



COTSWOLD VALE TR MARCH 2019 NEWSLETTER

Sadly we start this month's newsletter by saying our goodbye to one of the most genuine people we have had the privilege of knowing, one of life's genuine contributors and whom we were lucky enough to have shared some precious time with, Rob King, after he finally succumbed to Motor Neurone Disease.



Rob and his wife Carol were regular participants and enthusiastic CVTR members, and I will share here the words that Rob's wife Carol sent when she informed me of the arrangements for Rob's funeral -

“Rob thoroughly enjoyed his time in The Cotswold Vale TR club and meeting up with the many friends he made there, as did I. The Welsh weekend, in particular, will always be remembered, along with many events like the Pershore Plum Festival and the Asparafest, and not forgetting the air shows and the awe-inspiring Vulcan, plus the many Sunday lunches we enjoyed with the club. Rob had a real passion and enthusiasm for cars and loved driving his TR3 more than anything.”

RIP Rob, we will not forget.

Post Script, at the NEC Restoration Show last weekend, the Consul Capri club featured Robs car on their stand and they were collecting monies for the MND charity. Dave Lees sent in this image:-



10th March Sunday Lunch, Beckford Inn



“Thanks for the picture Gareth; and, Ian, for the newsletter, not much to say really - 19 of us in our private dining room at the Beckford Inn - good lunch enjoyed by all, I think!”

Mike Hill

CVTR meeting at The Fleece.

An unusual meeting this month, Keith Brown was away and consequently the usual raffle didn't take place! Dave ran through a few events from last month (no reports from the track day, restoration show etc as no one sent any copy in for inclusion in the newsletter.)

There are a couple of things of note for the future, the first being a request to turn up early for the next CVTR meeting as we are having a talk from Max Hunt on the history of Shelsley Walsh, kindly facilitated by Bob Heppel. The start time for the meeting will be 8.00pm.

The second item of note is that Sally Roberts is organising a trip to Beckford Silk, <https://beckfordsilk.co.uk/>



The date for the trip is the 20th June, please let Sally know as soon as possible to ensure you book your place on this visit by emailing to watersreach@talktalk.net

One other item of note, the Fish and Chip trip organised by Bob Heppel on the 10th August is now FULLY BOOKED

Paul Tunnadine was asked about arrangements for volunteers at the IWE, nothing specific was requested, and members were referred to the TR Register website for more details. Paul also mentioned that he was in dialogue with the office to provide CVTR with updated member details and other briefing documents as issued from the club.

We still need someone to organise the Sunday Lunch for the 12th May, please contact Dave Roberts

Finally, if you are free on St George's Day, 23rd April, your attendance at the Fleece in your TR would be appreciated in order to support our meeting host's event at the Fleece.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Ed

I found these Old cars in India. The owner also owns the 'Gem Palace' in Jaipur.

Not sure if they are of any interest to our readers.

The Mercedes is a 1939 example. The other two are a Studebaker and a Dodge (from memory)



Colin Gibson

(Ed comment, our CVTR members get around a bit!)

TECHNICAL SECTION

Seems like Mark Hellings has got to the root of his overdrive problems with a visit to some “old school” mechanics in Evesham, rewiring the overdrive solved the problem.



And at the same time, Terry Smith may be unaware that he featured in an article on windscreen wipers in the Club Triumph magazine

TR4-5
Tim Hunt

Wiper Miscellany

I recently saw a recommendation for PIAA silicone wiper blades but the price for a pair was somewhat prohibitive. I did some research and found that a 525mm PIAA Super Silicone Wiper Refill could be purchased from www.tdcautomotive.com for £14.79 including shipping. The TDC model number is SKR52E. The refill comes in a 6mm wide plastic backing strip, the correct width for the original TR4 or 4A blade carriers. If it is carefully cut exactly in half it provides two blades of

A red Triumph TR4 driving on a road. The license plate is GUA 302D.

long life. I used them for the first time on clear. Carefully examine the rack and if

I'm sure Terry will happily sign copies for those interested.....

COMPETITIONS SECTION

No reports

FUTURE EVENTS

March	April
	4 th Kineton Social Club Meet, 6.00pm onwards 6 th /7 th Open Day at David Ferry workshop 6 th /7 th Goodwood Members Meeting 7 th Bromyard Speed Festival 14 th Sunday Lunch – Green Dragon, Sambourne, Dave Gillespie 15 th TR Track Day – Cadwell Park 22 nd Coleford Festival of Transport 23 rd St George's Day request for TRs at the Fleece 24 th CVTR monthly Meeting (Shelsley Walsh Talk) 27 th /28 th Prescott 28 th Drive It Day
May	June
2 nd Kineton Social Club evening meeting 4 th /5 th Shelsley Walsh 5 th /6 th Stratford Motoring Festival 4 th /6 th Donnington Classic 4 th /6 th CVTR Wales Trip 12 th CVTR Sunday Lunch 12 th Classics @ Prescott 17 th /19 th Spa Classic 19 th Wroxall Abbey Standard Triumph Picnic & NATIONAL TR6 DAY 20 th TR Track Day Snetterton 22 nd CVTR Monthly Meeting 25 th /26 th Prescott La Vie En Bleu 26 th Ragley Hall with TRDC 27 th Bidford Wings and Wheels	1 st Birmingham Group Concours TBC 1 st /2 nd Shelsley Walsh 3 rd TR Track Day, Blyton Park 6 th Kineton Social Club evening event 9 th CVTR Sunday Lunch (Kings Court, Andrew Racey) 9 th Prescott Invitation Day with E Type Register 9 th GWR Classic Car day - Toddington 15 th /16 th Shelsley Walsh 16 th Prescott Bike Festival 20 th Beckford Silk Trip – Sally Roberts is organizing this trip 22 nd Hampton Ferry Car Show 23 rd TR Mega Breakfast Haynes Museum 23 rd Summer Solstice Run 24 th TR Track Day Castle Combe 26 th CVTR monthly meeting
July	August
4 th Kineton Social Club 5 th TR Track Day North Weald 4 th /7 th Goodwood Festival of Speed 6 th /7 th Shelsley Walsh 6 th Prescott Members Meeting 8 th TRDC visit to Morgan Cars 13 th /14 th – Broadway Ferrari weekend 14 th CVTR SHOW – The Fleece 21 st Alcester Motor Show 21 st Cotswold Classic CC, Andoversford 24 th CVTR Monthly Meeting 26 th /28 th Silverstone Classic 27 th Shelsley Walsh Test Day	1 st Kineton Social Club 3 rd /4 th Prescott VSCC 8 th Colin Boother Memorial Run 10 th /11 th Shelsley Walsh 10 th CVTR Fish and Chip supper on the GWR Steam Railway 12 th TR Track Day Anglesey 16th/18th TRR IWE Stratford 26 th Pershore Plum Festival 28 th CVTR Monthly Meeting 31 st Peopleton Show
September	October
1 st Boness Revival Hillclimb 5 th Kineton Social Club 7 th /8 th Prescott 7 th /8 th Lakes Weekend	5 th /6 th Prescott Autumn Classic 7 th TR Track Day Donnington 13 th CVTR Sunday Lunch (Brian Wiggins) 23 rd CVTR Monthly Meeting

8 th CVTR Sunday Lunch (Gareth Davies) 9 th TR track Day Castle Combe 13 th /15 th Goodwood Revival 21 st /22 nd Shelsley Walsh 21 st /22 nd Sywell Pistons and Props 21 st /22 nd Kop Hill 25 th CVTR Monthly Meeting 27 th Curry Night TBA Clay Pigeon Shoot	29 th TR Track Day Goodwood
November	December
8 th /10 th NEC Classic Car Show 17 th CVTR Sunday Lunch (Tim Walker) 27 th CVTR Monthly Meeting	2 nd TR track Day Brands Hatch 8 th (Sunday) CVTR Presentation Dinner (Bob Heppel)



TR REGISTER & PRE- 1940 TRIUMPH CLUB PRESENT

NATIONAL TR6 DAY

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

AT THE TRIUMPH PICNIC & HOG ROAST
WROXHALL ABBEY HOTEL & ESTATE
WARWICKSHIRE. CV35 7NB



**SUNDAY
19TH
MAY**

Informal format. Turn up in your Triumph with a picnic and marvel at the range of Standard and Triumph cars assembled on the lawns of this historic venue.

Rally plaques from www.tr-registershop.co.uk

FREE ENTRY **GATES 10AM**



PICNIC & HOG ROAST 2019
Sun 19th May - Wroxall Abbey, Warwick.
Hosted by the **Pre-1940 Triumph Motor Club**

FREE ENTRY - ALL Triumphs & Clubs Welcome

The format is simple - turn up in your Triumph (10am to 4pm) with a picnic and marvel at the range of Standard and Triumph cars assembled on the lawns of this historic venue. Dating back to the 12th Century and once the country seat of Sir Christopher Wren, Wroxall Abbey is not only a beautiful country house hotel in Warwickshire, but one of the most historic. For those without a picnic there will be food available including a hog roast.

Wroxall Abbey Hotel & Estate
Birmingham Road, Wroxall, Warwickshire. CV35 7NB



CLASSIFIEDS

Nothing this month.....

GDPR, we at CVTR only have your contact details from the office and no other personal information. As you receive this newsletter, you have already asked and consented to be on the circulation list for CVTR affairs. As usual, I would ask that anyone who wishes to be removed from the circulation list simply needs to make their view known and the list be will updated as required. Thank you for your understanding, and keep on TRucking!

Ian Brown, Dave Roberts and Richard Durrant