

TC TALK

TC MOTORING GUILD

APRIL 1958

Being --- somewhat --- the official organ of the only club in the world limiting its membership to owners of TA, TB, and TC models of the MG Midget.

--- NEW MEETING PLACE ---

The TC Motoring Guild happily announces that the Glendale Federal Savings and Loan Association has, through its generosity, and community spirit, provided the Guild with a very beautiful meeting place --- complete with accomadations for over 100 persons, kitchen, soft-drink machine, and terrific parking space. This modern, spacious facility should prove to be a boon to our already interesting meetings.

The address --- note this --- is 2350 Honolulu Ave., Montrose.

--- STEVE STEWART ---

With all the contemporary advancements of our medical professions --- some diseases have yet to come completely under the control of drugs or surgery.

Many of you have met Steve Stewart and have seen his beautiful 1946 TC. He has been a very active member of the T.C. Motoring Guild since it was brought back into active existence.

You will remember that he offered --- in the last issue of TC Talk --- to give a beautiful driving light to anyone in the Guild who might have use for it.

None of us knew that Steve was dying of Cancer.

It is with great shock and sorrow that we report Steve's recent passing. His death was particularly untimely in that he was to have graduated from Stanford University this June.

---MEETING NOTICES ---

If you live outside the Southern California area, don't be alarmed if you don't see a meeting notice in the newsletter. Sometimes it is more convenient to let the local members know by postcard.

--- ROAD RUNNER RALLY---

With great gusto, and energetic enthusiasm, many stout fellows of the TC Motoring Guild rolled out their neneteen-inch wheels a couple of Sundays ago for a try at outwitting April rally master, Bill Fulton.

After pitting their glowing faces against the 95 degree heat, clever instructions, lady luck, and a bit of poker, the smiling group arrived at their final destination, a green park in the San Fernando Valley roaring with strange tales of running around in circles, trying to find various little notes of instructions left by Mr. Fulton.

This writer, observing everyone's arrival at the finish, was quite overwhelmed with the unanimous screams of approval bubbling from the faces of the contestants.

It would seem that this brand of rallying --- such as the Road Runner --- suits the Guild to a T. There was not a single check-point; no average speed, or speed checks; and no odometer readings taken. It certainly minimizes the professionalized, not-so-fun kind of rally --- in fact it is destroyed! It really amounts to a darn good way to take a Sunday drive. The picnic at the end of each rally often is as much ~~xxxx~~ fun as the rally itself, too.

Trophies were presented to the following people at the April Meeting:

First.....Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Burt
Second.....Mr. and Mrs. Neil Elias
Third.....Ron Simon

---FUN AND FAME **---

Although we try to keep commercialism obvious because of its absense in TC TALK, we must, for the benefit of the members, repeat our praise of a great new magazine, "Car Sport".

Those of you who subscribe to Car Sport will already have noticed that a TC graced the cover of the April issue, and that a couple of pictures and a generous article brought recognition to our "Asiento Del Pantalones" rally inside the magazine.

For this we are grateful to Bob Clay, publisher. But Bob has gone this one better and has offered to send a free copy of the April issue to anyone in the Guild who has not seen it!

We think that this is great! And considering that Bob has also given the club a three year subscription to use as a raffiel prize, we think that your support through subscription to Car Sport would be a grateful sign!

If you haven't seen the April issue, clip this and mail it to Bob right away, while he still has free copies to give away.

Car Sport Magazine
Box 318
North Hollywood, California.

Dear Bob: I am a member of the TC Motoring Guild and would be very grateful if you would send me a free sample copy of Car Sport.....The April issue mit der TC emphasis!

Name _____ Address _____

DO YOU

-miss seeing the club meeting minutes in TC TALK?
-have any spares that a club member might need?
We'll be happy to give it mention here.
-realize that you are missing alot if you have not attended recent events?
-consider yourself talented? TC Talk needs some.
-have a checking account? If so, and if you owe dues, make one out to the Guild for \$4.00.
-have a TCing friend who isn't familiar with the Guild?
-know anyone who wants to trade a TC straight across for a '52 Rover? If so get in touch with Bill Stone.
-know the location of any Tickford bodied, TA dropheads here in the US?
-scoff at TD's?
-want a TC Motoring Guild badge? Send \$4.50 to the club.
-know that Fred and Nancy Paulus have found that their month-old Diaper Dan" prefers his rides in the TC rather ~~xxxx~~ than the brand new Morris Minor?

Send your answers to TC TALK? P O Box 926 Glendale, Calif.

--- WELCOME? VEEP ---

At the April 24th meeting of the Guild, Harvey Schnaer was elected by the general membership to fill the vacated position of Vice President. This spot was left vacant when Earl Sargent moved up to President, replacing Bill Stone.

Harvey, known to all the local members as a character with a somewhat effervescent personality, was hailed into office amid various shouts of glee!

By the way, Harvey would like to sell his 16' sloop --- so if any of you need a water suppliment to your great TC land transportation, you might get in touch with old Harv.

--- TECH TOPICS ---

Ultimate:

".....She could recall weekends spent in polishing, not merely the body of the car, but the engine: hours of careful twisting on metal of a small drug store cork dipped in a mixture of brass polish and abrasive, until the entire power plant gleamed and glistened in the pale sun of English moonday"

From "The MG and How it Grew"

By Ren Purdy.

And if you are one of those true blue aficionados who believe that the under bonnet works should be kept as nice as the exterior of the car, you may be interested in a simple method of protecting that beautifully polished and painted engine during the car washing operations. A club member recently showed me how he utilized a discarded plastic table cloth to protect the engine while washing down the car. Works amazingly well as it can be tucked neatly around the various protruberances and really protects the wiring, generator and so on from those inevitable streams of water that make their way in through the bonnet joints and louvres. CAUTION NOTE: Do not forget to remove the plastic cover before starting the engine!

Speaking of engine beauty treatments, did you know that some veteran concours contestants give their polished aluminum parts a rub down with light oil just prior to the show? Enriches the appearance of the polished metal and also preserves same, they say.

Thanks to club member Ron Simon we are able to publish the following list of New Departure ball bearings which will serve as replacements for the original MG equipment.

xxxxx		<u>1948 - 1952 TC and TD 1½ litre sports</u>	
Car part			New Departure
1. Front wheel inner	1948		N.D. 3205
2. " " "	1949 - 1952		N.D. 3306
3. " " outer			N.D. 3304
4. Water pump (TC & TD)			N.D. 3301
5. Transmission - Driveshaft rear			N.D. 43307
	1948 only		
	Mainshaft rear		N.D. 43305
	1948 only		
	Extension (EXC. 1948)		N.D. 3205
6. Rear axle - differential			N.D. 30207
	rear wheel		N.D. 3208

Reference catalog for above numbers is New Departure A357

Any suggestions you may have as to how to improve a TC will be most welcome. Please don't be shy about sharing your problems and solutions. Just drop us a line. - Tech Topics, Box 926, Glendale, California.

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T.C. EVENT FOR MAY

Date: May 11th

Concourse at Disneyland

MEETING PLACE: Riverside and Los Feliz Blva's.

TIME: 10:00 A.M.

The meeting place is at the fountain at Griffith Park, ~~xxxxxx~~ its easy to find, so try and show up! If you can't meet at the above location, come on down to 915 S. Brookhurst (at Ball Road) in the Raisen Market.

If you missed out on any of the previous rallies, please!... try and make this tour to Disneyland with us. Tickets have been provided for us to get in. REMEMBER MAY 11th!

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And if you are one of those true fine artists who believe that the under-paint work should be kept as nice as the surface of the car, you may be interested in a simple method of protecting that beautifully polished and painted finish during the car washing operation. A clear plastic sheeting, as used in the car wash, is also available in various sizes to protect the engine while washing down the car. Works amazingly well as it can be tucked neatly around the various protrusions and really or test the wiring, generator and on from the inevitable streams of water that make their way in through the doors, trunk and fenders. **CAUTION:** Do not place it over the plastic cover but be starting the engine! Speaking of engine beauty treatments, do you know that some veterinarians and mechanics give their polished aluminum parts a rub down with light oil just prior to the car wash? This appearance of the polished metal and also preserves them, they say. Thanks to our editor R. A. Smith we are able to publish the following list of new literature and also the equipment and replacement for the original equipment.

Wash Detergent	W.D. 3808	1948 - 1951	1948	1948	1948	1948
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