



# Buckeye Triumphs Newsletter

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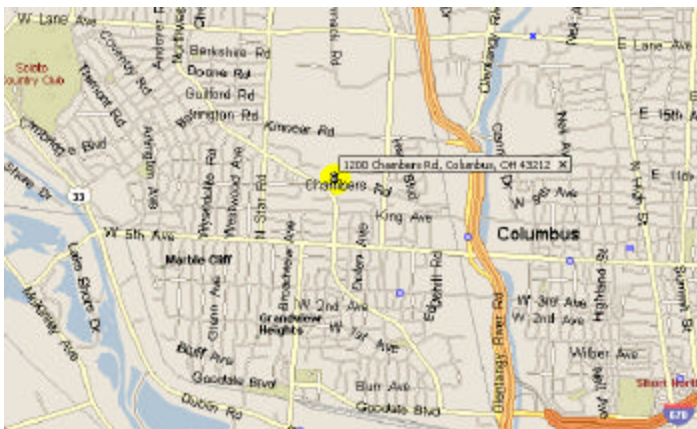
**Winner of VTR Best Newsletter Award – 2003!**

## BT Club Meeting- Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

Bill Blake is hosting meeting in February at:

The Rose and Thistle Pub and Grill  
 1200 Chambers road  
 Columbus, OH 43212  
 614/486-1990

Manager is Richard Good (not *the* Richard Good)



Beer on tap: Newcastle, Harp, Guinness, Smithington Irish Ale, Budington (Michelob Ultra in bottles)



It is Ground Hog Day so he will have a "Punxsutawney Phil" road kill stew for a special. It will be the low carb entrée.  
 The Duck Room will be available for shooting pool but we will have the east wing of the restaurant so we can enjoy the British /

Scottish / Welsh flags, pub signs and other regalia.

Bill Blake

## E-mail Addresses / TRBits

As many of you are aware, Murry Mercier has been sending periodic e-mails to a list of TRIUMPH Enthusiasts under the subject heading "TRBits". The content of these notes range from announcement reminders of Buckeye TRIUMPH events to other TRIUMPH-related messages. The distribution list contains Buckeye TRIUMPH member names of those with e-mail accounts, TRIUMPH clubs (Local & National) and others.

If you have changed accounts recently and wish to be added back to the distribution or if you wish to be newly added (whether or not you are a member of BT) send Murry a message at [TRSixer@Yahoo.com](mailto:TRSixer@Yahoo.com). If you are planning to change your provider drop him a message too.

## Buckeye TRIUMPHS e-mail:

Please note we have changed the Buckeye TRIUMPHS e-mail address to:

[Info@BuckeyeTriumphs.org](mailto:Info@BuckeyeTriumphs.org)

The old address is no longer active

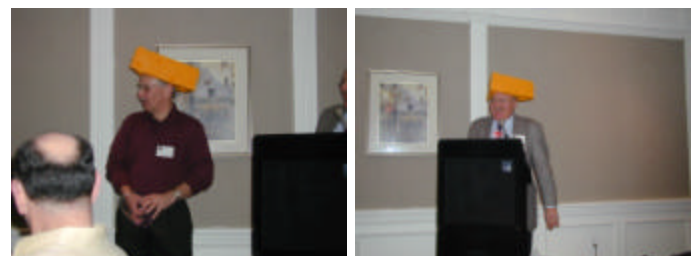
This is the address which we publish on the website and to the national TRIUMPH organizations with which we are affiliated.

## Editor's Corner

Happy New Year! I'm writing this from Cleveland, the weather is unpleasant and I yearn for warmer weather. I will be traveling to Chicago this weekend to attend the Chicago Boat show (Sailboats Only!). These winter getaways usually help recharge my batteries. I think I can make it to spring.

I built a "power" brake bleeder over the holidays to make brake bleeding a one-man job. It involves a small weed sprayer, hose and fillings to a donor master cylinder cap – I'll have it as a technical article next month.

I thought that the Holiday Party was a big success. The food was great, several new faces, and some interesting "attire":



Jim and John showing off the newest sun protection for 2004. Too bad the Packers didn't make the super bowl. Look for other pictures later in this edition.

How are your winter projects coming along? Things have been kind of quiet since our last issue, although Ryan did take the 250 out on a test drive (at 2:30 AM with no top, one seat and 2 other friends) – he said that it went quite well ☺.

Please let us know what things are happening in your world.

I spoke with Sam Halkias last week. He has come into possession of a 1962, 1 owner TR4a – very solid body and frame – as Sam puts it – a perfect project car. It sounds like a really neat project. I'm not sure if he is keeping it or selling it. I hope to hear from him before I go to press – look in the classified section – if not you can reach him at 740-548-6043.

I have been asked to plan a "tour" for the Saturday before Easton this year for those arriving on Saturday for the Sunday event. I can assure many twisty bits and a fun time for all.

Bill Blake will be providing a list of 2004 events, all are not yet filled, be sure to volunteer to host one of our upcoming meetings.

I understand that Roy Gay now has a new workspace (complete with a lift) and that Buck Henry and John Huddy made a run to Indianapolis last weekend to pickup a lift for the Henry's new home. Be sure to bend their ears about that at the next meeting. I also understand that John Huddy was on the hunt for a TR8 close to Indianapolis. (Let's see, a TR3, TR6, TR7, Mini, Cushman and a TR-uck – is that about the right count John?) Apparently if you have 2 or more of these things they have a way of multiplying.

Well – that's about it for me. I hope to see you at the Rose and Thistle next Monday!

**Bruce Miles** [bmiles@IN7Info.com](mailto:bmiles@IN7Info.com)

Next Newsletter Article Deadline – February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2004

## President's Corner

As I sit here freezing my 'nads off, it is hard to believe that we will be enjoying our Triumphs again in less than three months. However, it is a good time to perform those winter tasks that we all have put off to days such as these. Personally, I am busy organizing my workshop in our "Basement from Hell". After a visit from my mother and sister in the near future, I plan to "modify" our bathroom with a sledge hammer. Subsequently, our bathroom will receive a long-overdue remodeling.

Speaking for the forty-four folks who braved the foul weather and attended the Buckeye Triumph's Holiday Party at the Buckeye Café, I think that everything went very well. It was nice to see some old familiar faces and a few new ones after the Christmas and New Year's holidays. The food was good, the desserts were fully thawed out and the adult beverages were nicely chilled (but pricey). Once again, Bruce Miles put together an excellent photo recap of the previous year into a slide presentation. When we got to the TRF Summer Party pictures, groans went out from everyone who had slogged through the muck to get to a Porta-Jon while, simultaneously, being drowned from the monsoon rains. (By the way, TRF now has Summer Party results posted on their website for all competitive events. If you look at the results for the Vernon Brannon Hillclimb, you will see that the Huddy mighty Mini Cooper beat a

whole herd of MGB's in Class B. I would have felt bad, if I had beaten any Triumphs.) After the year in review, we drew winners for the 50/50 raffle, women's door prize of a \$50.00 Lazarus certificate, the men's door prize of a \$50.00 Sears certificate and for the Jump Starter membership renewal prize. (Hopefully, our club scribe, Margo Washburn, captured the names of the winners because I don't remember them all.) Then, we capped off the evening, by drawing numbers for the exchange gifts. (I got a very nice prize of some car care products and a "Cannonball" book, but the donor didn't identify himself. Thank you to whomever you are!) Many thanks to Jim VanOrder and Murry Mercier for making the arrangements at Buckeye Café and to Bob Mains for helping to man the registration table.

As a side note, TRF just sent out their Winter Parts Sale catalog wherein proprietor, Charles Runyan, has stated that there will be an abbreviated 2004 Summer Party. Charles stated that the dates haven't been finalized as yet, but it will be in late July or early August. (He should know the dates by Valentine's Day.) Stay tuned.

Our new Events Coordinator, Bill Blake, has made arrangements to host the February 2nd BT Business/Social Meeting at the Rose and Thistle Pub, which is the former location of the Aspen Inn. I am told that they serve typical pub sandwiches and they stock several kinds of English brew. I used to frequent the Aspen Inn and I think that this should be a good location for our club. I am certain that Bruce Miles will provide a map to the Rose and Thistle, but it is situated on Chambers Road, just off Northwest Boulevard, in the Grandview and University View areas. If possible, please attend this meeting because we will be nominating and electing club officers and planning our activities for 2004. Speaking of officers, Margo Washburn has graciously agreed to be our Secretary and Jim VanOrder has agreed to continue counting our beans. As previously mentioned, Bill Blake has accepted the position of Events Coordinator and he has already assembled a calendar of known LBC events. As I have repeatedly mentioned, we are in dire need of a webmaster. (One person who possesses the skills hasn't been tortured enough as yet. As a result, the webmaster position remains open.) Under duress, Mike Henry has accepted the nomination of Vice President. But, I am sure that Mike would love to run against other individuals, so please consider throwing your hat into the VP ring. I am willing to continue as your president for another year, but I would welcome some new blood as well. If you would like to serve your club in some elected or nominated position, please let me know about it before the February meeting.

One last note: Mike Henry, Ron Fowler and I had planned to go to Indiana last Saturday to pick up a "Back Yard Buddy" type garage lift (for Mike) and to look at a TR8 (possibly, for me). Unfortunately, the weather turned south on Friday and we had to postpone our trip. Pulling a large trailer without brakes on snow and ice-covered roads just



didn't seem prudent. We will try again sometime in the near future.

Stay warm and I hope to see a big crowd at the Rose and Thistle on Monday, February 2nd, which happens to be Ground Hog Day. (We can raise a glass to Punxsutawney Phil and Buckeye Chuck!)

John

## **BT Holiday Party Photos**

Everyone say cheese!



## **Events 2004 / Draft Bill Blake 614/403-1074**

### **January**

- 17 BT Annual Holiday Party  
(Y2K and Winter Survival +4)

### **February**

- 2 BT Business and social meeting - Bill Blake to host at The Rose and Thistle English Pub Ground Hog Day- Look for special menu platter

### **March**

- 1 BT Business and social meeting

### **April**

- 5 BT Business and social meeting
- ? BT Possible driving event late in month weather permitting

**May**

- 2 BT Business and social meeting
- 15 Driving event sponsored by COMG Club and Buckeye Triumphs with the British Car Council, Grandville area
- 15 Meet and Greet at old Holiday Inn Airport evening
- 16 British Car Day Easton
- 29 Grandview Heights Memorial Day Parade, we are invited

**June**

- 6 Toledo British Car Day at Ft. Meigs historic site
- 19 British Day at Mid Ohio Vintage Races (6th Annual British Car Showdown)
- 20 Concours d'Elegance (Multi Makes) at Vintage races at Mid Ohio
- 24-26 TRA 30th Anniversary Springfield, OH
- 27 American Le Mans race at Mid-Ohio

**July**

- 4 Dublin, OH Parade to promote Arthritis Show, we are invited
- 10 BT Event Arthritis Show Honoring Len Immke BT and COMG host the all British Section
- 18 Cincinnati British Car Day

**August**

- 3 BT Business and social meeting
- 7 British Car Day Dayton, OH
- 13 Toaster Factory Summer Party, Indiana, PA (Tentative date)

**September**

- 7 BT Business and social meeting
- 18? 6Pack Trials in WISC
- 24 BT Driving event to SCCA races at Mid-Ohio

**October**

- 4 BT Business and social meeting
- 16 BT Driving event open

**November**

- 1 BT Business and social meeting

**December**

- 6 BT Business and social meeting

**The Continuing Adventures Of...**

February 2004: By Bruce Clough ([clough@erinet.com](mailto:clough@erinet.com))

**The Silence Continues**

Well, not as silent as before. The basement is almost done, which is a good thing since the Miami Valley Triumphs Superbowl party is being hosted here this weekend. I actually did look at the TR8 and said to myself that I probably should check the cam wear this Spring..

That's a start!

**Tech Tips From The Internet****Brake Boosters**

The brakes on my 78 TR7 have developed a very hard pedal and a noticeable increase in stopping distance. The pedal remains firm (hard) and does not bleed off the vacuum when the engine is turned off. Is this a symptom of a failed brake servo unit? If so, who rebuilds these units and is there are build kit available? Thanks for your help,

Richard, Huntsville, AL

**The First Testimonial;**

I also sent the Booster from my 8 to Partco in September. It cost \$95, plus \$6.50 shipping. Gary did a fantastic job on it, both appearance and function. For a few dollars more, and an extra few weeks, he also offers to send the body out to a plater for the correct gold plate. I opted for the black paint finish, it looks fine in the engine bay with my Holley carb, Edelbrock manifold, and headers.

Steve Klein [klassiccar@aol.com](mailto:klassiccar@aol.com)

**A Second Testimonial**

Folks: I can also vouch for the quality of Partco's work. They do an excellent job and are very reasonably priced. I sent them the booster from our blue 8, which looked OK from the outside but was in very bad shape inside (severely rusted) - almost beyond repair. However, since genuine 8 boosters are scarce, Gary went the extra mile (or several) to save it.

Regards,

Brad [www.wedgeparts.com](http://www.wedgeparts.com)

**Address**

Partco Automotive> 1494 State Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45204-1758 513-471-9723 [www.partcoautomotive.com](http://www.partcoautomotive.com)

***I Thought Hummers Were Supposed To Be Reliable?***

Wedgers:

You are going to love this one: At the recent Detroit Auto Show, I stuck my head inside a Hummer H1 -- you know the big civilian version of the military truck. For some reason, I gazed up at the headliner just above the passenger doors and what do you suppose I saw?

Yes, the three-position door lights for the TR7 and TR8. My jaw dropped. I pulled one out of the headliner, and damn, it's the same thing as what's on our cars. The finish is black, not chrome. But so what. They cost \$18 bucks each at the Hummer dealer. Check it out.

I've got a couple on order. When they get here, I will put them on and let you know how they fit and work. I see no reason why they shouldn't be perfect. They are the same thing. Cool. Now we can go to the Hummer dealer say to the parts man, "I need some interior lights for my Triumph TR8." He'll love that!

Richard Truett

***Vendor Watch '04***

To the list: Am sending the happiest of Holidays and the BEST in 2004.

Do not order from [britpart@worldonline.nl](mailto:britpart@worldonline.nl) Have had frequent communications with this company. Told me they had the TR8 sun visors- original and other items. Inquired about ordering and got the run-around. Went to the website and found it written in Dutch. Then, I asked about the process to order since I did not understand the site language. Got an angry response that they did not want to deal with Americans who "obviously had issues with their cars". I was promised pictures and finally was informed they were much too busy to send pictures.

John1980 TR8

**Epilogue**

That's it for this month. Maybe next month I'll actually have done something on a Triumph...



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**Items from the Internet**

**From:** Fabrizio Comi [fabcomi@tin.it](mailto:fabcomi@tin.it)  
**To:** [webmaster@buckeyetriumphs.org](mailto:webmaster@buckeyetriumphs.org)  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 18, 2003 8:40 AM  
**Subject:** GT6R  
Hello, I am Fabrizio from Italy.

My project is to transform my Triumph GT6 MKII year 1968 in GT6R factory team Replica. This car is build in 1965 in factory team for LeMans Race, with 6 cylinders engine and Weber carburetors, body fastback, never use for races.

My question is:

You have the GT6R photos, articles or any documents for help my restore work? Survivor in word the original GT6R?

Tank you for your interest. Best regard

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From the 6-Pack List:

**Date:** Sat, 29 Nov 2003 20:08:57 -0800 (PST)  
**From:** [tr6taylor@webtv.net](mailto:tr6taylor@webtv.net) (Sally or Dick Taylor)  
**Subject:** Front Hub Bearing Float

List---Today seemed like a good time to post something I ran across a few weeks ago. The topic has come up a time or two, but what I found never included the following details, so here we go:



Bentley and other repair manuals (I assume) write that the front hub bearing end-float be set to .003-.005. Slacken the slotted nut, it tells you, to obtain this clearance. Fine, but how is this measured? Torqueing up this slotted nut to a value of 5 lbf feet can leave these wheel bearings far too loose, esp. if a new, felt grease seal was installed along with new bearings and races.

I always thought I set my own bearings much tighter than what is recommended, so I tried to follow the script more carefully this time. We know that the spindle and nut are 1/2"X20 threads per inch. This TPI would mean that turning the nut one full turn would be the equivalent of .050. One 'flat' on the nut would be close to .008.

If all of the end play were to be taken up by tightening this nut, using the recommended 5 lb. of torque, then backing off "one flat" as further recommended by the manual, could leave a running clearance of .008. Too much, and could permit wheel shake. That's when I rediscovered that there's another hole in the spindle in which to insert the cotter pin. Duh! This second hole happens to allow a new location half way between the slots in the nut. Now, the pin can be inserted with only.004 running clearance.

Many of you already knew this, I'm sure, but since this "other" hole is always covered up with grease, one needs to know it's there.

I still like to squeeze all of the air out of the gaps in the hub, before inserting the cotter pin. I do this by over torqueing the nut to where the hub won't turn by hand. Then back off on the nut and come at it again using the lighter torque. The hub should turn by hand. Now back off the nut and find the first "better" hole in which to insert the pin. You should end up with a running clearance between .003 and .005, as recommended....and no wheel shake.

Dick

Nelson sends the following new web site link:

[www.tr-register.com.au](http://www.tr-register.com.au)

From Club member Ron Fowler:

**From:** tr8@att.net [mailto:tr8@att.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 18, 2004 10:11 AM  
**Subject:** Dean's Diner

To all:

The following was on the Spitfire list - just saw it this morning as I was going through old email, don't know if you saw it:

**Date:** Sat, 3 Jan 2004 20:37:12 -0500  
**From:** "Fred Thomas" vafred@erols.com  
**Subject:** sad news

For the folks that have been attending TRF summer party over the years, Mr. Darrel Dean of Dean's Diner in Indiana passed away yesterday, a very long time racer / owner / supporter of the T/R hobby, good man to visit and talk with, he will be missed. "FT"

## 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  
 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  
 Send or bring your articles to Bob Mains. Turn-around is usually about 2-4 weeks. (Names or lettering can be added for additional costs).

## Comedy Clips

*From my business partner James Franchello:*

### Useful Military Warnings:

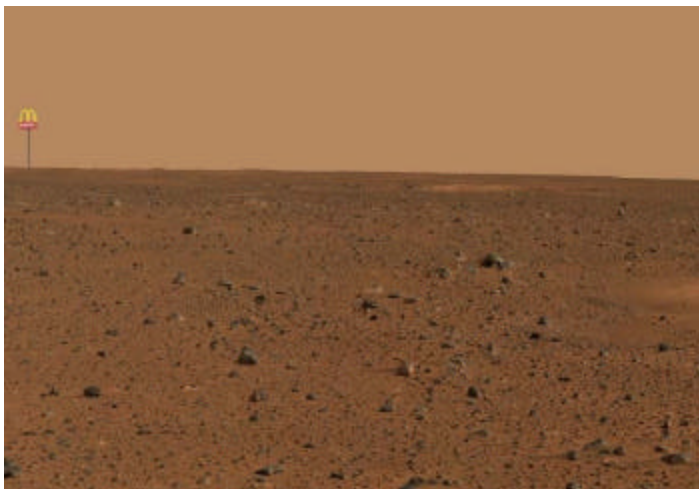
- "Aim towards the Enemy."  
Instruction printed on U.S. Rocket Launcher
- "When the pin is pulled, Mr. Grenade is not our friend." - U.S. Army
- "Cluster bombing from B-52s is very, very accurate. The bombs are guaranteed to always hit the ground." - U.S.A.F. Ammo Troop
- "If the enemy is in range, so are you." - Infantry Journal
- "A slipping gear could let your M203 grenade launcher fire when you least expect it. That would make you quite unpopular in what's left of your unit." - Army's magazine of preventive maintenance

- "It is generally inadvisable to eject directly over the area you just bombed." - U.S. Air Force Manual
- "Try to look unimportant; they may be low on ammo." - Infantry Journal
- "Tracers work both ways." - U.S. Army Ordnance
- "Five-second fuses only last three seconds." - Infantry Journal
- "Bravery is being the only one who knows you're afraid." - Col. David Hackworth
- "If your attack is going too well, you're probably walking into an ambush." - Infantry Journal
- "No combat-ready unit has ever passed inspection." - Joe Gay
- "Any ship can be a minesweeper ... once." - Anonymous
- "Never tell the Platoon Sergeant you have nothing to do." - Unknown Army Recruit
- "Don't draw fire; it irritates the people around you." - Your Buddies  
(And lastly)
- "If you see a bomb technician running, try to keep up with him." - U.S. Ammo Troop

Rod Yost sends the following photos under the subject: "Tell me again why I'm fired":



Steve Hughes sends the following photo from Mars:







Darwin Awards for 2003:

It's that time of year once again... Time for this year's Darwin Awards.

For those that don't know what the Darwin Awards is, it is an award for removing your genes from the gene pool so that others won't inherit the same stupidity genes that you were born with.

**First Place** - When his 38-caliber revolver failed to fire at his victim during a holdup in Long Beach, California, would-be robber James Elliot did something that can only inspire wonder: He peered down into the barrel and tried the trigger again. This time it worked.

And now, the honorable mentions:

- The chef at a hotel in Switzerland lost a finger in a meat cutting machine and, after a little hopping around, submitted a claim to his insurance company. The company, suspecting negligence, sent out one of its men to have a look for himself. He tried the machine out and lost a finger. The chef's claim was approved.
- A man who shoveled snow for an hour to clear a space for his car during a blizzard in Chicago returned with his vehicle to find a woman had taken the space. Understandably, he shot her.
- After stopping for drinks at an illegal bar, a Zimbabwean bus driver found that the 20 mental patients he was supposed to be transporting from Harare to Beltway had escaped. Not wanting to admit his incompetence, the driver went to a nearby bus stop and offered everyone waiting there a free ride. He then delivered the passengers to the mental hospital, telling the staff that the patients were very excitable and prone to bizarre fantasies. The deception wasn't discovered for 3 days.
- An American teenager was in the hospital yesterday recovering from serious head wounds received from an oncoming train. When asked how he received the injuries, the lad told police that he was simply trying to

see how close he could get his head to a moving train before he was hit.

- A man walked into a Louisiana Circle-K, puts a \$20 bill on the counter, and asked for change. When the clerk opened the cash drawer, the man pulled a gun and asked for all the cash in the register, which the clerk promptly provided. The man took the cash from the clerk and fled, leaving the \$20 bill on the counter. The total amount of cash he got from the drawer? \$15. (If someone points a gun at you and gives you money, was a crime committed?)
- Seems this Arkansas guy wanted some beer pretty badly. He decided that he'd just throw a cinder block through a liquor store window, grab some booze, and run. So he lifted the cinder block and heaved it over his head at the window. The cinder block bounced back and hit the would-be thief on the head, knocking him unconscious. Seems the liquor store window was made of Plexiglas. The whole event was caught on videotape.
- As a female shopper exited a New York convenience store, a man grabbed her purse and ran. The clerk called 911 immediately, and the woman was able to give them a detailed description of the snatcher. Within minutes, the police apprehended the snatcher. They put him in the car and drove back to the store. The thief was then taken out of the car and told to stand there for a positive ID. To which he replied, "Yes, officer, that's her. That's the lady I stole the purse from."
- The Ann Arbor News crime column reported that a man walked into a Burger King in Ypsilanti, Michigan, at 5 a.m., flashed a gun, and demanded cash. The clerk turned him down because he said he couldn't open the cash register without a food order. When the man ordered onion rings, the clerk said they weren't available for breakfast. The man, frustrated, walked away.
- Kentucky: Two men tried to pull the front off a cash machine by running a chain from the machine to the bumper of their pickup truck. Instead of pulling the front panel off the machine, though, they pulled the bumper off their truck. Scared, they left the scene and drove home. With the chain still attached to the machine. With their bumper still attached to the chain. With their vehicle's license plate still attached to the bumper. They were quickly arrested.
- **A 5-STAR STUPIDITY AWARD WINNER!** When a man attempted to siphon gasoline from a motor home parked on a Seattle street, he got much more than he bargained for. Police arrived at the scene to find an ill man curled up next to a motor home near spilled sewage. A police spokesman said that the man admitted to trying to steal gasoline and plugged his siphon hose into the motor home's sewage tank by mistake. The owner of the vehicle declined to press charges, saying that it was the best laugh he'd ever had.



And Finally, this from Bruce Clough:

**YOU KNOW YOU'RE TRAILER TRASH WHEN...**

1. The Halloween pumpkin on your porch has more teeth than your spouse.
2. You let your twelve-year-old daughter smoke at the dinner table in front of her kids.
3. You've been married three times and still have the same in-laws.
4. You think a woman who is "out of your league" bowls on a different night.
5. Jack Daniel's makes your list of "most admired people."
6. You wonder how service stations keep their restrooms so clean.
7. Anyone in your family ever died right after saying, "Hey y'all watch this."
8. You think Dom Perignon is a Mafia leader.
9. Your wife's hairdo was once ruined by a ceiling fan.
10. Your junior prom had a daycare.
11. You think the last words of the Star Spangled Banner are, "Gentlemen start your engines."
12. You lit a match in the bathroom and your house exploded right off its wheels.
13. The bluebook value of your truck goes up and down, depending on how much gas is in it.
14. You have to go outside to get something from the fridge.
15. One of your kids was born on a pool table.
16. You need one more hole punched in your card to get a freebie at the House of Tattoos.
17. You can't get married to your sweetheart because there's a law against it.
18. You think loading a dishwasher means getting your wife drunk.
19. Your toilet paper has page numbers on it.
20. Somebody hollers "Hoe Down" and your girlfriend hits the floor.
21. If you have a complete set of salad bowls and they all say Cool Whip on the side....
22. If the biggest city you've ever been to is Wal-Mart...
23. If your working T.V. sits on top of your non-working T.V...
24. If you thought the Una-bomber was a wrestler...
25. If you've ever used your ironing board as a buffet table...
26. If you think a quarter horse is that ride out in front of the K-Mart...
27. If your neighbors think you're a detective because a cop always brings you home...
28. If a tornado hits your neighborhood and does \$100,000 dollars worth of improvement...
29. If you've ever used a toilet brush as a back scratcher
30. If you've ever asked the preacher "How's it hangin'?"
31. If you missed 5th grade graduation because you had jury duty...
32. If you think fast food is hitting a deer at 65 mph...
33. If somebody tells you that you've got something in your teeth and you take them out to see what it is...
34. If you've ever stared at a can of orange juice because it said concentrate...
35. If you've ever been too drunk to fish.
36. If you don't understand why the first 35 are funny.

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From the internet:

**From:** [Mark Alderman](#)

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2004 8:34 AM

**Subject:** For Sale Car Ad

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