



# TRIUMPHS & TRIBULATIONS



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## Members' Labors of Love: Part 1

These were the first five entries, the next five will be in May. See inside for detailed descriptions.

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### About Minnesota Triumphs Car Club

Minnesota Triumphs formed in 1981 when a group of Triumph enthusiasts met for an afternoon of fun and conversation at Fort Snelling Park.

Since then, the club has grown to more than 150 members from throughout the Midwest.

Our activities include:

- Monthly meetings
- Social gatherings
- Tech sessions
- Road rallies
- Regional and national events

We welcome all Triumph enthusiasts, whether you own a concours winning showpiece, are restoring a diamond in the rough, are searching for just the right addition to your garage or just appreciate the marque.

Together we can locate those hard-to-find parts and assist one another in keeping our vehicles on the road. But most of all, the club offers opportunities to explore some of the best roads in the region with others who enjoy the Triumph experience.

### Monthly Meetings

Membership meetings are the **SECOND THURSDAY** of the month January through October. Meetings begin at 7:00pm are held at the **56 Brewing Co, 3055 NE Columbia Ave, Minneapolis MN 55418**

For membership information please see the Membership page in this newsletter or visit our website at [www.mntriumphs.org](http://www.mntriumphs.org)



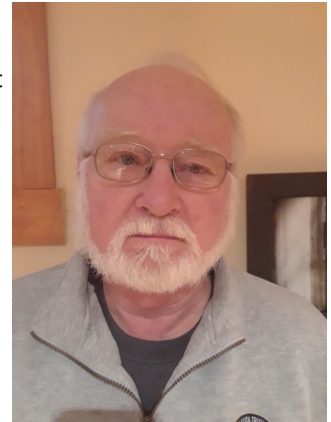
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**For VTR Membership information visit**

[www.vtr.org](http://www.vtr.org)

## PREZ RELEASE

Well last month I stated I had 2 members ask about my TR7 FHC and one actually came over to look at it and told me both he and his son really liked the car but had to sell the idea to the lady of the house. I then stated I wasn't putting much faith in that. Lo and behold the day after I sent in the Pres Release Tom called me and bought it. I had to get the car out of the neighbor's garage, so it was going to be about a week before he picked it up. That was OK because I wanted to do a few things before he took possession. The car had about a half hour run time on the engine and about 5 miles on it.



Tom was picking the car up on a Saturday. Thursday I and Doug Burch had the car running fine and took it up and put some premium gas in it and spun the tires. Friday Steve Shogren said "let's wax it to see how much shine we can get.". After Intermarque Breakfast 4 of us started waxing, vacuuming and Armoraling and were just finishing up when Tom and his son showed up. The car did look good.

Since this was going to be Jon's car, Tom's son, he wanted to be the one to start it. Guess what, the damn thing refused to start, let alone run. Not happy. After some severe coaxing it finally ran OK and Tom drove it home. That was the first time I heard the car from the outside and it sounded real good with the 9.3 compression, modified camshaft, headers with 2.5-inch exhaust and the dual webers.

Hopefully Tom will bring it a meeting or two.

At last month's meeting I asked for volunteers to sit at a table in the community building during the Spring Kick Off. This would be a perfect time to promote our club, possibly get new members, sell a cap or two. The members are there already. You could have heard a dollar bill drop it was so quiet. Not one person volunteered. Very disappointed. When I gave my 5-minute talk before the voting I said I wanted to get more visibility for our club. If you members thought this was going to happen without your participation and don't want to be bothered, you voted for the wrong sheriff. I meant what I said. I am not a politician, just saying things to get votes. If the just wants to do the same old, same old, same old, you should not have voted me in as president.

The same thing happened when I asked for a volunteer to be in charge of the cones to block out our reserved parking. It wasn't until I said there would be no reserved parking and you could park 3 blocks away; I don't care, that's when Pat Holt said he would coordinate the parking cone. Thank you, Patrick.

The coronavirus is another issue with bar closings and limiting gatherings. The board will have some internet meetings and keep you informed.

Thank you

Roger Kraemer

## PLEASE NOTE!

### **DUE TO THE RECENT CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK ALL UPCOMING MN TRIUMPHS MEETINGS AND OFFICIAL EVENTS ARE BEING CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

**RENDEZVOUS 2020 INFORMATION: Email from Chad Edwards:** As the worldwide coronavirus pandemic continues to evolve, the health and safety of the members of our vintage sports car family is top of mind. The organizing committee for Rendezvous 2020 has been assessing the impact COVID-19 will have on our event and are currently evaluating possible options. As I'm sure you can understand, there are a lot of items we need to take into consideration. This planning effort is further complicated by restrictions on out-of-province travel (the committee members are all from Manitoba, yet the event location is in Ontario), self-isolation requirements imposed on some of our members that have recently returned from out-of-country, and general limitations on group gatherings. All of this means that our investigation of alternate plans will take a little longer than we would prefer. We ask for your patience in this matter, and commit to having an updated plan announced by May 1<sup>st</sup>. As that was originally the cut-off date for registration cancellations a new date will be announced with the updated plans. In addition, all three of our hotel partners have cancellation policies that allow for cancellation without penalty well after this date. Again, we thank you for your understanding and promise to keep you informed as more information becomes available. Until then, be well. Chad Edwards, on behalf of the 2020 Rendezvous Organizing Committee

**Kastner Cup & VTR 2020:** As of this writing these events are still scheduled.

### **Minnesota Triumphs Meeting Minutes March 12, 2020**

The meeting was called to order by President Roger Kramer at 7.30

After a rainy day the sun came out allowing Natham Arvold to drive his 67 Spitfire and only Triumph with the top down.

We had one new member show up and join, Adam Vernier who bought a 1967 GT6 and Denny Duerr with a 1969 Spitfire joined on line.

We have 58 currently paid members of the projected 120-130. Joe Demuth (memberships) mentioned that the March newsletter would be the last "free" newsletter and that he would be sending out a reminder to the unrenewed previous members.

If you're reading this you're a member in good standing.

As the other officers presented their summaries we got updates on the 2021 Rendezvous being hosted by Mn. Triumphs in Two Harbors Mn.

We got a glimpse of a possible logo. Doug Burch and Dick Leighninger asked for volunteers for the upcoming Spring Kickoff Car Show May 9th in Osseo Mn.

Chip Lederer Will be leading our spring shakedown tour on May 2nd departing from Stillwater at 10am.

I won the door prize, a ballcap, Roger adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.

Patrick Holt

## Season of Unrest

Fear and unrest have swept across the country due to the Covid-19 virus and rightfully so. Carol and I were in the Caribbean visiting our son when travel was shut down from Europe so we were glad to reach our shores without delay. Even though we were very cautious when traveling, we are now waiting for the incubation period to be over to be sure we did not come in contact with an infected person. I lost a lung to cancer over 30 years ago so I am an “at risk” person as are many of our club members due to age and the maladies that come with it.

There are many similarities and much can be learned from the flu pandemic of 1918 that killed an estimated 50 million worldwide and over 10,000 in Minnesota. Just like the 1918 pandemic we have no vaccine or therapeutics to treat the severe pneumonia that is fatal in 50% of those that are put on ventilators. There are some that think it has been blown way out of proportion and that the threat is minimal and others that won't touch any surface without disinfecting it. I read yesterday of the New Jersey family that were infected at a family dinner from a family friend and the 73-year-old mother and 3 of her adult children all succumbed to the fibrotic pneumonia. I would rather endure a little hardship over the next few weeks to ensure our safe health and that of others rather than go through the hell that Italy is currently facing.

Be safe, stay calm, and we will see you all when the “all clear” is called.

Greg Thompson



**Are you connected to the group? Do you get in on the latest information?**

We have an e-mail site you can easily join. It is Minnesota Triumphs Yahoo mail.

Simply send an e-mail to: [mntriumphsgroup-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:mntriumphsgroup-subscribe@yahogroups.com)

You don't have to ask for anything, they will see your e-mail address and take it from there.

## MEMBER PROJECTS

### Joe DeMuth

Late last fall, Larry Berg and I replaced the dashboard in my TR6. I bought the dash from CG Auto-woods ([cgautowoods.com](http://cgautowoods.com)) I wanted a cherry veneer, not the usual walnut. They will use most any wood you want as long as they have a source for the veneer, and because I just happened to call the day before they were starting a TR6 batch in their shop, they charged me the regular price (\$250 + tax and shipping) rather than the custom price. Lucky.

As you can see from the pictures, the scariest part of this project was disconnecting all the gauges and switches, then getting them all back in the same place. The

dash itself is just held in by 5 screws, but to remove it completely you need to disconnect everything, which is a bit of a squeeze. Why they couldn't have made some of the wires an inch longer is beyond me.

The fit and finish on the new dash is excellent, should have done this years ago.



### Glenn Anderson

Current status of the restoration of my 1955 TR2. The body was moved to new (and much improved) body/paint guy last summer (thank you to everyone who helped with the move!). In the fall I completed my work on the chassis and attached components and it was moved to the new body/paint shop in October. The new body/paint guy finished up the brake lines and is working on the body and getting it ready for painting with the goal of having the car back to me by early Fall so I can start working on finishing the project.



## MEMBER PROJECTS

### David McNamara

My father bought this 1975 TR6 in Lockport NY brand new in 1975, when I was 6 years old. My brothers and I rode in it frequently with him as we were growing up. It has 101,000 miles on it and was always garaged, never driven in winter and with minimal rust, but in need of overhaul and work in a variety of areas. I purchased it from him in 2017 and had the interior restored and clutch and transmission work at Eau Claire British Car with Steve Rindt and Luke Wahl over the next 2 years. This past winter, Bob and Pat Kessler in La Crosse WI have been helping with work on the carburetors, suspension and replacing the rear differential. I'm hoping to drive to VTR National Convention in Galena IL this summer and look forward to meeting Minnesota Triumphs members there.



### Jeff Grant

1973 GT6 purchased a few days before New Years Day in Iowa on a minus 15 degree day in 2017. I promised my wife I would never do that again. picked up in SE Iowa. picture attached is how I bought it. A body off restoration was done about 20 years ago but it was poorly done and needs to be done again. both rockers have been replaced, the left rear quarter entirely (my body guy did a great job with the gas fill cut out), and the bottom half of the right rear quarter panel. about to go back to the body shop to fix a problem on the rear deck, replace both floor pans and then it's back to my place to remove the body and continue. I was able to start the motor which sounds great.



biggest disappointment so far, is I had the bonnet media blasted and found too many problems to fix it. I found a replacement which also has some needs but it's better than the first and still has the sticker under the bonnet.

## MEMBER PROJECTS

### Greg Thompson

These are the major parts that go into a TR4-6 overdrive gearbox. Many smaller bushings, washers, O-rings, seals, gaskets, and fasteners are not shown but total number surpass what is shown here. Now to get them all together!



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### Driftless Road Adventure - Larry Berg

While looking for some good motorcycle roads, I stumbled across this site, [WWW.driftlessroadadventures.com](http://WWW.driftlessroadadventures.com). If you are thinking of getting your TR out his spring to enjoy some backroads, this is a great place to start. The site creators Dale and Renee are a couple of BMW riders who have mapped the entire driftless area, an area untouched by the glaciers in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois and Iowa. They have divided the area into 33 separate routes, with over 8,500 miles of paved roads. Detailed maps with points of interest can be downloaded to a navigation device or paper maps are now available for purchase.

From their website:

**In the heartland of the country there lies a hidden gem known as the Driftless Area. A 24,000 square mile swath of land untouched by the Ice Age's creeping glaciers that spans parts of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois and Iowa. This geologic anomaly left behind incredible scenery and land formations making the area ideal for motorcycle and car enthusiasts.**

**We are Dale and Renee, a couple of empty nesters who set out on a new adventure. One of our passions is motorcycle riding...we are a 2 up couple and our current ride is a BMW R1200GSW. Originally from Wis-**

**consin, we now reside in Iowa. Missing the beauty of the Driftless Region of Wisconsin (and searching for any road that wasn't flat and straight) we started returning to our home state on motorcycle trips. The beauty of the Driftless Region, and the fun roads that it provides, is a secret treasure that we wanted to share. So, Driftless Road Adventures was born! As we keep saying, we do the work so you can simply ride. Please, try out the site, download a route, take a trip and don't forget to leave some feedback when you have completed it. Until then, follow along on this adventure we have embarked upon and have your own Driftless Adventure.**

My suggestion is to: Get together with your traveling buddies, check out the site, download a route, fill up the tank and give it a go.

[WWW.driftlessroadadventures.com](http://WWW.driftlessroadadventures.com)



## Selling My Last Triumph

Andy Lindberg

My name is Andy, and I'm a recovering Triumphaholic. My last Triumph escapade was on October 14, 2019, the day I sold TS58957L. Like many of my other Triumph days, it was not without incident.

First, October 14 was the day after Columbus Day, a day on which the potential Oregon buyer's bank was closed. Therefore, Joe hopped on the Columbus Day red-eye to MSP without a cashier's check. Pat Holt convinced me to take a personal check.

Second, after reading the snowfall totals for North Dakota and Montana, Joe had wisely decided to delay any driving trip back home until next spring with his wife. Pat found the last available winter slot for him at Quality Coaches.

Third, the TR3 wouldn't keep running for Joe. The first time we figured it was out of gas. Linda and Pat rescued us on 35E and put in a couple gallons of lawn mower gas. The second time, a few blocks from the non-oxy gas station, Pat and Linda brought us a few more gallons. We made it to the station and filled up the tank. It took much less than it should have if running on fumes. Then as we headed back to my house, the car sputtered and stopped again. Was something big time wrong? Joe loved the looks of the car and Pat had eloquently described its restoration and the capabilities of its mechanical restoration team (Greg Gelhar, John Kallaus, Joe DeMuth, Gary Stephenson and himself). Joe also enjoyed driving it when it was running. But I figured this latest malady made the sale shiny-side down.



Then a Coventry miracle. I saw that the key was slightly ajar in the ignition. The key fob was jiggling it when Joe shifted gears with his hand on top of the knob. Hanging the fob (one of those with a dangling Triumph medallion) over the choke knob cured that and the car was sold again. (Joe's check cleared a week later, and a fob-free key was sent to him with the title.)

When it came time to drive over to Quality Coaches, Joe asked if I wanted to drive it one last time. Glad I said yes because it reinforced why I was getting out of Triumphs. I was barely able to keep it on the Crosstown Highway and up onto 35W. Suppose I could have gone to one of the more effete Triumphs. Maybe a TR6 with roll-up windows, rack-and-pinion steering, synchro on first gear, and permanently attached convertible top. Or even the best-looking Triumph ever produced, the GT6.

But I am now a Saabist rather than Triumphaholic. A 1969 96 with 4-on-the tree (all synchro), a V4 four-stroke engine, roll-up windows, great aerodynamics, and a truly impressive racing heritage. My new hero is Erik (on-the-roof) Carlsson, the Swedish rally giant. As a matter of fact, I've already driven it into the weeds in his honor. Didn't roll it like my hero, and the bodywork has been repaired so it's ready for next year's triumphs and tribulations.

Will I ever get another Triumph? Well, I'm not dead yet, so there's always a possibility. The odds of it happening are, however, not good. Cheers and skol.

# TRIUMPH TRADER

## For Sale 1977 Spitfire.

76,373 miles. Last driven in 2018. Send inquires to Jennifer Thorp: brigadoon3435@gmail or call my cell at 320-282-1327.



## Tonneau Cover

Tonneau Cover for sale. Slightly used but excellent condition. Black with headrest pockets. Moss lists them at \$349.99. I am asking \$150.00 . Larry Berg lsberg-dtm@gmail.com

## Eight (8) Spitfire wheels to give away.

Original style. Some quite good, all decent. Free for the taking. Dave Heglund - davisnlinda@yahoo.com

## For sale: upper auxiliary oiler

**tube**, never out of the package. I have one on my engine. This braided stainless oil feed line will get full oil pressure to your cylinder head and rocker arms. Will fit all Triumph TR250, TR6, GT6, Spitfire and Midget 1500. Sells new at BPNW for \$69. Will sell mine for \$40. Rick Morris 612-207-7990

## 1980 TR7 Coupe

car located near Prairie Du Sac, Wisconsin \$2500

Contact: Doug Burch 763-780-4706

## TR6 Transmission. \$468.34

Rebuilt with new bearings, seals, countershaft and clutch release shaft bearings. Receipts total \$168.34. The gears and synchro's are in great shape. This is a non-overdrive transmission from a 76 TR6.

[LSBERGDTM@gmail.com](mailto:LSBERGDTM@gmail.com)

## WANTED

I need a Tachometer drive gear for a TR6 Lucas distributor. This could be from a Lucas, or I am told that the drive gear from a Delco unit from a Spitfire or GT6 would work. Larry Berg, Please call (763) 228-0072 or email lsbergdtm@gmail.com

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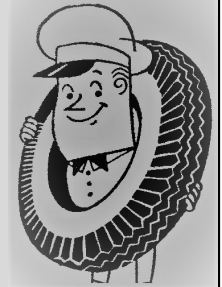
# TRIUMPH TRADER

## For Sale: 1974 TR6 \$2500 OBO

Rust in floors. Mix of steel and FG panels  
No overdrive. Last registered 1995  
Parts or project. Clear title  
Glen Wilson 651-707-2507



## Minnesota Triumphs Tech Specialists



As a service to fellow members, club members with an expertise in a particular model of Triumph have volunteered to act as tech specialists for that model. They don't know everything but they do know a lot. So, if you have a question, give them a call.

TR2/3/3A/3B -

TR4 - John Myers (507-633-2017)

TR4A - Larry Sanderson (507-775-6940)

TR250/TR6 - Orrin McGill (763-755-7765)

TR7 - Charles Setala (651-490-0489)

TR8 - Greg Gelhar (763-424-6434)

Spitfire - Bill Gingerich (612-850-4072)

GT6 - Pat McFarland (763-427-5612)

Renown Citroën - A. Lindberg (651-292-8585)



# MEMBERSHIP NOTES

## New Members Since Last Fall

It is easy to lose track of all the names and cars of new members, so I thought I would recap, even though several of them have graced this page with a short bio. These are new members that joined since last September - Dave Phillips is a returning member after several years.

Name	City/State	Car	Name	City/State	Car
Alan Shilkrot	Minnetonka, MN	'71 TR6	Steve & Deb Valley	Shoreview, MN	'76 Spit
Adam & Dena Vernier	Minneapolis, MN	67 GT6 MK1	Robert & Janice Arnio	Rapid City, SD	'80 TR8
Dennis DuErr	Minneapolis, MN	69 MK3 Spit	Jerry Trim	Rosemount, MN	'75 Spit
Glenn Wilson	St Paul, MN	75 TR6 74 TR6	Jon Anderson	Hermantown, MN	'70 Spit Mini Morris Minor
Jerry Moehnke	Arden Hills, MN	64 TR4	Nathan Arnold	Minneapolis, MN	'67 Spit
Dave Phillips	New Brighton, MN	TR4A TR6 TR7, TR8	Tim Winker	Saginaw, MN	74 TR6

Thanks to all that have paid their dues on time. As you can see below, there is a significant number of folks that have not yet ponied up. Hopefully this is an oversight and not them leaving the club.

### Dues Paid



2019 Membership = 144  
2020 Paid Members = 93

- Pay at the monthly meeting
- Pay using PayPal - visit our web page at: [www.mntriumphs.org/join.htm](http://www.mntriumphs.org/join.htm)
- Or mail payment to me at: 4018 Emerson Ave. N, Minneapolis, MN, 55412.

### 2020 New Membership Form

\$25 for a single membership + emailed newsletter    \$26 for couple membership + emailed newsletter  
\$35 for a single membership + mailed newsletter    \$36 for couple membership + mailed newsletter  
Mail to: Minnesota Triumphs, 4018 Emerson Ave N, Minneapolis, MN, 55412

Name	<input type="text"/>
Partner	<input type="text"/> New member as you want it to appear on a name tag
Address	<input type="text"/>
City, State, Zip	<input type="text"/>
Day Phone/Cell Phone	<input type="text"/>
Home Phone	<input type="text"/>
E-mail Address	<input type="text"/>
Car, Model/s	<input type="text"/>
Member of VTR	Yes No

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[kaskastner.com](http://kaskastner.com) for details. Five cars being shipped from the UK. And the Sebring TR250K will be running.

## EVENTS CALENDAR

**DUE TO THE RECENT CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK ALL UPCOMING MEETINGS AND OFFICIAL EVENTS ARE BEING CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. WE HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED THAT THE WEEKLY INTERMARQUE BREAKFAST IS ALSO CANCELLED.**

### April

- 9 Club meeting
- 18 Tech Session - Roger Kraemer's house - replace the convertible top, install a 3rd brake lite, and install high intensity headlights on his TR8 .

### May

- 2 Spring Shakedown Run, hosted by Chip Lederer
- 9 Intermarque Spring Kickoff - Osseo Featured marque is the [Borgward](#), a German car maker that shut down in '61
- 14 Club Meeting
- 29-30 Visit the National Motorcycle Museum, Larry Berg and Joe Bisanz are leading the trip, Joe Bisanz and Orrin McGill leading the trip

### June

- 11 Club meeting
- 11-13 Rendezvous in Kenora  
<http://rendezvous2020.com/>
- 19-21 Back to the 50's at MN State Fairgrounds  
<https://msrabacktothe50s.com>
- 25-28 2020 Vintage Grand Prix Races and Kastner Cup at Mid Ohio Race Track
- June 28 Intermarque picnic, Cherokee Park

### July

- 9 Club meeting
- 9-11 Iola Car Show & Swap - Iola WI  
<https://www.iolaoldcarshow.com>
- 25 Stockholm Pie Run hosted by Bill Connell
- 26 Intermarque picnic, Cherokee Park

### August

- 09 New London to New Brighton Antique Car Run  
<http://www.antiquecarrun.org/>
- 30-Intermarque picnic, Cherokee Park
- 31- Sept. 4 North American Triumph Challenge in Galena, IL, sponsored by Illinois Sports Owner Association (ISOA)  
<https://www.vtr2020.org>

### September

- 10 Club meeting
- 10 - 12 Brits in the Ozarks Car Show & Tours, Joe Bisanz and Orrin McGill leading the trip
- 25 Waumandee Hillclimb
- 27 Intermarque picnic, Cherokee Park

### 28 October

- 08 Club meeting Annual elections

Please see the events page on MN Triumphs website for more information about our different events, a map to our monthly meeting site, 56 Brewing Co. and a google calendar with the events for the year.

<http://www.mntriumphs.org/events.shtm>

**Every Saturday 8 am:** Intermarque Breakfast at The 400 Tavern - 1300 Industrial Blvd. in Minneapolis - corner of Industrial Blvd and I35 W. Casual breakfast with other auto enthusiasts.



A Look In The Rear View Mirror (adapted from Greg Gelhar)

Submitted by Bill Nelson - Historian



5 years ago

+ Antiquarian Greg Gelhar noted that he still needs photographs. Real photos preferred.

+ On April 4 Kallaus and Steve Shogren visited Larry Weakland, a new member in Clear Lake, Ia. Larry is finishing a TR3A that's shown on the lift. Another picture shows a Vietnam era Ford M151-1A & matching trailer. There is a 1955 TO-35 Ferguson tractor, from before they became Massey-Ferguson. The collection also includes a yellow TR8 5 speed coupe and a green TR4A, which is for sale. There is a rough TR250 and a rough TR6 that are possibly for sale. Larry has invited the club to come down the first week in August for the Clear Lake Automotive Social Society Cruise Around the Lake. Entry cost is \$5 per car, but that also gets you into a dance at the Surf Club. It's the last place Buddy Holly, the Big Bopper, and Richie Vallens performed. They had 980 cars last year and only 1 Triumph. Sounds like a good trip. Larry may be in the process of building a new garage and man cave at his house. If so all the excess TR cars and parts (lots) will have to go. And he is into airplanes too.

10 years ago

15 years ago on April 22, 1995, the Intermarque Banquet was held at the Fort Snelling Officers Club. After 2 years where the Minnesota Triumphs hosted the event, the Minnesota Morgan club organized the event that year.

Over 100 people attended. Minnesota Triumphs had the largest number of people there with 47. There were also 23 British cars on display outside the Officers Club. Inside, attendees enjoyed a wonderful banquet and conversations with other British car enthusiasts. Then ventriloquist James Wedgewood (also known to Minnesota Triumph members as Spitfire owner Jim Pratt) and his friend Patrick McWiggins (also known as the ventriloquist's dummy) took the stage. Patrick poked some good-hearted fun at the assembled British car owners and James Wedgewood taught us why it is not a good idea to sit in the front when there is a

wise-acre cord of wood performing on stage. There were quizzes for both the ladies and the gentlemen with prizes for the winners. There were door prizes handed out as well.

Minnesota Triumphs Officers History

Bill Nelson - historian



	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
President	Richard Huset	Pam Solstad	Pam Solstad	Larry Berg	Larry Berg
Vice Pres	Pam Solstad	Lynn Halverson	Lynn Halverson	John Hagen	John Hagen
Treasurer	Dave Swanson	Dave Swanson	Dave Swanson	Steve Shogren	Steve Shogren
VTR Liaison	Dave Phillips	Dave Phillips	Larry Sanderson	Larry Sanderson	Larry Sanderson
Regalia	Cindi Myers	Cindi Myers	Cindi Myers	Vicky Huset	Cindi Myers
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## Regalia Notes

A wide range of regalia and logo designs is available for Minnesota Triumphs members through the WildThreads Etsy site: <https://www.etsy.com/shop/MNTriumphsStore>

Wearing club regalia is fun and a great way to promote awareness about our club and Triumphs!

When ordering it is best to use the following guidelines for a smooth ordering process.

- **Place your order via the link on the Minnesota Triumphs Web site to the WildThreads Etsy site.** Only email Suzanne directly if you have a question about an item, but if you're going to order an item that is listed on the Esty Web site it's generally better to order it through the site. (The exception to this is if you're working with Suzanne on an item that is not listed on the Etsy site and/or you have a special/custom request).
- Be sure ALL information is entered when you place an order, including any size, color, logo options, shipping information, etc., plus your payment information.
- From the WildThreads side, Suzanne has promised she will ship orders within ten business days after they have been received.

NEW FOR 2020...Suzanne is now offering a full-size logo option for the Minnesota Triumph Club logo that can be applied to the back of the clothing options!

Questions? Contact Glenn Anderson



## Start planning for the VTR National Convention in 2020!!!

The VTR National Convention for 2020 will be hosted by the Illinois Sports Owners Association in Galena, Illinois.

**DATES: August 31 - September 4, 2020**

Visit [VTR2020.ORG](http://VTR2020.ORG) for details and registration.

For VTR Membership information visit [www.vtr.org](http://www.vtr.org)

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