



# Buckeye Triumphs Newsletter

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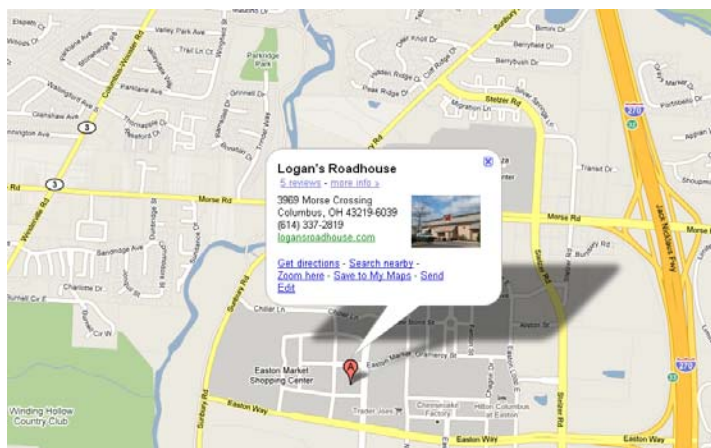
## BT Business and Social Meeting at Logan’s Road House Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup> - 6:30 PM

February’s meeting will be held at Logan’s Road House 3969 Morse Crossing, Columbus, OH 43219 ,614-337-2819 close to Easton, adjacent to the Staples.

Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup> - 6:30 – They have a room off to the side (behind the bar area) that they call the “Garage” (how appropriate) – we should have the room to ourselves and the sound can be controlled independently.

Come with ideas for 2010 – I can see the daffodils blooming already.

Bruce



## Editor’s Corner

Happy New Year to everyone! I think that I have already personally said that to quite a few of you - we had a wonderful turnout at the holiday party, 65 dinners, our largest turnout yet! My thanks to everyone that helped put things together – I know that Jim VanOrder worked hard getting the RSVP’s together and coordinating the door prizes and the 2010 dues collections.

Here are a few pictures from the party:



Mark your calendars for our first planned drive of the season – April 17<sup>th</sup> will be the date for our Spring Daffodil tour – prepare for my favorite roads, a stop at the Sonic in Heath and culture in Granville at the 65<sup>th</sup> annual Granville Daffodil Show.

We have a lot to look forward to in 2010, including the TRA National event that we are hosting in June, the Columbus, Dayton, Fort Meigs and Cincinnati British Car days, Immke and TRials in Oxford, OH.

Be sure to come prepared with ideas for events at Monday’s meeting – 2010 looks to be one our best yet  
Bruce



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## View From the Driver's Seat (A.K.A. President's Corner)

This is my first newsletter article as president of Buckeye Triumphs, so I'd like to say thank you to Bill and Kathy Blake, Buck and Mary Henry, Joe Lynch, and Jim and Gayle Vanorder for all the hard work they put in planning the Holiday Party. Everyone had a great time and it was a wonderful event.

I'd also like to repeat what I said at the Holiday Party – although he is shorter than me, John Johnson is leaving some mighty big shoes that are going to be hard fill. I've been extremely impressed with him over the past two years. In my experience with various clubs and organizations, both professional and personal, I've never met a president who has been as hardworking and dedicated as John Johnson.

That's why it also comforts me to hear John say he intends to continue his involvement in planning various events such as the Lucas Night Rally and the annual Lube 'n Boob, producing videos, etc. Our club owes a great deal of thanks to John for all the hard work he has done and will continue doing.

But I also want to take an opportunity to thank Kim Johnson. From planning goody bags and being John's right hand in planning events to just being a welcoming friend to newer members such as Michelle and me, Kim's input to the club has been invaluable. I think the best way to explain Kim's contribution to the club is the reaction Michelle had when John originally approached me about serving as president – "But I don't know if I can do all that Kim has done!"

As John and I spoke more about the presidency of the club, I realized that he and I have very similar goals and ideas. We both want to see the club continue with diverse events and to attract new members. And we both want to maintain the great level of camaraderie and feeling of family among members. Thus, in many aspects, my tenure will hopefully be a continuation of the great work of John and all the other past presidents.

But like any new in-coming presidential administration, I do have some ideas aimed at maintaining and improving this great organization (remind me to tell you about my thoughts on Buckeye Triumph universal health care). And I also will incorporate some changes that reflect my own personal style.

The first of these is the monthly president's article and what will be my approach to writing them. I want to have a bit of fun with it and go beyond just the normal update on what is coming up for the club. Now, to understand why I want to do this, you have to understand my personality and how it has been influenced by my diverse family makeup.

My paternal grandfather is a former preacher who was kicked out of his Alabama church for insisting that it be open to all of God's children, including African-Americans. My maternal grandfather was a natural born storyteller who,

in contrast to my other grandfather, taught me way too many inappropriate "facts" and stories about women and who, for much of his life, was fond of a good drink or two or three or.... You put these two diverse DNA strands together and you have me – a passionate, opinionated, joking, sarcastic, and self-deprecating guy who loves to tell a good story, especially one that makes you laugh and think. Or as Michelle says, a guy who makes inappropriate comments, is full of himself, and talks too much.

I think one of the reasons I like the Triumph TR6 so much is that it reminds me of myself with my diverse background. Here you have a car that was updated by a German, based upon an original design from an Italian, and powered by an engine that found its way into a tractor. I don't know if you could ask for a more diverse combination. But you know what? The combination worked and in the end produced not only what is traditionally considered one of the last true British sports cars, but also one of the most memorable cars ever made.

And it occurs to me that Buckeye Triumphs is also like that - the club has a very diverse makeup that makes it great. We have a club full of sinners and saints (heck, depending on what day of the week it is, some members might fall under both categories). We have a club consisting of salesmen, tradesmen, attorneys, teachers, engineers, factory workers, computer specialists, business owners, military personnel, etc. We have young club members (like John Johnson, who I think just turned 21 in December) and older club members (like... well, maybe I should just keep my mouth shut!). We have a club with some members who race their cars, some members who drive their cars just for fun, some members with show-quality cars, some members with cars in pieces, and some members, like Joe Lynch, who claim they own a Triumph ... although I'm not really sure it exists.

The point is that our club, just like most of us as individuals and the TR6 as a car, is made of these extremely diverse parts that, put together, create something wonderful. And as a result of that diversity, we have a club that is fun and vibrant and a great place for anyone who wants to be part of the Triumph family. All we ask is that you join us for the ride!

And now for something completely different...

Our February meeting will be on the 1<sup>st</sup> at Logan's Roadhouse at Easton. Since we are still in the dead of winter, there isn't too much going on right now other than that. If you need some work done on your car, let us know so that we can get a tech session planned.

Lastly, as everyone knows, John Johnson always ended the President's Corner with the "Gotta Motor" sign-off. I've been trying to come up with my own catch-phrase for a while now, but I am not having any luck. So, since I'm fond of quotes, I'm thinking of ending each article with an automotive-related one. So with that in mind:

"Everything in life is somewhere else, and you get there in a car." (E.B. White).



## BT Meeting Minutes

### January 4, 2010 Business Meeting Minutes

**Present:** Bill Blake, Kathy Blake, Kevin Eschhofen, Sam Halkias, Buck Henry, Mary Henry, Charma Huddy, John Huddy, Anne Hunter, Howard Jefferson, John Johnson, Susan Logan, Joe Lynch, Doug Mansfield, Jacqueline Mercier, Murry Mercier, Bruce Miles, John Schilling, Tim Swartz, John VanNorman, Gayle Vanorder, Jim Vanorder, Jim Washburn, and Margo Washburn.

**1. Call to Order.** President John Johnson called the January 4, 2010 meeting of Buckeye Triumphs to order at 7:40 p.m. at the Polaris City Barbeque. Thanks to Bill Blake for hosting the meeting.

**2. Old Business:**

- **Holiday Party.** John Johnson reminded everyone of the Holiday Party. This year's party will be held on January 23<sup>rd</sup> at La Scala Restaurant at 4199 West Dublin Granville Road in Dublin. There will be door prizes and a voluntary gift exchange. John Johnson is also working on an end-of-the year video for the party. If you haven't already done so, please RSVP.
- **2010 TRA National Meet.** John Huddy reported that planning work **continues** on the meet. John, Murry Mercier, and Jim Vanorder put together the registration form. Sam Halkias has made arrangements for some parade laps at Mid-Ohio Racecourse on that Thursday. Thanks Sam!
- **2009 SCCA EP Championship Race.** The club had a great **turn-out** for Bruce Miles' December 13<sup>th</sup> viewing party to watch Sam Halkias' championship winning race. Thanks to Bruce for hosting and everyone who brought food.

**3. New Business:**

- **2010 NASS Calendar.** The 2010 North American Spitfire Squadron Calendar feature a number of Buckeye Triumph member's cars. Check it out!
- **February meeting.** The February meeting will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> at the Polaris Hoggy's location.
- **Sam's Valve Adjustment Video.** John Johnson has put **together** a digital copy of Sam Halkias' valve adjustment video, which he will make available to members of the Buckeye Triumph You Tube website. Talk to John if you have questions about joining the website.

**5. Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p. m.

Respectfully submitted, John VanNorman, Secretary.

## Our Condolences to the Rempe family

Buckeye Triumphs wishes to express their condolences to the Rempe family on the recent loss of your son Ladd Rempe 39 years old.

Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. The family has requested in lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to:

Nationwide Children's Hospital  
In Ladd Rempe's memory  
P.O. Box 16810  
Columbus, Ohio 43216

Or you may leave condolences at [www.schoedinger.com](http://www.schoedinger.com)

## Rust in Peace

Several this month from John Johnson – even more for next month – thanks, John





## Oldest Petrol Pumps-Wiltshire UK

Daily Mail UK

Some days Bernard White feels as rusty as the petrol pumps in his garage forecourt. But as the 65-year-old mechanic points out, it takes a lot of effort to keep a little bit of motoring history running smoothly. The petrol pumps, thought to be the oldest working set in the country, have stood on the forecourt of the Laurel garage in Ramsbury, Wiltshire, since the early 1950s.



Vintage service: Bernard White with his petrol pumps

Mr White has fought off the rise of supermarket stations, changes to the shape of car petrol tanks and even encroaching EU regulations to keep his vintage pumps working. 'Strangers do not realize they are still operational,' he said. 'The site looks a bit long in the tooth so they are surprised to discover we are still selling petrol.'

Fuel at his garage will set you back £1.21 a litre (£5.53 per gallon) (\$8.17 US gallon, adjusting for litres) which is slightly more expensive than normal because of the garage's remote location.



The Avery Hardoll pumps are limited to counting a maximum of just 20 gallons at a time. After that the gallon counter dial goes back to zero.

While the pumps run off electric motors - just like modern-day pumps - the face resembles a clock with hands telling the motorist how much fuel is being pumped.

The nozzles have been specially adapted to fit modern cars while seals around the hose have been replaced to prevent leaks.

And the pumps survived the imperial measure clampdown when the EU tried to enforce metric- only labeling on all sellable goods.



**Competition:** This picture shows the line of pumps at Laurel's Garage, in Ramsbury, Wiltshire, in the 1970s

Mr White, who lives with his 86-year-old mother May in the bungalow opposite the garage, is desperately searching for spare parts to keep the pumps going. Business has been gradually dropping over the years. 'We used to get the pumps filled once every few months, now it is getting less and less,' he said. 'We have about ten customers a week. Some are just passing by but others are regulars because they like using the pumps.'



**Survivor:** The garage now only has 10 petrol customers a week and its tanks are filled up once every few months due to declining demand

'I will keep going as long as I can. We have no intention of stopping at the moment even though we don't make much money on petrol sales.'

The evocative pictures were taken by photographer Clare Kendall who has spent ten years documenting vintage petrol stations across Britain.

'I've been all over the country and these are definitely the oldest pumps I've come across that are still actually in use,' she said.

## Notes from Members

**From:** Sam Halkias [mailto:atr6racer@hotmail.com]

**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2010 9:46 PM

Bruce,

Carol and I won't be able to make it tomorrow evening as we're out in Vegas at the SCCA convention. We leave tomorrow but will not get back to town until 10PM.

Anyway we just wanted to tell you how much we appreciate the Buckeye Triumphs and everybody in our group. I was honored to receive the BT Presidents award at our holiday party and I will proudly display the award with my SCCA awards for 2009.

One more piece of good news to share with you and the BT's. I was named the 2009 recipient of the SCCA President's Cup. See the link below from SCCA. More information to come later. So please tell everyone how much their support and friendship has helped me fulfill my life long ambition to win a national championship.

And to top it off I received the top runoffs award which I never imagined having my name added to the likes of racers who have been named before me. Anyway I wanted to share the news directly with the BT's so please let them know tomorrow night.

<http://www.scca.com/newsarticle.aspx?hub=6&news=3860>

See you next month!  
Sam & Carol

**From:** Mark Uhlig [mailto:Mark.Uhlig@Linamar.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, January 28, 2010 1:15 PM

**Subject:** Hey-yah, Fred...

Betty Rubbles Triumph



**From:** terry6503@sbcglobal.net

[mailto:terry6503@sbcglobal.net]

**Sent:** Monday, January 25, 2010 1:13 PM

**Subject:** RE: Do you have Gary's telephone number at Partco Automotive?

Hello all, I called and talked to Scott, he gave me his contact information.

Brake Materials and Parts

800 Sherman Boulevard

Ft. Wayne, Indiana 46808

[brakepartsstop@aol.com](mailto:brakepartsstop@aol.com)

Thanks again,

T Bruce Smith

72' Triumph TR-6

70' Triumph GT-6+

--- On Sat, 1/23/10, Todd Bermudez <red\_tr250@fuse.net> wrote:

From: Todd Bermudez <red\_tr250@fuse.net>

Subject: RE: Do you have Gary's telephone number at Partco Automotive?

Date: Saturday, January 23, 2010, 2:11 PM

Hi there everybody

Gary sold all his equipment to another guy in Ft Wayne (Brake Parts & Materials) They treated me very well when I had my TR2000 servo rebuilt

Call 'em on 260-426-3331

Cheers,

Todd

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Bruce Miles [mailto:bmiles@buckeyetriumphs.org]

**Sent:** Saturday, January 23, 2010 3:06 PM

**Subject:** RE: Do you have Gary's telephone number at Partco Automotive?

I'm thinking that Gary is out of the Brake Servo rebuilding service.



Fred Thomas used to powder coat the units for him – Let’s see if he can add anything – I think that Todd Bermudez knows the poop on this as well

Bruce

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**From:** Ann Gillman [mailto:agillman@aol.com]

**Sent:** Saturday, January 23, 2010 2:51 PM

**Subject:** FW: Do you have Gary's telephone number at Partco Automotive?

We're so happy you find our site helpful!

I am sorry, but I don't have a number for Gary—Bruce Miles, would you have it?

Thanks for the kind comments!

Ann Gillman

BT Webmaster

**From:** terry6503 [mailto:terry6503@sbcglobal.net]

**Sent:** Saturday, January 16, 2010 1:39 PM

**Subject:** Do you have Gary's telephone number at Partco Automotive?

Hello and thank you for having a wonderful website. You don't know just how much vital information you have here and your explanations have saved me and my friends and family from the angry tempers. LOL.

I was looking for Gary's telephone number at Partco Automotive. I wanted to see about a new or rebuilt Brake Servo.

Again thank you for this site and all your hard and informative work. GOD bless you.

T Bruce Smith  
72 Triumph TR6  
70 Triumph GT+

**From:** MJU [mailto:silverarrowgarage@comcast.net]

**Sent:** Saturday, January 23, 2010 8:03 AM

**To:** 'Bruce Miles'

**Subject:** The Ultimate Chopped Bug



**From:** John [mailto:johnjohnson@columbus.rr.com]

**Sent:** Saturday, January 16, 2010 12:06 PM

**Subject:** FW: A snowblower for Real Men!!!

**If you live (or ever have lived) 'Up North', ya gotta love this! Yep, it is for real!**



**For the man with everything - the V8 snowblower**

[\(link to this article\)](#)

December 1, 2005 If you're tired of anaemic, one-lung snowblowers with their slipping drive belts, you might consider Kai Grundt's V8 snow blower which raises the bar on the traditional snow blower in every respect. With electric start, electric block heater, antifreeze heater and eight cylinders, it has no drive belts to freeze up and you'll never get bored with the job as the 454 cubic inch big block Chevrolet V8 produces 412 horsepower, 430 foot pounds of torque and can throw snow 50 feet at just 3500 rpm. Nor will you get cold as the machine has been ingeniously designed to route the engine coolant through the handle bars, with the rear mounted, enclosed radiator keeping the operator nice and cosy.



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**From:** clhuddy@aep.com [mailto:clhuddy@aep.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, December 16, 2009 2:33 PM

**Subject:** Peanut Bar Recipe

Hi, Bruce. Here is the recipe for the Peanut Bars I brought on Sunday. Thanks for your warm hospitality, and for sending home some of your delicious deviled eggs! We enjoyed them! We hope Kim's trip home from Idaho is safe and uneventful on the train. Merry Christmas!!

**Peanut Bars**

**Bars -**

- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 2/3 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 cup margarine or butter, softened
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 2 egg yolks
- 3 cups miniature marshmallows

**Topping -**

- 2/3 cup light corn syrup
- 1/4 cup margarine or butter
- 2 tsp. vanilla
- 1 pkg. peanut butter chips (10 or 12 oz)
- 2 cups crisp rice cereal
- 2 cups salted peanuts

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Mix flour, brown sugar, baking powder, salt, baking soda, margarine, vanilla and egg yolks at low speed until crumbly. Press firmly in bottom of ungreased 13x9x2 pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 10-12 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oven and immediately sprinkle evenly with marshmallows. Return to oven for 1-2 minutes or until marshmallows just begin to puff. Cool while preparing topping. Topping: In large saucepan, heat corn syrup, margarine, vanilla and peanut butter chips just until chips are melted and mixture is smooth, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; stir in cereal and peanuts. Immediately spoon warm topping over marshmallows; spread to cover. Refrigerate (or let stand) until firm. Cut into 36 to 48 bars.

Note: I just spoon small amounts of the topping over the marshmallows at a time since it's kind of thick, instead of pouring it all on at once and spreading. What I took to your house was cut into 48 bars.

Enjoy!!!

**Events 2010 - Bill Blake**

Date	Event
2/1/2010	6:30p -10:00p BT Business and Social Meeting at Logan's Roadhouse, 3969 Morse Crossing, Columbus, OH 43219 Easton Area 614-337-2819 Steakhouse! We have the room to the left as you come in past the bar. Bruce and Kim Miles to Host.
2/2/2010	Groundhog Day
2/12/2010	Lincoln's Birthday
2/22/2010	Washington's Birthday
3/1/2010	6:30p -9:00p BT Business and Social Meeting at Bruno's Italian 1774 E. Dublin-Granville Road, 161, Margo and Jim Washburn to host. 614-891-0631
3/14/2010	Start Daylight Saving Time
3/17/2010	St. Patrick's Day
4/1/2010	April Fool's Day
4/4/2010	Easter Sunday
4/5/2010	6:30p -10:00p BT Business and Social Meeting at The Rusty Bucket on 315 just north of 270 (Worthington Hills strip shopping center)
4/15/2010	Taxes Due
4/22/2010	Earth Day
5/3/2010	6:30p -10:00p BT Business and Social Meeting
5/9/2010	Mothers Day
5/16/2010	9:00a -3:00p British Car Day at Quaker Steak and Lube
5/29/2010	8:30a -8:00p Riverrun Event
5/31/2010	Memorial Day (Fed)
6/6/2010	Toledo Ft Meigs?
6/7/2010	6:30p -10:00p BT Business and Social Meeting
6/14/2010	Flag Day
6/16/2010	TRA National Event in Wooster, OH at the Hilton Garden Motel runs thru the 20th
6/19/2010	EMCO Gear Challenge Race at mid Ohio
6/20/2010	Fathers Day
6/20/2010	Grand Am race at Mid Ohio
6/26/2010	9:00a -5:00p Vintage Race British Car Day at Mid Ohio Lexington, OH

Date	Event
6/27/2010	Mid Ohio Vintage Car Concours
7/4/2010	Independence Day (Fed)
7/10/2010	9:30a -11:30p Arthritis Show honoring Len Immke at Dublin Metro Center
7/24/2010	9:00a -10:00p P2O
8/2/2010	6:30p -9:30p BT Business and Social Meeting
8/7/2010	American LeMans Race Mid Ohio
8/7/2010	Dayton BCD?
8/8/2010	Mid Ohio Indy 200
9/6/2010	Labor Day (Fed)
9/9/2010	Trials 6pack at Oxford, OH
9/10/2010	Trials 6pack at Oxford, OH
9/11/2010	Trials 6pack at Oxford, OH
9/13/2010	6:30p -9:45p BT Business and Social Meeting

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## Comedy Clips

From: Dave Hanson [mailto:dahanson@woh.rr.com]  
 Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 9:59 AM  
 Subject: THE BIRTH OF A CANDY BAR



From: Randall Prunty [mailto:rprunty@columbus.rr.com]  
 Sent: Sunday, January 17, 2010 9:43 PM  
 Subject: tools Explained

**Tools explained:**

**DRILL PRESS:**

A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

**WIRE WHEEL:**

Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned callouses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, "Oh, s---!"

**SKILL SAW:**

A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

**PLIERS:**

Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

**BELT SANDER:**

An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

**HACKSAW:**

One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle... It transforms human energy into a crooked,

unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

**WISE-GRIPS:**

Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

**OXYACETYLENE TORCH:**

Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race..

**TABLE SAW:**

A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

**HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK:**

Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

**BAND SAW:**

A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminum sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

**TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST:**

A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

**PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER:**

Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

**STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER:**

A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws and butchering your palms.

**PRY BAR:**

A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

**HOSE CUTTER:**

A tool used to make hoses too short.

**HAMMER:**

Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent the object we are trying to hit.

**UTILITY KNIFE:**

Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or

plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

**Son of a bitch TOOL:**

Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling "Son of a bitch" at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.

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**From:** Brett Evans [mailto:triumphguy@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 17, 2009 3:34 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Kitchen

She was standing in the kitchen, preparing to boil eggs for breakfast, wearing only the t-shirt that she slept in.

I walked in barely awake. She turned and said softly, 'You've got to make love to me this very moment.'

My eyes lit up. I thought, 'I am either still dreaming, or this is going to be a great day.'

I embraced her and gave her my all, right there on the kitchen table. Afterwards she said, 'Thanks,' and returned to the stove, her t-shirt still around her neck.

A little puzzled, I asked, 'What was that all about?'

She replied, 'The egg timer's broken.'

Women are so mean.

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**From:** AWBurtis@aol.com [mailto:AWBurtis@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2010 3:21 PM  
**To:** bmiles@intinfo.com  
**Subject:** RE: Club Newsletter - Speeding Ticket

I GOT  
 STOPPED FOR SPEEDING  
 THIS MORNING. I THOUGHT I COULD TALK MY WAY OUT OF IT.  
 UNTIL THE COP LOOKED AT MY DOG IN THE BACK SEAT!



**This one is destined to become a classic !**

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**From:** John [mailto:johnjohnson@columbus.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2010 6:06 PM  
**Subject:** joke

A man riding his Harley was along a California beach when suddenly the sky clouded above his head and, in a booming voice, the Lord said, 'Because you have tried to be faithful to me in all ways, I will grant you one wish.'

The biker pulled over and said, 'Lord could you build a bridge to Hawaii so I can ride over anytime I want.'

The Lord said, 'Your request is materialistic, think of the enormous challenges for that kind of undertaking; the supports required reaching the bottom of the Pacific and the concrete and steel it would take! It will nearly exhaust several natural resources. I can do it, but it is hard for me to justify your desire for worldly things. Take a little more time and think of something that could possibly help mankind. The biker thought about it for a long time.

Finally, he said, 'Lord, I wish that I and all men could understand women; I want to know how she feels inside, what she's thinking when she gives me the silent treatment, why she cries, what she means when she says nothing's wrong, why she snaps and complains when I try to help, and how I can make a Woman truly happy.'

The Lord replied, 'You want two lanes or four ?

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