Sell your British Car and buy a Ford or Chevy and check into the qualified BRITISH CARANOIA clinic located in your neighborhood.

WE'LL COMPARE SCORES AT THE AUGUST MEETING

IF YOU DON"T HAVE YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS FOR THE MGB RAFFLE CAR SEE GEORGE CALLOW AT THE MEETING MONDAY NIGHT

SEE YOU THERE!!!

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