

# Triumph Trails

Central Oklahoma VTR Newsletter

September 2023



*“Enjoy the Ride”*



**Lonny Wall in “Blue Boy”**

## **Upcoming Events:**

- Sept 12 Triumph Club Meeting  
Pelicans Restaurant MWC  
5:30pm eat and visit 7pm meeting
- Sept 17 SCCA Autocross TPC,  
Remington Park, OKC  
Drew Holliday
- Sept 22-24 Brits in the Ozarks;  
Springdale, AR
- Sept 27-Oct1 VTR National Convention,  
Dillard, GA  
Doug and Margaret White



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### MISSION STATEMENT

*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: <a href="mailto:driveyourtriumphday@gmail.com">driveyourtriumphday@gmail.com</a>	
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.**

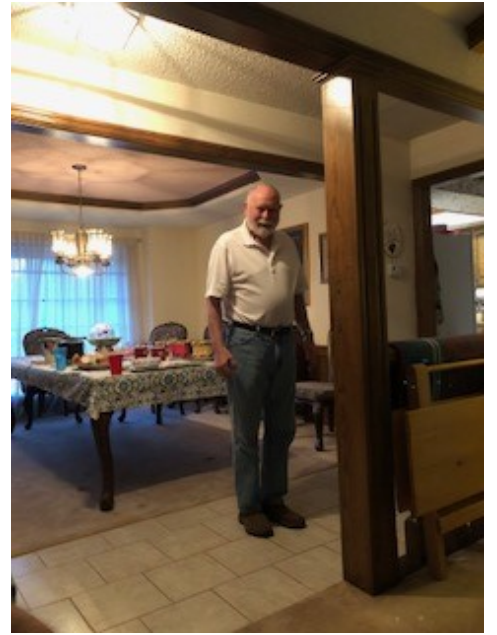


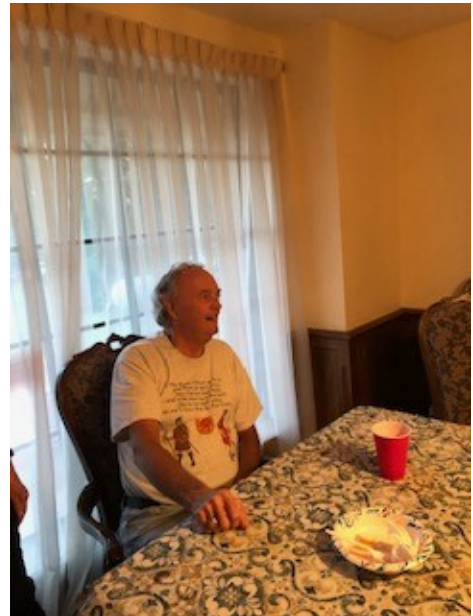
***Mike Piggott, Activities Chairman***

## Progressive Dinner

“Saturday night was super. We had a great turnout around 25. We were glad to see John Barron was able to make it for awhile. You are looking great John. This was our third year for the progressive dinner. We are growing in numbers each time. If you missed Saturday night you missed out on a great night of fellowship along with some yummy food. Hope to see you all at our next function. Watch the news letter for the next activity.” —Jan Colson









Greetings, Team Triumph,

**\*\*Look for the President's letter next month from the VTR  
National Convention in Dillard, GA\*\***

Doug White

President

# Minutes of COVTR Membership Meeting

August 8, 2023

**Officers Present:** President – Doug White , Treasurer – Mike Piggott, Secretary – Dave Hogan

**Location:** Pelicans Restaurant, Midwest City, OK

**Members present:** 24

**Guests:** None

**Meeting Opening:** Doug White opened the meeting at 6:57 PM

Mary Jo Hogan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Secretary Meeting Minutes:** Bud Reedy motioned that we should accept the minutes of the July 2023 club meeting as printed in the Triumph Trails newsletter, seconded by Bonne Billotte. Motion passed.

## **Membership Report – Dave Hogan**

Dave Hogan reported that there were no new members joining COVTR since our last club meeting in July.

## **Treasurer's Report – Mike Piggott**

Mike Piggott read the Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2023. COVTR has a current balance of \$12,679.69. Our club incurred no expenses this past month.

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

## **Activities Report – Mike Piggott**

Mike offered his collection of Hagerty Drivers Club automotive magazines to all club members. Mike hoped that all of the magazines would be picked up by club members.

Mike Piggott reported on the club events and activities that occurred during the months of late July and early August as well as a look forward to our planned late August and early September events.

**July 9 – SCCA Autocross > was cancelled**



## **Meeting Minutes Continued:**

**August 5** – Our annual Progressive Dinner was held on Saturday, August 5. Progressive stops included the Holidays for hors d'oeuvres, followed by dinner at the home of John and Jan Colson, concluding with a dessert stop at the home of John and Jeanne Gauldin. All of the stops were well attended by our COVTR members. The Club thanks our hosts : Drew Holliday and Kate Golden for their exhaustive selection of hors d'oeuvres; a delicious meal of BBQ, potato salad, green beans, weenies, salad and rolls provided by Jan & John Colson. Many of the group retreated to John's outbuilding to examine his multiple Triumphs in various stages of restoration. After the delicious meal, the group headed to the home of John and Jeanne Gauldin for a delicious dessert of sponge cake topped with your choice of three ice cream flavors – yum-yum.

**August 6** – SCCA Autocross @ Remington Park. Several COVTR members came out to watch with Greg Tiffany opting to take a ride with Mike Piggott. During that ride, Mike almost missed a turn resulting in he and Greg banging helmets during the sharp recovery maneuver. Doug Whie invited several non-members to come out to observe with Drew Holliday and Mike Piggott taking each for a spin around the AutoCross course. They really enjoyed the experience. All COVTR members are encouraged to come out and support our Auto-Crossing members and take a ride around the course. The AutoCross event is staged at every Regional and National Vintage Triumph Register sanctioned event.

**August 26** – Drive-In Movie Night @ the Beacon Theatre located in Guthrie, OK had to be canceled for this year as host John Barron is recovering from his recent open-heart surgery.

**September 17** – SCCA Autocross @ Remington Park

### **Old Business**

Margaret White had sent out an all-call to club members for interest in ordering a COVTR logoed club shirt. Only one member (Fred Broach) expressed interest in ordering a club shirt. Drew Holliday said that a minimum order of 5 would be advised to order shirts from his father in New York. However, our club has connections with an embroiderer at Ron's Sports World located at 7801 NW 23<sup>rd</sup> in Bethany. They have our logo and can embroider that logo on any shirt, jacket or other clothing item that one might like to have done. Several members had asked about a long-sleeved shirt and Ron's can do this work.

## **Meeting Minutes Continued:**

### **New Business**

Greg Tiffany questioned the club membership regarding the plans for the Christmas Party currently scheduled for Saturday, December 9. Would the members wish to return to the same restaurant as last year for our Holiday celebration followed by the boat ride on the OKC Bricktown Canal? The membership agreed that last year's event was very successful and everyone would like to return to the Bourbon Street Café, located on California Street in Bricktown, OKC followed by the OKC Bricktown canal trip.

Doug White and Hunter Rench drove to Missouri to buy a 1966 Spitfire for Margaret for Autocross purposes.

### **Bitch and Brag**

Lois Holdsclaw bragged about Howard Holdsclaw having his 88<sup>th</sup> Birthday today – congrats Howard. The club members sang Happy Birthday to Howard. Greg Tiffany bragged about Drew Holliday and Mike Pigott offering rides during the August 6 SCCA Autocross event at Remington Park. John Colson bragged about Doug White and Hunter Rench picking up some TR3 parts for him at good negotiated prices while at the Missouri location. Fred Broach thanked Doug and Hunter for their assistance with his Spitfire creating a tool to help solve the issue. Doug mentioned that he and Hunter had been working on this tool for about 6 weeks – way to go guys!

### **Door Prizes**

A Door Prize was awarded at this meeting with the following winner: Judy Piggott – consisting of fresh cucumbers, onions and tomatoes.

### **Meeting Closure**

Drew Holliday made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Mary Jo Hogan. Motion passed. President Doug White closed the meeting at 7:20 PM.



# BY DESIGN VTR NATIONALS 2023



Original Giovanni Michelotti artwork modified by Rick Andreoli.

## Vintage Triumph Register National Convention

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## Celebrating the Vision of *Giovanni Michelotti*

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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AND THE BRITISH AUTO OWNERS GROUP



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# Dues Reminder!

**Membership money is due as of January 1, 2023 \$15.00 per individual/\$30 for a couple . We do not send invoices but receipts are available. Please remit to:**

**Mike Piggott**

**4600 Gracelann**

**Shawnee, OK 74804**

## **COVTR now on Facebook**

**How do I join the COVTR Facebook Group?**

To join a group, go to COVTR Group and click Join Group in the top right corner. This will send a re-quest to join to Drew Holliday. Drew will accept the request to join the group.

## **COVTR Web Page**

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