



2004 on-line Survey Results Details

This was our first attempt at doing an on-line survey of the club members, and it worked out quite well. We had some glitches with the server access for a few people, but most were able to access the survey form and submit their results on-line without difficulty. We even had a few responses from our members who receive Overdrive via snail mail. We received a total of 34 responses, which gives us a good percentage of the club providing their input to help us plan our direction and activities in 2005. Thanks to all who took the time to respond.

The Results

This year the club launched an effort to increase inter-club cooperation. A specific goal of that effort is an all-British car day event here in the Ottawa region, but this is intended to lead to greater inter-club cooperation in future for driving or other types of events. Do you agree with this initiative?

Yes 33 No 1

What types of events are of interest to you? Select all that apply.

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| 33 | Driving events with OVTC |
| 28 | Driving events with other clubs |
| 25 | Social events with OVTC |
| 19 | Social events with other clubs |
| 28 | Triumph related technical seminars |
| 23 | Auto related guest speakers |
| 21 | Audio visual presentations |
| 21 | Vintage racing weekends |
| 28 | Car shows |
| 7 | Concourse type events |

What other events would be of interest?

- skill driving events
- old style navigational rallies
- hands-on how-to events
- Issues of mechanical interest, eg, how much Su Carb throttle shaft wear is too much wear, suspension faults / work, selecting and using a welder, bring broken parts, how much wear is too much wear, fixing parts .. etc .. etc
- I just like an excuse to go out for a drive with other equally insane triumph owners/drivers. I've always wondered if our beautiful cars could benefit some Charitable groups by tying in a car show or a drive in a vintage sports car with one of there events.
- Visits / tours of restoration companies (ie. body shop specializing in LBC's, interior restoration, reupholsterers) and some technical tips from them on site.
- finish restoring my GT6:)
- nudist bungee-jumping, body piercing competitions, skunk chasing competitions (it's a bit like paint-ball; you win if you don't get hit.

In terms of the quantity of driving type events, would you like to see the club organizing:

21 More driving events 13 The same number of driving events 0 Fewer driving events

During the summer driving season, the Miata club holds a weekly ice cream run where the event proceeds with as many people as show up at the designated starting point each week. Would that kind of regularly scheduled event be of interest to you?

Yes 26 No 7

Would you like some of the club meetings to occasionally be at an alternate venue, such as a pub or a restaurant rather than at the Manordale centre?

Yes 26 No 8

Would you be interested in a multi-club darts tournament in the winter of 2004-2005?

Yes 11 No 21

If the club was to organize a 2 day weekend away type of event, would it be of interest to you?

Yes 23 No 11

If the club was to organize a 2 day event in 2005, which would be your first choice of destination?

4 Niagara peninsula - wine country
5 Kingston area
7 Picton area
0 Quebec City area
0 Montreal area
8 Mont Tremblant area

Other suggestions received were:

- Presquille Provincial Park
- Bon Echo Provincial Park
- North Bay
- The sports car event in Vermont

Other comments on 2 day events:

- If North Bay (Callander) was selected could arrange camping and possibly sail on Lake Nipissing.
- I selected "other" because I am not familiar with many of the suggestions, nor am I familiar with how interesting the roads are to get there.
- Any picturesque destination within a 2 hour drive. My bum can't take anymore.
- In terms of destinations all are desirable. But if the purpose of the weekend is more for the driving experience, then from what I have seen, Tremblant or a similar locale would be my first choice. In other words choose a locale where the driving experience is maximized.

Other comments in general for the OVTC:

- I would like to see “registers” within the club; ie a register of Spitfire owners, a register of TR2/3 owners, a register of TR6 owners. This way we each have a close network of individuals who own similar vehicles and who can advise on tech tips, parts-sourcing information, etc.
- Only wish I had more time to help out and I'm tired of riding shotgun:)
- Not a member yet, but will join this month. Just bought my first Triumph and I am looking forward to getting together with your group soon
- Identifying opportunities for bartering with multi-club members. I'm sure we have a skill pool that might prove useful to be aware of.
- Re weekly drives in the summer (ice cream runs) ... I think that is too often. Perhaps once a month to other locations ... not necessarily for ice cream. This would tie into alternate meeting venues ... drive somewhere for some sort of activity rather than a club meeting ... especially in the summer. I really enjoy and appreciate the tech talks in the winter. Like the “idea” of a weekend get away event, but find summer is so full of various activities (non-OVTC) that I'm reluctant to vote yes for this idea. I very much support the initiative to enter into joint activities / events with other car clubs. And yes I love both of my Triumphs ... the TR6 and the new GT6!
- Weekly driving events, loosely structured – ie the Miata Club would (or at least should) allow for greater participation by members overall. Obviously, not everyone is available on any given day so, more opportunities should translate to greater participation
- I am away most of the summer
- publish up to date members list with cars owned, also what club member has expertise, experience on specific car i.e. TR6 – Spitfire
- Although I have indicated interest in all of the activities I have to note that my actual participation will remain limited as I normal work 50+ hours a week in retail. I enjoy the events and attend as many as possible but I normally work weekends and some evenings as well so I often have to miss out.
- driving events like weekly ice cream run – maybe weekly is too often – every other week
- club meetings at another location – not for meetings but other events / activities

Volunteering:

(we had a number of people offer to organize an event or help out more where help is needed. We aren't listing those responses here, but will be in touch directly with those people who have offered to help to discuss ideas with them further – Thanks)

And lastly, do you love your Triumph?

Yes 32 No 0

(we also had 1 person respond “Do not own a car at this time”, and 1 person did not answer this question)