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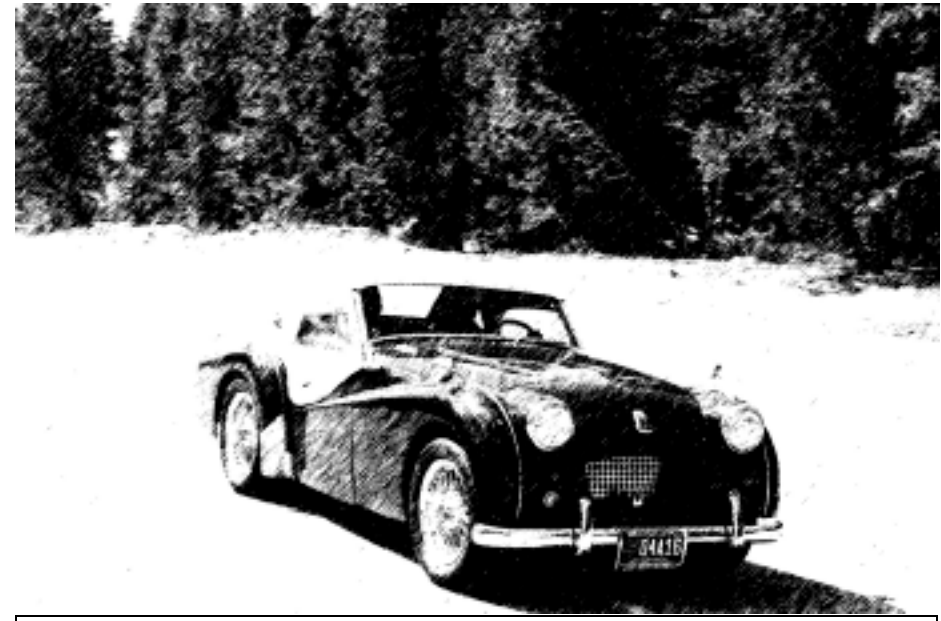


## Rocky Mountain Triumph Club



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*Tom & Dorthy High's stunning 1954 TR2 on a drive (rendered as a graphic pen drawing, courtesy of MS Photo Editor). See another photo on page 3.*

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The RMTC is an organization devoted to the use, preservation and enjoyment of Triumph automobiles; it is a chapter of the *Vintage Triumph Register*. We have active members as close as in and around the Rocky Mountain region, to as far as England! Each membership is a "family" membership and children are welcome additions to club activities.

Regularly scheduled dinner meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month (except for January, June and December). These meetings start with dinner at 6:00PM, with business beginning at 7:00PM. They typically conclude prior to 9:00 PM. **Our current meeting place is Piccolo's at 3563 S. Monaco Parkway.**

**Send Newsletter Material** to Eric Conrad via e-mail conrade2@msn.com, or telephone 303-663-4230. Deadline is usually the Wednesday evening following the monthly meeting. I will accept digital photos in \*.jpg

format with the ideal resolution no more than 100 dpi with files no larger than 200-300k per photo.

An e-mail version of our newsletter is available—it's in full color and you get it about one week before the paper copy (use Adobe Acrobat to read and print it; it can be downloaded free from [www.Adobe.com/products/acrobat/readermain.html](http://www.Adobe.com/products/acrobat/readermain.html)). Let Eric know if you would like to be on this list; it saves the club about \$12/year if you don't want the paper copy.

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**New memberships** (and renewals) are always welcome; contact Marietta Coon. She can also tell you of changes of address or telephone numbers for members.

and loving home! Pimento Red w/ Black Interior, OD, new red-liners, garaged, "factory correct", all new interior & soft top, 76K miles, \$10,000 firm. Contact Ben Snyder at H(303)973-8323 or W(303)730-7999.

**FOR SALE:** TR6 Tonneau Cover, NIB, \$100. Chip Burkett, 303-438-9348

**FOR SALE:** J-Type Overdrive out of a good running 1978 Spitfire, before it was converted to an SCCA race-car in California. I'm asking \$750 OBO. Notify Kevin St. James at 719-548-8761 or kmstjames@msn.com

**FOR SALE:** TR-6 hard top for sale, it's in good shape, interior needs

work but outside is in good shape. Asking 500.00. Can call in the evening at 605-347-6543

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**FOR SALE:** 1979 Spitfire.... Brooklands Green. 89k original miles, NO rust, great paint. Interior is like new. Softop in great shape, engine very strong, and tires good. Buy this car, and head straight for the hills, no work needed. Asking \$3,900...its worth every penny. Harry Cornelius...303 840-2504

**RMTC Membership and Renewal Application**

Dues are \$30 per year per family—Send application and check to Rocky Mountain Triumph Club—PO Box 300426—Denver, CO 80203

Names \_\_\_\_\_  
(include all family members)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Triumph Motor Car(s):  
Year, Model \_\_\_\_\_

I was encouraged to join the club by: \_\_\_\_\_

(Board Minutes continued from page 17)

out that the newsletter and roster costs 15-\$20/member per year. Prior to publishing the 2003 roster we will consider including the roster in the newsletter rather than issue it in booklet form.

The June General Meeting, as has been the custom, will take place at the picnic.

The RMTC by-laws require that any dues increase be considered at the

first Board Meeting of the year. For this reason, it was decided to defer a decision on whether to join the Old Car Council until the first meeting of next year.

Marietta has taken care of registration forms and placards. We will have to work out the detailed assignments at the show. Cones are needed for the show. They will have to be picked up at the High's.

Gordon adjourned the meeting at 8:28 PM.

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**FOR SALE:** Brand new stainless steel dual pipe exhaust system for 1972/73 Triumph TR6. This is the complete system, head pipe through muffler. Roadster Factory part numbers are; FSTH 47/76/77/74/74/102. The Moss Motors list price is \$289.95. I will sell for \$225.00 with no shipping, handling or tax and will deliver to RMTC monthly meeting. Call or E-mail, Dave Farrell - 719-487-8413 or defarrellsr@aol.com.

**FOR SALE:** 1972 TR6-Very clean, original owner looking for a qualified buyer to give this great car a new

## PRIME TIME

Mike Cline — Prime Minister

Due to the short timeframe for this newsletter, I went to press without allowing Mike enough time to write his monthly letter. Please expect his comments next month in the Prime Time section.



Tom & Dorothy High's beautiful 1954 TR2. This picture is worth a thousand words!!!

### The Vintage Triumph Register (VTR)



Members are encouraged to join this national Triumph organization. VTR member benefits include:

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Make checks payable to VTR. Send complete address and the year, model, commission number and condition (original, maintained, restored being restored, parts car) of your Triumph(s).

## EDITOR'S CORNER

*Eric Conrad — Newsletter Editor*

Timing is everything — for our cars and for this newsletter. We have a great many events occurring within a couple weeks of the newsletter's publication date, so I went to press without all event pictures from the Spring Car Show. Pictures are worth a thousand words; they help us all enjoy the occasion, whether we attended or not. Don't despair, expect them in the July issue, along with a list of award winners from the show.

As I said, timing is also everything for our cars, too. With so many events on the horizon, I'm checking my car for fitness. Unfortunately, I found a fluid leak from my brake master cylinder the evening after the Spring Car Show — and no, I didn't change to silicone after the rebuild. What a mess of a new paint job. Luckily, the problem is contained, and can be resprayed easily after repair.

From another mishap front, (and I hope he is not offended by my sharing this information), I wish to offer my condolences to Terry Hughes and his TR7. The story goes that while driving home after the Spring Car Show on Saturday, the TR7's cooling system failed and melted his number one piston. Terry, we all feel awful, and I'm sure we will all offer any help that we can provide. Good luck on a quick rebuild so the TR7 can join us at other events this summer.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

*Bob Becwar — Treasurer*

4/30/02 Checkbook Balance: \$2,458.03 (Last year (4/30/01) \$1,215.36)

	April		Year to Date	
	2002	2001	2002	2001
<b>Income</b>	\$ 330.00	\$ 345.00	\$ 3003.00	\$ 3,728.00
<b>Expenditures</b>	<u>635.86</u>	<u>811.94</u>	<u>5002.34</u>	<u>3,998.14</u>
<b>Gain / (Loss)</b>	(\$ 305.86)	(\$ 466.94)	(\$1,999.34)	(\$ 270.14)

Major Monthly Income Items (April):

Dues \$ 300.00  
Raffle 30.00  
\$ 330.00

Major Monthly Expense Items (April):

Video Tapes \$ 5.88  
Newsletter 152.79  
Spring Car Show 400.00  
Stamps 68.00  
Envelopes 6.69  
Bank Charges 2.50  
\$ 635.86

## BOARD MINUTES

**Board Meeting** at Piccolo's May 6, 2002. Submitted by Marty Cohen, Secretary

Present were Marietta Coon, Gordon Kenney, Bob Becwar, Dorothy High (for Tom High), Marty Cohen, and Eric Conrad.

Gordon called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Gordon informed us that Harry Cornelius's mother had died and he sent Harry a sympathy card on behalf of the Club. He received one of the club's cabanas from Neil. The minutes of the April Board Meeting were approved as published. Starting in May, Marty will send out Board Minutes for comments and approval prior to publishing them in the newsletter. In Marty's absence, Gordon will record the minutes for the May General meeting.

Bob reported that the 4/30/02 checkbook balance was \$2,458.03. The cost to the Club of the January Banquet was discussed. Because income was insufficient to cover costs, the cost to the club was about \$17 per attendee. This has been a recurring problem and indicates a need to prepare a budget for major events. The decision was made to have the responsible committee submit a preliminary budget to the Board three board meetings prior to the event with the final budget submitted at the board meeting prior to the event. We need clarification from Kevin on the status RMTM mugs left over from the banquet. We are required to send

the prior insurance policy marked "cancelled" to Gordon Mallory. Bob will contact Mike Cline, who has the policy.

Marietta reported that we now have 174 members. She also informed us that nametag costs are now \$5.25 each and recommended we charge \$6.50 each to cover postage and packaging. The proposal was approved. Marietta said that she had calls from several members asking for the details of the May Gaggle and suggested that events be listed in the Newsletter two months prior to the event. This was agreed to. She also does not believe that Membership should be responsible for Car Show Registration and other duties. We agreed that the Car Show Committee Members each year should be responsible for assigning responsibilities.

Eric has solicited feedback on the Newsletter format. Comments have been generally favorable, but that the Newsletter is difficult to read on the web. This will be looked into. Gordon expressed interest in retaining the technical article section. Eric also said that in an effort to reduce costs, he would eliminate four pages (one sheet) in the next issue. Also, he will, in so far as possible, eliminate mailing hard copy to clubs and others and will rely on e-mail where appropriate. He and Marietta will pare down the number of printed copies.

There was a general discussion of costs and budgeting. Dorothy pointed

**Other upcoming events include:**

May 25 - June 2, 2002	BRITISH CAR WEEK	(Drive them everywhere!)
Monday, June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Board Meeting	Piccolos
Monday, July 1 <sup>st</sup>	Board Meeting	Piccolos
Tuesday, July 16 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting	Piccolos
July 16 - 19, 2002	VTR NATIONAL CONVENTION (www.vtr2002.org)	Red Wing, Minnesota
Sunday, August 11 <sup>th</sup>	HIGHLANDS GAMES	Highlands Ranch, CO
Saturday, August 17 <sup>th</sup>	MOONLIGHT DRIVE	Shirley & Gordon Kenney's home.
September	COLORADO ENGLISH MOTORING CONCLAVE	Memorial Park in Arvada
October 17 - 20, 2002	TRIUMPHEST 2002 (http://www.dctra.org/2002)	The River Palms Resort & Casino in Laughlin, NV

**MEMBERSHIP**

*Marietta Coon — Minister of Membership*

Club Membership is at 178 family members. Please be sure to welcome our newest members from the past couple months. Look for them at upcoming events.

**April New Members:**

Scott Keller	Wheat Ridge	73 TR6
Ralph Pollio	Thornton	68 Spitfire

**May New Members:**

Larry & Gwen Stein referred by Kevin St James	Colo Springs	72 GT6
Jim & Marybeth Mc Elroy	Colo Springs	73 TR6
Joseph & Peggy Mc Kee	Colo Springs	
Bill & Nani Aspinwall referred by Sharon Haas	Colo Springs	76 TR6
Steven & Pam Newell referred by Eric Conrad	Littleton	62 TR4

**PRESS RELEASE  
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Oldest U.S. Car Rally  
50<sup>th</sup> Annual Rallye Glenwood Springs**



Plans are finalizing for this year's 50<sup>th</sup> running of the MG Car Club Rocky Mountain Center's Rallye Glenwood Springs. This year's event promises to be the biggest and best ever.

For fifty years vintage and classic cars throughout the Rocky Mountain region have shared the road with their newer counterparts for a weekend of fun and octane related festivities.

The three day event begins on Friday with a Tour, involving all participants, from Denver to Glenwood Springs, Colorado. Saturday's main event is the 50<sup>th</sup> Rallye Glenwood Springs, a time, speed, distance event to challenge the novice as well as the experienced rallyist.

Our guest speaker at the banquet on Saturday night is Sam Arnold. Sam's ad agency handled the British Leyland Car account in the 60's and 70's and has history rich with sports cars in the Rocky Mountain region.

The weekend culminates with the Car Show and Funkhana on Sunday morning. The event is a marvelous opportunity for car enthusiasts of every marque to join together for a weekend of unique events as well as some of the most breathtaking scenery in America.

The M G Car Club, Rocky Mountain Centre, has sponsored the event for the past 50 years. This hardy group of sports car enthusiasts discovered the joys of top down motoring when M G's had running boards! It's still not too late to register for what promises to be a once in a lifetime experience.

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The event takes place June 7 to 9, 2002. Friday: Denver to Glenwood Springs, Colorado. Saturday and Sunday: Glenwood Springs, Colorado. Additional information is available on the M G Car Club, Rocky Mountain Centre website, [www.mgcc.org](http://www.mgcc.org). You can also contact the Chairmen Alan Magnuson, 303-400-8076, or Wade Tucker, 303-948-3924.



## RECENT EVENTS

### RUN TO CRIPPLE CREEK

May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2002

*By Kevin St. James*

We started the day off meeting in Morrison at the Red Rocks Grill for breakfast. We met up with Scott Keller in his TR-6, Bob Gloyd on his maiden voyage in his newly restored TR-6, Mark Norby and his girlfriend in his Spitfire, Kevin and Debbie St. James in their supercharged 1147cc Spitfire, Andy and Betty DeVisscher, and Shannon and Greg Rash.

After a good breakfast we headed out through Conifer, Pine, Buffalo Creek, Deckers, Woodland Park, Divide and then into Cripple Creek. It was a bright sun filled day and we all enjoyed the roads that wound around, up and down through the pine forests. We were treated to free parking courtesy of the Bronco Billy Casino located right on Main Street. It was off to the casino where we received our coupon book with coupons for \$5 in free coins. We played on the slot machines for a while then went up and enjoyed a delicious lunch in the steak house. Bob Gloyd was the big winner with our club raffle as well as the slot machine.

It was great to see Betty DeVisscher on an outing again. Betty was a bit winded and tired but she's getting stronger everyday.

Our thanks to Karen O'Neill Earley the President of the Cripple Creek Casino Association and the great people at Bronco Billy's Casino for treating us to free parking and money to put in the slots. If there is enough interest we can do this event again.

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### SPRING TUNE-UP SESSION

May 11<sup>th</sup>

*By Gordon Kenney*

Sixteen Triumphs and more than 20 people participated in this annual event which was held at the Kenney's home in Foxfield. Although there was a lot

just east of I-25. You will need to be there at 7:30 a.m. and you will head out at 7:45 to meet up with the Colorado Springs group at the tollgate for the Pike's Peak Highway.

The Colorado Springs group will meet at the Tollgate at 9 a.m. and wait for the Denver group.

Once into Colorado Springs you exit I-25 at the Cimmaron, Highway 24-exit and head left at the bottom of the off ramp. You will be on Hwy 24 heading west up Ute Pass. Follow the signs to the Pike's Peak tollgate and meet up with the rest of the group at 9-9:30 a.m. We do this drive early because of the chance of an afternoon thunderstorm. For anyone that has been on the summit of a 14,000-foot peak when a storm rolls over you know what I mean. There is a per-person cost to take the toll road to the top, as this is going to press we have not secured a discounted price for our group. It will be less than the normal \$10 fee; the exact amount will be in the July newsletter for you.

### Saturday, July 20th: Annual Roadside Clean-up, Rollinsville, CO

Our annual highway cleanup and lunch run will be held on Sunday, July 21. Let's meet in the RTD parking lot at 6<sup>th</sup> and Simms at 8:45 with a planned departure for 9:00am **sharp**. We will then proceed to perform "our civic duty" just south of Rollinsville before cruising down to Boulder for lunch at one of the more popular brewpubs, this time the Oasis. Maps and directions will be provided. This is a fun event, and while trash picking may not be everyone's delight, there are often surprising items to be found beside the road. 'Nuf said. Hope to see you there. Please RSVP to Rod Tomkins at 303-814-0339 before July 18 so appropriate seating can be arranged.

### Friday, July 26th—Sunday, July 28: Men's Run to Durango, Durango, CO

The date is set for the Men's Run. Details are still in the works. Please call either Kevin St. James at 719-548-8761 or Rod Tomkins at 303-814-0339 for more information.

### Saturday, August 3<sup>RD</sup>: Cookout and Drive to "The Royal Gorge Bridge", Canon City, CO

This is an outing that we haven't done for a while and have been getting a lot of requests for. Brooks Turner will lead us down through Colorado Springs, Penrose, and into Canon City. Brooks' mom and dad host the club at their home in Canon City to a dynamite cookout. So after we have had a great meal we all head off on Hwy 50 to the Royal Gorge Bridge, the highest suspension bridge in the USA. We usually enter from the back entrance to the gorge and take the bridge over to where all the shops are located. There will be more details as the event draws closer.

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recreation centers. Car clubs are welcome. For information about registering your car, please call 303-471-8828. The Recreation Center at Eastbridge's address is: 9568 South University Blvd, Highlands Ranch, CO 80126 Entry fee is \$5.00 per car

**Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup>: LeMans report from Steve Knight, Piccolos Restaurant, Denver, CO**

The 24th of June in the evening at Piccolo's is a joint get together with the RMTCC and the MG Club. Steve Knight who is racing his Lola MG at LeMans the first of the month will be the guest speaker. Mike Cline is the contact for this at 303-683-7057.

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Sturgis Meet – Sturgis, South Dakota**

The Trumpe's are hosting a gathering over Independence Day in Sturgis, South Dakota. Plan on beginning the drive from Colorado on either Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> or Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup>. Group will tour Wonderland cave and have a backyard social on the Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>. Saturday the group will tour to Needles Highway; Iron Mountain Road; Custer State Park; Keystone; Mt. Rushmore. Plan on heading home on Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup>.

The meets have usually been informal with lots of optional touring opportunities and friendly people. Other opportunities can be viewing car collections; "talking shop"; cobra rides; .... John's work telephone number is 605-347-3811. Give him a call to "get the scoop". Hotels in the area include: Old Stone House B&B (605) 347-3007; Super 8 Motel (605) 347-4447; Best Western (605) 347-2376; and Days Inn (605) 347-3027.

**Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup>: PIKE'S PEAK OR BUST?, Colorado Springs, CO**

This trip up the mountain is one of the most breath taking drives you will ever take. The road up the mountain is at it's best after the annual "Race To The Clouds" up Pike's Peak. It's wide, very safe, and has awesome views around every turn. Once at the summit, 14,110 feet, you can stand at the compass points and see New Mexico to the south, Denver to the north, Garden of the Gods, Colorado Springs, and Kansas to the east, and the Continental Divide and beyond to the west. There can be a 30-40 degree temperature difference from the tollgate to the summit so bring a jacket, hat, camera, and drinking water.

When we make the trip down the mountain, we will head to the Phantom Canyon Brewery in Colorado Springs for lunch and libations.

The Denver group will meet in the Target parking lot. Target is located behind the Gunther Toody's parking lot on the north side of Arapahoe Road

of socializing (and donut eating) there was also considerable amount of work done on the cars.

Compression tests were used to determine if a rebuilt was necessary and also just to evaluate the overall engine condition. The club's newly purchased exhaust gas analyzer got a heavy workout in getting cars ready for emission testing and for close adjustment of carburetors. Electrical problems were addressed on several cars and a lot of advice was freely given (do you suppose it was only worth what it cost?). Joe McKee came in his newly purchased TR-6 and joined the club on the spot.



Marty demonstrates that TR6 maintenance and starched shirts DO go together.

Our able PM, Mike Cline, had a special treat for us in that he arranged for Steve Knight of Knight-Hawk racing team to come by and spend some time with us. Steve lives in Castle Rock but spends most of his time in various parts of the world as a professional racer. Of particular interest is that Steve will be driving the MG sponsored Lola in this years La-

Mans 24 hour race. Most of the group then motored to a nearby Sonic drive in for lunch and we sat around the table and talked racing stories with Steve and others.



Steve Knight (center front) is surrounded by Tune-up Tech session attendees. Triumphs in the background, but to many's dismay, Steve's MG didn't attend!

Our able PM, Mike Cline, had a special treat for us in that he arranged for Steve Knight of Knight-Hawk racing team to come by and spend some time with us. Steve lives in Castle Rock but spends most of his time in various parts of the world as a professional racer. Of particular interest is that Steve will be driving the MG sponsored Lola in this years La-



Dave shows off his GT6.

## SPRING CAR SHOW

May 18th

By Eric Conrad.

What a wonderful day for a Spring Car Show in Castle Rock! Forty-six cars entered the show, including a Morgan, a couple TVRs and a Jaguar E-type. Other Triumphs that we don't often see the likes of also joined us. They included a Stag and a Herald Sports Six.

We had a very nice location in Castle Rock with two separate parking lots bordering grassy areas with shade trees. Many spectators joined us to ask about our cars and share their own memories of seeing them many years ago. The fact that our location bordered several restaurants likely helped with foot traffic; many of us patronized these same restaurants for lunch or an early dinner.

Cars were judged by club members who compared the state of each car for aesthetics, cleanliness, and soundness. All entered cars will receive either a Bronze, Silver or Gold award. Gordon Kenney will be designing the award certificates — he expects to include pictures of each car and its owner on the certificate. Look forward to receiving your awards at the Father's Day Picnic on June 16th at the Black Forest Regional Park, El Paso County, CO (see the planned events section for more details).

Regalia sales were brisk, causing Kevin St. James to run out of merchandise. No fears, however, as he is still taking orders. Additionally, our honorary raffle chairwoman, Marilyn Farrell, collected more raffle money than anyone could recall being collected in any prior RMTC raffle. Prizes won included two very nice fold-out chairs, a \$25 gift certificate from Griots Garage in Washington state, engine detail kits, VTR hats, and much more.

A great deal of thanks goes out to Kevin St. James for coordinating our annual Spring Car Show. It was a great success, and a fantastic way to promote the club to hobbyists and spectators.

Due to the shortness of time between the Spring Car Show and the publication of this newsletter, pictures are not available. Please look for pictures in the July newsletter. Please look for the list of awards for the show in the July newsletter as well.

version), and there will be an excellent raffle with some great items up for grabs. We will also have some great Regalia items for you to purchase for DAD.

To get to Black Forest Regional Park from the north you will take I-25 south to the Woodmoor/Northgate exit, head east (away from the Air Force Academy) on Northgate Road approximately 3 miles until it ends at Highway 83. Turn right (south) onto Highway 83, go approximately 2 miles to Shoup Road and turn left (east) onto Shoup Road. The park is about 2 miles down on the left (north) side of Shoup Road. Turn into the park and follow the sign to Pavilion 1.

The Denver area members will meet at the Diamond Shamrock on Santa Fe (Hwy 85) and C-470, the station is just south of C-470 on the West Side of Santa Fe. Be there at 8:30 a.m. and you will be leaving for the park at 8:45. This group will take a very scenic back roads tour to get to Black Forest (have your cameras with you) and should arrive at the park some where around 10:30 a.m.

The Colorado Springs group can just meet at the park between 10-10:30 or even earlier. Just head north on Highway 83 towards Black Forest turn right (east) on Shoup and follow the directions listed above. I will be at the park about 6:30 a.m. to start getting things setup, if you need to contact me I'll have my cell phone with me (719-339-0644). If you need any other information please feel free to contact either Debbie or myself (Kevin) at 719-548-8761 (kmstjames@msn.com). This is always a great day for everyone, so don't miss it and remember you don't need to be a Dad to come!

### **Saturday, June 22nd: Forney Museum Visit & Clean-up, (9am—noon) Forney Museum**

Come join your club members for a visit and tour of Forney Museum followed by a clean-up. Don Joy has set this event up, and as I understand it, we will be tidying up some cars and their display areas. Current thinking is to gather for lunch after the clean-up.

The Forney Museum is located at 4343 Brighton Blvd, next to the National Western Complex in Denver.

### **Saturday, June 22nd: Highlands Ranch Car Show, (9am—1pm) Highlands Ranch, CO**

The HRCA Car Show is back by popular demand. Last year's show featured more than 50 classic cars including Porsches, Mustangs, Camaros, GTOs, Packards and more. Join us Saturday, June 22 in the back parking lot at Eastridge from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for this fun event. If you have a car that you would like to display, look for registration forms this spring at the

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Tour, involving all participants, from Denver to Glenwood Springs, Colorado. Saturday's main event is the 50<sup>th</sup> Rallye Glenwood Springs, a time, speed, distance event to challenge the novice as well as the experienced rallyist. It is the MG Car Club, Rocky Mountain Centre hosting this rallye. Their website is [www.mgcc.org](http://www.mgcc.org). You can also contact the Chairmen Alan Magnuson, 303-400-8076, or Wade Tucker, 303-948-3924.

**Saturday, June 15th: Annual Computer Cars Tech Session, (9am—1pm), Littleton, CO**

You've been to the spring tune-up and the Spring Car Show; now find out what's really going on with your engine. More MPH or MPG? See you there. For location of Computer Cars, see the Computer Cars advertisement on page 18 of this newsletter. Directions are: go South from C470 and Santa Fe to Titan Road. Go West on Titan Road past the railroad tracks to the 1st left turn. Turn there and follow the road until just before it begins a right turn to the right. Computer Cars will be directly ahead at the apex of the right turn.

**Sunday, June 16th: Father's Day Picnic, Black Forest Regional Park, El Paso County, CO**

This has been an annual event for a number of years now and we always have a great turn out. This event takes the place of June's General Meeting -- so don't show up at Piccolo's restaurant the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in June. It is going to be held at Pavilion 1 at Black Forest Regional Park in El Paso County. There is parking for 100 cars, the playground and bathrooms are both within 50 feet of the Pavilion, and there is also a grassy area the size of 2 football fields 20 feet from the Pavilion. Everyone is welcome to this annual Father's Day Event, so bring all the kids, Grandparents, and the rest of the relatives to join in for a day of fun in the forest.

As always, the club will supply the sodas, water, ice, hamburgers, and hotdogs. We also supply the paper plates, napkins, and utensils. We need all of you to bring a side dish or a desert and whatever special drinks you want to bring. There are no alcoholic beverages permitted in the Park, same rules as always. There is a chance we will have to do a couple of 6-foot sandwich's if we haven't had any rain and the fire ban is still in place. The awards from the Spring Car Show will be awarded, the monthly meeting will be held (the short



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# GENERAL MEETING NOTES

May 21 meeting at Piccolo's:  
Submitted by Gordon Kenney

The regular monthly meeting of the club was called to order at 7:00 PM by PM Mike Cline. There were about 25 members present.

He first introduced Don Siegel of Siegel Oil Company who was the evening guest speaker. Don spoke of motor oils and answered many questions about oil use in our older (and our newer) cars. He also described the "oil analysis" program they have available and as an added bonus he passed out several "free" oil analysis kits to those in the audience who answered to asked very good questions. The kits are referred to as the "Titan" system (800-848-4826) and are available at Autozone stores for \$30 each. Many people asked questions and Don was a very engaging speaker. Then we took our regular meeting break to socialize and sell raffle tickets.

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**Mike** reported on the car show.

**Gordon** reported on some new tools donated to the club and had three car videos available for the attendees to check out.

**Marietta** reported 178 memberships to date. In May we gained three new members.



Rod Tomkins, Mike Cline, & Don Siegel pose together during the General Meeting.

**Marty** (secretary), **Bob** (treasurer) and **Eric** (newsletter) were not in attendance so those officer reports didn't take very long.

**Kevin** gave regalia and raffle report for the last two months and said that we had cleared nearly \$400. He told of the Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> drive up into the Loveland area and about the June 16<sup>th</sup> Black Forest meeting on Fathers day; see newsletter for details for these and other upcoming events. We also talked about all of the other upcoming events including the upcoming

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Glenwood event with the MG club.

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Mike told of the special meeting at Piccolos on the last Monday in June when Steve Knight will come and tell of his experience as driver of the MG entry in the recent LaMans race. This meeting will be held in conjunc-

We finished with the raffle with the highest-ranking prize being a Coleman folding chair won by Andy.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

## TECH / MAINTENANCE

*By Gordon Kenney*

**“Green or Orange” for your Triumph?** The June issue of Car and Driver contains an excellent article by Patrick Bedard about antifreeze. I am summarizing it here as it applies to our old Triumphs.

When these cars were “born” in the 40-50-60-70’s, the antifreeze being produced was what we refer to as “conventional”, was inorganic in chemistry and was GREEN in color. It’s still available in the yellow Prestone bottles and in the white Zerex bottles.

In recent years antifreeze, which is good for up to six years and 100,000 miles, has been formulated for use in the newer cars. It is “Organic Acid Technology”, (OAT) antifreeze and is ORANGE in color. GM puts it in most of their new cars and they call it Dex-Cool.

But don’t use the OAT or Orange antifreeze in your Triumph. It “eats” older style radiators with lead solder and the rust inhibitors work too slowly to prevent erosion of metal in the cooling system.

This article also contained other recommendations about maintaining the cooling system of the older cars. Briefly, the recommendations are:

1. Change the GREEN antifreeze every two years.
2. Thoroughly flush the system each time you change (drain, refill #1 with water, run the engine, drain, refill #2 with water, run the engine, drain, refill # 3 with water, run the engine and drain for the final time).
3. Then install new GREEN antifreeze diluted 50-50 as directed with water.
4. Use “distilled” water to mix with the new antifreeze. (Ordinary water will contain dissolved minerals, which will eventually deposit in your engine.)
5. At least once every month start the engine and thoroughly warm it up to circulate the antifreeze. Otherwise there will be “pockets” of uncirculated antifreeze in the nooks and crannies in the engine in which the antifreeze anticorrosion agents will become depleted.

No matter what color paint your Triumph has be sure the antifreeze is British Racing GREEN!

## 2002 PLANNED EVENTS

**Sunday, June 2<sup>ND</sup>: Loveland & Beyond Gagger and Lunch, Loveland, CO**

Shawn Loseke will be taking us on some phenomenal mountain roads in and around Loveland and Estes Park. We’ll be going through places called Devil’s Gulch, Big Thompson, Muggins Gulch, Estes Park, Lyons and other intriguing places. These mountain roads will be just too much fun for us and our Triumphs. We will meet up with Shawn in the Black Eyed Pea parking lot on the North West Side of Highway 34 and I-25 at 10:00 a.m. on **Sunday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June, not Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> as was originally scheduled.** We will be having lunch at a surprise location along the way.

The Colorado Springs group will have to be the early birds Sunday morning. We will meet in between the Total station and McDonalds on Highway 83 and Academy at 7:15 and leaving at 7:30 to meet up with the south Denver members. The south Denver members will meet in the Gunther Toody’s parking lot on Arapahoe Road and I-25 at 8:15 and will leave when the Colorado Springs group shows up. Gunther Toody’s is just east of I-25 on the North Side of Arapahoe Road. Everyone else will meet up with us in the Black Eyed Pea parking lot on North Side Highway 34 just west of I-25 in Loveland.

One of the goals that Debbie and I had for this year was to get our fellow club members out to see and enjoy the state via the many fantastic back roads and small towns that people would normally never know existed in our beautiful state. We can’t encourage you enough to get in that Triumph and drive it where and how it was meant to be driven. With the top down, wind in the hair, and the sun on your smiling face’s as you twist and wind your way through the mountains and canyons of this great state. If you have any questions feel free to call Debbie or myself (Kevin) at 719-548-8761 or kmstjames@msn.com.

**Friday, June 7th—Sunday, June 9th: 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Rallye Glenwood Springs, Glenwood Springs, CO**

Several RMTTC members plan on either working or rallying at this annual event. The three day event begins on Friday with a

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