

#### Buckeye Triumphs Newsletter

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# BT Business and Social Meeting at Joe's Crab Shack 3720 W. Dublin-Granville (Sawmill&161)

John and Kim Johnson to host.

Starts at 6:30pm, see everyone there, we will be discussing the Annual BT Banquet for January.

The calendar for 2010 has been updated for B&S meeting dates, Mid Ohio Sports Car Course dates, Arthritis Show and British Car Day at Quaker Steak.

Please take a look and think about any dates that need posted or B&S meetings you might want to host.

Think about a drive you might want to plan?

Think about a tech session you might want to host?

This is a great time to get them planned!

Bill Blake / Events Coordinator

#### 2009 SCCA - E-Production Celebration at the Miles's Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> – 1:00PM

Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> – 1:00 PM at the home of Bruce & Kim Miles, please joins us as we celebrate Sam Halkias's 2009 E-Production win at the Runoffs.

We will provide a ham for sandwiches, munchies and of course deviled eggs – we ask that you bring a favorite appetizer or side dish – or a favorite desert. We will have water and sodas, and plenty of New Castle – you may wish to bring your favorite as well.

We plan on putting the race up on the big screen at some point with commentary from Sam.

Please let us know if you can join us – it should be a fun time for all.

**Bruce & Kim Miles** 

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### Holiday Party at La Scala Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010

**Save the date!** Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> will be the date for our Holiday party at the La Scala restaurant located at 4199 West Dublin Granville Road, Dublin, OH

We have had a very busy year, and I hear our club video expert John Johnson has some pretty awesome footage to share with us.

A flyer will be mailed with all of the formalities later in December

#### **Editor's Corner**

Not a lot to discuss this month. I had the TR6 out today to prepare to put it to bead for the winter. She was not happy about being started with 20 degree weather, but warmed right up. Note to self, put top up before the temperature dips below freezing.

I'm looking forward to our get together at our house next Sunday. Please be sure to let me know to if you can attend so we can have enough things ready to go.

Also, please be sure to think Events for 2010 – Bill Blake has been busy thus far, but he needs volunteers to host monthly meetings.

That's all from me – I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming events.

Bruce



Bruce Miles

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#### **President's Corner**

Happy Holidays to all! December is here and I'm sure all of you are busy writing Santa to bring you goodies for your Triumph. In the last month we have had a lot of discussion on the holiday party and we have checked out some locations.

I am happy to announce that this year's party on January 23rd will be at LaScala on 161 just west of Sawmill Road. Mary Henry has been in contact with LaScala and we will have all the important information to share with everyone at the meeting on December 7th at Joe's Crab Shack. Since there was so much back and forth emailing, scouting of locations and discussion at the last meeting I have formed a club holiday party committee. The committee includes The Blake's, The Henry's, The VanOrder's and Joe Lynch. They will be responsible for coordinating all things relating to the event and feeding back to the club. They will have all the details to share on Monday. If you would like to assist them or have any ideas or concerns please let me or one of the group know. They will also be working together on future holiday events. I called an officers meeting late last

month with current and former club officers to discuss some issues and I will be sharing that information at Joe's Crab Shack.

Bill Blake has got a head start on 2010 and has posted many events for the upcoming year. He has also mentioned he needs people to host meetings and such. So if you need a tech session, want to host a meeting or even have an idea for a drive let somebody know. I will have the Lube & Boob and the Joseph Lucas Night Rally on the calendar very soon.

Club Scribe John VanNorman has also finished setting up our Facebook group for Buckeye Triumphs. That will be nice since guite a few members are on Facebook now.

I have received a lot of pictures for the holiday party 2009 YIR video and it is going to be awesome (trust me on this one). I have been working a lot on the DVD and have shown a few members some new clips and they were very well received. I am also designing the 2010 Night Rally shirt and it is coming along quite well.

I am looking forward to getting together at Bruce and Kim's home to watch Sam Halkias kick some SCCA butt! It seems like the last few weeks I have spent way too much time in Doctors' offices with my back acting up but it's always like that this time of the year. It will be nice to sit on the couch and watch Sam win it all.

I look forward to seeing everyone at Joe's Crab Shack on the 7th; we have our own separate room which will be nice. Thanks, to my wonderful wife, Kim for setting up that meeting, I don't know what I would do without her!

Gotta Motor.....John

#### **BT Meeting Minutes**

November 2, 2009 Business Meeting Minutes

**Present**: Allen Banks, Josh Blunck, Allan Burtis, Greg Gillman, Buck Henry, Mary Henry, Sean Henry, Anne Hunter, Howard Jefferson, Pam Jefferson, John Johnson, Kim Johnson, Joe Lynch, Doug Mansfield, Murry Mercier, Bruce Miles, Bill Reinheimer, Jennifer Reinheimer, John Schilling, John VanNorman, Jim Vanorder, Jim Washburn, Margo Washburn.

 Call to Order. President John Johnson called the November 2, 2009 meeting of Buckeye Triumphs to order at 7:05 p.m. at the Reynoldsburg City Barbeque. Thanks to the Howard and Pam Jefferson for hosting the meeting.

#### 2. Old Business:

- 2010 TRA National Meet. Murry Mercier reported that John Huddy has been working hard on planning the meet. They still need volunteers. John is planning on a tour of the venue in the near future.
- 6 Pack Trials. As previously announced, the 2010 TRials will be held in Oxford, Ohio from September

- 9<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup>. The host hotel will be the Hueston Woods Resort & Conference Center.
- Shamrock Vinery Drive. John Johnson reported that the club had a good turnout for the October 10<sup>th</sup> Shamrock Vinery Drive and dinner at the G & R Tavern in Waldo, Ohio, with about 21 to 22 members attending. John has put together a video of the drive, which is available on the club's YouTube page. Thanks to John for planning the drive and putting together the video.
- Yellow Springs Drive. Thanks to John Schilling planning the October 17<sup>th</sup> drive to Yellow Springs drive. Although the weather didn't initially cooperate, those that attended had a good time.
- Adopt-a-Drive Program. John Johnson asked members to consider planning a drive next year. If you have a favorite route you would like to share with others, put something together!

#### 3. New Business:

- VTR Newsletter Award. Congratulations to Bruce Miles on the newsletter winning the Vintage Triumph Registry newsletter award! Thanks to Bruce for all his hard work.
- Annual Holiday Party. The members discussed possible locations. A decision will be made in December. Also, John Johnson is putting together the video for the party. If you have any pictures or video, send it to him.
- 2009 SCCA EP Championship race. Around the third weekend or so in December, Bruce Miles will showing Sam Halkias SCCA EP Championship race at his house with Sam narrating. Bruce will let us know the exact date when it is set. Also, if you haven't already done so, read about the race at <a href="http://www.scca.com/newsarticle.aspx?hub=1&news=3786">http://www.scca.com/newsarticle.aspx?hub=1&news=3786</a> and watch a video of the race at <a href="http://www.speedcasttv.com">www.speedcasttv.com</a>.
- Club Regalia. John Schilling has Buckeye Triumph sweatshirts and other items available.
- **December Meeting.** The December meeting will be held on the 7<sup>th</sup> at Joe's Crab Shack at the intersection of Sawmill Rd. and 161.
- **4. Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p. m. Respectfully submitted, John VanNorman, Secretary.

#### **Rust in Peace**

This month's contribution comes from John Johnson – sorry he didn't say where it was in case you wanted to rush out and buy this beauty.



Many of us have watched *The World's Fastest Indian*, a recent movie based on the true story of Bert Munro traveling from New Zealand to the Salt Flats with his 1926 Indian motorcycle:

#### **Bonneville Salt Flats 2009**

By Bill Blake

Stardate 1954, the Austin-Healey 100 was a hot new car entering the US market and Donald Healey wanted to set a speed record at the Bonneville Salt Flats in Utah. They hired a young driver named Carroll Shelby and set a record at 192.74 mph. 84% of A-H production ended up being sold in North America. Now some 55 years later an Australian team reconstructed the A-H Streamliner to make a few runs during speed week in mid September.

<< http://blog.hemmings.com/index.php/2009/09/14/healeys-return-to-bonneville/>> This is the car:



The 2009 results were good, see the chart: << http://www.austinhealey.com.au/return-to-bonneville/summary-of-all-runs.html>>

Top GPS speed was 150.90.



Leaving the SEMA show this year in Las Vegas I decided to go to Salt Lake City and see the Salt Lake area. I did travel the 100 miles west to the Bonneville Speedway and see for myself how the track feels. You leave the asphalt here:



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The salt is solid, feels like concrete and covers 30,000 acres. Mainly potassium chloride, this salt is the remains of ancient Lake Bonneville which 14,000 years ago was the size of Lake Michigan:



Driving my rental car on the white flats I found the surface to be stable but feeling like driving on crunchy ice. I ran up to 90 mph, the feel was very disorienting as there are no land reference points. I could not be sure I was going straight, but then what is straight? The rental car had to be cleaned the next day which was not easy. When water hits the white salts under the car it turns to an even harder solid and takes some effort to remove. (I had been warned by Avis to do this before returning the vehicle or there would be an additional charge). My web page:

http://web.me.com/wrb99292/Site 2/Bonneville Salt Flats. html#grid.

People passing the flats on I-80 often take a speed run, it is 4 miles from Wendover, UT which becomes West Wendover, Nevada with several casinos/hotels but little else. It is an extremely isolated area.

Back to SEMA for any Overhaulin' fans, I did get to see and talk to Chip for a moment:



Chip wants to do a TR6 with an Edelbrock crate motor and some really large chrome wheels. I told him Carroll Shelby had told me once that the TR6 was a good chassis for such a thing......

#### **Notes from Members**

Date: Thu, 3 Dec 2009 15:06:31 -0600

From: "Couzelis, William M." William.Couzelis@CNA.com

Subject: [6pack] Answer to LED/Flasher

problem

To: <6pack@autox.team.net>

The question of why my turn signals didn't work with LED bulbs and the NAPA solid state flasher switch has been resolved thanks in large part to Vance and the the guys at Litezupp. I thought this might help others and save them money.

I tried to save money by buying 360 Turners LED's for all 4 of my turn signals (\$5.99 each). I also bought the NAPA soid-state flasher switch for about \$30.00. After much trial and error, I decided to just put my regular bulbs back in the fronts. Everything worked fine at that point.

I spoke with the guys at Litezupp and they have an LED dual filement for the front that has a built in reisitor that allows the flasher switch to work (the 360 bulb had no resistor). Their research and testing has saved everyone the headache of installing a resistor in-line, etc.

Their bulbs are about \$25.00 each but well worth it. www.litezupp.com

Bill

**From:** billblake [mailto:billblake@thekayesco.com] Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2009 10:54 AM

To: John Johnson; John Huddy; Jim VanOrder; Greg

Gillman; Joe Lynch; Murry Mercier

Cc: Jim McLeaster; Ronald Gallagher; Doug Yoder; David Landow

Subject: SEMA 2009 Report

My Fellow Gearheads,

The really big Specialty Equipment Manufacturers Association show was last week in Las Vegas. SEMA, as always, was crowded and full of show cars and celebrities. I got a chance to see Chip Foose several times; he did not remember me helping on the Overhaulin' set two years ago but was friendly as ever.

Every year there is a car that is decked out in every booth and this year was no exception. The car for 2009 was the new Camaro. I must admit they caught my eye, and one in particular was done extremely well.

One of my favorite power tools is my can of WD-40. The trusty blue and yellow can ranks right below my various rolls of colored duct tape.



The WD-40 Camaro was awesome! I have attached a picture of the car, I apologize for the model standing in front; I just couldn't get a clear picture to forward, she was so cheerful and just wanted to help and I didn't want to be rude so I took my best shot. Huddy, you know what I am talking about!

Respectively submitted,

Bill Blake, Founder

Central Ohio Camaro

From: Howard Jefferson [mailto:hjefferson@my.devry.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2009 9:13 AM

Subject: Body Shop mistake



When body shops take the term compact too far.

;)

R/ Howard Jefferson

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From: Howard Jefferson [mailto:hjefferson@my.devry.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2009 9:04 AM

To: Bruce Miles; Ann Gillman

Cc: John Johnson

**Subject:** My Spitfire Is back home

So its been nearly two months and it has been in

the shop for the bonnet repair.



But its back. Just in time to go into hibernation. R/

**Howard Jefferson** 

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#### **Events 2009 - Bill Blake**

Date	Event
Mon, Dec 7th	BT Monthly Meeting at Joe's Crabshack
Sun, Dec 13th	E-Production celebration at the Miles's 1:00 PM
Fri, Dec 25	Merry Christmas
Sat, Jan, 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Holiday Party at La Scala – Dublin, OH

#### **Buckeye TRIUMPHS REGALIA**

T-Shirts- Lt Grey Cotton \$14.00 BTC Logo - front Large Wreath Logo – back

Sweatshirts- Lt Grey Cotton \$20.00

BTC Logo - front Large Wreath Logo – back

Golf Shirts with embroidered logos – 100% Cotton\$35.00 on sale for \$30.00

Patch Embroidered Logo \$12.00

Buckeye TRIUMPHS Logo \$10.00 - Embroidered on your article - Select your favorite jacket, shirt or bag since the logo can be added to almost any cloth article.

Halkias Video on Valve Adjustment for 6-cyl TR's - \$10.00

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#### **Comedy Clips**

From: Nelson Riedel [mailto:nariedel@gmail.com] Sent: Monday, November 16, 2009 6:58 AM

Subject: FW: The Human Body

The Human Body Anatomy 101

- It takes your food seven seconds to get from your mouth to your stomach...
- One human hair can support 3kg (6.6 lb).
- The average man's penis is two times the length of his thumb.
- Human thighbones are stronger than concrete.
- A woman's heart beats faster than a man's.
- There are about one trillion bacteria on each of your feet.
- Women blink twice as often as men.
- The average person's skin weighs twice as much as the brain.
- Your body uses 300 muscles to balance itself when you are standing still.
- If saliva cannot dissolve something, you cannot taste it.

Women reading this will be finished now.

Men are still busy checking their thumbs.

#### **Classifieds**

About a month ago I had the club send out a notice that I was selling my 1980 TR7. Due to physical conditions I am not able to drive it any longer. I have done quite a bit to it over the years. It has 37,000 original miles. I was asking \$5500 but will drop this to \$3500. I have enclosed a picture. If you could let the other club members know. I can be reached by email at <a href="witnesseries">witnesseries</a> witxky@bhg.org or phone at 614.638.1621. Thanks Mike



#### PARTS...PARTS -

My parts business is located at 539 Cambrian Road just east of Urbana.

The phone number is 937 834-1690.

I can supply new parts, used parts and some NOS. I sell Moss, Roadster

Factory, BPNW, among others parts at dealer's cost to Buckeye Triumph club members. My website is WWW.triumphparts.com

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