

Here are just some of the submissions for our Spring DIY Tour with the theme of Hollywood, Vintage or Trailer. You will find others on pages 14 & 15.



Scott & Cristina St. Clair

As vintage film buffs, they went for Hollywood film locations. Their TC at the now Las Brisas (but called The Victor Hugo years ago) in Laguna Beach. where "Now, Voyager" was filmed.



Lars & Roxane Lynge

Drove their TC to Palm Springs and stopped by Hollywood actor, Frank Sinatra's old home.

Rob Zucca

Rob got this meant to be funny shot of Steve, who works in Hollywood, trimming the ignition wires with an electric hedge clipper.





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Rob's Ramblings

We all had a great time visiting Hollywood Vintage Trailers on our May tour. Really beautiful work. Like rolling furniture. I want one! My TC was misbehaving a bit, but I think I've finally sorted it. Fingers crossed!

I'm really looking forward to our TCMG Summer Picnic and 70th anniversary. I've been able to help Steve Simmons with organizing and mounting select parts of the club archive. Real life treasure hunting mining the information there. There is so much of it, it's hard to pick what to exhibit. That club members and historians thought to build our archive over the past 70 years can't be understated. We're extremely lucky to have it. We stand on the shoulders of giants! There have recently been a few historic discoveries highlighted in the mini exhibit that I think people will really enjoy. Excellent sleuthing by Steve! I think some of these will be leading to historic events in the future.

Hope to see you there!

Rob Zucca

TCMG President 2024

Congratulations



An extra shot of Lynge's TC with the Glenwood Springs Rally and Car Show Best of Show Award



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TCMG 70th Birthday Celebration and Picnic

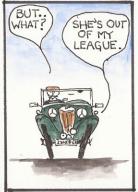
Our Annual TCMG Picnic is always a favorite and this year we are celebrating 70 years of TCMG. The first organizational meeting of TC owners was June 19th, 1954. No club name or officers yet, but it was our humble start. This picnic will also serve as our monthly meeting, but no Zoom meeting (it has never worked well to Zoom our in-person meetings).

Please RSVP if you plan to attend (to the Simmons) if you have not done so yet so enough chairs, tables, drinks and dessert is available. You would not want to end up standing, or force someone else to have to stand.

Those that drive their TCs to the picnic will receive a Sargent meeting point plus preferred parking.









Palos Verdes & Vintage Trailer Tour

Steve & Linda led an enjoyable driving tour around the Palos Verdes peninsula and then ended in San Pedro at Hollywood Vintage Trailer where extremely high end trailer restorations are performed. Focusing mostly on vintage Airstreams and art deco styling, this shop turns out some incredible camping, business and leisure trailers that are sold to clients including some of Hollywood's top stars. The staff showed us some of their current projects and described the process of restoration.

Five TCs were driven by Steve & Linda Simmons, Pete & Fran Thelander, Rob Zucca, Cliff Lemieux, and Jim Bickley. Garret & Ambre Hanes brought their vintage honeymoon T-Bird and Gorden Bundy & June Wennekamp were in a modern.



Gathering at the start



Line up of the five TCs at the start

Thank you to Steve for the planning, work and leading of this event.







TC Birthdays (Build Dates)

June 24, 1948	TC 5835	Bruce & Marlene Larson
June 24, 1948	TC 5850	Doug Pulver
June 30, 1948	TC 5890	Pete & Fran Thelander
July 7, 1948	TC 5964	Bob & Judi Eicher
July 7, 1948	TC 5970	Richard & Sandra Loe
July 8, 1948	TC 5994	Warren & Deborah Kosters
July 9, 1948	TC 6447	Doug & Laura Schirripa
July 13, 1948	TC 6013	Russell Jones

Happy 76th Birthdays



Build dates listed are when the TCs were assigned a number and started down the assembly line. 7

TC7383 EXU-A Legacy to Joe Douglass

In 2005 I was working on the restoration of TC 7670 EXU, my first. In an effort to learn the specifics of an EXU, I travelled to LA to meet Joe Douglass and study his car. The EXU was an end of production subset of the TC in which only 494 were made. Joe's car was the 3rd EXU made and was original. Joe was the first and only owner.

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by his car. I subsequently visited and corresponded with Joe, as he was somewhat of a mentor for me. He was definitely old school in that his



primary correspondence was via handwritten letter. I was shocked when one day I got an email from Joe. He said, "I just got a computer, and you are my first email. Not sure if this is going to work." But it did.

As time went on, Joe's EXU went into hibernation as Joe faced the challenges of an aging body. And after Joe's passing, I wondered what would happen to Joe's car. Then this past spring, I was contacted by Joe's 2 sons, Arn & Tom. They asked if I could help awaken the EXU, it had been sleeping too long. The

car came to our shop, From The Frame Up. The goal was to make it once again roadworthy and safe and yet maintain its original patina as a tribute to Joe.



The car was a time capsule, just as Joe left it. He had lot of goodies tucked away throughout the car. He was ready for anything with spare spark plugs, light bulbs, wire, nuts and bolts and the like. There was also Joe's own special features such as a hand lever for the slow run.



On that first visit, Joe shared the many details of the car, and I took loads of photos. The trip was in conjunction with the TCMG Lame Duck event held that year at the Santa Monica Pier. The event challenge was to see who could fly a kite the highest / farthest. It was during this event the I snapped the iconic photo (above) of Joe standing casually



Some of the old TCMG guard, Joe Douglass, Bob Wilmer, Jon Lutz, Ron Simon

a radiator recovery jug, and dash mounted temp gauge. Joe was known for the club's "Wildflower Tour" and in the door pocket was his "Wildflower Guide". He even has a section of Clipper Blue shag carpet for the floormat to compliment the cars aesthetics.

The car was fully serviced and brought back to life. The real thrill for me was being able to actually drive Joe's car. What an awesome experience. Joe knew what he was doing as the car awakened with a super strong motor that wanted to go. Great fun, what a driver!

The car has since returned to LA to Joe's family and will forever remain as a Legacy of Joe. For me personally, it was an honor to be able to help with Joe's car just as Joe had helped me in the early days.

As a final note: Joe's Clipper Blue EXU has always been one of my favorite TC's. As a reminder of it, I am currently finishing TC9883 EXU that is painted......... Clipper Blue.

Doug Pelton





Added Slow Run lever control







Ready to travel out to the wildflowers once again.



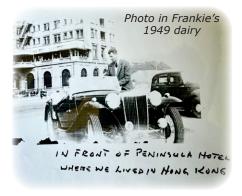
The "Grundy" 1949 MG TC

This 1949 MG TC # 9493 was built on August 24th,1949 and bought on December 7th, (anniversary date of the Japanese Pearl Harbor Attack) 1949, in Hong Kong by Mr. Hugh Lee Grundy, who was the "head", appointed by President Harry Truman to run Air America with approx 15,000 airtroops for the CIA, post World War II in the '40's, '50's and '60's.



Mr. Grundy received among many honorary recognition's, the Presidents highest award, the "Medal of Honor" for more than 40 years of "Service" to the Country.

Based in Hong Kong, where he with his wife literally lived for three years at the Peninsula Hotel, Mr. Grundy and his wife Frankie drove the MG in HK and South China.



When called back to the US in late 1951, the MG was shipped back to the "Grundy" family farm in Kentucky. Upon being transferred overseas again, without

knowing when they would return, Mr. Grundy and his wife built a wooden crate/box to store the car and placed it in their barn.

Frankie insisted on greasing up the car and put vaseline on all the chrome to protect it. The car was further placed on stilts to protect the suspension and chassis.

It wasn't until 2004 with the help of a friend Mr. Jim Snider, that the box was reopened, 43 years later, and Mr. Grundy was now 91 years old!



Frankie and Hugh opening up the "coffin".

Author Tom Cotter with foreword by Jay Leno wrote a chapter on this MG in his book "The Hemi in the Barn" - sub chapter "The MG in the Coffin, Playboys, Princesses and Spies".

The car was mechanically almost like new...... WITH ONLY 6,100 ORIGINAL MILES!

However, all soft goods, except the original side curtains (still in original material), upholstery, rubber, gaskets, tires and the electrical wiring and battery needed replacement.

The paint also needed to go through a refurbishing process, but all in all the car was extremely well preserved!

The car still has all the original paperwork, first bill of sale, first registration, airway bill, and HK license plate etc.

All parts, including body metal, instruments, switches and chrome parts and trim were in great shape and hardly **10**

needed any restoration or replacement as original tools and jack as well as manuals are intact originals.

The TC has up till recently never been shown, it was kept stored privately. But after purchase by Lars and Roxane, and a bit of tidying and dressing up, the TC now has a few shows under it's belt.

It was featured in the the National and International renowned MG Journal "Sacred Octagon" April 2024 issue Then shown in cars shows, most recently the 2024 Estrella Warbird "Wings and Wheels" in Paso Robles, California, where it won "Best Foreign Sports Car, All Years and Models" and then "Best of Show" in the Glenwood Springs Rally and Car Show in

Colorado.

The Car is registered with The New England MG T-Register #13418 and The UK MG Car Club and further a member of the MG Car Club Rocky Mountain Centre founded in 1952 and TC Motoring Guild founded in 1954, and lastly further member of The British Motor Club Of Utah.

A truly historic MG TC, with a complete documented history.

Lars & Roxane Lynge





The TC at the Estrella Warbird "Wings and Wheels" show in Paso Robles, CA where it won Best Foreign Sports Car, All Years and Models



The TC at the Glenwood Rally on June 9th 2024 in Aspen, CO where it won Best of Show

More on the Glenwood Rallye on page 18

Larry Pate - R.I.P.



Larry had been a TCMG for a number of years and owned the Nigel Shiftright TC. Based on artist Phil Frank's TC, the cartoon graced the pages of many Road & Track issues, and the TC was also featured in real life in the several issues as well.

Sadly Larry's health took a hit these past few years and finally surcumed to them recently. The TC lives on and was passed to Larry's son, Ben.

Our condolences to Larry's wife Traci Shoblom and his children

Welcome to our Newest TCMG Members



Rich & Linda Starkweather

Raleigh, NC

1949 TC 9106 XPAG 31927 Silver & Blue / Blue

Previously owned by Gene Gillman who built this up as his "Hot Rod" TC See more here: mg-tabc.org/

members/g_gillam.htm

Dennis & Jane Markwich

Emmaus, PA

1949 TC 8085EXU XPAG 8908 I

Black / Red

Only three owners in its life. First was Joseph O' Donnell 1950-2008. Second ws Russel Hertzog 2008-2024. Third owner is now Dennis Markwich 2024-Hopefully we get photos to share later

Russell Jones

Vancouver, WA

1948 TC 6103 XPAG 6770 Crear

Cream / Green

Russell bought Mark Beveridge's TC (but is still in shipment), so TC is staying in the club. Russell is the third owner now. Mark was the 2nd and Stewart Duncan was the first.



TC Parade Car

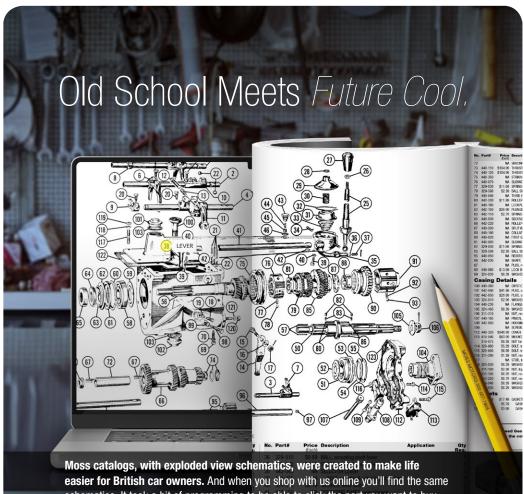


We ran several photos of this last issue but here is more of the story from Mike Simmons.



TC 6610 took part in the inaugural renewal of the Conejo Valley Days parade in Thousand Oaks. Several former parade queens were able to take part once again, all riding in vintage cars from the year they were queen. The parade started after our '48 TC was built but they wanted it in the parade so we took the supposed 1946 queen. She's seen better days but

she was cheered on with "Lookin' good, Dusty!" and "Hang in there, Dusty!" The TC did fine. Our great-granddaughter, Ashley Kreuper, joined Dusty and waved to the crowd. The last queen before the parade was discontinued, representing 2004, wanted to get a photo with the pre-parade queen in the staging area but I think the TC was the bigger attraction for her.



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French Letter = Condom. The term 'French letter' refers to 18th-century French condoms made from animal intestines. These condoms were sometimes referred to as 'Lettres de cachet', which literally translates as 'letters of seal' in English.

Hollywood, Vintage, Trailer DIY Tour

The task for our May DIY Tour was to drive at least 10 miles and get a photo(s) of your TC with the theme of Hollywood, Vintage or Trailer. We had 9 members who participated, although not everyone got points due to not meeting the rules, but everyone seemed to have fun for sure.

Scott & Cristina St. Clair



The 1950 classic noir "The Breaking Point" features Balboa Island and Newport Harbor locations. A line from the movie is, "You kids be careful crossing Marine Avenue" which Cristina is attempting to do in the TC









Steve & Linda Simmons

They went to get all three themes with TC near Vintage and Trailer signs. But the Hollywood sign was from a previous time but included it too.





Lars & Roxane Lynge

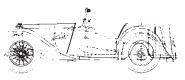
Photos of TC by the Capital Records building, as well as the Griffith Observatory in Hollywood.



Cliff Lemieux

Cliff visited the Casa Valentino house on the sand at Hollywood Beach Oxnard, CA





David & Joyce Edgar Traveled to Julian, CA up in the hills and got a shot of a vintage trailer

TCs below were not driven., so no points given, but sure glad these were shared as well. Very interesting



Duane SchmidtStill working on the TC but here is a photo of the TC frame on a vintage trailer





Bryan Kemper

TC still being restored but previously sent in this photo of his TC on a trailer after buying the TC



Doug & Laura Schrripa

Were traveling, so no TC to drive but gathered with the MG Car Club of Auckland on April 7th to celebrate Cecil Kimber's birthday at The Whitford Park Golf Club, a 30-minute scenic drive north of Auckland. Note the MG K1 here in front of their red MGB.

May 28th, TCMG Meeting Minutes

At 6:09 PDT **Rob Zucca, president**, called the meeting to order and announced it was being recorded. He welcomed new members Rick Starkweather and Rory Kinney who were joining us for the first time. It was determined that six members "drove" to the meeting and there were 24 members attending.

Sandra Loe, secretary, presented the April minutes as printed in the newsletter and asked for any additions or corrections. There were none and the minutes were accepted as written. Sandra shared that she would not be attending the June meeting and asked for a volunteer to take minutes.

Joyce Edgar, treasurer and membership chair, indicated there was no TCMG mail this past month. She then posted the treasurer's report, having previously sent it to the executive council, and reported having paid a bill and is expecting some expenses including engraving on the new Lame Duck Kup base. If any member would like a copy of Joyce's report, let her know and she will send a PDF. There continues to be no response from J. C. Taylor regarding renewing their ad in the newsletter.

Rob asked for any program ideas and said tonight's "entertainment" would be updates on member projects and DIY photos. Nine members participated in the "vintage trailers & Hollywood" DIY:

Edgars - trailers

St Clair - old movie sites

Schirripa - Cecil Kimber's birthday event in New Zealand

S & L Simmons - Hollywood sign, "Vintage" store, & trailer sign

Lemieux - "Hollywood Beach" in Oxnard

Lyndes - photos of their trip to CA including the Capital Records Building

Schmidt - TC frame on trailer

Zucca - "Hollywood Steve" working on TC

Kemper - TC on trailer when purchased

Steve Simmons updated us on future events including a visit to Garret Hanes' shop in August or September for the unveiling of Kregg Hunsberger's restored/repaired car. Additionally he mentioned the 68th Conclave that ARR is planning for late September or early October. Allan Chalmers announced with regret that it seems no ARR member is stepping forward to organize this event and maybe the 67th would be the last. Consensus was that would not be the case and TCMG would help it happen. It was suggested that having Conclave the weekend before or after GoF West somewhere near Folsom, CA might work.

There was no "old business".

Joyce suggested a \$200 donation to GoF West during "new business". Everyone agreed. Steve delighted everyone with the details for the June meeting/annual picnic which would be a 70th birthday celebration of our club. The meeting will be at their home.

Allan Chalmers has talked to several members: Mimi & Gordon Glass, Norma & Jim Crandall and Larry Pate. The Glasses and Crandalls continue to be out and about with one driving and one navigating, all having aging issues that restrict them somewhat. Larry is in hospice and is planning to give his TC to his son. We wish them all well.

Cliff Lemieux announced an event June 8th sponsored by "Cars for Kids" that he is planning to attend and thought other members in the Thousand Oaks/Ventura area might be interested in participating.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 PDT.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Loe



19 Memberships in attendance

24 Members in attendance

May meeting attendees

- Row 1: Joyce Edgar, David Edgar*, John Bowyer (TX), Lars & Roxane Lynge (UT), Greg Hoeft (IL)
- Row 2: Cliff Lemieux*, Richard & Sandra Loe (MO), Steve & Linda Simmons*, Duane Schmidt (MD), Rick Starkweather (NC)
- Row 3: Rob Zucca*, Bryan Kemper (BC), Pete & Fran Thelander, Doug Schirripa*, Allan Chalmers
- Row 4: Jonathan Lane (CO), Rory Kinney (IL) Mike Simmons, Curt Sorensen*,
 Dean Caccavo

 * drove 10 miles in TC on meeting day

TC 9972 EXU For Sale

1949 TC 9972EXU / XPAG 10330 Red / Tan

Charles sadly is selling his TC. TC was purchased on October 15, 2012 from David Winstead of Essex, CT. Prior owner as of July 19, 2010 was Thomas Shearman of Vero Beach, Florida. TC was believed to live in Maryland before that. TC is currently in Erie, PA

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Glenwood Springs Rally & Car Show

A little more history on the Glenwood Springs Rally and Car Show. This June America's oldest annual rally celebrated 100 years of MG.

Amateur motorsports in America got a huge boost in popularity in the years following World War II, thanks to the many GI's who had fallen in love with MG and brought them back and this created a new popularity of British sports cars like the MG TC and Jaguar XK120. It's not surprising then to learn that the oldest continuously held road rally in the country is one that was founded by the British car enthusiasts of the MG Car Club - Rocky Mountain Centre



MG Car Club - Rocky Mountain Centre founder Hazel Hopkins Marble, at the 1994 event.

The event grew out of the 1952 founding of the MG Car Club - Rocky Mountain Centre by former Glenwood Springs residents and MG enthusiasts Hazel Hopkins Marble and Dr. Robert Livingston.



The MG Car Club Road Rallye has traditionally been open to all motoring enthusiasts, so MGs haven't been the only cars to participate, as we see by the 1955 street scene, above, and 1958 photo, below.



This year's event brought more than 100 MG-driving car enthusiasts - as well as owners of other cars like Jaguars, Ferrari's, Porsches, Austin Healey's, Aston Martins Bentley's, even Mini Coopers, BMW's, Volkswagens and American muscle cars - through miles of beautiful alpine scenery near Glenwood Springs, including Glenwood Canyon, Independence Pass and the Grand Mesa, and will include stops at Glenwood Hot Springs and the Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park

This is the true Wild West!"

Along with cattle herd hazards, drivers have encountered unpredictable weather conditions, including blinding hail storms and snow on high mountain passes.

In addition to talking shop, it is memories and stories like these that are exchanged at the annual Rallye Glenwood Springs. "We come to enjoy the competition, the scenery, the automobile and the camaraderie.

Lars & Roxane Lynge

See where they won Best of Show at Glenwood this year on pages 3 & 11

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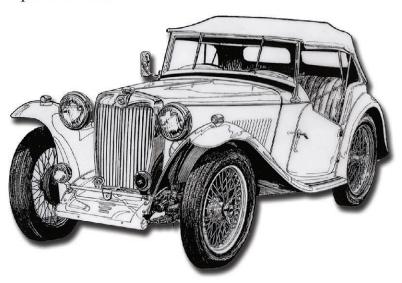
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