

PRETORIA TRIUMPH SPORTS CAR CLUB

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Jacaranda Run





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GRAND FINALE – CHRISTAMS LUNCH – SUNDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2010.

Lets make this one a Triumphant ending to 2010. This year we decided on a “Traditional Christmas Lunch”, with a “Traditional Christmas Menu” including Christmas décor, Christmas crackers, Christmas hats and Christmas music and anything else Christmas you’d like to add.

VENUE: - THE CLUB at Reintjiesfontein Horse Racing Track, in Midrand. (Sorry no map available)

TIME: - We meet at the venue at 1pm sharp for Welcoming Christmas Cocktails on the open patio overlooking the Horse racing track. Sit down lunch at +/- 2pm, the afternoon is ours to enjoy with our Triumph friends.

COST:- This is a special Christmas Lunch so we’ve decided to really treat our Ladies;

R150.00 per head, with our club sponsoring R20.00 per head, for paid up club members and their wives. Therefore the cost to members is R130.00 per head. This includes the welcoming cocktail plus a 5 course meal including pudding tea/coffee. WHAT A BARGAIN!

A cash bar is also available for all other liquid refreshments.

Please feel free to bring as many family and friends to this great Christmas Lunch.....the more the merrier. (The R20.00 subsidy applies to paid up members and their wives only)

MOST IMPORTANT – Numbers of people attending.

Obviously we need an indication of how many people to cater for: PLEASE confirm by e-mail, cell phone, land phone, Drums, Shout, any way you want, but let us know ASAP, as this is important.

Your confirmation to attend also confirms that you will pay when you arrive, the food will have been prepared and waiting for you when you arrive, so if you fail to arrive after you have confirmed, you will still be liable to pay for your meal.



SEASONAL STORY—EDITORIAL

Hello, Hello again from a familiar voice (no make that text, you can't hear me you can only read me.)

So I am your new old Editor, well I am sure that came as no surprise to anyone, so lets get down to the business of the day/month.....The season tells me it is almost Noel time, with Christmas dishes and wishes and all that good stuff(ing), but before we get there lets finish November first.

Your new November edition sees the return of "The Back Page" (don't blame me, I'm not French), and at the risk of being sexist what guy wouldn't choose the silky over the other first.....say /type no more.....(sorry I had to censor the silky.....*you should see the original.....*)

This month's issue showcases our Jacaranda Run with our MG friends to the Studebaker Concours and Fun day at Jan Smut's House in Irene, a Spitty martic farewell and a 60' peace party with TR7's an all.

Two of your newly elected House Captains share their news and views with you,.... and your new Captain of this Enterprize blurts it all out on his Blog.....

On a more serious note, we pay tribute to Terrence du Toit on page 14, who sadly passed away earlier this month, and our condolences to Lynn, and Terrence's children on their loss.

Happy reading

Till Christmas time, don't read and drive, drink and jive and let someone else "take" you home.

Cheers for now. *Helen*

BACK TO THE FUTURE

Final Noggin for 2010—Wednesday 17th November 2010. The Spitfire house is hosting our final 2010 Noggin at our usual venue, the Lyttleton Bowls club.

At this Noggin the *new committee* (sees page 2) will discuss the proposed plans for 2011. We have some exciting thoughts, but need the input of all our members.

Final Fun Run – Sunday 28th November 2010. We join the JHB club for our final official run on Sunday to Gilroy's Pub in Muldersdrift for lunch. Pretoria members meet at the MG Clubhouse at 10am for departure at 10:15. – See note below from Gino.

Hi All,

I have arranged the event for Sunday 28th November - a visit to Gilroy's Brewery and Ingwenya Glass at Muldersdrift.

We can arrive there at about 11.00 am and members can amble through the market and craft shops and glass shop etc.

We can then go to the brewery at 12h30 or so and have a few ales and then lunch at 13h00.

Usual pub lunch - *we've been there before and it's a great venue.*

Gino Casieri

***Usual Pub Lunch - we've been there before
and it's great value!***



BILL'S BLOG

New ending leads to new beginning – 2010 is now coming to an end with our final Noggin on Wednesday 17th November, and our final run on Sunday 28th, and of course our year end Christmas function on Sunday 5th December.

So also has the voluntary chairmanship of Nols Pienaar. Nols started our Pretoria club now going on 30 years and with his enthusiasm and determination and seemingly endless knowledge of the Triumph marque, our club has survived all political and economical ups and downs.

I take this opportunity on behalf of all of our members, to thank him for all the effort he has put in through the years.

Now don't get me wrong, Nols is not going anywhere.....he is just taking a back seat for now to attend to some matters that need his undivided attention. As I write this Nols has already made his apologies for not being able to attend this final Noggin, as he is down in the Cape overseeing some of his family farming activities, however he and Cathy will be back in time and have already confirmed for the Christmas lunch.

New Elected Committee

Let me take this opportunity to introduce and thank our new committee for 2011.

Bill Sales comes in as Events Co-ordinator.

Helen Flynn continues as The Editor of *The Triumph Herald*.

Engela van Vuuren remains the Secretary and Treasurer.

Marius Labuschagne remains as the Point Scorer.

Jaco van Vuuren remains the Regalia Officer.

Bill Flynn comes in as the next Chairman.

House Captains.

Sidescreens—Albert de Vos.

Michelotti—Nols Pienaar.

Spitfire—Engela van Vuuren.

AmaSevens—Nick Wood.



"I take this opportunity on behalf of our members to thank Nols Pienaar for all the effort he has put in through the years." - Bill Flynn

BILL'S BLOG

Volunteer.

My focus now turns to the **new beginnings** and where to go with our Triumph club in 2011. I think we all need to understand that the Triumph club is a **voluntary activity of like minded people**. I say **voluntary** as none of us were forced to join, and I also say **like minded** as surley we all share some interest in sports cars as well as the knowledge that we as humans are "pack animals" and like to socialise with friends sharing the same line of interest. There is nothing stronger than the heart of a volunteer.

Responsibility.

This led me to another realisation. When we joined the club **voluntary**, we need to realise that this is largely where **voluntary** ends, because now the aspect of **responsibility** comes into play. All members have some responsibility toward other members which in turn means some responsibility toward our club.

Sure our first and formost reason to join was to have fun driving our sports carsgoing to places of mutual interest with friends (like minded people), and this is the only reason I joined our club. I soon realised that this was great, but also realised that **someone** had to organise us to meet somewhere, that "someone" has pre-planned a route to some venue, and **someone** had made the arrangements at the venue for either breakfast, lunch or maybe a braai etc, and **someone** had to send out a commuicaion in some form as to all of these pre-arranged activities. **Someone** took the **responsibility** on behalf of all of us members.....so surley as members we then need to take some **responsibility to attend as many of those activities as possible**. Surley our club is one of **give and take**.....Give time and committment and take pleasure and fun.

Committment.

Now as I ponder over the last 12 months and glance over this newsletter that was arranged by "someone" I realise that we do in fact have a great club. We all have different roles to play and many of our club members performed their "voluntary" roll very well, and the biggest responsibility that many of us members took upon themselves, and to my mind still the biggest and most important **committment** of any club member is to **attend the club meetings**.....the Noggins and the social runs where we get to drive our soprts cars to places of mutual interest, with friends.

To all of those that read last months (October 2010) *Triumph Herald* newsletter, will recall that our editor wrote about the *Jig-Saw Puzzle of Life*, when all the pieces need to be placed in their appropriate places for us to have the complete picture.....therefore I say to all again, lets give a 100% to our Triumph Club, *in it's allocated space in time*. **One Noggin** once a month, to exchange ideas and experiences with our cars and friends, and **one social run** per month to some venue that we normally would not have gone to.

Please take on the **committment** to attend, or at least let us know ,via our House Captains, that for some reason if you are unable to attend one of these organized events.....taking on this responsibility makes one feel good and proud to be a "volunteer" member of our Pretoria Triumph Sports Car Club.

Lets meet soon

Bill Flynn

" There is nothing as stong as the heart of a Volunteer" - Bill Flynn

JACARANDA RUN TO SMUTS HOUSE IN IRENE

What the Lady and the Cat saw !



A blue one ! And a green one! And an old one! And a yellow one! And a yellow and Red one!

Harry saw a Railton !



I broke my knee; I have a crutch; You broke your arm; you have the new Braai Tong Splint!

Cheers! 3 Beers for a lovely Jacaranda day.

Yes! It Braai's meat too!



Hoot;Hoot; I'm here in my MG Triumph, make way please!



Speechless !!



We are the Champions the Studebakers!



JACARANDA RUN CONT'D

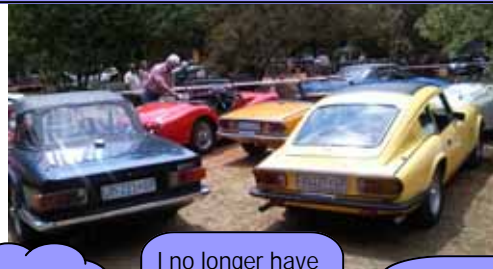
Triumphs are British and they always lead the pack!



Mr. and Mrs. Wood are British too!



A Gagggle of Geese; A Flock of Birds; A Herd of Elephants; A Litter of Pups; A Bevy of Beauties; And a Parking of Triumphs!



Yes, I see a lot of Triumphs parked here!

Yes! I have one in my eye.

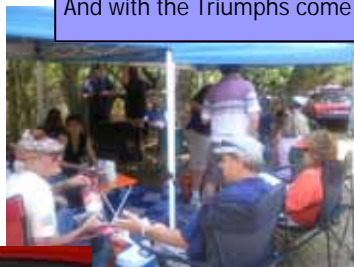
I no longer have it in my eye...It's now behind me!

Good, now that all our Triumphs are parked behind me, I can now Braai the mielies!



And with the Triumphs come their gathering of people !

Put your left foot in, and you come second in the concours of Studebakers ! WOW well done Terry Murphy and your TR7.



Dankie "Oom Jan" ons het die dag by U plek geniet.



HOUSE HEARSAY—AMA7'S NICK WOOD

What did you do with your 7 today?

As the incoming baton carrier for the AmaSevens house I guess I should put a few words together and, for those who don't or don't wish to know me, introduce myself!! I have taken over from Bill Sales who has done a great job over the last couple of years and he will be a hard act to follow.

Rita (the missus) and I have been members of the Pretoria club since 1999 and I can say that the people responsible for this were Bill and Helen, who introduced us to classic cars by way of taking us on the Durban Dash. The experience was not to be forgotten as we were driving Bill's Stag which at that time had the habit of overheating at regular intervals. So in fact the Dash turned into a bit of a crawl, but nevertheless we were hooked and purchased our TR7 in August 1999.

I am the first one to admit that I am not a car fundi and cannot tell you who is currently leading or has won the F1 drivers championship or the difference between a split pin and a hair pin, but I do tinker and after my son kindly blew the 7's engine and rearranged the front end I have semi rebuilt the car (still work to do) and feel quite proud of myself. The car was recently used for some promotional work and currently bears the livery of the Union Jack.

That was the intro and now onto, what turned out to be, a much unexpected ending to the Jacaranda Run. A well attended run and great to see our friends from the Jo'burg club turning out in large numbers. Seeing Pretoria in its purple glory is something we take for granted but it is always great to appreciate the beautiful things in our country rather than to dwell on the not so good. The run ended up at Jan Smuts House in Irene where we braaied and picnicked as guests of the Studebaker Club who were holding their annual concours (for Eric) and car show at the venue. A bonus for the club was that Terry Murphy's immaculately turned out 7 Coupé won the best car, other than a Studebaker, of the show award. Well done Terry and what about a rebuild story from you?



Being the good citizens that we are Rita, myself and Francois offered to help Bill Sales to pack up the braais and whilst waiting for Bill to return with his bakkie we were hit with the most ferocious hail storm. It was so sudden that before we could head for our cars and move under cover we had been panel beaten by hail stones the size of goons (large marbles). You will see from the pictures that the whole area was turned into a winter scene and quite a change from when we were relaxing with a beer and a boerewors an hour earlier.

In ending could I just ask the 7's team members to enjoy your cars and try and bring them along to all the runs as they tend to get lonely standing in the garage?

HOUSE HEARSAY MICHELOTTI REPORT–NOLS PIENAAR

Just when I thought I was off the hook for a while, I was reeled in immediately to perform another club duty. I am afraid you guys will have to endure me a little longer because I am now the new captain of the Michelotti House

I first of all want to thank our outgoing captain, Johan Retief, for keeping his house members informed regularly and for his very interesting reports in our newsletter. I shall try to be a worthy successor but cannot promise to be available at all times because I am going to be out of town a lot during 2011.

At our AGM there was a proposal that owners of Stags and Triumph saloons designed by Michelotti, sever their ties with the Spitfire Plus House in order to become members of the Michelotti House. I have no objection since we, traditionally owners of TR4, 4A, 5 and 6 sports cars, are a bit thin on the ground at the moment. In theory it was a move with great potential for strengthening our numbers but in practice we will be getting two extra members only. But I must point out that the two new members are very devoted and active club members that will be earning our house a lot of points. Welcome Bill and Helen, it is great to have you on board in the Michelotti fold!

Unfortunately we will be taking leave of two erstwhile members who served the club and the Michelotti house with distinction in the past. Rory Dreyer, one of our founder members, and Glaudina, one of our former newsletter editors, will be moving to the Western Cape in January in order to settle in a farm house on top of the Piketberg. Let us hope that we can convince them to stay on as country members. Thank you guys for your great contributions in the past.

Hierdie jaar gaan julle ouens in die ander huise 'n ding of twee sien. Hou maar die punte dop want my oog is op die inter-huis trofee aan die einde van 2011! Ons mag min in getalle wees maar ons skrik vir niks!

Michelotti groete Nols



SPITTY MATRIC FAREWELL

Dear Helen

Wie sê vandag se jongmense het nie meer styl nie? Janita Markgraaf van Afrikaanse Hoër Meisieskool en Duane het besluit om in styl by haar matriekafskeid-funksie by Pretoria se stadsaal op te daag, natuurlik in 'n Spitfire. The function was held on Saturday 9 October. Unfortunately it was quite dark with their arrival at the city hall and that photo is no good, but I did send you the one of the lit-up city hall with the crowd.

Regards Francois



TR7 COCA COLA/ THE SHAPE OF THINGS THAT WIN



PEACE PARTY

2 whole Triumphs.

Red 7 of John and **Cecelia** Reyneke of JHB club and the 2 Bills (Top Billing Team) of PTA with the newly mobile (Rolling Thunder) Blue 7.

British & German Allies & Friends
Pre 1980 Cars & Bikes
POSTWAR PEACE PARTY
Sunday 14 November 2010

- inter-club car show
- flea market & swop meet, food stalls
- stalls available @ R100 each
- entrance fee: R5 per person
- fund raising for an animal fund

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Peace Brother !
Peace !



HULDE AAN TERENCE DU TOIT

Sommige van julle weet reeds dat een van ons toegewyde en entoesiastiese klublede, Terrence du Toit van Tzaneen, onlangs oorlede is. Die nuus van sy dood was vir my ontstellend en hartseer want Terrence was 'n baie besonderse ou en dit was vir my 'n voorreg om hom te ken. Daarom wil ek hom kortliks huldig.

Terrence was seker ons mees senior klublid en by tye het hy met sy gesondheid gesukkel. Tog het ek hom nooit daarvoor hoor kla nie en het ek hom geken as iemand wat optimisties en vol humor was. As jy vra hoe dit gaan was die antwoord altyd: "daar is nie vars klagtes nie, dankie"!

Hoewel Terrence in Tzaneen en ver van Pretoria gewoon het, was hy altyd 'n lid wat probeer het om soveel klubaktiwiteite by te woon as wat hy kon. In April was hy en Lynn saam met ons na die nasionale byeenkoms in die Drakensberg en in Augustus was hy by Zwartkops se 'Cars in the Park'. Hy was sekerlik ons mees toegewyde kontreilid.

Toe Terrence in Februarie 2006 by die klub aangesluit het was daar die GT6 wat nie lopend was nie maar Terrence is so deur die Triumph-gogga gebyt dat hy baie vinnig 'n versamelaar van formaat geword het. Binne vier jaar het die volgende Triumphs deel van sy versameling geword: 'n rare Triumph 2000 stasiewa; 'n Stag, 'n Chicane Mk1, 'n TR3, 'n TR6, en 'n Chicane Mk2. Terrence was ook 'n kenner van Triumphs en hul enjins want hy was selfs 'n Leyland agent in Tzaneen op 'n stadium toe mens nog nuwe Triumphs kon koop. Benewens die Triumphs was daar ook 'n Daimler, 'n Jaguar Mk2 en 'n MGA in sy versameling klassieke motors.

Ek is seker daar is baie van ons lede wat Terrence kwaai gaan mis. Namens die klub wil ek dus my opregte meegevoel teenoor Lynn, sy vrou en ook aan Margie en Vanessa sy dogters, asook Gerrit en Willem sy twee seuns, betuig. Ons wens julle baie sterkte toe en dink aan julle. -----Nols-----

Terrence and Lynn our picture memories of you both—by Bill and Helen Flynn



Terrence and Lynn, the first time we met you, December 2008.

.....and the fun times we had in Graskop and the Drakensberg in between.....



The last time we saw you.....April 2010.



Lynn our thoughts and prayers are with you always—your friends Bill and Helen.

TRIUMPH TRADERS

----- Original Message -----

From: "Richard Goode" <richard.goode@icon.co.za>

To: <nolsp@worldonline.co.za>

Sent: Friday, October 22, 2010 8:13 AM

Subject: Triumph TR7 for disposal

> Dear Nols>

> I am writing to ask if you help find a home for old Triumph TR7 that
> belonged to my late father. I should like to find a use for it, or as
> parts, if possible. I do not know about that particular car but judge it
> to be in poor condition.>

> Please notify your members and if anyone is interested ask them to
> contact me.>

> Regards Richard Goode

mobile 083 3274427 fax 086 6121649 email richard.goode@icon.co.za

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THE BACK PAGE

Soyez dur, j'aime...

Triumph 34 B

Triumph M

La vitesse est lente. C'est
Et plus ?
Le vrai plaisir n'est pas de le mesurer.
Le vrai plaisir...
C'est d'être entre une femme
mécanique et son jockey.
Et ça se mesure plus.
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et jantes en alliage léger.
Bare stabilisatrice de
Pneus à l'air le meilleur moyen
de vivre.

Mais, rappelez-vous,
surtout si devez le constater,
en ville la vitesse pure a-t-elle
jamais existé.
Et à la campagne ou en montagne,
approcher le 90 c'est peut-être un exploit.
Alors ne prenez pas les décisions
pour Montalemy. Il y a mieux à faire
pour le plaisir.

Sur les autoroutes, sachez-vous que
la Dolomite Sprint est une bête
dans le fractionnement et
tableau de bord en tout.
vous en êtes dignes, essayez-les
deux vitesses, même électro.
autres options, soyez en France,
recommandés en vitesse.
Rapport de transmission et les
120 km/h.

Silky hard, I like...
(that's French for you)