



# T S O A NEWSLETTER

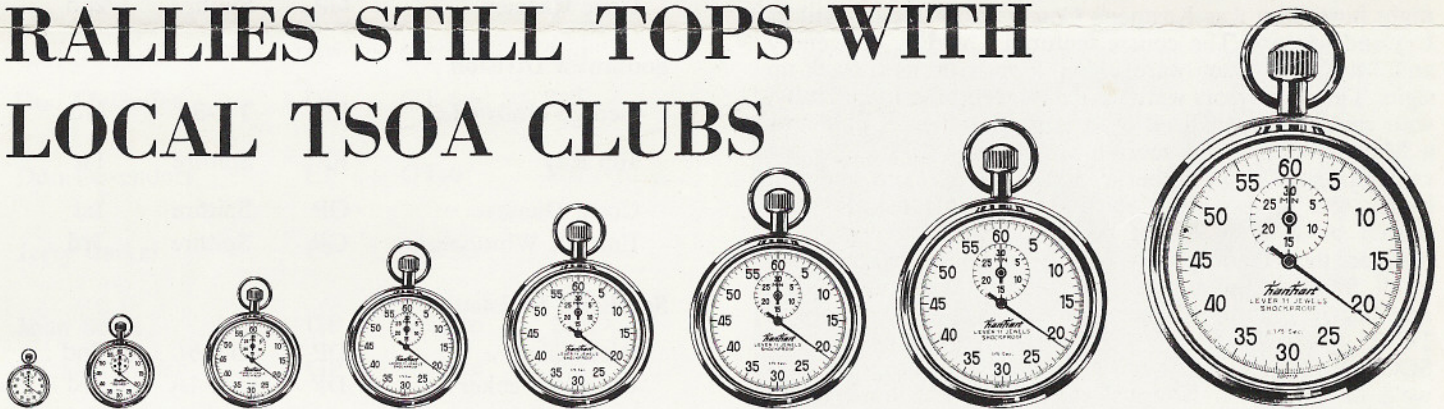
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## RALLIES STILL TOPS WITH LOCAL TSOA CLUBS



**“Beep-beep” does not necessarily refer to TV commercials for one of Triumph’s competitors! In fact, it may mean one of two radio stations, CHU, Canada and WWV in the USA, which exist, to hear enthusiasts tell it, to provide exact time for rallyists. This issue of the Newsletter is dedicated to those of our members who are bent on zeroing every checkpoint, no matter what. Following is an article reprinted from Triumph Tracker, newsletter of the Triumph Touring Club of Rochester, describing the checkpoint action at their recent Lunar Lunge rally.**

### THE LUNGE—CHECK ONE (AND TEN, AND FIFTEEN.)

Have you ever worked a checkpoint? Have you ever worked one at night? Have you ever worked three checkpoints at night? It’s quite an experience.

Just to give you an idea of what to expect:

Jean: “O.K., Here we are—there’s the Construction sign.”

The Kid: “Why is it the coldest night of the year?”

Jean: “I brought a Coleman lantern to light up the sign to save the headlights.”

The Kid: “My, it sure gets dark out here at night, doesn’t it?”

Jean: “If I could only get the mantle of this thing to light we’ll be all set. . . . Oh, here comes a car—must be Larry.”

Larry: “Hi gang, everything set?”

The Kid: “Yeh, I guess so. Sure is chilly!”

Larry: “Gonna check your time. . . . Either your three hundredths slow or I’m three hundredths fast—better fix that.”

CHU Canada: “Beep, beep, beeeep!”

Larry: “O.K., You’re all set. See you at your next check.”

Jean: “O.K., Bye. . . . The lantern works great! Let’s get in and set up the grid sheets.”

The Kid: “It’s warmer in here but I think the watch stopped.”

Jean: “You’re putting me on! . . . No you’re not! . . . Oh great! What time does your watch say?”

The Kid: “About 9:05, but I don’t know how accurate it is. It’s a Timex.”

Jean: “Here comes a car! Oh it’s Jim . . . Hey, you got the time?”

AFTER Jim leaves and returns with the time and our watch is running. . . .

We open the check. . . . Cars come and go. . . . About ten P.M.:

Jean: “Do you think we’ll get any more?”

The Kid: “Now it’s raining. . . . Car! . . . . How come your score card is already filled in for our check?”

Navigator: “I thought you looked familiar!”

The Kid: “You know you zeroed us the first time. Thought you’d try us again, huh?”

LATER . . . After two more cars come in a second time, and one guy wants a P.O.R. award for breaking his odometer before the first check. . . .

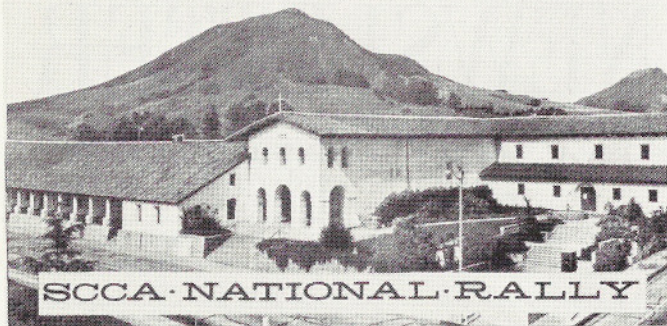
Jean: “O.K., We’re closed. We have about ninety minutes to get to the next check. Where’s the envelope for the next one. I put it on the floor in front of you.”

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# MISSION TRAIL 3

SEPT 18-19-20, 1970



Triumph Club of Ventura County (California) had 40 cars participate on its MISSION TRAIL 3 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP RALLY, September 19 and 20. The contestants had been treated to a cocktail party Friday night hosted by Kas Kastner's Competition Department at Leyland Motors. The course featured a variety of scenery and traps, the latter were either looped or used back-up signs. The trap errors were weighted according to difficulty, with easy traps penalized by a larger number of points or a Max. A new rapid scoring system was devised by the rallymasters, Jerry Kimberlin and John Lysaker, and leg-by-leg and total scores for 28 checkpoints (total) were posted on a 4 by 8-foot board before each contestant reached the Headquarters—to the surprise and pleasure of all. Sunday's buffet was enjoyable because of the relaxed and happy attitude of the rallyists and TCVC members. TCVC has shown that a good rally club can easily meet SCCA requirements for the National Rally Program, and we'd like to see a National rally put on by one of the other Triumph clubs in the country. Winners were John and Judy Roach, Class A, with 2.98 and R. Bednark and H. Anderson, Class B, 6.68 points.



Mission Trail co-rallymaster, John Lysaker and wife Marlys running the "pre-check" depart from the start in their well-travelled TR-4.

## THE LUNGE —

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The Kid: "It's not there."

Jean: "Well look! . . . Don't tell me you lost the second check! Look! Did you leave it on the roof or the hood? . . . It's not back here anywhere!"

The Kid: "I found it in the visor."

Jean: "Bring in the lantern and sign." (Mumble, mumble, mumble.)

The Kid: "O.K. . . . Jean?"

Jean: "Yes?"

The Kid: "Got anything to put on a burn?"

The Kid.

# LIST OF TRIUMPH BY SCCA

## Northeast Division

Bob Tullius	GP	TR-6	1st
Bob Tullius	DP	GT-6+	3rd
Brian Fuerstenau*	DP	GT-6+	4th
John Kelly	FP	Spitfire	1st
Kenneth Slagle	FP	Spitfire	2nd
James Aronson	GP	Spitfire	1st

## Central Division

Gene Ramsey	GP	Spitfire	2nd
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## Southwest Division

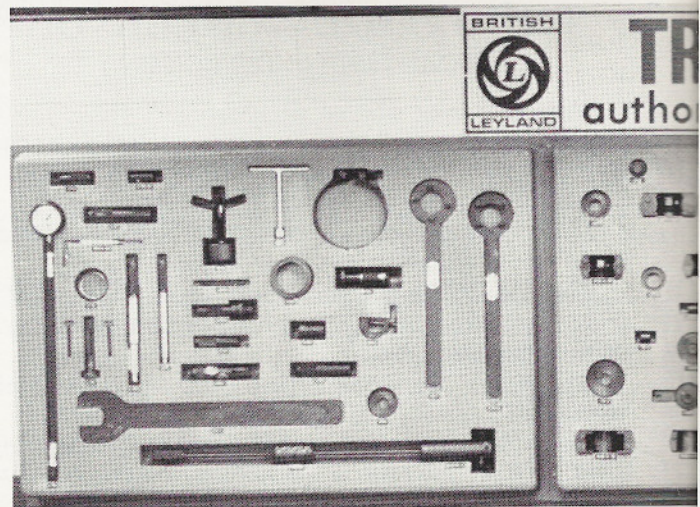
George Hollwedel	EP	TR-3	3rd
Jim Ray	FP	Spitfire	1st
Costa Dunias	GP	Spitfire	1st
Emmett Whittenton	GP	Spitfire	3rd

## Southeast Division

Rick Cline	DP	GT-6	2nd
Carl Schwenker	DP	TR-4A	3rd
H. LeVasseur	GP	Spitfire	3rd

## Midwest Division

Dennis Wilson	DP	TR-4	3rd
James Speck	FP	Spitfire	2nd
John D. Wilkinson	FP	Spitfire	Tied 3rd
Gordon Smiley	GP	Spitfire	1st



Now appearing at Triumph dealers throughout the country is the special tools necessary to properly service your cars. Everything in plastic pockets, ready to use. Retail value of the tools is in excess



# ARRC QUALIFIERS DIVISION

## Northern Pacific Division

Lee Mueller	CP	TR-6	1st
Marshall Meyer	GP	Spitfire	2nd
John Harris	GP	Spitfire	3rd

## Southern Pacific Division

Carl Swanson	DP	GT-6+	2nd
Don McGaffee	DP	GT-6+	3rd
Don Devendorf	EP	GT-6	3rd
Jerry Barker	FP	Spitfire	1st
John Soule	GP	Spitfire	1st
Michael Walsh	GP	Spitfire	3rd

The top six finalists in each class receive invitations to the ARRC, but only three are actually allowed to compete in the event.

\*Halfway through the season Brian Fuerstenau became ill and it was doubtful that he would be able to drive at the ARRC. For this reason Bob Tullius qualified the car. However, Brian is completely recovered and will drive at the ARRC. Bob will stick to his TR-6.



## Koni Offers Free Race Track Markers

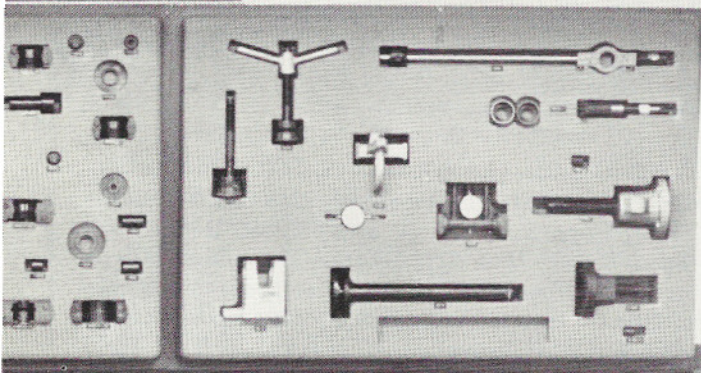
Kensington Products Corporation, 150 Green Street, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601, have designed a functional and attractively designed directional marker carrying the word "Race" and the KONI logo on a brilliant red arrow.

Tacked or stapled on trees and telegraph poles, the KONI prepared race circuit direction markers will keep spectators from losing time or getting lost. Sports car clubs and race organizers can obtain a quantity of these free of charge by writing to KONI, attention Public Relations Department.



This way to the race! Courtesy of Koni.

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Triumph Tool Board. All of the gizmos and dingbats you see above in a hub puller to a dial indicator is there, nested neatly in molded tray. \$175.00.

## SAN DIEGO CLUB ACTIVE

We were happy to hear from sunny southern California that the San Diego group is very much active and wants Triumph owners in the area to know about it.

The news came from Larry Marshall, Publicity Manager of the club, who ask that prospective members write to:

Triumph Sports Car Club of San Diego

P. O. Box 20341

San Diego, Calif. 92120



## THOUGHTS FROM A 2000 OWNER

Dear Sirs;

As a member of T.S.O.A. and considering myself one of the "Silent Minority" (I drive a TR 2000), I would like to get an opinion poll going from the other members who drive the noble TR 2000.

I would like to see a few service tips in the newsletter on the 2000 . . . come on you guys, so we ain't sporty and fast like the rest, at least we are TR drivers . . . we *could* drive some other sedan, y'know.

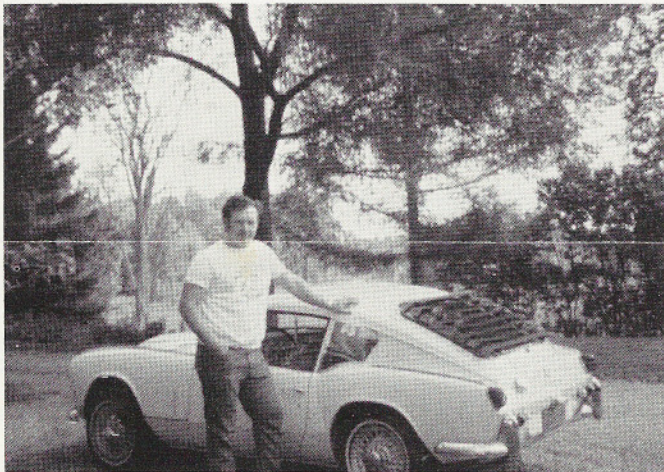
"TRIUMPH 2000 DRIVERS . . . UNITE . . . LET'S SHOW THESE TOUGH NUT, HARD CORE, "RAG TOPPERS" THAT WE 2000 DRIVERS HAVE A LITTLE CLASS TOO!"

As to the opinion poll . . . print this letter in your newsletter and all TR 2000 drivers are invited to send me a letter, giving me their opinion on the 2000 . . . good or bad, I'll accept them all.

Thank you for the time and trouble.

Sincerely,  
Roger L. Venable  
15830 N.E. 175th  
Woodinville, Washington 98072

## "BOSS" GT-6



Ron Hyland spotted the venetian blind effect on a Boss Mustang and decided to dress up his GT-6 in similar fashion. Working from his own plans, he made vertical members of wood with "steps" cut to hold the transverse strips. The strips are plastic, cut to length and width and then curved over heat.

The finished assembly, screwed together, was painted black and fastened to the rear window frame with clamps. The proud owner is shown with the finished product. However, we suspect that the proudest member of the family is Mrs. Hyland who was kind enough to write and send the photo.

## CLASSIFIED

### FOR SALE:

TR-3 parts, used. Pair side curtains, black, Dzus fasteners, \$10 ea.; complete adjustable wheel assembly and one-piece steering column, \$15; complete top frame, \$10. Also, TR-4 top like new \$25; Spitfire Mk2 top like new \$25; TR-4 tonneau like new \$20. Will ship freight collect. Mike Cook, c/o TSOA British Leyland Motors Inc., 600 Willow Tree Road, Leonia, N. J. 07605.

1966 Triumph Spitfire, good condition, needs shocks, new top, low mileage (40,500). Best offer. John Ciliento, 29 Locust Ave., Wallington, N. J. 07057 (201) 777-6765 or 939-0960.

Fiberglass top (black outside, white inside) for TR-4A. Used 3 months \$100; 5 wire wheels and 4 hubs and adapters \$80; 2 Michelin, 2 Pirelli tires 90% tread \$20 ea.; 1 brand new Michelin \$35; White tonneau cover \$15; Wrecked 1965 TR-4A 5,000 miles, good engine, trans., rear end \$250 or will sell parts. Bill Moorman, R.D. Box 726, Woodstock, N. Y. 12498. (914) 679-8275.

TR-3 complete rear end assembly — 3 — all 3.7 — \$25 ea. Also back issues of car mags '58-'65. Make offer. Gene Bennett, 1009 Woodbine Rd., Madison, Ala. 35758.

GT-6+, 1970, 11,000 miles. Financial circumstances force me to sell my beautiful car. Will sell for what I owe \$2,200. Anthony Hibner, 1755 Hydrangea St., Browns Mills, N. J. 08015 (609) 893-2737.

TR-4A Tonneau cover, brand new, black. \$15.00. R. J. Sanders, 25 N.E. 60th, Portland, Oregon.

### ITEMS WANTED:

TR-4 Overdrive unit in any condition. R. J. Sanders, 25 N.E. 60th, Portland, Oregon.

Hood and front bumper for '62 TR-4. H. B. Graves, 275 S.W. 82 Ave., Miami, Fla. 33144.

Factory C Cam, comp pushrods, white top, blue seats, and wind-screen for '63 TR-4. Karl Svensson, 4201 Delamar Ave. N.E. Albuquerque, N. Mexico 87110.

TR-3 Competition Preparation Manual; used competition parts for TR-3. Cheap. Tom Myers, 826 C Hamilton Drive, Duluth, Minn. 55811.

## TSOA SUPERMARKET

### OFFICIAL TRIUMPH JACKET

Brilliant blue water-repellent nylon zipper jacket with two white racing stripes. Mandarin collar style with side pockets, elasticized waist.

Order direct from: Louisville Manufacturing Company

P. O. Box 1436, Louisville, Kentucky 40201

Specify: small, medium, large, extra-large . . . . . \$4.75  
Ladies' sizes, specify small, medium or large . . . . . \$4.75  
Jacket with button-in red acrylic pile liner . . . . . \$9.00

The following items are to be ordered from TSOA Leonia.

### TSOA T-SHIRTS

Attractive white knit shirt with collar and button front. No pocket. Triumph logo in blue on back, shield on left front. Specify s, m, l, x-l . . . . . \$4.50  
Local TSOA Club "Calling Cards" . . . . . FREE  
List of Triumph Dealers and Distributors . . . . . FREE  
Replacement TSOA Badge . . . . . \$1.00  
Triumph Automobile Association badge . . . . . \$1.50  
GT-6/2000 Competition Preparation Manual . . . . . \$2.00  
TR-4 TR-4A Competition Preparation Manual . . . . . \$2.00  
SPITFIRE Competition Preparation Manual . . . . . \$2.00  
TR-250/TR-6 Competition Preparation Manual . . . . . \$2.00  
GT-6+ Competition Preparation Manual . . . . . \$2.00  
Complete list of Competition Parts for all Triumphs . . . . . FREE  
TSOA Jacket Emblem . . . . . \$1.00  
(Club Discount — 1 Dozen) . . . . . \$10.00  
Official Triumph Jacket Emblem . . . . . \$ .50  
Triumph Competition Stickers, Mylar . . . . . 3 for \$1.00

Send Check or Money Order. No. C.O.D.'s please.

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