



TC Motoring Guild CLASSIC CHASSIS

November 2022



Original photo by Allan Chalmers

66th Annual TC Motoring Guild / Abingdon Rough Riders Conclave

Held October 8-10 in Cambria. Getting a line-up photo was like herding cats and as it turned out only nine of the TCs were available for the real line-up but with PhotoShop, placed the missing ones for this photo. So ten TCs, a TA plus a PA made for lots of fun weekend. More photos on pages 10-11.

September TCMG Meeting at the Simmons Home

The in-person monthly meeting was a grand event. Lots of visiting plus a host of treats and goodies to take in. See more on pages 14-16.





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New TCMG Address

Please note that TCMG has dropped
it's PO box address. It was getting too
expensive and it was not convenient to
keep checking. So your TCMG Executive
Board voted to drop it and chose an address
of one of our board members as our official
address. It belongs to our current Treasurer
as well as Membership Chair.

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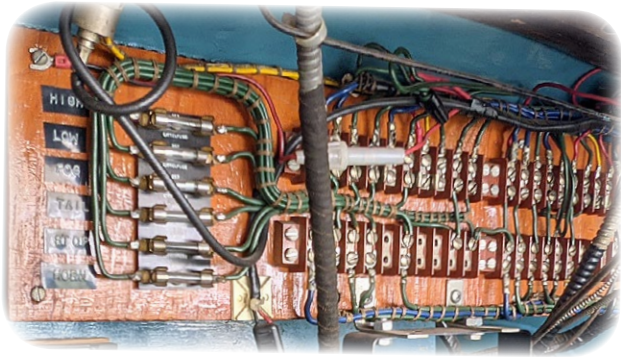
It sure was nice to have another in-person meeting last month. We had a pretty decent turnout, with 32 members and six TCs present. Despite a few technical issues with the Zoom feed, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and a whole lot of gourmet ice cream was consumed.

One thing that was mentioned during the presentation about my father's TC seemed to resonate with several members, and it's something I find myself repeating often...

For those who make more than skin deep changes to their TC, especially when modifying something like a wiring harness, please do the next guy a favor and document the changes! On my father's TC, the wiring is completely custom, most of the wires are the same color, and there is no diagram to show what is what. Don't get me wrong, the quality of the work is top notch. But it seems the previous owner had no intention

of anyone else ever working on this car. So it falls to me to figure out where the short in the “alternate horn” circuit is and after three tries I threw in the towel and let a pro take a crack at it. It took him several hours to figure it out.

Beyond that, you may not realize how much the little things like hand-written notes will be cherished by a future owner. For many, myself included, the story behind a car is as important as the car itself. Pass along whatever you can. Whether that be receipts, photos, stories or technical information, it will all help tell the story of your car and make ownership that much



better for every future caretaker. Who knows, maybe someday your car will be the subject of a TCMG meeting presentation. How will the story of your ownership be told through someone else's eyes?

Keep 'em on the road!

Steve Simmons

Steve Simmons
TCMG President 2022

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Our October Meeting



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OCT. 25, 2022 @ 6PM pacific time

Halloween themed
Test of
TCMG TRIVIA

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86404891262>



Come prepared for a
Halloween Themed TCMG TRIVIA quiz.
Study the website, especially newer members.
This can be fun; it can be spooky; it can be
weird. But mostly it will be **FUN**
and you may learn some things about your
club and club members.

This meeting will also include
nominations for 2023 TCMG
Executive Council.

*Link below is for the Zoom
meeting on October 25th*
zoom.us/j/86404891262

Drive your TC at least 10
miles on October 25th and
earn a Sargent point for a
simulated drive to the meeting.
Report your travel at the Zoom
meeting to get credit.



TCMG "Cereal Killer"
costume by the Simmons

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but Zoom should open up
about 5:45pm to visit.



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1948 TC 4923 XPAG 5106

Sequoia Cream / Red



Purchased TC from the estate of Fred Glahe in Boulder Colorado. Fred had purchased it from HW Bowser in 1972 and placed it in his basement rec room next to the bar. There it sat for the next 50 years. An early 1970's TCMG badge is on the badge bar so TC must have been in the club at one time.

A few modifications from original include after-market bumpers, custom interior, sealed beam headlights, aluminum tappet cover, turn signals plus pinstripes on the wings.

Plan is to go through the TC over several months since it sat for 50 years and bring it back to life again doing most the work on the chassis and electrical.



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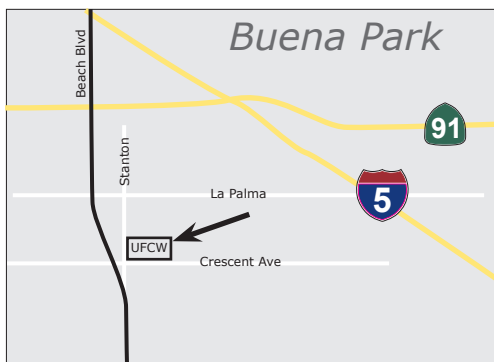
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September Bonus Tour



Steve Simmons got a shot of his TC through the windows of a 1931 Model A pick-up truck.

**Only 8 entries
submitted
this month**

**September theme
was Your TC with
another Classic Car**



Kregg Hunsberger braved the threatening rain to visit the September County Line Cars & Coffee gathering. Drove 34 miles round trip.



David Edgar found many classic cars at the every Wednesday Cajon Classic Cruise night event.





Cliff Lemieux was looking for a classic car to take a picture with and stopped for fuel. A yellow '57 Ford station wagon pulled up next to him.



Richard Loe located his TC (really a TA) near his neighbors 1950 Chrysler



Joel Taylor Joel took his TC on an 8-mile loop but didn't have to go far to see his neighbor's award winning 1965 Corvette C2



Walt Prowell went to a fun event of Cars & Coffee at Baja Cantina in Carmel Valley



Rob & Susan Doudrick of Weaverville, NC drove an hour to attend the Annual "Autumn in the Mountains" car show sponsored by the British Car Club of Western NC. Their TC won 2nd place for MGs

Missed this Bonus Tour? October's theme is Halloween or Autumn. Drive TC at least 5 miles and photograph it incorporating the theme. Send photo and description to djedgar1970@gmail.com by Oct 22nd.

66th Annual TCMG / ARR Conclave



Line up of 10 TCs, a TA and a PA

This year the TC Motoring Guild and the Abingdon Rough Riders clubs gathered at the Bluebird Inn in Cambria. And while the cars brought us together, it is the people who are so enamored

by them that make this a memorable event. 28 attendees this year. The two photos below show the traditional first night get together, this time at the front patio fire pit area.



Following the initial gathering, about half the group went to a local eatery to dine but also catch-up with each other some more.

***Cambria &
Hearst Castle
October 8-10***



Here the cars line up on Sunday morning to caravan the nine miles to Hearst Castle which was the main driving event for the day.



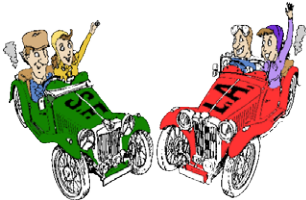
We each chose one of the many tours available (all are excellent). To the left here was the initial greeting as one tour began after the bus trip up the mountain. Below we heard about the history behind the beautiful Neptune pool and then continued on through the estate. Several free exhibits were also enjoyed at the visitor's center.



Instead of touring the castle, few of our gang choose to instead visit friends in the area or do other sight seeing in the lovely surrounding area.

Photos by
David Edgar

That evening we had our usual Conclave banquet where we shared lots of stories with mutual friends



Those in attendance were: *indicates drove TA or TC

TCMG: Mel Appell, Gorden Bundy & June*, David & Joyce Edgar*, Gregg Hunsberger*, Bruce & Marlene Larson*, Cliff & Jill Lemieux*, Richard & Sandra Loe*, Pete & Fran Thelander*

ARR: Ron Engstrom*, Dan & Thuy Shockey (MG PA), Jeff & Colleen Stobbe (MG BGT), Terry Sanders & Cindy Weiss

Dual Memberships: Alan & Victoria Campbell*, Allan & Linda Chalmers, Walt Prowell*, Howard Shempp*, Bill Traill

Fusing a TC

If you ever looked at the original TC wiring, most circuits are not fused. Those include most (but not all) lighting, starter, clock, ignition and charging circuits. There are only two fuses on a TC. One protects the horn and the other together protects the fog lamp, brake lamp, and wiper motor.

The horn draws roughly 13 amps by itself and the other three draw around 10 amps combined.

So why were the original fuses rated at 35 amps? The British rate fuse amps differently. While an amp is an amp everywhere, the British chose to indicate the surge figure of when the fuse would blow quickly. It would handle 17 amps continuously but blow quickly at 35 amps. American made fuses (SFE) are rated at the continuous figure.

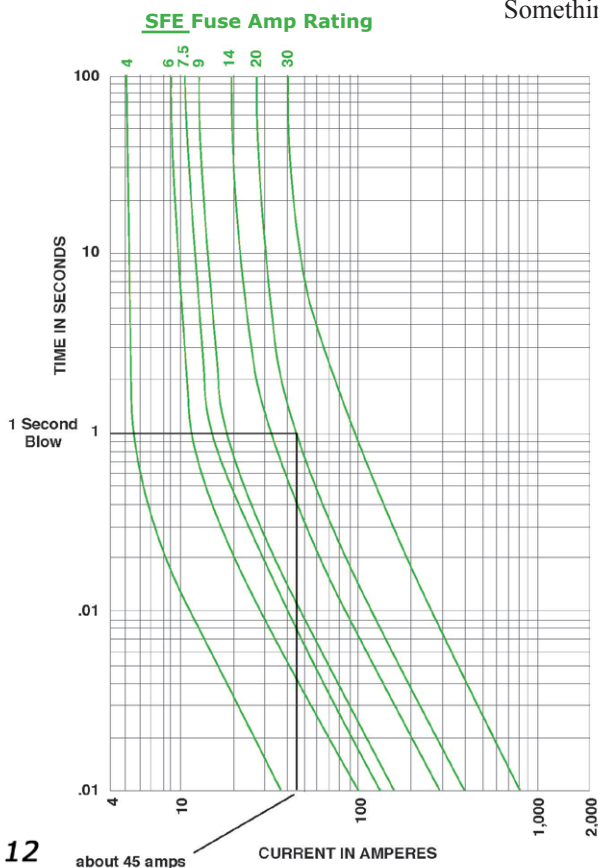
So bottom line, buy a 35 amp British Fuse or a 17 amp American fuse (SFE or BUSS). You probably will not find a 17 amp American fuse but you should be OK with a 15 amp rating. If you buy an American fuse, you still get a slow blow as well as that is just the nature of fuses. Looking at the SFE graph you will notice a 20 amp SFE fuse will blow at 45 amps after 1 second. Following the 20 amp curve, it also shows the fuse can handle about 400 amps for a hundredth of a second as well as about 28 amps for about 100 seconds.

If you use a SFE 15 amp fuse and follow a hair to the right of the 14 amp curve, the fuse should be quite safe for extended periods at 15 amps but last only about 5 seconds at approximately 37 amps.

Something else to consider is most fuse ratings are measured at 25°C (77°F) where the fuse is located. Higher temps can drop the ratings down some. I wonder how warm it is under the bonnet where the TC regulator (and fuses are)?

Should you fuse other TC circuits? No harm if you do. Just looking at the panel for TC 6110 on page 3 of this issue, it has 6 fuses there (and maybe the original two on the regulator are also in play). If you were worried, you could always add separate in-line fuses for other circuits.

David Edgar



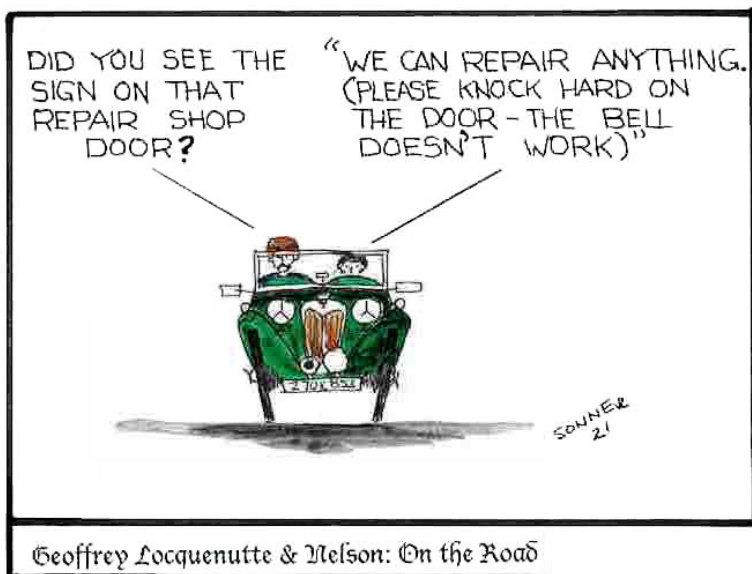
TC Birthdays (Build Dates)

Sept 16, 1948	TC 6551	David & Bobbi Spiegel
Sept 16, 1948	TC 6558	Bob & Kelly Wilmer
Sept 17, 1945	TC 0252	Pete DeBruyn
Sept 22, 1949	TC 9761	James Woolf
Oct 3, 1949	TC 9853 EXU	Pete & Lisa Gannon
Oct 7, 1947	TC 3737	Roger Morse & Lynn Arnold
Oct 7, 1947	TC 3738	Roger Morse & Lynn Arnold
Oct 8, 1947	TC 3742	Michael & Pam Tooke
Oct 10, 1947	TC 3779	Kregg Hunsberger
Oct 11, 1939	TB 0575	Alan & Victoria Campbell
Oct 13, 1948	TC 6802	Richard & Sandra Loe
Oct 14, 1948	TC 6811	Charlie Ockwell
Oct 14, 1948	TC 6827	Malcolm & Joy Buckeridge
Oct 15, 1947	TC 3820	David & Susie Coleman
Oct 16, 1945	TC 0273	Tom & Emily Wilson
Oct 16, 1945	TC 0279	Tom & Emily Wilson
Oct 16, 1947	TC 3830	Bill & Suzanne Young
Oct 18, 1949	TC 9972 EXU	Charles & Susan Roehrl
Oct 20, 1947	TC 3844	Gus Ramos
Oct 21, 1948	TC 6885	Richard & Sandra Loe
Oct 27, 1948	TC 6945	Sherman & Daveen Kaplan
Oct 28, 1948	TC 6954	Fred & Karen Weisberger
Oct 30, 1946	TC 1697	Walt & Bev Prowell



**Happy 73rd, 74th,
75th, 76th, 77th
& 83rd Birthdays**

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



Geoffrey Locquenutte & Nelson: On the Road

September 25th, TCMG Meeting Minutes

After having been a member for over 2-1/2 years, this was your humble secretary's first in person meeting. What a great hang with everyone!

There was also a Zoom component for members not able to attend. It had a few glitches, but Steve and Mike Simmons kept it going. Sure was great to see our friends on the big screen.

There were 26 in person and 6 zoom attendees. A total of 21 memberships represented and 9 members drove their TCs either to the meeting or the equivalent required mileage for Sargent points.

After some great in person chat and tire kicking, **President Steve Simmons** gaveled the meeting to order at 6:15pm. First up was that Richard and Sandra Loe were out of town and that the PO box is cancelled and mail is going to David & Joyce's home now.

Secretary's report. Nothing new in secretary land and I moved to accept the previous months meeting as published. This was seconded and approved.

Treasurers report. Joyce Edgar took the attendance and gave the financial report. It had been sent to the board members prior to the meeting. Joyce also said we had two new members, Michael and Wanda Hughes. Welcome!

Programs. Curt Sorensen let us know that events for Oct, Nov, Dec are still open. Joyce offered a Halloween/TC quiz. After the last great quiz from Joyce, it was heartily accepted. Thank you Joyce! You had some real stumpers on the last one! Curt then offered a November program on retrofitting LED tail lamp. Thanks Curt! December will be the holiday party, but still trying to find a venue that won't cost a wing and a scuttle panel. It was suggested that perhaps a catered party at a members home would work. I for one really like this idea. The estimate of attendees is about 30-35 persons.

Events. Steve reminded all the next event for October is the annual Conclave with the Abingdon Rough Riders.

Old business. Besides the PO box being closed, Steve also said the Studio City church meeting room has also been cancelled. This coincides with the past two years of Zoom meetings with ongoing discussions for continued Zoom, paced with meetings at members homes and other locations. Perhaps quarterly.

New business. There was discussion about the group e mail being changed from the auto reply all to having the select "all or sender" option. For now it will remain as is.

Steve then put up the slide show of the September do it yourself tour. Some great images. What a creative group!

Lastly, Joyce let the group know what the status of next years GOF was and preliminary scouting of possible locations. No commitments yet. Thank you Joyce!

The meeting concluded and Steve gaveled out at 6:53 pm. The program for the evening was the resurrection of Barney Jackson's TC now owned by Mike Simmons. What a great car! This was followed by Linda's amazing ice cream buffet. Wow! Thanks so much Linda. It was over the top!

Respectfully submitted,

Rob Zucca

Rob Zucca
2022 Secretary





Steve & Linda's outdoor yard venue for the meeting was SPECTACULAR. Should be featured in a magazine. Perfect weather and very enjoyable. Note Mike Simmon's TC on display by the set-up.



*Appearing on Zoom:
John Bowyer (TX)
Allen Chalmers (CA)
Cindy Henkels (CA)
Walt Prowell (CA)**
Dottie Smith (NH)
Joel Taylor (NV)**
(** drove TC 10 miles)*



*Present in person were: Gorden Bundy & June Wennkamp, Alan & Victoria Campbell, David & Joyce Edgar**, Daniel Harrison, Gregg Hunsberger*, Cliff Lemieux with Bob Brown*, David Reid & Terry Schuller, Gene Olson & Patty Salehpour, Curt & Jan Sorensen*, Mike & Sherri Simmons*, Steve & Linda Simmons*, David & Bobbi Spiegel, Pete & Fran Thelander, Rob Zucca & Carol Sorensen*
* actually TC drove to the meeting
** simulated drive of at least 10 miles*



UNBELIEVABLE wide assortment of ice-cream toppings & other dessert items. Truly something to behold.



*Photos by
Steve Simmons
and David Edgar*

More September Meeting Photos



Entrance to the backyard was through the fabulous garage which housed many, many interesting displays and driving machines.



As if the aroma was not enough, there were dessert menus plus the napkins were in the shape of an ice-cream cone.



Thank You Linda

and thank you Steve for
all your work as well

Over the top drink
and dessert treats
beautifully displayed



GoF West - Would You Attend?

At the last GoF West, there was no presentation for the next event. No person or club had stepped up. There were many complaints about not having another one but what could be done?. It usually takes a year to plan things out.

Joyce Edgar was voted into the GoF West Steering Committee and has been trying to solve the issue of another event. A location was found that she could deal with but since the pandemic, seems like room rates have really jumped and she received

complaints about the high cost. But if we plan for off season, we can get somewhat reasonable rates, so the question is, if we held the GoF West the week of October 16-20, would you attend? We are looking at a place in Carlsbad, California along the coast and in San Diego County.

Note that we usually hold our TCMG/ARR Conclave in early October so do not want to conflict with that or take away from either's attendance by having them too close together.

Send comments or thoughts to Joyce at:
djedgar1970@gmail.com

And if we do hold a GoF West can we count on any help from TCMG with manpower one at least one part of it, (car display, funkhanna, auction, rallye or something else)?

Note that work is also being done to hold a 2024 in Northern California.



1948 MGTC For Sale

1948 TC 6439 XPAG 4395
Cream / Red

Selling due to Ron's health
(would love to keep it, but
just being realistic).

818-523-3788 (Diane's cell)
Call or text

Unconfirmed but this may
have a 1500cc conversion.

Ron says he would
like to see it stay in
the club, so special
pricing only for TCMG
members at \$28,000



Clutch chatters (been that way for years). Side mirrors are from a TD. Some misalignment of windscreen to top bow.

Club Regalia

TCMG Car Badge	\$25 (\$30 if mailed) members only
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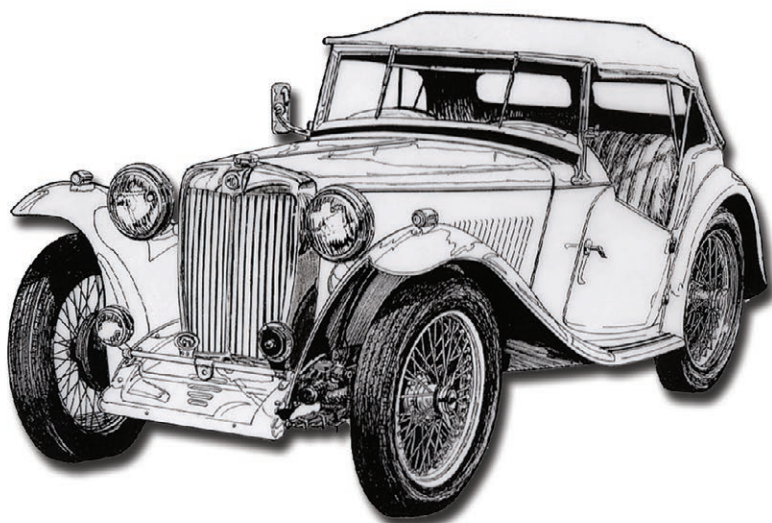


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