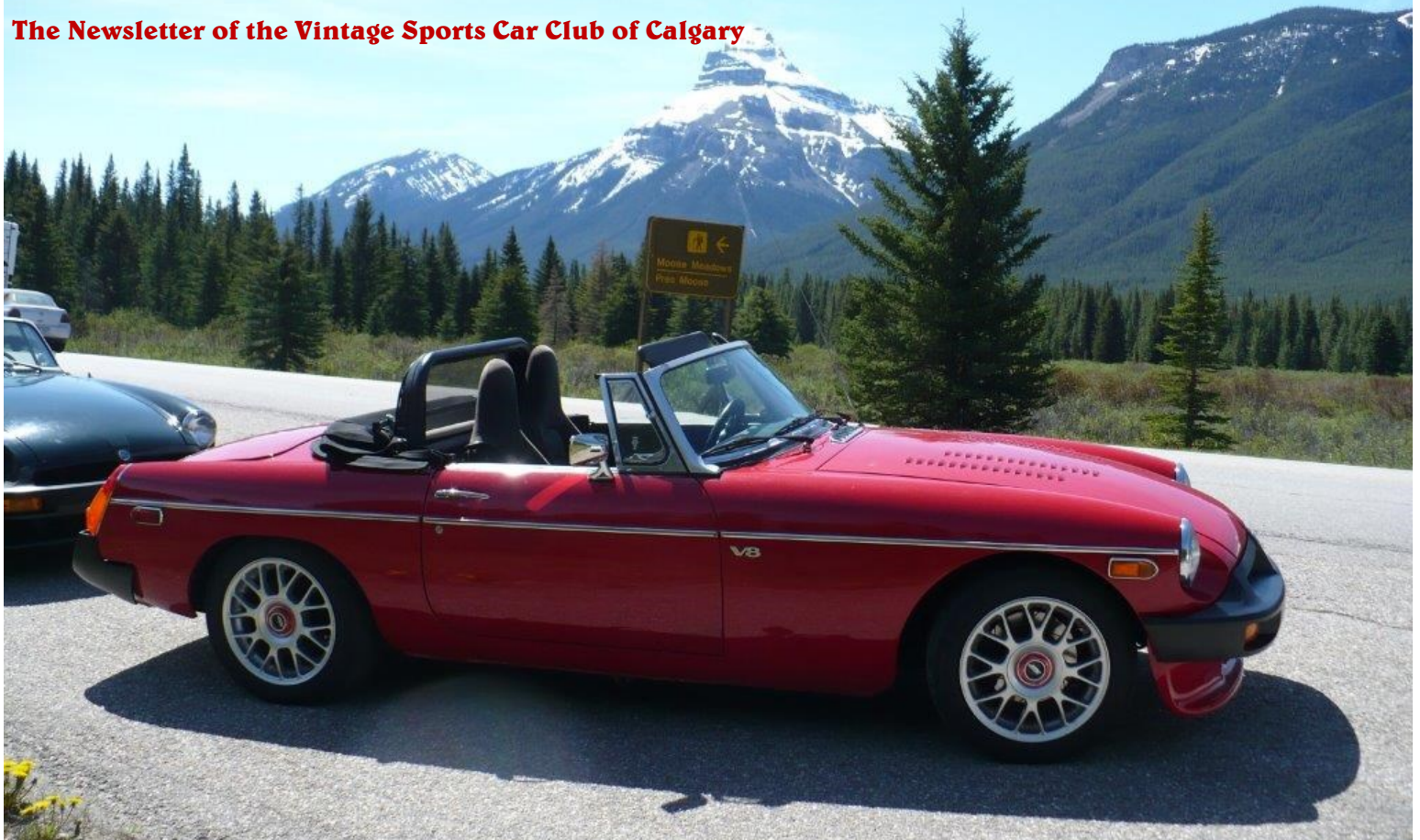


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This month's Car Covers features a scene from the Brits Best show held on June 9 - 10 at Radium Hot Springs. Looks like the weather cooperated this year - 2012 blankets not needed!

1978 MGB with the all powerful V8 - Azim Bhatia

So Mr. Azim did not respond to a request for some information on his car. So your editor will make up some information on the go.

First, the car's color is RED - hopefully you noticed that.

Secondly, its a roadster and not the coupe version. Again, hopefully you noticed that.

Thirdly, for those with good eyes, it has a V8 under the hood (as depicted by the V8 logo on the wing).

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HAPPY CANADA DAY



We should all be taking a moment to be proud of the land which we call home. True, it has its issues and we have our complaints, but it is still a wondrous and joyful place to live. Its natural beauty, miles and miles of coastline bordering three separate oceans. Four distinct seasons. What's not to love?

So spare a moment, have a cool frosty beverage and think about how lucky we are.



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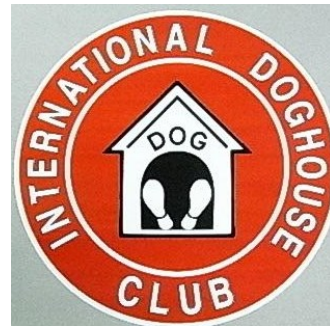
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THE DOG HOUSE

Last month's Dog House was reserved for Mother Nature due to the long cool spring we experienced. After the episode of late June, we shall never do that again! She gets a tad ornery when condemned!!



To make up for our faux pas, this month we are putting out a request for assistance.

Hi, my name is Ken Grant. My Grandfather Dan Canart built a **1928 Essex Super Six** sedan that he found in a stand of poplar trees. When we were children we went to parades and pancake breakfasts in a small town in Manitoba called Elkhorn.

Grandpa sold the car to a man in Redwood Meadows several years ago.

I have been looking for the current owner because I would like to see if it would be ok to show the car to my children. My Grandpa passed away a few years ago but grandma thinks the man was originally from Arcola SK.

I am looking to see if you or anyone in your club would recognize this story. I would love to see the car again and would appreciate any help tracking this man down. I currently live in Okotoks . Thank you so much for your time.

Ken Grant - 403 808 4359 or 403 267 2230

Our Thanks to...

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The motto of the VSCCC is **"Dedicated to the preservation of vintage motoring"** and the main purpose is bringing like-minded enthusiasts together for the mutual enjoyment of our automobiles.

Membership is open to all those owning, or having an interest in, traditional (vintage) sports cars. Our current membership owns mostly British roadsters and coupes dating from 1935 to 1980; however, all vehicles are welcome. Dues are \$40.00 per year.

General Meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the second Wednesday of each month at the Austrian Canadian Cultural Centre (3112 11 Street NE, Calgary)

The VSCCC is a member of the Specialty Vehicle Association of Alberta.

Personal information is gathered from club members solely for the purposes of distributing club related information to the membership. Our membership list will not be sold or exchanged with other clubs or commercial interests.

The membership list (including members name, phone number, email and cars owned) may occasionally be distributed to club members. Distribution is intended so that members with similar vehicles can contact each other for help and advice. If you do not wish you name to appear on this list please contact the membership secretary. Please refrain from distributing the membership list to non-VSCCC members, use it for mass email or for other purposes that have not been sanctioned by the VSCCC executive.

THE PREZ SEZ

Where to begin ? A lot has happened since I last wrote.

On a personal note - the small company that I work for was sold to a multinational and assimilated **[ED: The Borg?]** We even moved to a high-rise in the core. I'm still getting used to all that big company bureaucracy.

The run to **VanDusen ABFM** was interesting.

Day one of the trip, with the Heikamps (E-Type) and Woodwards (Mini), was terrific, if slightly long, with a great dinner and overnight in Kamloops. I was top down in the TR3 **[ED: Thanks for the visual!]** and so was chilled the first half of the day and cooked for the second, receiving a proper scorching on my nose and cheekbones.

My dinner companions, after reading the dinner menu by the pulsing glow of my beak, stated that I was a bit burned and maybe should seek medical attention. Sylvia came to my aid with a magic elixir, carried by all nurses, just in case, that I slathered on my glowing face.

By morning I was ready for round two. The trip on into Vancouver was cool but not too bad weather wise. Arrived safe and sound with time to wash the car and get some sleep.

Saturday morning it was raining - that light coastal rain that Vancouverites call thick air. My car was capable enough to convince the judges and participants that it should win in two categories - Best Debut Restoration \$50-100K and Best of Class. Great fun that winning stuff.

The drive back to Calgary can only be described as "Grim". It RAINED. Did I mention that I was in an open car, having opted for a tonneau rather than hood? Since the sidescreens had not been fitted, I figured that it would keep the interior dryer. Not so. Everything was wet. It even snowed over the summit of the Coquihalla. All this with me in WWI leather flyers helmet with goggles. Must have been quite a sight **[ED: Better than you with your top down!]**. The car took four days to dry out, in the garage, with two tornado fans running 24/7.

I didn't make **Brits Best** in Radium as I was gun shy about the weather. I hear that I missed an excellent weekend. Really must pencil this in for next year as they put on a terrific event.

The **Ice Cream Run** to Village Ice Cream was a tasty event and well attended.

Rolling Sculpture in Canmore was a perfect day in the mountains. The TR3 pulled off another win as Best British. My only regret was the missing sausage vendor.

I did not attend the **Olds Charity Auction** as my account has been stripped bare and my wife has forbidden new projects for the foreseeable future, but do hope to see the results elsewhere in this Rag. **[ED: Sorry, no results submitted].**

I was in the garage fitting the TR3 sidecurtains when the news came through that we were in for a bit of bothersome weather with biblical rising waters. **The Flood of 2013** took the City of Calgary and surrounding communities completely by surprise. Calgarians again showed their sprit in working together to clean up the mess left in the wake of devastating flooding. The Emergency Operations Centre organized a formal volunteer event and by 10 a.m. more than 3,000 arrived when only 600 were expected, many of them in rubber boots ready and eager to pitch in. Well done Calgary! I hope that all those affected by the flood recover quickly and are able to resume their normal lives as rapidly as possible.

VSCCC T-Shirts have arrived!! They are golf style, red with and embroidered logo. The subsidized price is a mere \$25.00. They will be available - to members only - starting at the next event which will be the **Priddis Stampede Breakfast** on July 13.

The **European Classic Car Show** on July 20 is fast approaching. Register now for a day in the park. It will be the biggest most diverse show that we have ever had.

Cheers, Steve Crosby



THIS MONTH'S CONTRIBUTORS

Your contributions and photographs ensure that you are not subjected to the constant drivel and ramblings of your Editor. This month, say thanks to Gary Beckstead, Mike Coe, Steve Crosby, Alex Heikamp, Fritz Peyerl and these fine sites: Wikipedia, Yahoo News and other inter state web sites.

IF YOUR SUBMISSION DID NOT MAKE THIS EDITION, LOOK FOR IT IN THE FUTURE.

Please note...

The deadline for submissions for the next issue of the Oily Rag is August 20th, 2013

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TOOL CHEST

The Club has a good selection of tools available for short term loan to members only. All tools are to be booked through Alex Heikamp (403.239.0785). They should not be transferred from person to person without notifying Alex.

There is a \$50 deposit required on all tools which is refunded if the item is returned in good condition. In addition to the deposit, specialty equipment have weekly rates associated with them. Users will be charged an amount to cover the cost of ongoing expenses for some tools (most notably the welding equipment).

Some tools require training in their correct use before being let out.

People who ignore these rules may be banned from borrowing club tools.

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colour tune kit	radiator pressure tester	tubing bender
cylinder blow-down tester	ridge reamer	valve spring compressor
cylinder hone	ring compressor	Whitworth wrenches and sockets
dial gauge and mount	slide hammer puller	Oxy Acetylene torch, plasma cutter, welding equipment (see below).
engine hoist (call Ken Peake 403.650.6241)	socket set (3/4 drive)	

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RATES

Weekly rental rates apply for specialty equipment. These rates cover replacement charges intended to allow the club to repair and, eventually, replace equipment. Rates are as follows:

\$5.00 for first week (or portion of the week)
\$10.00 for second week (or portion of the week)
\$15.00 for third week (and each subsequent week, or portion of the week)

These rates are in place to encourage timely booking and return of the equipment so that it can be properly inspected, repaired if necessary, and made available to other members. If you have signed equipment out for a lengthy period, you may be asked to return it, if another member requires it.

The above rates are based on minimal consumption of active or inert gases or consumables. If, on return inspection, additional gas, consumables, or parts are required, the member will be asked to pay replacement costs for those items.

MISCELLANEOUS

When signing out equipment, identification may be required. You will be asked to sign a form listing the condition of equipment and consumables and the time period required. On return, the equipment will be inspected to determine if repair or replacement items are needed and to determine the quantity of consumables used.

For safety reasons you may be asked about your familiarity with the equipment. Basic instruction and advice is available for those who require it. If you need more advice / information on the specialty equipment, please contact Ron Tebo at 403.253.0088 or email to mrtebo@shaw.ca.

2013 EVENT CALENDAR

General meetings: 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month (Austrian-Canadian Cultural Centre - 3112 - 11 Street NE)

VSCCC EVENTS

July

- 13 Priddis Stampede Breakfast
- 20 European Classic Car Meet

August

- 14 Big Hills Springs BBQ

CHECK IT OUT!!

Sylvia is scratchin' her noggin' to keep you entertained with some grand summer events. Keep up to date by using our Events Calendar to confirm dates, times and venues. Check it out: www.vsgcc.ca

OTHER EVENTS

Contact the sponsoring organization for more details

July

- 12 COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY
- 14 Brits on the Beach - Ladysmith BC (http://oecc.ca/cib/brits_on_the_beach.htm)
- 21 Brits by the Bus - Saskatoon (www.sbccc.ca)
- 23 - 31 Western Canada Power Cruise (<http://westerncanadapowercruise.webs.com/>)
- 26-28 Jaguars on the Island (<http://jaguarclubofvictoria.wildapricot.org/>)
- 27 Michener Allan Collector Car Auction (www.maauctions.com)
- 27 Western Washington All British Field Meet (<http://abfm.com/>)

August

- 09-11 Pioneer Acres Show + Reunion (www.pioneeracres.ab.ca/events/annualshow.aspx)
- 10 Rally in the Valley - Peachland BC (www.obcc.ca/ritv.htm)
- 16 - 18 All Triumph Drive In - Penticton BC (<http://atdi2013.ca/>)
- 22 A+W Cruise In For a Cause in support of Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada



- 23-24 Targa Canada West (<http://bci.pca.org/calendar/targa-tour>)

September


- 01 The Bubble Gum Man Tour (Calgary)
- 08 Old English Car Affair in the Park (www.oecc.ca/sib/)
- 20-22 Classic Car Gathering - Sun Peaks

OTHER EVENTS - LISTINGS

For cruises, shows, swap meets and the like in Alberta, BC, Saskatchewan and the NW USA
check out these sites:

Northwest Cruise Calendar	www.members.shaw.ca/calgarycc/NWCC2013.pdf
Auto Events	www.autoevents.ca
Specialty Vehicle Association of Alberta - Events	www.svaalberta.com

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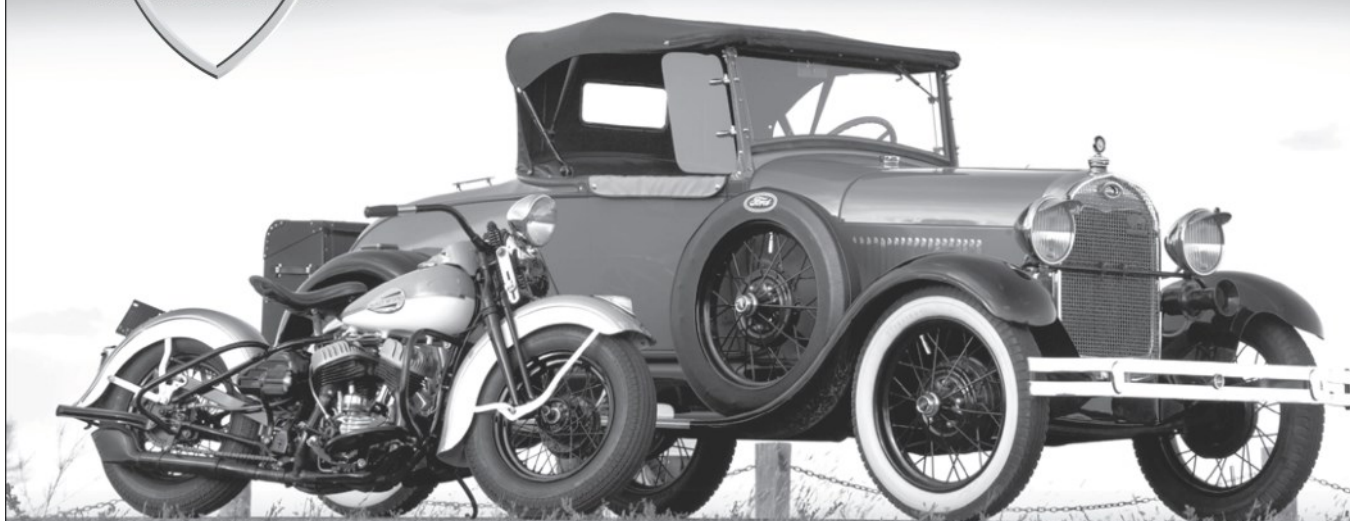
JULY		27	Chestermere	22	A+W Cruisin for a Cause	
06	Salmon Arm, BC Rimbey Fox Valley, SK Picture Butte	28	Calgary (Rides n Rods) Vernon, BC (European)		Calgary (Show your Heart) Golden, BC	
		AUGUST 2013			24	Red Deer (Cruisin 2 Cure Cancer) Taber
		02-03	Pincher Creek (Heritage Acres)			
07	Moose Jaw, SK		Foremost		25	Winfield, BC Calgary (Bowness Auto Parts)
13	Strathmore Oyen Lethbridge Medicine Hat Lumby, BC Irricana	03	Penticton, BC Pigeon Lake	SEPTEMBER 2013		
		04	Keremeos, BC	01	Warner	
		10	Rocky Mountain House Coalhurst Airdrie Medicine Hat	06-07	Nelson, BC (Queen City Cruise)	
07	Brooks Hill Spring					
14	Summerland, BC Innisfail					
19	Cranbrook, BC		Okotoks		21	Radium, BC (Columbia Valley Classics) Creston, BC
20	ECCM	11	Salmon Arm, BC			
		17	Spring Hill (HWY 22 + 567) Maple Creek, SK Gleichen			
		18	Aldersyde			
21	Langdon Longview Rosebud					



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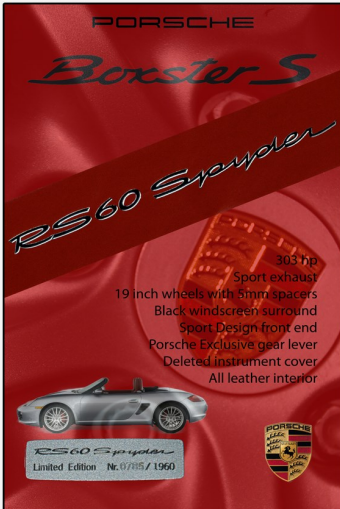
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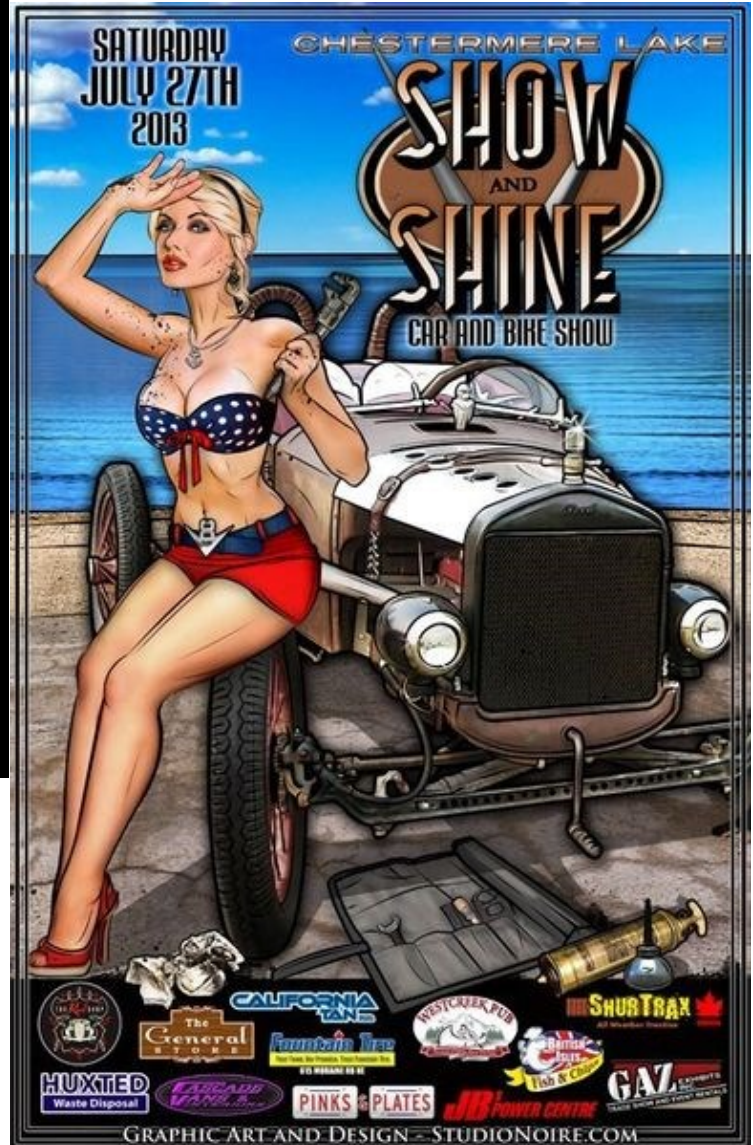
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FROM THE EDGE OF REALITY, AN EDITORIAL

WOW

How else do you describe the events that occurred around the summer solstice. Mother Nature once again showed her might. Some of our VSCCC members were caught up in the chaos, and are struggling to make it through the aftermath. Our thoughts are with you.

For members that have experienced hardship during this event, some well placed phone calls to simply chat or to ask for assistance can make a difference.

And in case you are offered a screaming good deal on a car in the coming weeks, be careful. Alberta Transportation has put out an advisory for Flood Damaged Cars (<http://alberta.ca/albertacode/images/Flooded-Vehicles.pdf>). Check this out before you buy!! The quantity won't be the same as resulted from Hurricanes Katrina and Sandy, but the concern is the same.

And from one extreme to another. After the deluge, southern Alberta is now in a heat wave. Medicine Hat's forecast has +30 temperatures for the next week. Also, there are predictions that Death Valley, California could break the mark for the highest recorded temperature ON EARTH.

Strange weather these days - will our attitudes and habits change?

As an outside observer, it was refreshing to see how Mayor Nenshi handled the situation. Calgarians should be proud of him - other communities are envious.

The flooding and subsequent clean up means time will be stretched to get all ready for the ECCM. July 20 is the date. Fritz and Chris have done a bang up job in organizing the event. Stanley Park suffered damage, but hopefully the City will have it in good shape for the 20th. It would be fitting venue, after all that has gone on.

If you are like me and have not yet registered, what is holding you back? For me, its been trying to decide what vehicle to take. The GT6 has some issues that I had wanted to sort out before heading on the highway. Perhaps I will simply register the 911SC and be done with it - one less thing to clutter my wee mind.

Craig sent out the updated membership list - 112 in total as of the end of June. We are on track as compared to 2012 numbers, but still well below our peaks from a few years ago. Any suggestions as to what we can do to increase membership? A million plus residents in Southern Alberta and am sure there are more than 112 of us that have vintage sports cars (regardless of manufacturer or country of origin).

Mike Coe sent in an interesting and entertaining recap of the 5th annual Brits Best held in Radium. Some edits were required as Mike was fully convinced that the show was in May. Perhaps a new and improved calendar would be an appropriate gift for Mike.

Am now 100% done with my Urban Design courses. Feels good and once I get the backlog of work done at home an the office, I can start taking advantage of the driving season. I was unable to attend the Okotoks Collector Car Auction, Brits Best or the J.C. (Jack) Anderson Charity Auto Auction in support of Olds College. Thanks to Mike we know how Brits Best went. Anybody attend either Okotoks or Olds auctions? A write up would be welcome.

I did attend the Mountain Paradise Show + Shine held in Revelstoke. Its a great event. This year I took the 911SC out and was rewarded for my efforts with the Longest Traveler and Best Original Paint trophies.

Lost out on the Best Import to Larry Clarke's 1974 TR6. Larry is from Salmon Arm, but I mention this car as it has a Calgary connection - Bev Morgan used to own it. Does anybody recall the car or know Bev? The car is up for sale, so perhaps there is an opportunity.

With my 'extra' time perhaps now I can get to work on my rusted GT6 project. I picked up a used bonnet from a fellow Triumph enthusiast in Lethbridge (thanks to Tom Wardlow!!). To say picked up is a misnomer - Tom delivered it to me from Lethbridge! My two goals are to try and have it operational prior to its 50th birthday in 2018 and to do it far cheaper than our President's TR3!!

Safe travels on the rocky roads of life!

John Bulmer, Editor

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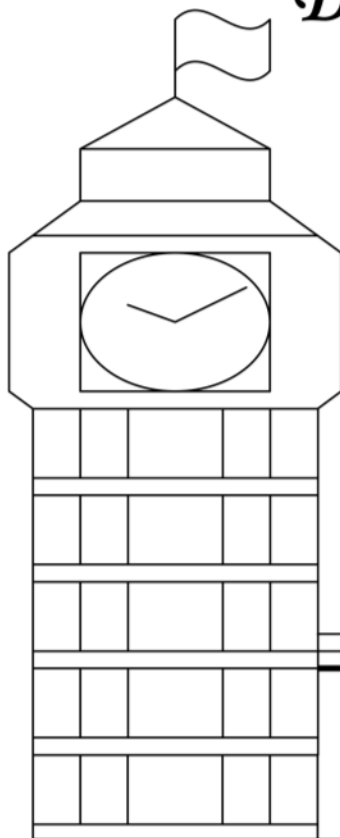
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ECCM UPDATE

The **2013 European Classic Car Meet** is still a go for July 20.

Stanley Park suffered some flood damage and we are awaiting word from City Parks as to its status. With three weeks til the event, hopefully they can do a bang up job in getting it ready. Contingency plans are in place - check out www.vsgcc.ca/europe/eccm.htm for updated information..

As of June 26, there are 55 cars registered with Porsche and BMW neck and neck for largest turnout. Where are all the LBC's?

With the VW Club being in attendance, they might outdo everyone else!

Pre-registration enables you to pick up your package at the Rev-Up Party at Big Rock on July 19. Come out and have some good food, some fun with old friends and make new ones. There are some awesome door prizes available!!



A Lifeline to Cancer Support

Pre-registration also helps the organizing committee know how many and what type of vehicles need to be accommodated on the field.

This year we are holding a fundraiser for Wellspring Calgary . Participate in the activities to bring awareness and support for Wellspring. Wellspring will be doing the judging so it pays to be extra nice to them.

There are a lot of wonderful cars in Calgary that are seldom seen and enjoyed. Encourage your friends and neighbors to come out and enjoy some wonderful vehicles!!!

A big tip of the Bonnet to these fine businesses who stepped up to support our ECCM.

Fritz Peyerl



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THROUGH THE WINDSHIELD

As more of our club look forward to a healthy retirement to spend more time with our hobby, its enlightening to see our younger members looking eagerly to commence their journey. Alex Heikamp wrote in to tell us about his future plans for the coming years.



In May 2013 my grandparents and I took a trip to McPherson Kansas to visit McPherson College - a school recommended to me by Stephen Ross.

McPherson College prides itself as being the only school in North America that offers a four year bachelors degree in Auto Restoration Technology. After having seen this school I decided that it is what I wish to do after high school so I will be applying to start in the fall of 2014.

During our tour we got to see a lot about what the school has to offer including things that are not automotive related such as performing arts, computer design and a business class. We also had a full tour of the campus including the automotive restoration building.



At McPherson College you learn on anything and everything up until the early 1970's. There was even a carriage that the students were restoring. During the tour the students had organized a car show in the center of the campus, some of the cars entered in the show were students cars, and others were locals not attending the school.

The trip to Kansas was an amazing experience and I am hoping that in just over a year's time I will be there attending McPherson College!



ED: Good luck to you Alex. Am sure you will make a very proud and honorable Bulldog. Come back home when you have graduated so that some of us with less skills can hire you to restore our vehicles!

It is interesting how life goes. I first heard of McPherson College through the Jensen Owners Club as the College has one of the few remaining Jensen CV-8's. It will likely be there a long time as the College students restore various cars that have been donated to the program (in between classes I am sure!)

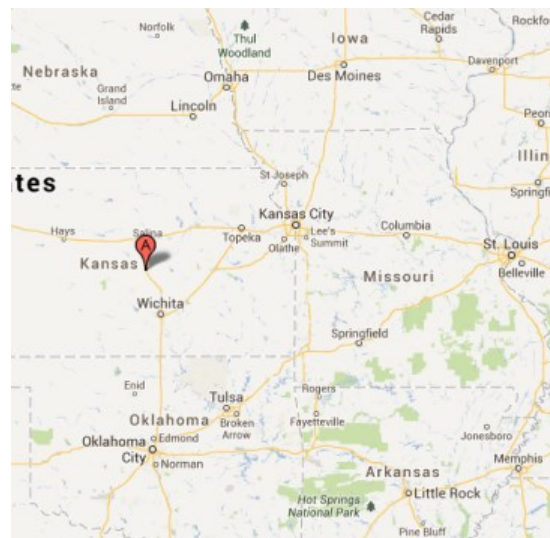
Following is a brief background on McPherson College.

Established in 1887, **McPherson College** is a four-year liberal college located in McPherson, Kansas located approximately 1 hour north of Wichita and 3 hours west of Kansas City. The college provides a career-oriented education. The original intent of the college was to provide an opportunity west of the Mississippi River for the settlers moving westward.



Growing from 60 students in 1888, it rapidly reached 200 students in 1898. McPherson College now has just over 620

students which makes for a nice sized relaxed campus. McPherson was one of the first colleges in Kansas to receive accreditation by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.



The Automotive Restoration Technology program is not new to McPherson. In 1976, local entrepreneur Gaines H. "Smokey" Billue, provided funds for the construction of Templeton Hall along with additional operating capital through the donation of a portion of his classic and antique car collection. Jay Leno has been an avid supporter of the program and has been a part of the program's National Advisory Board since 1998.

McPherson takes its studies seriously, and requires the same from its students as depicted in two of the courses that must be completed. These show that the students are required to consider their life after beyond the college experience.

Academic Community Essentials is a First Year Experience program. Freshmen must enroll in the course in both the fall and spring semesters. The course goal is that "Students will show that they have learned about college life, create a degree plan, and practice good study skills, critical thinking, and conflict resolution." **[ED: Does partying and carrying on get taught?]**

Sophomores must enroll in one semester of Sophomore Seminar. The course goal is that "Students will complete a service project, develop a career plan, and show that they have explored internship options."

McPherson offers 18 major fields of academic study, including Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Stewardship, History, Mathematics, Psychology, Sociology and Technology.



The Automotive Restoration Program is within the Technology field of study. The program offers six separate paths for the student to take, including:

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|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Automotive Restoration | Automotive Restoration Management |
| Historic Automotive | Automotive Restoration Design |
| Motorcycle Restoration | Automotive Communication |

There are eight scholarships offered exclusively within Automotive Restoration. The most famous being the Fred Duesenberg Memorial Scholarship endowed by Peter Heydon and Jay Leno. There is also a Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance Scholarship.

[ED: If you have a child, grandchild, niece or nephew interested in our old cars and wanting higher education, perhaps McPherson College's program is an opportunity to be explored.]

CENTRE LINE

Thanks to Mike Coe for this recap
on Brits Best - good on ya Mate!



June 7 - 9 was this years BritsBest, at Radium B.C.

Radium, a superb location into which over the June 7th - 9th weekend vintage cars and motorcycles ventured from Calgary (and elsewhere) for the 5th BritsBest. Several British vintage cars from the newly formed Kootenays Branch (Cranbrook) of the Old English Car Club (BC) attended, as well as cars from the Okanagan British Car Club, Vintage Sports Car Club of Calgary, Saskatchewan British Car Club, Edmonton Classic Sports Car Club and of course, the host, the Calgary MG Car Club. There was a total of 41 entrants, each receiving a goody bag and T Shirt courtesy of the Calgary MG Club.

Organized by MG Club member of only one years membership, John Towler, he and his Calgary Committee set this, the 5th annual BritsBest Car Show of British Cars and Motorcycles under principally radiant sunny blue skies at the beautiful Radium Resort. The MG Club would like to suggest that they arranged the weather! **[ED: Remember 2012!]**

The sunshine and blue skies were a welcome alternate to wet weather experienced by many other parts of the provinces of BC and Alberta! Any rain holding off until after the Radium Village's Friday evening Parade with the MG Club participating in, and after BritsBest's Saturday's Show as sprinkles of mist covered tonneau covers!!!



The Village of Radium so welcomed us. It is located in the well known and awesome Windermere Valley. A valley itself credited with weather almost similar to the Okanagan. And a valley said in fact to be the next to experience growth and expansion within the next goodness knows how many oncoming years? Except this suggestion has been vocalized many times over past decades! With the BC Government possibly proceeding with a new year-round Resort and Ski Area, this may become reality. Perhaps allowing the Windermere Valley to blossom. [ED: It hasn't already?]

Various trophy's were awarded Saturday. Such as to Reg & Heidi De Young of the OECC's Kootenays Branch. They were thrilled and delighted to receive a trophy for

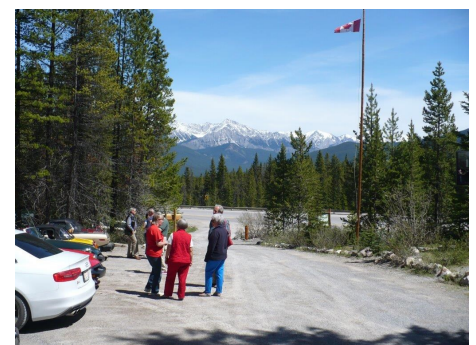
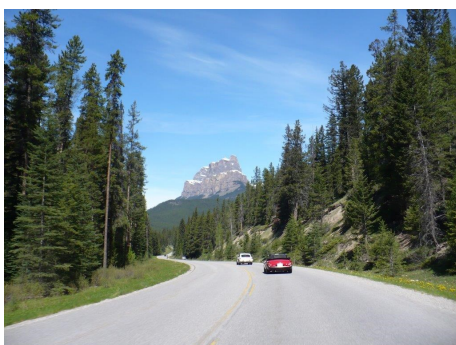
their red TR6. Who I offer in example only because on an added note, Reg reports that their OESCC Chapter was formed less than 6 months ago (this past December): in which 14 members are already formed. Quite a feat!



Certainly from this new acquaintance the Calgary MG Club look forward to future events with Cranbrook; as they have over the past years ventured often to Cranbrook on weekend drives. Perhaps the Okanagan and Kamloops Clubs could hold suitably future interests?



Although the MG Club would have liked to award every participant a trophy, all participants were aware that at these shows only so many can be available. These as follows awards at the Saturday evening dinner, silent auction, and the "fun" not-so-silent-auction [ED: Helen doing her famous imitation of an auctioneer?]



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Long distant award (sponsored by AutoMann)

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Saskatchewan guys in their '69 and '64, E Type Jaguars.

Pop In. [Shortest Drive sponsored by Rangeland]

Wayne Emery. - 1974 MGB.

Holey Piston (sponsored by SportsCar Parts)

Ken Peake whose 1957 Morgan suffered a broken fan and water pump pulley above Radium



Old Fart [Oldest vehicle sponsored by AnD Batteries]
1958 MGA

Mayor of Radium's Award
Bob & Joyce
1987 Morgan Plus 8



Oil Slick [Worst leaker, sponsored by CAMOil].

David Connelly - 1995 Mini Sidewalk.

Pride of Ownership. (sponsored by Meguiars)

Heidi De Young (1976 TR6)

Wet Behind The Ears

[Newest Vehicle sponsored by Honda West]

Mike Connolly -1995 MGF



The following sponsored by the Calgary MG Club

Rebel [Best Mongrel].

Michael Dery

1973 Innocenti Mini

Half A Car [Best Motorcycle]

Jim Cramer

2008 Triumph Speedmaster





Land Yacht [Largest Car]
Alan Howie
1992 Jaguar XJSC



Titch [Smallest Car]
David Connelly
1995 Mini Sidewalk
[laughingly complete with a large
functioning clock wind up key attached to
its rear].



Guess The Part....Sue Woodward.
Guess The Tool....Mike Connelly.
Funkhana....Reg & Heidi De Young



Myself, I drove home 1 a.m. Sunday morning [in my cashmere coloured 1982 TR8] through the darkened Kootenay Park as I had another Sunday appointment. But driving under 60 kph because I knew I'd face the ever present deer and elk. These peering at me from the road side, and in one instance the road way ahead. So I kept to speed, to never fear danger; except I did twice observe the yellow eyes of either wolf or bear peering also towards the TR's raised head lights from the snow (yes snow) covered edge of the road! Pretty awesome though, that we live in such a fabulous part of the world; when one's in presence of wildlife within the safety of ones car (though I could recite the experience of a pal of mine many years ago in his car running head on into a grizzly that survived (both he and the bear; but not the car!). The Kootenay Valley Parkway this year reporting the unusual and constant daily sighting of bears and bear cubs besides the normality of deer and elk.



Anyway, the Calgary MG Club would for about the same weekend of 2014 like to extend an invitation to all Clubs to come and join us at Radium. As to the weather gods, the Calgary MG Club will again put in their order for same sun requirement! John, our Chair, I believe because he did so well this year, willing to again head next years BritsBest.

Cheers, Mike Coe, Calgary

Extra special thanks for the efforts of the hard working Committee:

John Towler – Chair

Cam Lambert – Trophies

Andy Hardie – Participant Gifts

Rose Bryant - Funkhana and Publicity

Gord & Linda Parker – Sponsorships & Auction Articles Acquirer's

Terrence Walters – Regalia (T shirts) and Official Photographer plus Website Coordinator

Mike Coe – At large & Auction Articles Acquirer

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Meet!



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invasion or merely seized
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trespassing on English
soil?



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SPECIALTY VEHICLES ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA

The next meeting of the Specialty Vehicles Association of
Alberta will be held on October 12, 2013.

This meeting is in conjunction with the Red Deer Swap Meet.



Its their show, so it is only fitting that there was a herd of MG's on display!



THE REAR VIEW

Quite a number of Team VSCC made the trek to the All British Field Meet at the Van Dusen Botanical Gardens in Vancouver. Two of our members were rewarded for their efforts! Congratulations to Steve and Rene + Akkie.

Debating Restoration (\$50,000-\$100,000) Class Sponsored by Oceanside Auto Appraisers.



Stephen Crosby (left) receives the award for his 1960 Triumph TR3A from Vancouver ABFM chief judge Nigel Matthews.

In addition to Steve's TRIUMPH, Rene and Akkie Blei also walked away with a collection for their mantle.

Their 1939 Jaguar SS100 garnered a third place in Class #39 (Pre War Sports & GTs).

[ED: Still waiting for a picture]

OUCH

Man wrecks £250k 89-year-old classic car in race



At the Prescott Speed Hill Climb in Gloucestershire, Edmund Burgess, of Lavenham (Suffolk) competed in his 1924 Bugatti Type 13. Apparently the brakes failed which resulted in an ugly crash, for which Mr. Burgess was quite lucky to survive.

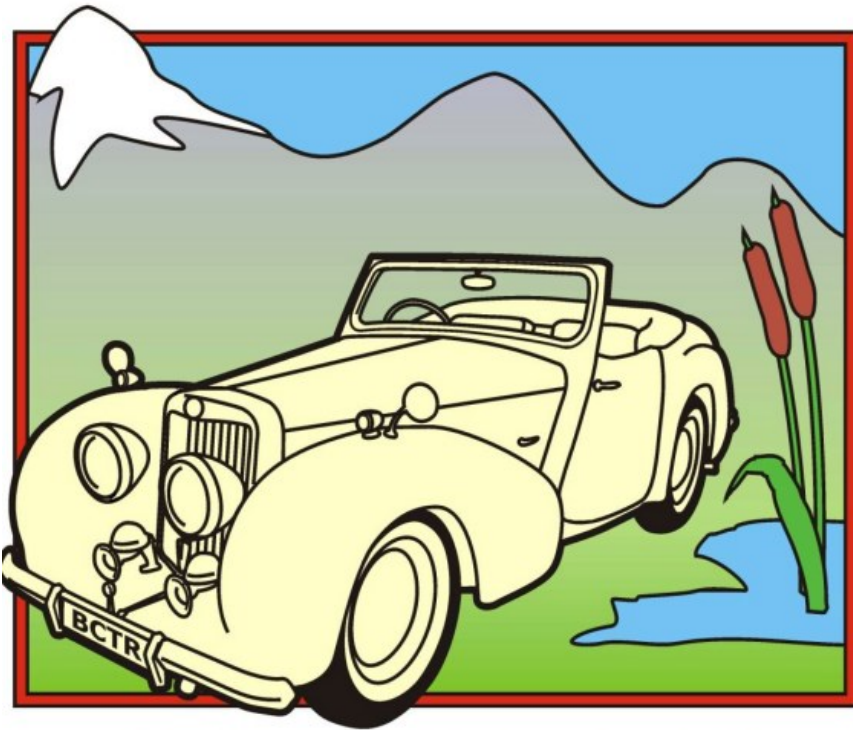
Wearing only a helmet, goggles and jacket; the Bugatti's cockpit is wide open to the elements - as was Mr. Burgess when the crash occurred.



Worth an estimated £250,000, the Bugatti's injuries were not terminal. Mr. Burgess says he'll be running it again later this summer.

Files and photos from:
www.worldcarfans.com, www.autoblog.com and <http://uk.eurosport.yahoo.com>

To calm his nerves and plan the rebuild, Mr. Burgess headed for a pint!



All Triumph Drive In 2013

Penticton, BC

ALL TRIUMPH DRIVE IN

AUGUST 16 - 18

Interested in travelling to the All Triumph Drive In?

A convoy is in the works.

Contact Dave More (yyctr6@shaw.ca) or Chris Durntall or Steve Crosby.

Let's get a good VSCCC contingent on the road.

Old Cars @ an Empty Town

Classic Car Cruise, July 27th, 2013



OLD CARS @ an EMPTY TOWN

JULY 27

Have you ever been to Rowley?

Between Drumheller and Stettler on Highway 56 is a funky and unique little community.

This could be a fun event.

From the creators of the "Ukrainian Triangle Car Cruise" comes another fun filled family adventure. This Year we will be meeting at the Looma Esso station on Highway 21, South of Sherwood Park. Leaving Looma at 9am, so get there before then. We will cruise HWY 21 to Camrose, cut over to HWY 56 Via HWY 13. Will be stopping in Stettler for a 20 minute break, fuel up some cars and some people, then Continue South along Highway 56 to the town of Rowley, Alberta. The drive will take roughly 3.5hrs (including our stop at Stettler) the distance one way is about 210kms (130 miles).

Rowley is an amazing ghost town with an undying spirit. The community's main attractions include:

- The Rowley Church
- Prairie School Museum
- The Yesteryear Artifacts Museum (housed in the original railway station)
- Authentic General Store
- Bank Building
- & the most famous stop in Rowley is Sam's Saloon

The Last Saturday of the month is Pizza Night (5pm - 9pm) and guess what July 27th, 2013 just happens to be the last Saturday of the month.

Unfortunately we will have three miles of gravel, :-(- but I think we can manage that easily by just taking it slow.

Rowley Fun Facts

Rowley was used as a shoot site for:
Legends of the Fall.
The Magic of Ordinary Days.
&
Bye Bye Blues.

1999 was the last year the train stopped in Rowley.

Rowley population : 8
from a whopping 500 in the 1920's.



Cruise is geared toward Classic Cars/Trucks but it is open to any make, model, & year. So if you love to drive your 2010 Challenger or a mini van or your a tuner, and you would like to join us on our Ghost Town car cruise, feel free. Your more then welcome.

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TRIUMPH FANS - OWN THE FIRST PRODUCTION TRIUMPH TR5

TR Bitz (www.trbitz.com) in the UK has acquired the very first Triumph TR5 that came off the Coventry production line. For those in the know, the TR5 was Triumph's stop gap model that transitioned between the TR4 and the TR6.

The TR5 was essentially a TR4 body with the engine for the new TR6 installed. It was built for only a few months in the late 60's with a total production of 3000. On this side of the pond, North America



received the all but identical TR250. The difference - 4 seconds in the 0-60 times due to the Lucas Fuel Injection system being replaced by Zenith-Stromberg carburetors.

The first TR5 needs some work to get it going, and at £50,000 it will not be cheap!! Then again, none of the TR5's are cheap as restored models are typically starting in the £30,000 range - quite an increase from their original £1260 selling price.



BOND FANS CHECK THIS OUT



RM Auctions will be selling the James Bond underwater Lotus Esprit in September at their London sale.

Will prices exceed the million dollar / euro / pound mark for this one?

www.rmauctions.com/lots/lot.cfm?lot_id=1061050

[ED: After this spring's storms]



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1992 Mini Rover (May13)

- Classic in great shape
- Steering wheel on right side
- New brakes, new battery
- Runs great, awesome gas mileage
- Automatic transmission
- No trades
- 49,000 km



PRICE: \$8,000.00

CONTACT: Jamie Hodgson at 403-875-7352

1974 MGB (May13)

Appraised in 2012 for \$12,500.

Only covered a few miles since extensive mechanical work carried out last year

- Brakes – new master cylinder, slave, shoes, pads and discs.
- Clutch – master cylinder, slave and hose.
- Suspension –springs, bushings, shocks, tie rods.
- Four new wheel hubs,
- new gas tank,
- new tyres,
- new engine and trans mounts and u-joints.
- New Battery.
- All work carried out by Sportscar Parts of Calgary.

The paint is in very good condition with a couple of minor dings.

Appraisal, and receipts for \$10,878 are available for inspection.

Buy it and drive it.



PRICE: Nearest offer to appraised value takes it.

CONTACT: Trevor Beatson at 403.281.7921

1972 MERCEDES 350SL (Apr 13)

- one of 500 produced
- V8 engine
- soft and hard tops in excellent condition,
- cream in colour with a red interior,
- original vehicle in near perfect condition,
- 125,000 miles

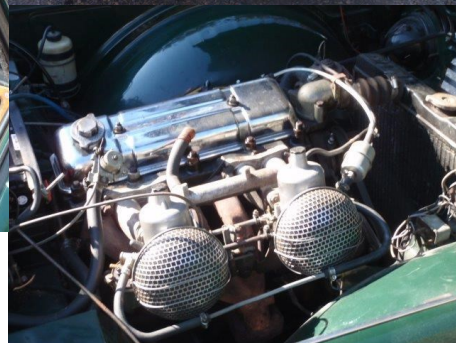


PRICE: **\$15,000.00**

CONTACT: Bill at 403-993-5419 or [email](#)

1967 Triumph TR4a (APR 13)

- 1967 TR4A
- British Racing Green
- Pirelli's
- AM/FM
- New Battery
- World Hub Caps
- 13,444 miles
- All receipts
- A really nice model requiring only tlc



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LOCATION: Calgary

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Side Curtains for TR3A and TR3B (Jun13)

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Dzus curtains have a fixed window at the front and a sliding window at the rear.

The sliding window has a curved handle to make opening and closing easier.

Dzus frames are one-piece.

The lower area of the curtain no longer flaps and is not attached to the door with Tenax or Lift-The-Dot fasteners.

A strap that further secures the side curtain to the door panel can be seen in the photos.

These are newly rebuilt and never mounted.

FYI TRF charges \$650.00 (on sale) plus shipping, for this service. Moss charges \$1100.00 for a new set.

PRICE: \$450.00

LOCATION: Calgary

CONTACT: Steve Crosby at (403) 238-1075 or by [email](#)



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Signature: _____ Date: _____

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For official use only.

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Vehicle Entry Information

Vehicle 1	Year _____	Make _____	Model _____	Class _____
Vehicle 2	Year _____	Make _____	Model _____	Class _____
Vehicle 3	Year _____	Make _____	Model _____	Class _____

Class: Vehicle Class is by decade of build. For example: 1950, 1960, 1970, etc.

1: 1900-1949	2: 1950-1959	3: 1960-1969	4: 1970-1979
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