



WHALE TALES

THE CAPE TOWN TRIUMPH NEWSLETTER

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CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

I cannot believe that it is already November and that the RWC 2019 is over, time flies and 2020 is in sight. On a sad note Neil Draycott passed away last month. Although Neil wasn't a member of our club recently due to his health problems, we will not forget him. Neil got Eddie Hughes involved in TRIUMPH as they met at the annual Timour Hall classis show and it was there when Neil enlightened Eddie about the pros and cons of the TR& and Eddie was sold, the rest is history. Neil was always friendly and helpful to members and friends. Our sincerest condolences were sent to Colleen and the family.

With the AGM just around the corner, in fact less than a month away, it is time to put your thinking caps on and decide how you can make a difference to the TSOC of Cape Town by volunteering for committee positions. We really need help and would appreciate your assistance. We need a secretary and webmaster and committee members please. We need someone that is tech savvy to assist in getting our outdated website up to speed. We changed over to AFRIHOST to host our internet services but need the content to be updated.

With all the CAPE STORMS recently, as you may know, the Killarney Car show was postponed, a good decision in my opinion. Now there are still positions open for the car show now arranged for 8 December 2019, so there is still time to polish your car and bring it along, after all it is just a week after the concours.

That's it for now, have fun and please do attend the AGM, we need your support and assistance. Be safe and God bless.

Triumphant Regards,

Gerhard

THE EDITOR'S DESK

This has really been the month that didn't happen both on a club and personal note. Both the noggin and the Killarney car show were postponed for widely differing reasons, the most important event was the final of the Rugby World Cup where the Bokke did us really proud, well done guys!! I was really proud to be a South African, let us hope that the gees displayed during the tournament can be translated into action by the current government! There is less content in this issue due to all the postponements, hint I need articles, but I am hoping that is about to change

On a sad note, I managed to get to Neil Draycott's memorial service held in Durbanville on the day the heavens opened in Cape Town. It took nearly 2 hours to get from Simon's Town to Durbanville with people driving like complete idiots in the conditions but I am very glad I got there. Neil and Colleen were staunch members of the club in the early 2000's and did a huge amount of organisation for events such as the 2006 national gathering in Hermanus and many club events over the years. It was a pleasure to talk to Colleen and she was so pleased that members of the club had made it to the service. Neil had a great red TR7 and this is now for sale, please contact me initially and I will be very happy to pass on contact details for the car.

On a totally different note, I am delighted that a few people read this newsletter, many thanks for the words of encouragement as it does make a huge difference. I am also delighted that the article on the attributes of the Triumph Stag and the advert in the last newsletter produced some results. A bright red 2.5 litre Stag is making its way to Blouhuis Farm near Riversdale to a very enthusiastic owner, one Gordon (Plaasjappie) Waring! We certainly look forward to seeing this car at some shows and club events in the future.

As Gerhard has said in his chat and I am certainly repeating, the AGM comes up at the end of the month and we are looking for enthusiastic members to help the club get stronger and back to its former glories as one of the premier car clubs in the Western Cape. Every little bit of effort helps to spread the load, I am publishing the provisional programme for 2020 in this issue and there are runs and noggin that we would be delighted to put your name to. Please do not worry if you a newbie, it is a great way to get into a wonderful hobby.

And now for something completely different. On our recent trip to the Eastern Cape, we stopped off in Graaff Reinett and on the way in from Aberdeen spotted a classic car showroom on a Sunday afternoon. Next morning, after breakfast we were back and found a real treasure trove of older cars. Initially we went to the showroom where there were some great examples of Mercedes, NSUs and some other great classics including a lovely maroon TR3 with EC plates. The guy in charge didn't know its history so maybe someone else can help but he did start a wonderful

Mustang, the noise was superb, before pointing out that there was another exhibition across the road so off we went.

This had some more great cars but outside had re-created period motoring scenes such as filling station complete with period American cars. There was a road house playing loud Afrikaans music for the 50's and 60's and served excellent food at a very reasonable price. Well worth a visit if you are in the area.

REPORT BACKS

Sadly there is very little to report back on this month but hopefully November will more than make up for this!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

RUN TO WELLINGTON 10TH NOVEMBER

Peter Lloyd's brother, Roland, will be organising a fascinating trip to Wellington and surrounds. Meet at the Pot Belly restaurant on the R44 near Klapmuts at 10 AM for a 10.30 departure to Wellington. Judging by the last outing, you will certainly be a lot the wiser by the time the tour is finished!

NOGGIN 20TH NOVEMBER 7.30 PM AT THE CLUBHOUSE

This was due to be given last month but I suspect I would have been talking to myself as the England vs New Zealand match kicked off at the same time! I am going to give a talk on my journey with my TR4. Essentially I will be giving the reasons why I chose a TR4, and the philosophy behind the restoration and modifications I have done to the car.

We will be serving cheese and wine after the talk to bribe you into coming out to Parrow on a Wednesday evening, and I look forward to explaining what I have been up to!

CONCOURS AND TSCC CAPE TOWN AGM AT THE CLUBHOUSE, 30TH NOVEMBER 10AM

Barrie Downs will be organising the club's annual concours at the clubhouse followed by the AGM. Please give your cars a good polish and we look forward to seeing you all at the AGM so we can have a strong committee for next year.

This is a repeat of the insert in last month's newsletter but notice is hereby given of the Triumph Sports Car Club - Cape Town – Annual General Meeting to be held at the Multi Motor Club clubhouse on 30 November 2019 @ 13h00

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of last year's AGM
4. Matters arising
5. Treasurer's report
6. Chairman's report
7. Prize giving
8. Election of office bearers
9. General
10. Close

NEXT YEAR'S PROGRAMME

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME FOR 2020				
JANUARY	5th	RUN	Run to Jakes Noordhoek	Ashley Ellis
	19th		Timour Hall car show	Gerhard Vorster
FEBRUARY	9th	RUN	To Riebeck Kasteel for a farm braai	Tim Kent
	29th	NOGGIN	Andre Bredenkamp on his USA trip	Andre Bredenkamp
MARCH	15th	RUN	Pennisula run to Simon's Town golf club	Eddie Hughes
	29th	NOGGIN	Maintaining your Triumph	Frank Dreyer
APRIL	12th	RUN	British Sports Car Tour	Jamie Hart
	26th		National gathering or Knysna show	
MAY	10th	RUN		Frank Dreyer
	30th	NOGGIN	My motor racing career	Ashley Ellis
JUNE	14th	RUN	Somerset West venue	Gerhard Vorster
	28th	NOGGIN	I Scratch- Body repairs done at home	Andre Smart
JULY	12th	RUN	Christmas in July	Eddie Hughes
	25th	NOGGIN	Motoring Quiz	Tim Kent
AUGUST			To Be Arranged	
	29th	NOGGIN	Andre's Mountaineering trips	Andre Brdenkamp
SEPTEMBER	13th	RUN	Darling Wild Flower Show	Daanie Barkhuisen
	26th	NOGGIN	To be arranged	
OCTOBER	11th	RUN		Jamie Hart
	25th		Killarney Motor Show	Gerhard Vorster
NOVEMBER	8th	RUN		Peter Lloyd
	22nd	NOGGIN	Concours, AGM and Braai	
DECEMBER	12th		Year end function and prize giving	

This programme is not cast in stone but please comment and if you have any really bright ideas please let us know

TRIADS

We have a re-joining member, Ian Hurst in Franschhoek, who has a stag and needs the following parts,

I have a 1971 Stag Mk.1, chassis no.LD13745 BW.

I need:

1/ The indicator/ horn/ high beam lever on the steering wheel. I believe that this is a standard British Leyland part.

2/ Rear Left side plastic Stag emblem. This gets swiped every time the car goes into a garage. I have seen some Stags where the emblem is replaced by a rear side indicator/

3/ Rear brake/ light/ indicator lenses both sides. On my car they are bleached. Are these the same as on the Triumph 2000 saloons?

His e mail address is hurst@intekom.co.za

TAIL PIECE



MUSEUM IN GRAAFF REINETT



ANOTHER VIEW OF THE MUSEUM



ANY ONE KNOW OF THIS CAR?