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MEETING: JANUARY 9 @ 7:00 PM EL ZARIBAH SHRINE TEMPLE 552 North 40th Street COME EARLY - BUY FOOD! SUPPORT OUR BENEFACTORS!

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PROJECT CAR STATUS NO WORKDAY THIS MONTH

BRITISH SPORTSCAR SERVICE HAS

FEBRUARY WORKDAY WILL BE AT THIS NEW LOCA-

MOVED TO 4290 E. INDIAN SCHOOL

COMING EVENTS

JANUARY 21 - 10:00 AM
DCTRA ANNUAL CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH
Michael Monti's Mesa Grille
1233 S. Alma School Road
Details below

OTHER EVENTS

JANUARY 14 - 7:30 am
ALL BRITISH BREAKFAST RUN
Hosted by the Mini Club
32nd Street & Shea Blvd

WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN THIS MONTH

January 21 - 10:00 AM

It's time again for the annual Champagne Brunch and election of officers. This year's gala will be held at Michael Monti's Mesa Grille at 1233 S. Alma School Rd. in Mesa. (On the south side of the Bank of America building - which is on the Southeast corner of Alma School and Southern across from Fiesta Mall. Park in the parking garage. Brunch will be ordered off the menu with no item being more than \$10. We will have one of the nice banquet rooms upstairs. The elections will take place after the brunch - and ballots cast at the January 9 meeting will be counted. Once. This is not Florida! The candidates are:

President: Roger Guzowski
VP & Events: John Reynolds, Bob Lee
Secretary: Deta Hampsch, Carol Capano
Treasurer: George Montgomery, Beth Horton

Hope to see you all there!

EDITOR'S DESK

Just read in the paper that John Cooper passed away over the weekend. Seems like most of the great ones from the past are leaving us. This one affected me just about like Fangio and Sinatra did - these guys who were absolutely gods in their fields, and who I followed religiously in my formative years are gone. This made me go back to my newspaper clippings from the late fifties and early sixties to see if my memories were as good as I remember. When I was growing up I took a lot of flak for being a grand prix racing fan. If anybody else I knew followed racing at all it mostly revolved around Jimmy Bryan or Sam Hanks or Curtis Turner bangin' wheels or fenders on a fairgrounds dirt track or an oval in Carolina. I loved Cooper's cars from the first. They were so radically different from anything I had ever seen, with the motor behind the driver and the whole car a fraction of the size of the monster Ferraris and Maseratis. Instantly his fragile looking cars made everything else look like a Plymouth. My buddy Eddie and I used to sit around his room looking at all the magazine articles, bench racing and fantasizing about the grand prix cars, and the Coopers were our heroes. Neither of us could have told you who Y.A. Tittle played for but we knew all the drivers by heart. We couldnt wait until next month's issues of Road & Track, Motor and Sports Car Graphic arrived so we could worship our heroes anew. He really provided me with a focus that has stayed with me to this day. Seems kind of a shame to have to replace Cooper's gentleman racers with Bernie Ecclestone's big business, but that's the way it goes.

Oh yeah! I thought his funny little street cars were kind of cool too.

Mike Bayne



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CLASSIC-FIED ADS

FOR SALE: A friend of mine has a 1977 Spitfire for sale. The body appears to be in great shape, although the interior is shot as is the motor. The car is white in color. He is asking \$500.00. The car is located in Scottsdale at about Scottsdale Rd and Sweetwater. If someone local would like to get it and needs a trailer to move the car I will let them use mine. His name is Randy Salo and his numbers are: (H) 480-837-4531 or (W) 480-892-8200. (01/01)

Dave Riddle

RACE REPORT

Upcoming Local Race Dates NASA January 5-7 at Phoenix International SCCA National Race January 13-14 at Phoenix International

VARA February 16-18 at Phoenix International NASA February 23-25 at Firebird **Local Racing Organization Websites: National Auto Sport Association** http://www.nasa-az.com/ Arizona Sports Racing Association http://www.race-asra.org/ Sports Car Club of America - Arizona Region http://www.az-region-scca.org/ Vintage Auto Racing Association http://www.vararacing.com/ **Dave Riddle**





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MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER MEETING

The meeting opened at 7:08 pm with 25 members present. The Secretatys report was accepted as read. The treasurer stated that we are hanging in there and still in the black. Dues are due in January for a lot of people, and Ron asked if we could please pay by check at a meeting instead of at the annual brunch, due to the confusion caused by a lot of members trying to pay all at once. Also he asked that there be no cash payments at the brunch! To ease this situation in the future, twice a year members names will be published along with their due date.

The newsletter was published this month without any of Novembers glitches. There will be no work on the project car in December; work should resume in January. Shares are still available for the project car at \$5.00 each. In his AAHC report John Horton reported that legislation is again pending on what we can drive and how we drive it. Hopefully this can be squelched again this year.

In the tech report Cliff asked how to remove the many scratches from the TR-3s windshield, and many recommendations were offered. After all was said and done a motion was approved to buy a new windshield from The Roadster Factory for around \$100.00. All members are encouraged to participate in a group buy, to get a better discount and to receive free shipping.

Our historian requested that we publish some of our event photos on our web site, and Dave Riddle said that could be done. No report from the membership chair.

Events: The breakfast run in November was very successful. The Christmas Party will be at the Coles on December 16th, and the Christmas Lights Tour the following night. March 11th is Wheels Of Britain, and April 7th and 8th will be the BEAT trip.

In the nomination for club officers for 2001, these members have been named:

President: Roger Guzowski

VP& Events: John Revnolds

Bob Lee

Secretary: Carol Capano

Deta Hampsch

Treasurer: Beth Horton

George Montgomery

We will be letting everyone know at the January meeting when and where the annual champagne brunch will be held! Dave Riddle is finalizing the arrangements.

The Grille badges have finally arrived. We have fifty of them @ \$15.00 each.

The TR club in Albuquerque has advertised a British motorhome in their newsletter, and Roger proposed that we consider buying it for a club vehicle.

Hank Hastings will check it out while he is in New Mexico next weekend, and report back on its condition.

Raffle winners were Ann Montone and Hank Hastings. Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Deta Hampsch

THE PREZ SEZ

I sit here thinking about the last two years as fearless leader. You all have been totally supportive to the club events and the project car. I wish to thank the team and all members for their assistance - Paul, Ron and Deta who actually read the minutes not once but twice.

We need to continue with the project car so it will be completed for Triumphest 2002. I think it can be done. Under the present leadership it is a workable deal.

We have the Wheels of Britain show coming up and the ever present British breakfasts. I would like the new leaders to arrange a coup1e of parades for us to show these little British cars off in. Keep the articles coming in to the paper. I am enjoying the new column on racing hosted by David Riddle. Pictures are also needed to print. Send in yours.

We hope you have had a wonderful Christmas and new years celebration. Now Beth & I can sit in the members chairs and keep the new fearless leader in check.

Cheerio - John Horton



MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

From Shirley Blahak, heres an update on the regular 'drive in cruise type car shows'

Thanks to Craig for the latest on the Friday night gathering at US 60 & Stapley in Mesa. The management company for the center has shut down the show till April 1st, 2001. They say that due to current construction and shopping traffic we were using too many parking spaces.

The show at Sosaman and Main St in Mesa closed down in September.

The show at Mesa Pavilions has moved nearer to K Mart but does not have management permission to be there.

The show at Scottsdale Pavilions needs a reservation.

The show at the Denny's is still struggling but in existence. Just east of the intersection of Elliot and Mc-Clintock in Tempe. We had a good turn out last week, greatly enlarged by the presence of the Over the Hill Car Club. Starts around 5.30 till ?? Discounts available at the Denny's.

The turn out on Sunday evening for the lights tour was the best ever for this event. Seemed everyone had a good time with no arguments and no getting lost. If we do it next year we will move it to a Saturday night so you don't have to worry about getting up early for work!

Shirley Blahak

At the December meeting it was decided to offer to the rest of the club to "piggy-back" on the next order that the club will be placing to The Roadster Factory for the project car (a new windshield) and take advantage of a coupon from Triumphest for free shipping. If you would like to take advantage of this discount to order parts for your own car please contact John Horton by the January meeting.





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BOOKS TO LOAN

All of us like cars and the people involved in design, manufacturing and racing them. Some of us have collected books, magazines and videos over the years and are willing to share these with members of the club. Here's a list of books available to loan to DCTRA members for your enjoyment. Some of these are genuine classics. If you see a book that you would like to borrow, or have books that you would be willing to lend, contact me at 602-938-1282 or mkbayne@qwest.com . I will bring requested items to the next meeting. Keep it for a month and return it at the following meeting. The "Honor system" applies here - we want to provide a service to the club, not become mean librarians!

Drive to Win: The Essential Guide to Race Driving by Carroll Smith

The Complete Rally Book By David Hebb
Secrets of Solo Racing: Expert Techniques for Autocross & Time Trials By Henry A. Watts
Sports Car and Competition Driving By Paul Frere
Original Triumph TR2/3/3A By Bill Piggott
The Works Triumphs: 50 Years in Motorsports
by Graham Robson

Illustrated Triumph Buyers Guide by Richard Newton
Triumph TRs: The Complete Story by Graham Robson
Triumph Sports Cars by William Krause

Jim Clark By Graham Gauld

Cosworth, The Search for Power By Graham Robson Stories of Road & Track Ed. James T. Crow (1970)

American Sports Car Racing in the 1950's By Michael Lynch, Wm Edgar, Ron Parravano

Chaparral Can-Am & Prototype By Dave Friedman By Brooks Too Broad For Leaping By Denise Mc-Cluggage

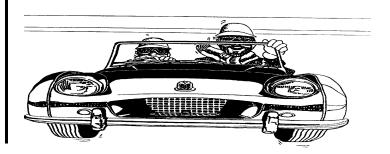
Ferrari! Piloti che gente By Enzo Ferrari
History of the Racing Car By Count Giovanni Lurani
Thus Spake Davis E. By David E. Davis Jr.
Enzo Ferrari By Brock Yates

Motoring Mascots of the World (an exhausting photographic array of nearly 1,000 automotive radiator mascots) by Wm C. Williams

Art and the Automobile By D.B. Tubbs

Hot Rod (photo journal of SoCal rods and Bonneville racers) by David Perry and Barry Gifford

Cruise-O-Matic! Automobile Advertising of the 1950's By Yasutoshi Ikuta



STEAK AND KIDNEY PIE

At our latest Christmas party I was asked for the recipe, so here it is. This takes some time, however it is worth the effort. There just one secret to making the dish flavour more "acceptable" to colonials. After cutting up and washing the kidneys soak them in some fresh lemon juice for about 15-20 minutes then rinse again. This lessens their strongflavor.

Pastry Filling

4 cups flour (1 Lb)
2 lb round steak
good size pinch of salt
ing) 8 oz lard
very cold water
egg wash (1 yoke w/water)
2 lb round steak
8 oz kidneys (after clean1 onion chopped
Four cups beef stock
1 tsp salt
Pepper

3 oz mushrooms optional

Roux:

Roux is used to thicken gravies. This is better than just flour or corn starch. Melt 3 tbs. butter and 3 tbs. flour in pan and mix to even consistency. Cook until lightly browned.

Beef stock:

Obtain 3 to 4 lb beef bones. Cut into 2 to 3 inch pieces and brown in 350 degree oven for2 hours. Discard the fat and boil the bones and a couple of carrots in water to cover for two hours. Use this to cover the meat for final cooking. Freeze the leftover along with the bones over for soups and stews. For an option you can use canned beef broth .

Pastry:

Make pastry in normal manner cutting in lard. Add very cold water to make a firm dough. Refrigerate at least one hour or until needed, then let sit for an hour or until warmed. Lard is the best for pastry, butter is good and shortening is the least desirable. The less you handle the pastry the flakier it will be.

Meats:

Cut kidneys into bite size pieces and remove all fat then soak in lemon juice for 15 minutes then re-wash. Salt and pepper them, dredge in flour and sear until brown then set aside. Cut steak into 1" pieces, salt and pepper then sear over high heat until browned. Put the beef in a large pot and simmer until just tender. Add the kidneys, onions, and simmer for about 45 minutes until all are tender. Add to the broth to keep it slightly above the meats. Remove the meat and thicken the broth with the roux.

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees then rollout the dough into 2 rounds for a large deep pan. Line the pan and cook the bottom crust for 20 minutes. Then spoon in the meat and gravy and cover with the second round and use egg wash to seal the top and bottom edges. Cut a dime sized hole in top crust and egg wash the top crust an bake for one hour

Serve with oven browned potatoes and carrots. This is a typical English Sunday dinner.

ENJOY!

AUTOMOTIVE EVENTS ALL OVER THE WEST

January 11-14 - Kruse International Auction at Turf Paradise

January 17-21 - Barrett-Jackson Classic Car Auction at Westworld.

January 19 - RM Auction at the Biltmore.

January 21 - Annual DCTRA Brunch and Election of Officers! This year we will meet at 10:00am at Michael Monti's Mesa Grill, 1233 S. Alma School Road in Mesa. This is on the south side of the Bank of America Building on the Southest corner of Alma School and Southern - across from Fiesta Mall - park in the Parking Garage. Brunch is ordered off of the menu with no item being more that \$10.00 per plate. We will be one of the nice banquet rooms upstairs. More details at the January meeting.

January 27 - Santa Cruz Valley Car Nuts 7th Annual Collector Car Show! Held on the driving range of the beautiful Tubac Golf Resort! Proceeds to benefit the S.T.O.P. program at Sahuarita High School! Last year there were over 300 cars on display! 10:00am to 3:00pm! Entry fee \$12.00 per car - info Marvin 520-648-1220 or Steve 520-625-6679.

February 24-25, 2001 - Annual Highland Games at Mesa Community College. All British cars are invited and the first 25 cars to register will receive 2 FREE tickets to the event; the remaining cars will receive one free pass This is not a judged event but all registered cars will receive a souvenir dash plaque. We would like to have as many cars as possible there for both Saturday and Sunday, and there will be security to leave your car overnight. However, if you can only come one day we will be just as pleased to see you. Please be aware that MCC safety regulations require all cars be in place when the gates open to the public at 8:00am and must remain in place until closing at 4:00pm. Not only is this a really fun event, but it is a great way to make your club known to newcomers to the valley. Please return the enclosed form ASAP so that the Games can allocate sufficient space. We will issue you a parking pass to allow you easy access to the assigned area. If you have any questions please feel free to call Phillip Blahak at 480-985-2531.

February 24, 2001 - All British Car Day. Sponsored by the AZ MG Club. Times and location TBA.

March 11, 2001 - Wheels of Britain at Heritage Square, 6th & Monroe Streets, Downtown Phoenix. 10am! 3:00pm. Preregistration entry opens at 8:00am, day of show entries must be in place by 10:00am. \$15 for first vehicle, \$10 for each subsequent entry. Day of show entry is \$20. Registration form included in this newsletter. Info! Shirley! 480-985-2531, Mike or Janice! 480-759-9386.

April 7-8, 2001 ! Fourth Annual British-European Auto Tour (BEAT). More information to follow.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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Sunday, March 11, 2001 at Heritage Square, 6th and Monroe Streets, Phoenix, AZ

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