



# TC Motoring Guild **CLASSIC CHASSIS** *April 2025*



*A couple  
shots from  
Steve's  
YouTube  
video  
showing  
some off  
the beaten  
paths he  
has taken  
the TC on*

See video link  
on page 13





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See updates on GoF West on page 11.  
Also TCMG member Greg Hoefft is  
inviting us to GoF Central, June 16-20,  
2025 at Downers Grove, Illinois

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## Steve <sup>at</sup> the Wheel

It's been exactly 70 years since our first organized tour, a leisurely 200+ mile drive from L.A. to Apple Valley and back. Only one photo is known to survive from that trip and shows some of the TCs parked on a dirt track amongst a large group of rocks. Armed with an abundance of curiosity, yours truly set out on a mission to locate where that photo was taken and without taking up too much space on the page, I'll just say that after a two year search I finally found it, perched atop a ridge at the edge of the valley.

Not only are the rocks exactly as they were, even the little ones, but some of the same bushes are still there. A couple of them have been dead for decades but are undeniably the very same shrubs that were in the original photo. Another is still there, only much larger. In the Mojave Desert things don't really

change very quickly, at least not when compared to wetter climates.

Upon finding the location, an immediate decision was made to recreate this photo for the 70th anniversary of the group's first organized tour. The whole endeavor may seem silly to some (probably most) but to someone like myself who loves both history and old cars, it's an exciting opportunity. However just as things were getting started, they nearly came crashing to a halt when we found out that the ridge is now private property. Fortunately the Mohahve Historical Society came to our aid, followed by the Apple Valley City Council and eventually even the Mayor himself went to bat on our behalf. We now have official permission to make this happen and have planned it as a weekend tour rather than doing it all in a single day as in 1955. Barring any further difficulties, by this time next month we will have a "then and now" photo to share.

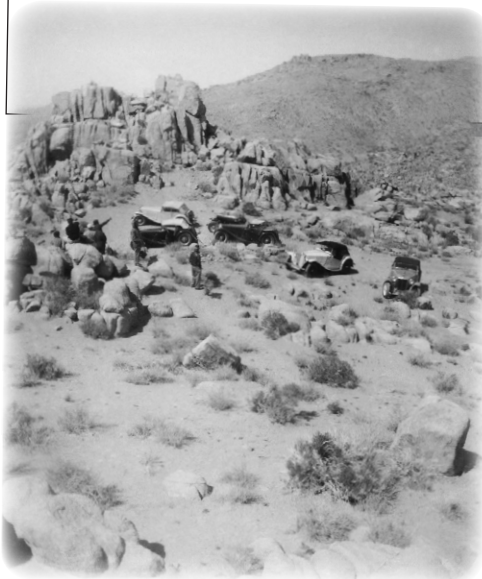
*Steve Simmons*

Steve Simmons  
TCMG President 2025

*And yes, "Mohahve," as in Mohahve Historical Society is spelled that way.*

Photo we are trying to recreate from March 1955 of the very first TC Motoring Guild event.

See page 8 for a scan of the original flyer.



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**Saturday,**   
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**In Person TCMG  
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Bring your own picnic lunch if desired. Beverages and dessert provided by our hosts Patty Solehpour & Gene Olson..

1:00 pm on Saturday  
 160 Mount Olive Drive  
 Bradbury, CA

Sargent Points if you drive your TC there. Photos here are from last year and more on page 9

## ***TC Birthdays (Build Dates)***

Apr 8, 1948	TC 5221	Bill Traill
April 13, 1949	TC 8451	Matt & Linda Peckhan
Apr 14, 1947	TC 2556	John & Phyllis Williams
Apr 14, 1948	TC 5230	Ed & Dee Koskie
Apr 14, 1948	TC 5238	Jim & Kim Ellis

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



**Happy 76th, 77th &  
 78th Birthdays**

## Welcome to Our Newest Member



Welcome



### Scott & Valerie Belland

Santa Rosa, CA 95407

1947 TC 4103 XPAG 4790 Red / Tan

My father and I found the car in the UK approximately 1976. The car then went through a full restoration and I have many fond memories of helping my dad, Stan Belland, with the progress. I inherited the car recently and

am glad to continue my Dad's TC legacy. Stan & Esther have been valued members since the 1970's. We lost Stan three years ago March 19th, and Esther with son, Eric, will continue as associate members.

*Note: all personal information (address, email, phone) are not posted to prevent internet bots from mining information. New TCMG Directory will include it though.*

## TC For Sale



Mike & Pam Tooke are giving up the TC. This beautiful MGTC sits in the garage, clean and covered. It is located in Santa Paula. No other information given to post here but questions should be directed to Eric at email below.

[Eric.Tooke@learningcare.com](mailto:Eric.Tooke@learningcare.com)

1947 TC 3742 XPAG 3948 BRG / Biscuit

# Last Call for Dues \$25

Per our TCMG By-Laws, dues for 2025 are due at our Annual Meeting in December and grace period is up at our March meeting.

Yes we have altered our dues rate. Now one rate for both local and distant members. We found many members paying the wrong amount before so hopefully this simplifies things and avoids confusion.

A BIG THANK YOU to those who have already paid for 2025. Below is a list of those we have NOT heard from yet. Hope we don't lose you. If you are on the list and believe you have already paid, please let us know. Again, dues for everyone is now \$25 per year, distant and local.

We apologize to any that had trouble with PayPal. Please ask for an invoice.

## Pay using Zelle

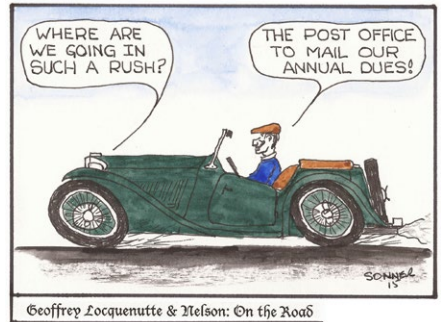
by sending funds to our TCMG email: [TCMG@TCMotoringGuild.org](mailto:TCMG@TCMotoringGuild.org)  
(note that this is NOT our group email address)

## Pay using PayPal

Request an invoice (note that there seems to be a glitch and direct payments are not going through). Send request for an invoice to: [TCMG@TCMotoringGuild.org](mailto:TCMG@TCMotoringGuild.org)

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Geoffrey Loquenutte & Nelson: On the Road

We have not heard from the people listed here:

Arredondo	Kinney	McCormick	Ogden	Smith,
Berry	Kosters	Mclish	Rogers	Douglas
Hill	Long	Moses	Schmidt. P	
Jones, Russel	McCammon	Murphy	Shapiro	

As of March 14th. Grace period over as of March 22nd.



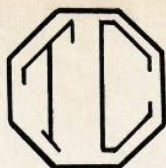
## 2025 TCMG Directory Update

The new 2025 TCMG Directory is in the works right now. But please check your 2024 directory to make sure your information is still current. Let me know if there are changes so we can fix before printing.

If you cannot find your 2024, let me know and I can send you your information.

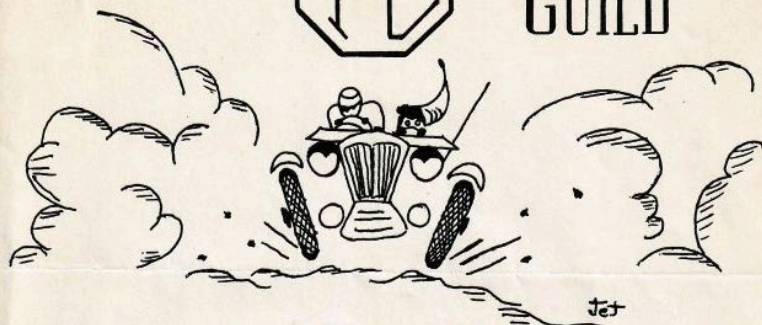
David  
[djedar1970@gmail.com](mailto:djedar1970@gmail.com)

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All of the above drival leads us, deviously, to the matter at hand.

EVENT - - - - -A run to Apple Valley  
(More of a limp in my case)

PURPOSE - - - - -Convivial Breakfast  
(Prefer mine in the solitude of the bedchamber)

DATE - - - - - Sunday, March 20th  
(My Gawd - - - This Sunday?)

RALLY POINT - - - -McGuires - - 7:00 A.M.  
(Only yard big enough)

By coincidence, the Arrowhead C.C. will be breakfasting at the Inn on the same day, and we need a big turnout in order to show these characters examples of the "original". Please bring a picnic lunch - we may set-up camp somewhere that afternoon.

This deal is in addition to our regular monthly meeting, which will be held at McGuires (3813 Pennsylvania Ave., La Crescenta) on Thursday, March 24, 7:30 P.M. This meeting is of particular importance, as matters of incorporation, affiliation, etc. will be discussed. General agenda will include - - - - -

Treasurer's report (tentative) - - - - Badges - - - -  
Tach conversations - - - - Steering conversions - - - -  
and featuring - - - -

A Solex Monologue  
"Four Cylinder John" in his only appearance in the  
area this season. Remember - - one night only!

LOOK - - Let's ALL show this time - - - give the natives a thrill.

The recreation of this event will be on the weekend of March 29-30 as long as weather holds out for us. Let Steve Simmons know if you want to participate. Additional information going direct to those who RSVP'd.

# Photos From Past at Salehpour/Olson Home



More photos from past events at Patty & Gene's home, cabin and TC Special. Cabin is a hike down the hill.

The MG SA will also be on view to admire.

Hope to see you there this year.



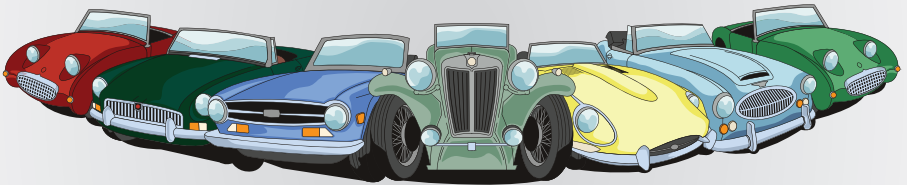
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## GoF West 2025

**GoF West 2025 is a go**, but maybe not the same way we are used to. No one or club has stepped up to take it on, however a couple brave souls (Joyce and David Edgar) have volunteered to set up a DIY (Do It Yourself) event like we do with the TC Motoring Guild. Still working out details, submission dates, theme and such, but be prepared to submit a photo(s) of your TC (even if not running) to attend this event. Most likely a mileage requirement will be required and if MG is apart or not running you will be In Spirit.

No registration to pay, no patches, no dinners to pay for, but we do gather virtually as MG lovers and we can have fun. Maybe we can do a TCMG group photo of TCs and members as



a club entry too. A presentation of all entries will be posted on the GoF West website.

So stay tuned for more details so you can participate even if you are not from the Western part of America.



On another note, The Arizona MG Club has taken on to do GoF West 2026 and was presented to the GoF West Steering Committee just a week ago. No details or dates yet but they are looking to hold it in Flagstaff, AZ so will be cool and no cacti in sight except for getting to Flagstaff.

Flagstaff is known for it's famed dark skies, nearby San Francisco mountain peaks and Ponderosa Pine trees. Event logo not finalized yet but a couple possibilities are shown here.



The TCMG has volunteered to help out with some parts of GoF West at prior events and maybe we can support in some way again. Maybe a tech session, helping with car display, or whatever.

## February 25th - TCMG Meeting Minutes

2025 President Steve Simmons started the meeting at 6:05 from the set of Jeopardy no less. First up was who drove to the virtual meeting. Joyce Edgar reported on the club mail and that our charity thanked us again.

Secretary, yours truly, had nothing new to report and asked the previous meeting notes be approved as published. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer Joyce Edgar reported we had three new members and renewals were at 71% so far. The advertisements had all been billed for 2025 and two have paid so far. Joyce then put up the Treasurers report on screen share.

Programs are still being handled by committee. Do we have a volunteer to coordinate this? It could be you!

It was announced that the March meeting would be in person at the Olsen home on March 22nd (Saturday). Bob Eicher has volunteered a program for May and Dean Caccavo suggested a future program about Paramount Ranch Race Track.

Events. Steve Simmons announced our next event in March will be a two day out to Apple Valley to recreate the first club event in March of 1955. Steve was able to arrange permissions and support from the Mayor, city council, and Mohahve historical society. Hotel arrangements to follow. The Traditional Wildflower tour in April will be decided depending on the bloom. It was reported it's still pretty barren out there.

There was no old business.

New business. Discussion was had regarding our next Conclave with the Abingdon Rough Riders. It was suggested to do something inland. Maybe Bass Lake. Linda Simmons is looking into Sky Ranch.

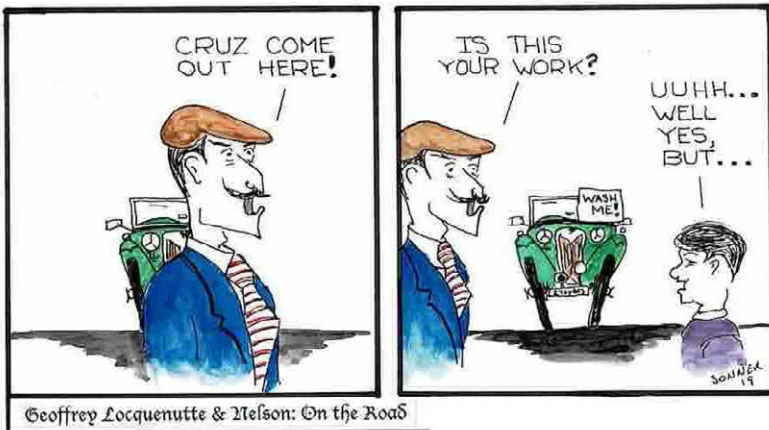
Steve closed the meeting at 6:34.

The meeting was followed by a great program by Steve. Thanks Steve!

Respectfully Submitted,

*Rob Zucca*

Rob Zucca, Secretary





Row 1: Richard Fritz (CO), David Edgar\*, Pete Thelander (& Fran off screen),  
Cliff Lemieux\*, Joyce Edgar

Row 2: Curt & Jan Sorensen, Richard & Sandra Loe, Joel Taylor\*,  
Jonathan Lane (CO), Steve Simmons

Row 3: Greg Hoeft (AZ), Duane Schmidt (MD), Mike Hughes,  
Linda Simmons, Kregg Hunsberger

Row 4: Rob Zucca\*, Allan Chalmers, Bryan Kemper (BC),  
Doug Schirripa, Bob Eicher (MD)

Row 5: John Bowyer (TX), Dean Caccavo\*, Mike Simmons,  
Gene Olson, Scott & Cristina St Clair\*

*23 memberships  
& 29 members in  
attendance*

\* - six drove 10 miles  
in TC on meeting day



For those that may have missed the meeting program by Steve Simmons, he posted that part of the meeting on YouTube. Interesting to revisit it even if you saw the program already. Click on image above to go to the video.

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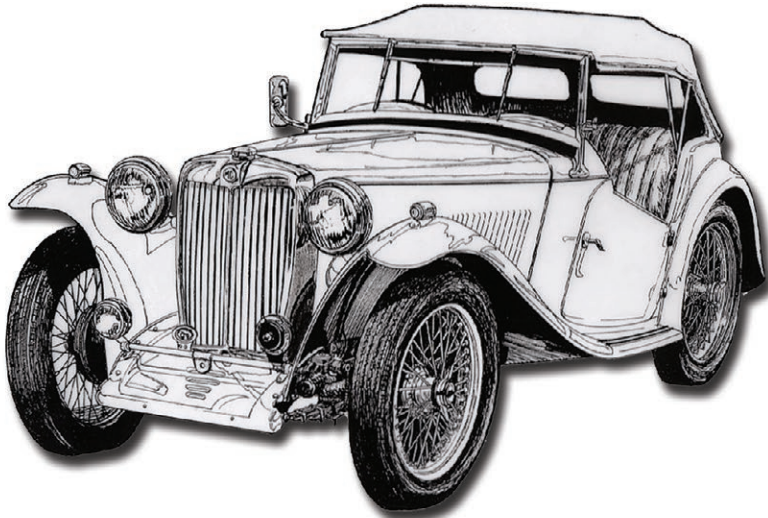


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