



# ***The Globe***

*News, updates and articles from the Cape Town Triumph Sports Car Club (CTTSCC)*

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### *Chairman's Chat*

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*I hope that you all had an enjoyable break and wish you and your families a peaceful but successful 2017.*

*It looks as if we are in for a bit of a torrid time politically as our illustrious State President attempts to shore up his future by putting his ex-wife in the Cabinet to ensure that she becomes the next State President and, most likely, Pravin Gordon will put at arm's length. If the pressures get to you, don't worry- just get into your trusty Triumph and take a drive anywhere around our beautiful city and you will immediately feel better. Tom's New year breakfast sure got the motoring year off to a flying (excuse pun) start. You will find the report in this newsletter, but breakfast at the Stellenbosch Flying club on a great summer day was a real treat.*

*We had 17 Lovely Triumph sports cars on show at the annual Classic Car and Bike show at Timour hall. Thanks to all who brought their cars to display. How times change- a couple of years ago the courtyard would have been filled with TR6's- this year was the year of the Michelottis and Sidescreens. It might have been a long, hot day, but those who came helped to raise money for a deserving charitable cause; thanks guys for making the effort. We would have had 18 Triumphs there, but Tom received the sad news of his Mum's passing, just a couple of days before, and had to head for the Highlands. Our deepest sympathy Tom on your sad loss.*

*We have kindly been invited to historic Bellingham estate (built in 1693) for our Valentine's day picnic which will be held on 12 February, along with the Mini Owners Club. Do try to bring your beloved (not your*

The calendar is not yet complete, but there are many events included which you can diarise.

*Triumph, dummy) for an enjoyable day out at this lovely venue in Franschoek. Spoil her and pack a picnic basket that will show how much you care.*

*The Classically British Sports Car tour will take place on Sunday 19 March. This event was the brainchild of Gerhard Vorster, then centre chairman, to promote British Sports owners to get together and, at the same time, raise some money for the Club's designated charity, the Red Cross Children's hospital. It has been an important event on the Club Calendars ever since and this will be our 14 th year. I urge our members, not only to support this year's event, but to keep it going into the future. Since last year's event was not so well supported, I have extended an invitation to the Mini Owners Club for their classic Minis to also join us. What can be more sportingly British than a Mini Cooper or Cooper S?*

*I wish you and your families a peaceful and memorable 2017.*

*Cheers Dennis*



## ***Editorial***

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### *Letters to the Editor:*

- ✚ It is still early and maybe the Christmas cards are in the post!*
- ✚ It's the start of yet another year and I really believe this year will be significantly different to previous years.*



*The politics of this country are continually under pressure with individual battles and power plays. Will we have another Gambia? The world politics are beginning to reveal that the average man in the street does no longer want the 'same old'. (Brexit, Trump, possible changes in Germany and France)*

*We are at a significant time financially with the US in serious debt, at the last count \$20 trillion, before long, interest payments on the debt will become the third largest item in the US federal budget. Something is going to break and if the European union folds Japan sinks! Also with low interest rates borrowing could not be easier, which can only be seriously problematic. Many specialists are forecasting a major financial melt down.*

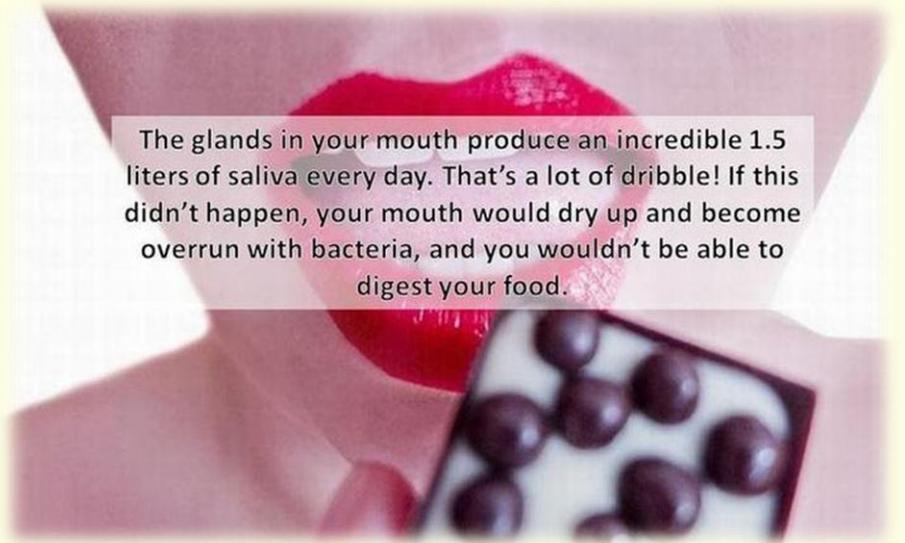
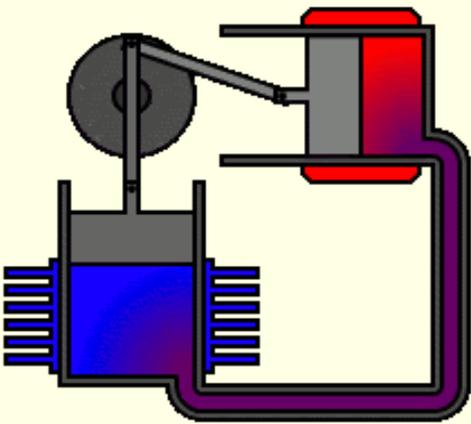
*Water availability for our country has been under threat revealing how vulnerable we are to climatic influences. Perhaps more specifically population movement to specific geographic areas, leading to increased density, areas which are under resourced. And some people just don't give a s---t!*

*SO, on that 'half empty' petrol tank pessimistic comment, have fun, live life and don't hesitate with those 'should I shoud'nt I' decisions!*

## Technical Info

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*Continue with that all important preventative maintenance approach, reactive can work but sometimes with serious consequences*



The glands in your mouth produce an incredible 1.5 liters of saliva every day. That's a lot of dribble! If this didn't happen, your mouth would dry up and become overrun with bacteria, and you wouldn't be able to digest your food.

## Welcome to New Members

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*Roger Lawrence, and partner Ann Gee, is a UK 'swallow' who has a house in Franschoek,*



*where he lives for our summer. He has a Triumph Roadster back home and has bought a TR2 to keep him out of mischief whilst here! Welcome Roger we look forward to seeing you one day!*

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*Enjoy every moment of your life, it is too short to waste on grudges. Laugh when you can, apologise when you should, let go of what you can't change and buy that car if you want it!*

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**Year Calendar – Events, Noggins, and Outings 2016**

	<p>8<sup>th</sup> New year Breakfast run - Tom Dougan</p>	<p>22<sup>th</sup> Classic Car and Bike show - Timour Hall - Tom Dougan</p>	<p>28<sup>th</sup> Noggin at the MMC, Danie's car &amp; bring and braai</p>
	<p>12<sup>th</sup> Valentines Day Picnic run to Bellingham estate- John Parker</p>		<p>27<sup>th</sup> Noggin - SGM at the MMC</p>
		<p>19<sup>th</sup> Lunch Run - British sports car tour of Peninsula - John Parker</p>	<p>29<sup>th</sup> Noggin - Dennis farewell event</p>
	<p>9<sup>th</sup> Lunch run - Eddie</p>	<p>30<sup>th</sup> Knysna Car Show and Regional Gathering - committee &amp; Dennis from Sedgfield</p>	
	<p>1<sup>st</sup> Knysna Car Show and Regional Gathering</p>	<p>14<sup>th</sup> Run</p>	<p>28<sup>th</sup> Noggin - Andre Bredenkamp and his travel exploits</p>
	<p>11<sup>th</sup> Run</p>	<p>25<sup>th</sup> Noggin-</p>	
	<p>9<sup>th</sup> Lunch Run - Christmas in July Lunch - committee</p>		<p>30<sup>th</sup> Noggin -</p>
		<p>13<sup>th</sup> Run -</p>	<p>27<sup>th</sup> Noggin - Andre Bredenkamp and his travel exploits</p>

	<p>17<sup>th</sup> Lunch Run - Combined Clubs run - committee</p>	<p>24<sup>th</sup> Noggin -</p>	
	<p>15<sup>th</sup> The annual Cape Classic Car Show at Killarney - &amp; Club Concours - Committee</p>	<p>21<sup>st</sup> Noggin -</p>	
	<p>19<sup>th</sup> The annual Crossley and Webb Century Classic Car Run</p>		<p>25<sup>th</sup> AGM and Annual Prize giving - MMC - Committee</p>

## *Your Club Activities and Events*

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### **Don't miss these events!!!!**

#### **February**



**3<sup>d</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> - Passion for Speed at Killarney race track.**

*Classic car racing, pre '74 racing prototypes, Pre 1966/68 Sports racing cars, Isle of Man bikes. Free entry to drivers of classic cars (passenger pays). Essential to book your classic car parking spot with Roger Robeck ; [classicguy42@topmail.co.za](mailto:classicguy42@topmail.co.za) at the Jag club R20 entrance.*

**12<sup>th</sup> February - Valentines Day Picnic**



*Valentine's day picnic at Bellingham Estate. We have been invited to this lovely estate and we can bring our own picnic basket and refreshments. ( normally you would have to purchase ) We will also be accompanied by the Mini Club. Meet at the N1 Engen at 10:30. Please let Dennis know if you will be attending : 0832434881 or [cook.dennis@gmail.com](mailto:cook.dennis@gmail.com)*

*Historical Bellingham Homestead, Groot Drakenstein is a National Monument situated in the heart of the wine-lands. The Homestead was built in 1693 and is the ancestral home of Bellingham Wines. Bernard & Fredagh*

*Podlashuk who bought the property in 1943, produced amongst other famous wines, the Johannisberger, the first Grand Cru, Shiraz and a sparkling Cuvee.*

**27<sup>th</sup> February - SGM and bring and braai at the MMC clubhouse**

As many of you may know Dennis and Joe are retiring to Sedgefield very soon and we need to discuss the way forward for the management of the club. Please attend and then enjoy a bring and braai with free beer and wine.

**March**

**19<sup>th</sup> March is the 14<sup>th</sup> CLASSICALLY BRITISH SPORTS CAR TOUR**

Hi All, We are looking forward to having you join us on the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Classically British Sports car tour on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2107.



As you may know the purpose is to have some fun together in our cherished cars, have lunch and raise some money for the Red Cross Children's hospital. There is no entry fee, but we request that each club brings a prize or two that will be raffled at the lunch in aid of the Red Cross Children's trust.

We have never held a BSCT on the peninsula before so that will be the feature of this year's run.

We will meet at Maiden's cove, Camps bay, 10:00 for 10:30 departure; travel to Hout Bay, over Constantia Nek to Ou Kaapse Weg and via Cape Point Nature reserve gate to end at Simonstown. This is surely one of the best routes to enjoy in any classic car.

**Pleasant memories**



**8<sup>th</sup> January - Tom's breakfast run, - Tom and Anne Dougan**

Tom's annual breakfast run opens the new year motoring calendar and has not only become a tradition but is always eagerly anticipated to break the motoring fast of the Festive season. It was in every way a successful and enjoyable run and a great start to the year. The weather turned out to be the best summer day that Cape Town can offer; the venue an interesting one that most would not have been to before and a great turnout.



Most arrived early at the meeting point on the N1 to chat and catch up with friends after the holidays. I could not help comparing how past runs seemed to be dominated by TR6's but numbers of beautiful side-screens filled the parking on the day.

Tom took us toward Franschoek, through the lovely little village of Pniel and over the Hels Hoogte pass- always an enjoyable drive -and it was a pleasure to see the line of

Triumphs snaking down the pass to Stellenbosch. A short drive on Baden Powell and a dog leg back to the R44 completed the very enjoyable run.

The venue at which Anne had organised our breakfast was the Stellenbosch Flying Club, rightfully claimed on their website to be one of the most beautiful landing strips in the country. The clubhouse is shaded by tall trees, and had an observation deck from which to enjoy the sight of many light aircraft coming and going. Although we enjoyed breakfast inside the clubhouse plenty of inviting, shaded seating was on offer outside. A vintage Tiger Moth

bi-plane was warming up for take-off as we sat down. The Flying Club does not run a professional restaurant and we



had been limited to 22 for breakfast but their kitchen coped competently with our orders for 29 breakfasts as well as a few other members arriving at the same time-like Maggie's 2 brothers who had flown in for a sibling reunion. A hearty English breakfast was served together with juice, tea/coffee at a bargain price.

There were 13 Triumphs in the parking including Spitfires, TR3/3A, TR4/A and TR6. It was nice to see Frank Olivier on his maiden outing in a lovely Red TR3A that he bought last year and Brian Mc Kirdey, with wife Renee, in the blue TR3A that he has been fettling, also Mike and Nerina who had not been seen for a long time, while Geoff and Norma drove all the way from Greyton to join us for breakfast. Geoff's heart still yearns for a TR.

After breakfast Dale Jacobs provided an unexpected sideshow in the form of the tutorial on a Huey, a helicopter that Dale has flown both in the Vietnam war and for firefighting. Tom remarked that this was particularly



## Useless information

The average person walks 913 miles per year and drinks 556 glasses of wine. (27.8 gallons)

This is the equivalent of 33 miles per gallon.

Not all bad.

So if you walk more you can drink more, just don't drive!!!!!!

relevant as both they and the Napolis had been watching them operate on the Boskloof fire a few days ago from very close quarters. It also gave them a chance to thank the pilot of the spotter plane personally.

Tom and Anne; thanks for organising another great breakfast run and for giving us an enjoyable day out.



24<sup>th</sup> January - Timour Hall car and bike show (pics only)



Thanks to Adrian Morris for donating the magazines which we sold on the day along with our Regalia!



## ***Interesting News and Club Feedback***

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### **Note from Jamie. Cape Town Club Registrar**

*If you know that some of your details have changed, or you have bought or sold a car, please contact Jamie.*

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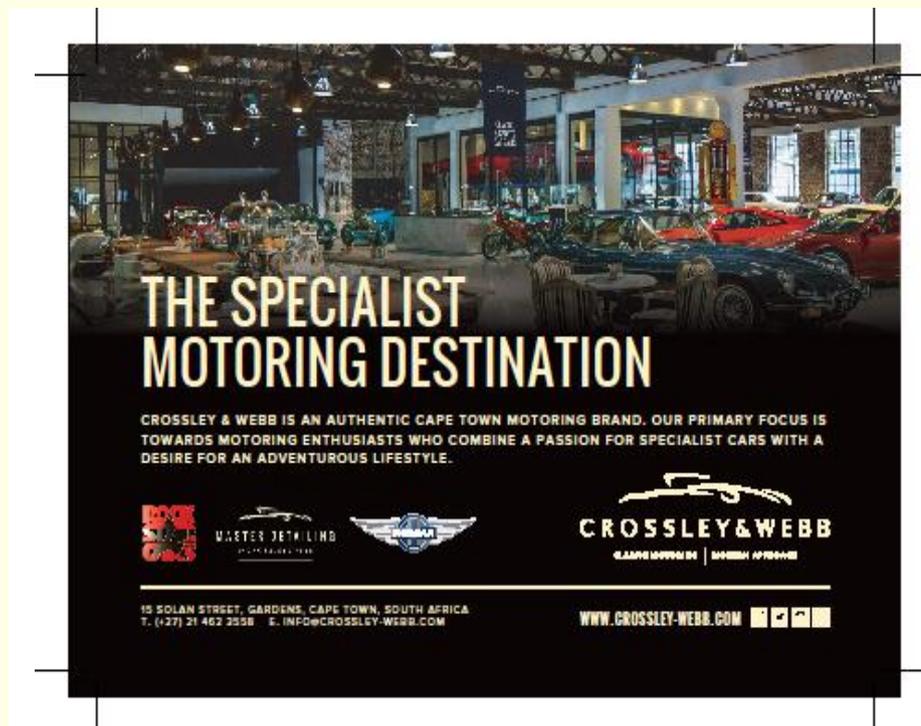
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#### **Sales**

-  *I believe Dennis is very keen to sell his TR7 Coupe before he moves. It is a lovely car so don't hesitate with the decision!!!!*

#### **Wanted**



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