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The Central Oklahoma Vintage Triumph Register (C.O.V.T.R.) was established in 1982 by Triumph owners and enthusiasts for the purpose of preserving the future of the Triumph Marque. Triumph ownership is encouraged but not a prerequisite for membership. The C.O.V.T.R. sponsors a monthly meeting, monthly SOB's, car shows, road tours, technical inspections and lots of fun.

Triumph Trails is the proud recipient of the National Newsletter Award from Vintage Triumph Register of America awarded at the 2012 and 2017 National Convention.



2023 COVTR Activities Calendar

Feb 10	Drive Your Triumph Day, email a photo to: driveyourtriumphday@gmail.com	
Feb 18	Café 33 Steakhouse and Whiskey Bar; Perkins, OK	Kay and Lonny Wall
March 11	Eischen's Chicken Run; Okarche, OK	Dave and Mary Jo Hogan
March 18-19	SCCA Autocross, Remington Park, OKC	Drew Holliday
April 8	Garage Day Get-together; Tuttle, OK	Doug and Margaret White
April 14-16	The Lodge at Sequoia State Park, Hulbert, OK	British Car Breakfast Club
April 19-22	SCVTR Regional Convention; Sugarland, TX	Doug and Margaret White
April 22-23	SCCA Autocross, Remington Park, OKC	Drew Holliday
May 6-7	McPherson College Car Show; McPherson, KS	Mike and Judy Piggott
May 20	Black Raven Pub, Harrah, OK	Hunter and Jenny Rench
May 21	SCCA Autocross, Location TBA	Drew Holliday
June 3	COVTR Picnic; Edmond, OK	Kay and Lonny Wall
June 4	SCCA Autocross, Frederick, OK	Drew Holliday
June 24	Knights Car Show and Cookout; Shawnee, OK	Mike and Judy Piggott
July 8	Route 66 Museum Tour, Sapulpa, OK	Hunter and Jenny Rench
July 9	SCCA Autocross TPC, Muskogee, OK	Drew Holliday
Aug 5	Progressive Dinner; OKC/Edmond, OK	Holliday/Colson/Gauldin
Aug 6	SCCA Autocross, Remington Park, OKC	Drew Holliday
Aug 26	Drive-In Movie Night, Guthrie, OK; Beacon Theater	John and Donna Barron
Sept 17	SCCA Autocross TPC, Remington Park, OKC	Drew Holliday
Sept 22-24	Brits in the Ozarks; Springdale, AR	Open
Sept 27-Oct 1	VTR National Convention, Dillard, GA	Doug and Margaret White
Oct 8	SCCA Autocross, Remington Park, OKC	Drew Holliday
Oct 27-29	Red River Shootout, Denton, TX	RRTC, Carlton Northrup
Oct 21	Chili Cook-Off; Edmond, OK	John and Jan Colson
Nov 5	Ponca City Veteran's Day Parade; Ponca City, OK	Kip Miles/Lonny Wall
Nov 10-11	Fall Foliage Tour; Wister State Park; Wister, OK	Rench's and Hogan's
Nov 12	SCCA Autocross, Remington Park, OKC	Drew Holliday
Dec 9	Christmas Party	Greg and Susan Tiffany

We will have monthly meetings at Pelican's, 291 N. Air Depot, Midwest City, OK 73110 5:30 Eat and Greet, 7:00 Meeting, usually on the second Tuesday of each month.



Mike Piggott, Activities Chairman

A Message from the Club President



Greetings, Team Triumph,

May has been another active month for the club. The McPherson College Car Show was May 6th and 7th. John Gauldin represented the club for that event. We had the Black Raven Irish Pub run to Harrah. The event was hosted by Hunter and Jenny Rench. There were 18 members and one guest. I am proud to say that Bondo (pictured above) made his first long distance, club run. Only minor issues experienced that were corrected once he was back in the shop. After two years of work, he is officially on the road.

Unfortunately, the May Autocross event was relocated to a venue too far away for us to participate. So, we'll get them next time.

The annual club picnic is Saturday, June 3rd at Kay, and Lonny's house. Please plan on joining us.

On a somber note, I'm sad to report that long-time member and past president Dorothy McCarty passed away. The Club sent a flower arrangement and formal condolences to Dorothy's family. Please keep them in your prayers.

The June meeting will be at Pelicans in Midwest City on the 13th. Please join us. Until then, happy motoring.

Doug White President

McPherson College Car Show

C.A.R.S. Club, or College Automotive Restoration Students, is a student led club open to any McPherson student interested in antique and collector cars. The club gives students an opportunity to get together and share their passion for automobiles outside of the classroom. Club members are able to participate in numerous events throughout the year, including car shows, cruises, travel, old car movie nights, and insider trips to museums and private collections.

The culmination of the year is the student led C.A.R.S. Show in the Spring, where students plan their own large car show unlike anything else in the area, attracting participants from around the country.



1967 Herald 1200 and Jean Scott Gauldin

John and Jean Scott Gauldin drove to McPherson, Kansas to the McPherson College Car Show in their Yukon early on Saturday morning. They looked at the cars, took a tour of the vo-tech area, ate lunch and came back home. There was a Triumph in the show. It was the 67 Herald which was a student project.



Lunch at the Black Raven Pub in Harrah, Oklahoma

The Black Raven Irish Pub run to Harrah was hosted by Hunter and Jenny Rench. There were 18 members and one guest. Doug and Margaret's GT6 (Bondo) made his first long distance club run. They are proud to say that after two years of work, he is officially on the road.

Everyone enjoyed the comradery of fellow club members and the Irish food. Many commentated that they want to return.

















Minutes of COVTR Membership Meeting May 9, 2023

Officers Present: President – Doug White, Vice President – Hunter Rench, Treasurer – Mike

Piggott, Secretary – Mike Billotte substituting

Location: Black Bear Diner, Moore, OK

Members present: 15

Guests: None

Meeting Opening: Doug White opened the meeting at 6:45 PM

John Colson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Meeting Minutes: Bonnie Billotte motioned that we should accept the minutes of the April 2023 club meeting as printed in the Triumph Trails newsletter, seconded by Margaret White. Motion passed.

Membership Report – Dave Hogan

Mike Billotte reported that there are no new members this month. Margaret White made a motion to accept the Membership Report, Bud Reedy seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Mike Piggott

Mike Piggott read the Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2023. COVTR is in excellent shape financially with a healthy balance sheet. No expenses this month.

Larry Hopper rejoined COVTR for this year. Larry has struggled with cancer for a number of years but is now becoming more active.

Hunter Rench made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read with Judy Piggott seconding the motion. Motion passed.

Activities Report – Mike Piggott

Mike Piggott reported on the club events and activities that occurred during the month of late April and early May:

John, Donna and Jennifer Barron participated in the British Car Breakfast Club event held at Sequoia State Park in Hulbert, OK on April 14-16 and had a wonderful time. The event was well-organized and a great pleasure to participate in again this year.

Mike described the participation and results of numerous COVTR members that traveled to the South Central VTR Regional held in Sugarland, TX on April 19-22. Several club members entered their Triumphs in the Concours d'Elegance car show event and were rewarded with several First Place awards in their car show class: Lonny & Kay Wall, Jim and Carolyn Glidewell, Ron and Sandra Feken, Andrew & Chris Holliday, Art Graves, Jim Thompson, Mike & Vikci

May 2023 Club Minutes Continued

Sabelhaus, Paul & Jane Higley. Drew Holliday's beautiful TR2 won Best in Show for the entire Concours event.

Mike described the attention that his Austin Healey Bug-Eyed Sprite, powered by a Triumph engine, received at the event. Mike participated in Auto Cross and it performed quite well. Doug White commented on the success that Drew Holliday had while participating in all of the Regionals' events. Drew won First Place in all events in which he participated – what a showing in his TR2.

John Gauldin traveled to the McPherson College Car Show event held in McPherson, KS on May 6-7.

Upcoming Activities/Events

May 20 – COVTR Lunch Run to Black Raven Pub in Harrah, OK. Outing will be led by Hunter and Jenny Rench leaving from the McDonald's parking lot at 7800 Sooner Road, OKC at Noon. Planned arrival at 12:30 PM.

May 21 – SCCA Autocross – Remington Park upper parking lot

June 3 – Lonny & Kay Wall will host a Picnic at their home in Edmond. Club members are encouraged to sign up for something to bring and share.

June 24 – Knight's Car Show in Shawnee, OK at the Boy Scout Park

Old Business

COVTR Speaker System for our Club meetings remains a consideration by Mike Piggott. Mike will pursue locating one.

New Business

Lonny Wall brought up the possibility of developing a plan by those planning to travel to the VTR National in Georgia. Registration for the Nationals and the Red River Shootout.

Bitch and Brag

Doug White thanked Mike and Judy Piggott for allowing them to use their car during the VTR Regionals. Both Doug and Judy drove it in the Auto Cross event at Regionals.

Door Prizes

Door Prizes were not awarded at this meeting and will no longer occur.

Meeting Closure

Lonny Wall made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Hunter Rench. Motion passed. President Doug White closed the meeting at 7:09 PM.

ESIGNATE NATIONALS 2023



Vintage Triumph Register National Convention









Celebrating the Vision of Giavanni Michelatti

This year's event will be held at The Dillard House in Dillard, GA. The Dillard House boasts breathtaking views of the surrounding Blue Ridge Mountains. These beautiful cars, many of them from the mind of Giovanni Michelotti, were designed to draw you to such places and experience all that they were created for. Your drives will take you to places of beautiful waterfalls and folklore and even a day experiencing a

German-inspired mountain village. Come prepared to satisfy your driving desires, take in the breathtaking scenery and enjoy southern cooking like you never have before.

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