



OTTAWA VALLEY TRIUMPH CLUB

NEWSLETTER NO. 19

OVTC Christmas Party

Happy New Year members. This is our first Newsletter since our November 27th meeting. Our regular December meeting was replaced by our traditional OVTC Christmas Party held, again, at Jane and Juliano Benco's home on December 16th. There was a good turn out for this event and thanks to all those who attended. Everyone brought a special food dish and, as usual, a good time was had by one and all. Thanks again this year to Jane and Juliano for offering their hospitality and beautiful home to stage this event.

Highlights of January 23, 1991 Meeting

The first meeting of 1991 was held on Wednesday evening, January 23rd, at the Woodvale/Manordale Community Centre in Nepean. Our guest speaker was Terry Dale who owns and operates "The Old Car Factory" at 24 Bentley Avenue in Nepean, one of the region's most reputable sources for parts and service on cars of the '50s and '60s, especially British sports cars. Approximately 16 OVTC members were present for the meeting.

SU/Stromberg Carbs

Terry Dale gave an excellent presentation on the operation and servicing of SU (simply useless) and Stromberg Carbs. Terry reviewed the purpose and function of these carbs, how to tune and maintain them and the marvels of a Triumph four-stroke engine; i.e., the "suck, squeeze, pop, bluey" phenomenon. Here are some of the highlights of Terry's presentation:

- Carburetor - main purpose is to vapourize liquid fuel, mix it with the proper proportion of air so it can be of a right mixture to enable combustion in the engine (i.e., liquid fuel does not ignite without air).
- Tail pipe deposits - black smoke or residue means unburned gas. Blue smoke means unburned oil, white smoke or residue means unburned water vapour. Ideal residue on tail pipes is a light grey or light brown coloured residue.
- SU and Stromberg carbs have a piston in the dashpot that rises from the vacuum created in the engine. A needle is attached to the bottom of the SU piston and when it lifts, the pin rises, thus allowing the gas vapour mixture into the engine.
- Rate of rise of piston is controlled by the damper oil at the top of the carb.
- Damper oil - in warm weather use thicker oil, in colder weather use lighter-weight oil. Generally, use the same oil in the damper as you use in the engine. Check the oil damper level every week. Keep oil level topped up to bottom of threads in Stromberg carbs.

- Take care in cleaning inside of dashpots (SUs) if disassembling carbs. Use solvents only, don't use abrasive products as this will destroy the seal between the inside wall of the dashpot and the outside surface of the piston. With the Stromberg carbs, take care in not tearing the rubber diaphragm on the inside of the mechanism.
- Terry explained some tuning tips that maybe we could get him to demonstrate at an outdoor tune-up clinic some time this spring or summer.

New Members

The OVTC wishes to extend our hearty welcome to the following two new members. Welcome aboard and we hope you enjoy our Club's activities.

Joel Higgs of Gloucester who owns a 1966 Spitfire

Steve Challinor of Gloucester who owns a 1979 Spitfire

Regalia

Pat Mills, our Regalia Coordinator, told the OVTC members present that the windshield decals were being printed immediately and would be available at the next meeting. Cost is \$4 for members and \$5 for non-members. Pat also briefed the members on the various sources and costs of obtaining a stitched OVTC crest along the lines of the following design that our President, Malcolm Brown, devised.



The best price was from our sweatsirt supplier--200 crests for \$400-500. We could then sell these for \$5 each.

New Membership Coordinator

As you all know, Lynne Brown has been our Membership Coordinator since the founding of our Club back in April 1989. Under her direction we have a well organized, computerized membership list that enables the Club to keep an accurate record of members and their anniversary dates for renewal purposes. However, Lynne's time has become rather occupied lately by the arrival this past July of Malcolm and Lynne's first child, Melanie. As a result, Lynne asked if anyone in the Club would volunteer to take over her duties as the Membership Coordinator. Clive Law has graciously accepted to be our new Membership Coordinator.

The OVTC Executive wishes to express our sincere thanks to Lynne Brown for her tireless and enthusiastic efforts over the past two years to organize the Club's membership records and to also thank Clive for taking over these responsibilities.

Capital Fun in '91 - Canadian Classic Update

Our President gave a brief update on the latest developments in our progress to jointly sponsor the 1991 Canadian Classic set for August 1-3, 1991, here in Ottawa.

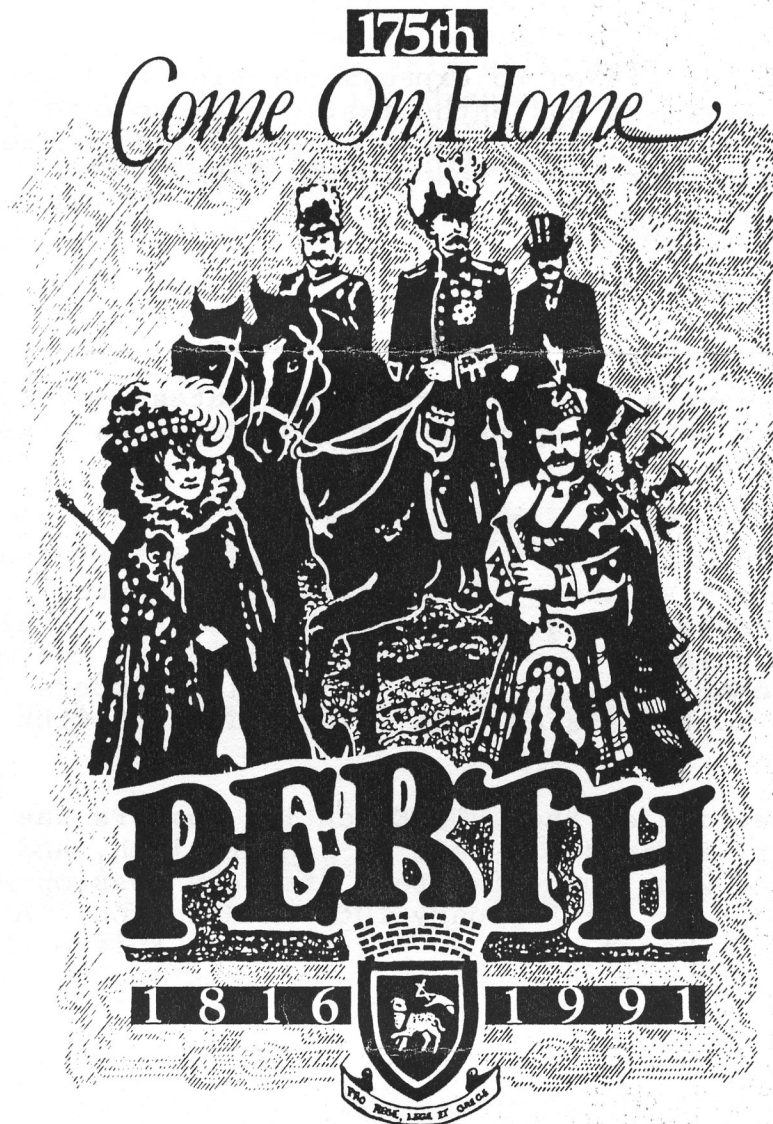
- Malcolm's ad in the latest issue of the Roadster Factory's January Sale Newsflyer prompted a number of telephone calls, including VTR members in Albany, New York, who are interested in attending; the Montreal Triumph Club; a number of Spitfire members living in the Montreal area; and Ontario Triumph Club inquiries.
- A meeting of the OVTC Executive members was held at Barry Edgington's home on January 19th, and a number of ideas were suggested re a strategy session with the TTC scheduled for February 10th in Kingston. A position/issues paper has been prepared for this meeting and a copy of the relevant pages of this report is enclosed with this Newsletter.

Upcoming Events

- February 9th - The Kingston Boot'n Bonnet Club invites all OVTC members to a Dinner and Dance evening. See attach flyer for additional information.
- February 27th - Next regularly scheduled meeting of the OVTC 7:30 p.m. at the Woodvale/Manordale Community Centre on Knoxdale Road. Main topic is a viewing of some VCR tapes from the Toronto Triumph Club, including a tape on the VTR meet in Colorado last summer.

Celebration of Perth's 175th Anniversary

Bruce Young has invited up to 20 Triumphs to participate in a parade on July 20th 1991, to celebrate Perth's 175 years as a community in the Eastern Ontario area. Events over this eight-day period from July 14th to 21st, will include a hot air balloon fiesta, international equestrian event, theatre, international fast ball tournament, antique car and boat show, parades, celebrities and top name entertainment. See flyer on next page.



July 14th to 21st, 1991

Like Car Racing?

Interested in getting "close to the action"?

The Motorsport Club of Ottawa is putting on a full season of car racing on ice at the Hotel Sur le Lac (Hwy 307) in St. Pierre de Wakefield, Quebec. If you would like to learn how to be a flag marshal at a corner, please call Terry Dale at 224-6913. Absolutely no experience required--we will train you.

January 6th	- Race No. 2
February 2nd	- Race No. 3
February 3rd	- Race No. 4, plus Endurance Race (2 hours)
February 16th	- Ice Dice No. 2 - see Ice Dice No. 1
February 17th	- Race No. 5
March 3rd	- Race No. 6
March 10th	- Raindate

FOR SALE / WANTED

WANTED: TR 4 Front Fenders

Contact: Jim Clark, TTC
73 Barrhad Crescent
Rexdale, Ontario M9W 3X8
(416) 741-5883

FOR SALE: TR3A Body Parts:

- Rear Body Section Components
- Trunk Lid
- Grill
- Misc. other bits

Contact: Jim Clark (as above)

FOR SALE: 1976 Spitfire 1500 "roller".

No engine or transmission. Car is from Pennsylvania (duties paid) and has a hole in RF floor pan and bottom of left rear 1/4 panel. This is a good rust-free project car for someone with a mechanically sound but rusty spit. Prefer selling complete for a reasonable \$750 but would part out. Contact: Terry Dale, The Old Car Factory - 224-6913.

FOR SALE: 1977 Spitfire 1500 - Rust-Free Pennsylvania Car

Completely repainted over bare metal by Riverside Restorations. Mechanically refurbished by us from end to end. \$5,795. Contact Terry Dale at 224-6913.

FOR SALE: 1977 TR7-V6

A properly done conversion with a 2800 cc Ford V6 and 5 speed. Car complete, running and driveable but needs lots of TLC - \$1,295. Contact Terry Dale at 224-6913.

Ask about "The Old Car Factory's" winter parts and service specials for Club members.

Example	TR6 brake pads '72-'76	- \$15.39 set
	Spit brake pads '67-'80	- 13.99 set
	TR4A/250/TR6 brake rotors --	57.99 each
	Spitfire brake rotors '62-'81	- 45.29 each
	TR8 clutch kit including release bearing	- 189.00 kit
	TR6 heater control valves	- 47.59 each
	Spitfire 1500 oil filters	- 10.19 each

Check our prices and ask for a quote
The Old Car Factory - 24 Bentley Avenue - 224-6913

Well, that's about all for this Newsletter folks. Thanks again to my secretary, Gloria Ray, for her tireless help in getting out the "word".

See you on the 27th of February.

Barry Edgington

Attachs.

CAPITAL Fun in Ninety-One!



OVTC ISSUES/PRESENTATION PAPER FOR

CO-SPONSORING THE 6TH ANNUAL CANADIAN CLASSIC

1. MAJOR ISSUES TO DISCUSS WITH TTC

- Need for OVTC to obtain funds for providing a working capital. Can TTC advance OVTC funds in order that we can pay for miscellaneous items required to secure, in advance, certain events/activities? Example, \$400 is needed now to reserve Boat Cruise event.
- Manpower resources TTC can provide. Example, OVTC estimates 30 judges for various events will be required.
- Division of responsibility re sponsorship, promotional efforts, provision of prizes and awards, printing costs, etc.
- Logo for classic event.

2. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, July 31, 1991

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Early Registration
Information/Hospitality Suite

Thursday, August 1, 1991

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - Registration
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Motorsport events and local
shopping and sightseeing tours
8:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. - British Pub Crawl

Friday, August 2, 1991

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - "TOUR DE GATINEAU"
12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. - Box lunch or BBQ in the
Gatineau Hills
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Fun Rally back to Chimo Hotel
8:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. - Ottawa River Boat Cruise
(Lumberjack theme)

Saturday, August 3, 1991

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Pamoramic Picture
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Annual Concours D'elegance
- Participants choice voting
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Social Hour at Chimo Hotel
7:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. - Annual Awards Banquet & Dance

Sunday, August 4, 1991

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - Tailgate Brunch - Chimo
Parking Lot
- Technical/Workshop Seminars
12:00 noon - - Homeward Bound

3. DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITIES

The following are suggestions on how the various functions and duties should be split between the co-hosting Clubs; namely, the OVTC and the TTC.

<u>OVTC</u>	<u>TTC</u>
- Motorsport Event	- Financial assistance
- Pub Crawl	- Prizes and Awards
- Tour de Gatineau	- Dash Plaques
- Fun Rally	- T-shirts
- Concours	- Name Badges, Armbands
- Hotel	- Souvenir Crests
- Banquet	- British Flags, Pennants
- Boat Cruise	- OVTC & TTC
- Registration receipts	- Banners
- Registration packages	- Panoramic Photographs
- Information & Hospitality Suites	- Judges
- Flatbed Trailer Service	- Liability Insurance
- Mechanical Service Depot	- Master Mailing List
- Banquet, Box Lunches, Concession Snacks	- Printed Material
- Portable Toilets	- Videos
- Security Requirements	- National and Regional Sponsors
- Local Sponsors:	- Sponsors:
- local TV & radio stations, newspapers	- Roadster Factory
- local garages & machine shops, etc.	- Bits & Pieces
- CTC	- Obsolete Auto
- local restaurants	- Moss Motors
- car dealerships	- The Mechanics
- British High Commission	- Victoria British Ltd.
- City of Ottawa/RMOC	
- St. Laurent Shopping Centre	

4. Attached is a set of eight appendices that further support the extent of efforts and pre-planning that has already gone into OVTC's involvement in co-hosting the 1991 Classic.

LIST OF APPENDICES

Appendix 1 - 6th Annual Canadian Classic Flyer

Appendix 2 - Draft Registration Form

Appendix 3 - Rally Event Program

Appendix 4 - Tentative Schedule of Events

Appendix 5 - Preliminary Planning and Key Issues Outline

Appendix 6 - Questionnaire

Appendix 7 - Minutes of Meeting with Chimo Hotel Officials

Appendix 8 - OVTC Newsletter Highlights
re 6th Annual Canadian Classic



Hurry Hurry

The Social Event of the year is approaching soon!

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Dinner & Dance

Saturday
Feb. 9, 1991

This Event will be sure to leave behind the
Winter Blahs
and
bring that feeling of
Spring Fever

*CASUAL DRESS (no jeans)
so don't worry about suits and dresses*

6:00 - 7:00 *Happy Hour*

7:00 - 9:00 *Dinner*

9:00 - 12:00 *Fun and Dancing (disc jockey).*

Donald Gordon Centre

*rooms if needed for \$40.00 plus tax.
(let Connie know when paying for tickets.)*

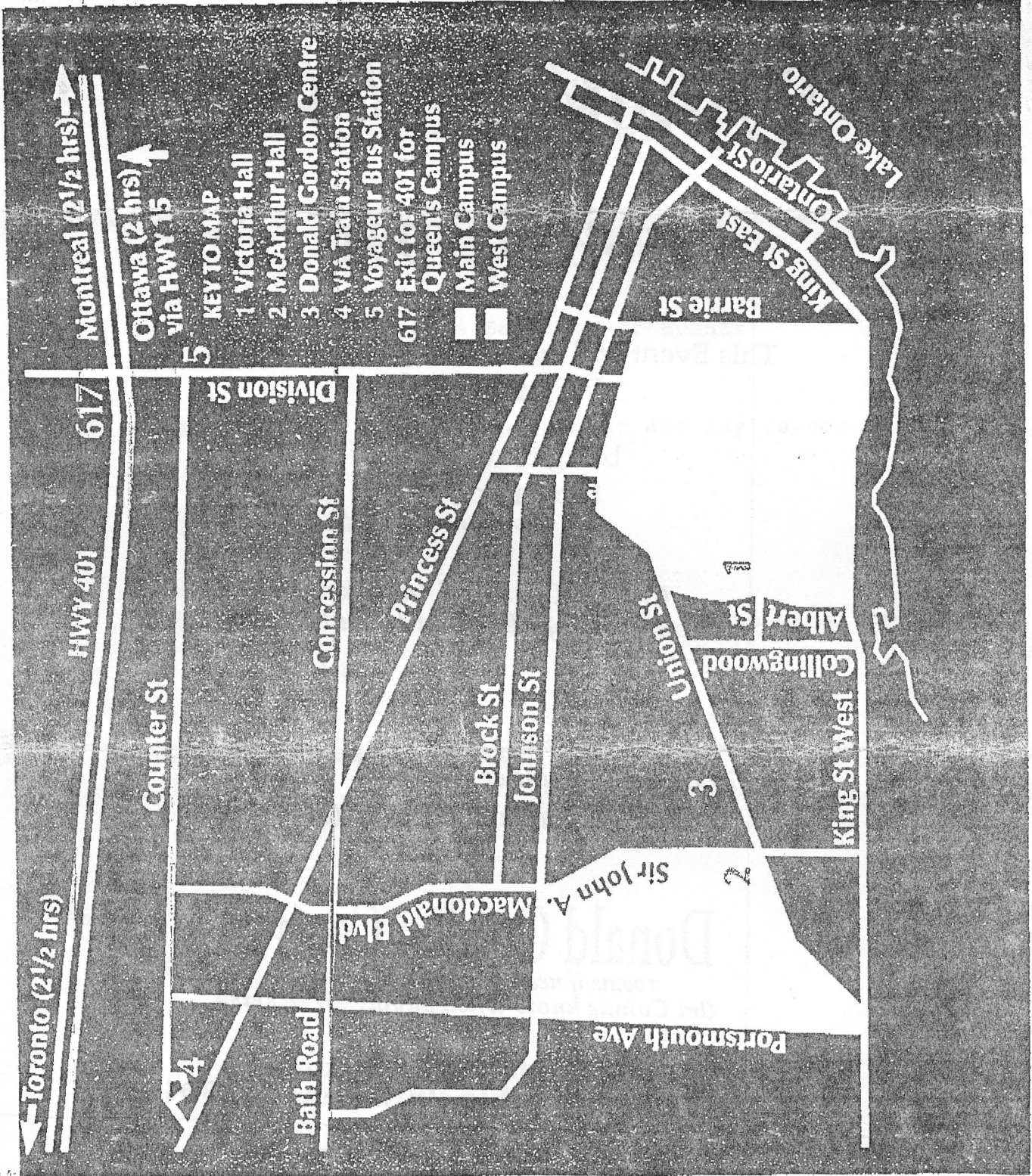
\$25.00/single, \$45.00/couple
Tickets are available until Feb. 2, 1991.

PAYMENT can be made by:

- (1) Dropping your money off at the Bank of Commerce at the corner of Alfred and Princess Streets to Connie Kernick or
- (2) Mailing it to Ken and Connie Kernick, R.R.#1 Napanee, K7R 3K6.

Donald Gordon

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- 5 KEY TO MAP
- 1 Victoria Hall
 - 2 McArthur Hall
 - 3 Donald Gordon Centre
 - 4 VIA Train Station
 - 5 Voyageur Bus Station
- 617 Exit for 401 for Queen's Campus
- Main Campus
 - West Campus