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**When your road is not straight.....
Move it... Change it.....
Create it....**

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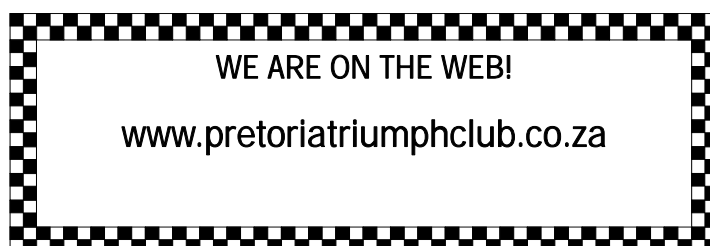
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SEASONAL STORY—EDITORIAL

Hi There again everyone,

Summers here again in full force, hot or not it's summer. Seems October is the month that not too much is or has happened, which is rather puzzling, so I have added my pennies, puzzle worth on pages 8 and 9. Don't get your knickers in a knot about it just read and ponder and then either put on the shelf, in the mind or in file 13.

Our next event , yes, this Sunday, see below, Jacaranda's and Studebakers all in one Triumphant event..

See You There, and Take care.

Cheers Helen. (ps this font is called jokerman....take it or leave it.)

BACK TO THE FUTURE

JACARANDA RUN—SUNDAY 24 OCTOBER 2010



The Studebaker Club *concoors* will be held at this venue and members entering in a Triumph (two per car) will enjoy free access. We will have to arrive by 11:00 in order to get parking in the shade. Braai fires will be provided so bring your own meat, salads, drinks, as well as folding chairs and stuff for a braai/picnic.

Remember, this is our event for October, and our Triumph compatriots from Jo'burg will be joining us. Please make an effort to attend.

CHAIRMAN'S CHIRP–VOORSITTER SE VARIA

The year is drawing to a close at a rate of knots and Christmas is barely two months away. On the Triumph Club scene we are now also in the final phases of our activities for this year with only the November noggin and event, as well as the year-end function as the only remaining events.

The AGM at the October noggin is also the opportunity for me to say goodbye from the chair as I will be standing down. The time is long overdue for new leadership with fresh new enthusiasm and ideas to take the club forward. My plea is that members will give the new chair and club committee their full support and make an effort to attend the events that are being organized on behalf of them. When committee members give up their time and incur expenses from their own pockets to organize events for members they find reward when members reciprocate by means of good attendance. However, when members simply stay away in large numbers without even showing the common courtesy to make an apology if they cannot attend, it really becomes very discouraging.

Ek wil graag ons lede wat my en die komitee die afgelope ses jaar ondersteun het bedank vir hul lojaliteit. Al was julle by tye slegs 'n handjie vol het julle dit vir ons die moeite werd gemaak om 'n klub aan die gang te hou en moeite te doen om vir ons lede aktiwiteite en ekskursies te reël.

Die mense wat egter my grootste dank en waardering verdien is die komiteelede en huiskapteins wat hul kant gebring het. Baie dankie aan Engela en Jaco van Vuuren, Bill en Helen Flynn, en Marius Labuschagne. Ek kan ook nie nalaat om met dank erkenning te gee aan Dave en Judy Harris wat baie vir ons klub gedoen het voor hul bedanking nie. Ons huiskapteins het 'n belangrike rol gespeel om hul huislede op hoogte te hou en 'noggins' en aktiwiteite te reël en daarom gaan my dank en waardering ook aan Bill Sales, Johan Retief en Marko Claassen, asook Willem Odendaal nou daar in verre Windhoek.

Die jaar 2011 is 'n belangrike jaar vir ons klub. Nie net word ons in Februarie 30 jaar oud nie, maar is dit die jaar waarin die klub tradisioneel weer 'n lang naweek weg van die huis af, maar in Triumphs natuurlik, moet reël. Gedurende die tweede helfte van die jaar is dit ook Pretoria se beurt om die tweejaarlikse interklub *concours* aan te bied. Ek wens die nuwe voorsitter en komitee sterkte toe en ek glo dat hulle 'n groot sukses daarvan gaan maak. Mense, ondersteun hulle asseblief!

Ek groet julle met dank en waardering.

Nols

Hierdie is die Voorsitter se "Voorwa"



This is the Chairman's Chair

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PAST EVENTS/ ONLANGS TRIUMPH GOETERS

Annual Pretoria-Johannesburg inter-club quiz: 15 September 2010

Congratulations to the Pretoria guys who managed to win the trophy this year. This is a friendly yet very close competition and a fine tradition between the two neighbouring TSCC centres. Counting the number of plaques on the silver cup's pedestal, it appears that each team now won seven times during the past 14 years.

This year the quiz consisted of two sections: (a) Triumph cars and general motoring matters; and (b) general knowledge. Each section counted 20 marks and the teams were given 20 minutes to complete the questionnaire. The scores are as follows:

Section	Pretoria	Johannesburg
Triumphs and cars	13,5	12,5
General knowledge	17,5	12,5
Total score	31	25

Some of the answers under general knowledge are interesting. While both teams knew what the current prime overdraft rate is, only Pretoria knew the current CPI rate and petrol price. Not one of the teams knew who the premier of their province, Gauteng, is but both teams knew that Pretoria and Johannesburg were founded in 1855 and 1886 respectively. Even Jo'burg knew that both the Pretoria rugby teams, the Bulls and Blue Bulls, currently have both the Super 14 and Currie Cup trophies in their display cabinet. While Pretoria knew that Nicole Flint is the current Miss South Africa, Jo'burg's answer did not have a name but said that she was "f..... beautiful". Now how could you mark that as incorrect, because it is absolutely true! My award for the most alert team, however, goes to Jo'burg, because they are the only team who picked up that the provincial rugby trophy is the Currie Cup, and not the 'Curry Cup' as mentioned in the questionnaire.

I wish to thank both teams for their keen participation and Jo'burg members in particular for making the trip to our noggin. In the end it was a fun event and that is what it is all about.

Nols

FORTHCOMING EVENTS / DINGE OP HANDE

1. Jacaranda Run: Sunday, 24 October 2010 (see page 3)

2. November Run: Sunday, 28 November 2010

This will be a combined event hosted by the Johannesburg Centre and details will be published in the next issue of *The Triumph Herald* as soon as it becomes available. Please diarize the date in the meantime.

3. End of Year Function: Sunday, 5 December 2010

Our final event of the year will be held at the Randjiesfontein Club because it will be another joint event with the Johannesburg Centre. We will have a Sunday Christmas lunch at a fine restaurant and the club management decided to subsidize part of the lunch in order to make it more affordable. Details will be given at the October noggin as well as the November issue of *The Triumph Herald*. We would like as many members as possible to attend because our annual prize-giving and awards ceremony will, as in the past, be held at the year-end function. Please contact Engela, our secretary, for a booking.

HOUSE HEARSAY AMASEVENS–BILL SALES

MG CAR CLUB TURNS 80**Our cousins of the MG Car Club celebrated their eightieth anniversary in truly historic style on the weekend of 16-17 October**

A total of 80 World-wide MG Clubs took part in the factory formed club's historic MG80! - making it the largest EVER MG event.

In another hugely exciting development, an MG Car Club of China was formed as part of the global celebrations. The Chinese MGCC has been instated as the events 80th Club and staged an MG Live! event to commemorate the creation of the organisation in China.

MG Car Club events were scheduled in New Zealand, Australia, China, South Africa, Europe, North America, Canada, Alaska and South America, the celebration was truly global!

Indeed, with thousands of enthusiasts taking part, MG80! is on course to be the largest World-wide classic car event in history.

Events ranged from a race-meeting in Tasmania, a road-run in Argentina, a midnight Gymkhana in Auckland and a Dinner & Dance in Lincolnshire with plenty of innovative meets planned throughout the World.

Each of the clubs then downloaded the photographs of their various events onto the special 80th anniversary website starting with New Zealand and progressing around the world over the 24 hour period as the day progressed.

We decided not to join with them in our Triumphs as they were doing a Jacaranda run so that they could get uniquely Pretoria MG pictures for their submission to the website. I could not resist the opportunity to dust off my MG and tag along to experience this event with them. 30 MGs left their clubhouse and proceeded along the route stopping for photos at the Union Buildings and a few other picturesque spots.



We need to plan something to celebrate our PTA Triumph clubs 30th next year so start thinking and send your suggestions to the committee.

OTHER CAR CLUB ACTIVITIES–BILL FLYNN

As not much happened in our Triumph club since our previous *Herald*, there were some activities in our 'other car clubs'. POMC held their AGM on Wednesday 6th October, and as I know AGM's are not the most exciting meetings, and that club committees need a "forum" to be able to officially conclude the club business, I decided to go and support as I am a paid up member.

To my surprise the place was abuzz with activity.....I was pleasantly surprised at the participation of the membership in choosing their new committee, a very fun ad interactive session.....Short and sweet and then the Noggin as usual with a "Car of the Month" on display.

Their new chairman voted in was in fact Taco Kamstra, who was the Vice Chairman for the previous year, and the "Car of the Month" on display a 1966 TRIUMPH GT6 was in fact his latest acquisition.

This bright red GT6 looked spectacular under the spotlight amongst the cakes and eats provided for the AGM, and I felt very good to give a short talk about the TRIUMPH Marque, and a quick run down of our Triumph Club activities.

The response around the room was very positive and expressed their wish to see amny more Triumph owners joining POMC, even only on their socials and runs.

They really are a fun and interesting old bunch.

Regards

Bill Flynn.



New POMC
Chairman, Taco
Kamstra's 1966
Triumph GT6.



Photo's for POMC's 2011 calendar.



THE JIG-SAW PUZZLE OF LIFE
BY H.M.FLYNN



Life is like a jigsaw puzzle—you have to put it together one piece at a time:- It take time and patients:- All the pieces are there—you just have to fit them together. Each piece has it's own unique place.....and together all of the pieces make up the whole picture.



Sometimes pieces go missing and sometime pieces are not what they appear to be.....they almost fit somewhere else.....only for you to discover later that they fit into a completely different place.....but they still make up and are part of the whole picture.



Some pieces you like and they fit easily into the place where you think they should go, and yet other pieces are plain with no distinguishing marks.....and you usually finish most of the picture (of Life) before it becomes clear where these plain unremarkable pieces fit into, yet they are still part of the bigger picture, and they still have their unique place to go in the puzzle (of life), and they don't fit anywhere else.



You usually start the puzzle (of Life) with the straight edges first. That seems to define what the bigger picture will look like.....and so in life we learn the boundaries early on and then we spent the rest of our lives fitting all of the pieces to complete the picture.



THE JIG-SAW PUZZLE OF LIFE CONT'D
BY H.M.FLYNN



Some parts are easy and some parts of the picture are hard, but if you persevere, you will eventually complete the puzzle. Each and every person has their own puzzle and their own given time slot to complete it. Some peoples jig saw puzzles are only 500 pieces, others have 5000 piece puzzles, some are more difficult than others, and some are the most beautiful pictures you have ever seen. Some are extremely detailed, and some are very colourful, and some very cute.



Absolutely any picture of anything in the world can make a jig-saw puzzle, some are even back to front, and some are in reverse, some are round and some are square. So is your life.....not always straight forward, but always part of your big picture, and your jig-saw puzzle of life may even be part of someone else's puzzle.



So do your jig-saw puzzle of life diligently and treat each individual piece with care and consideration and put it in it's rightful place in the puzzle.

And remember you always have help. Every jig-saw puzzle comes in a box or container, with the whole picture on the outside. So you can see exactly how the picture fits together. So refer to your picture and see how your life is put together piece by piece.



In this case your big picture on the outside of your box is your Bible, read it, you'll be amazed at how big your picture really is.

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The Pretoria Triumph Sports Car Club is a non profit organization that attracts people who are enthusiastic about Triumph Sports Cars and living life in the 'slow lane'. The members are classic, their cars that is, and they enjoy car runs once a month as well as "Noggins" on the third Wednesday of the month.

TRIUMPH TRADERS

FOR SALE

1. **TR3A**, silver, with overdrive, new upholstery and tyres on Minilites. Car generally in excellent condition. R135 000 ono. Contact Steve Taylor (Cape Town area) on 021-9193391 (home) or 083-5935514 (mobile).
2. **TR3** (1956), red and restored, R85 000 ono. Contact Bijan Iqani on 083-9784927.
3. **Spitfire Mk3**, 1970, rebuilt, R50 000 ono. Contact Simon (Cape Town area) on 076-9526846.
4. **TR7 Spider**, black and lhd specially built for the Californian market (ex Ken Boss) equipped with aircon and fuel injection. New tyres and exhaust. Car in excellent condition. Contact Jon Rademan (Port Elizabeth) on 041-5815038.
5. **TR7**, R25 000. Contact Brian Brown (PE) on 041-3793638.
6. Variety of **TR4A** and **TR7** parts. Contact Nols on 083-4683145.

Triumph 1500 FWD Saloon, cream colour, four new tyres, R15 000 onco. Contact Rob Potgieter on 082-7840303.

If you would like to become a member of the club, and join us for our monthly activities, please contact the chairman Nols Pienaar, his details are on page two of this publication.

**IF YOU DRIVE A TRIUMPH,
YOU WILL ALWAYS WIN!**

